

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARTIN'S

Sunday, July 30th

- 9:45am Nursery open for ages 0-4
- 10:00am Summer Worship**
- 11:30am Family Choir Rehearsal
- 11:15am Strategy Task Force Meeting

Monday, July 31st

- 12:30pm-7:00pm Bread For All Food Pantry

Tuesday, August 1st

- 9:00am WELCA Tack & Pack

Wednesday, August 2nd

- 1:00pm Zoom Book Study
- 5:30pm Volunteer Committee Chairs Meeting

Saturday, August 5th

- 9:30am Saturday Morning Meet Up—Easy Tiger—The Linc

Sunday, August 6th

- 9:45am Nursery open for ages 0-4
 - 10:00am Summer Worship**
 - 11:30am Middle School/High School Student/Parent Lunch with Austin Shortes
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WELCOME AUSTIN SHORTES—YOUTH MINISTER

Austin is a 2023 Texas State University graduate with a bachelor's degree in music. He grew up in Seminole, TX. He has extensive experience as a church summer camp counselor, working with elementary, middle school and high school students and felt his call to ministry through that work. Austin joins us as a graduate student of the Center for Youth Ministry Training through Austin Presbyterian Seminary.

SUMMER WORSHIP

Worship, Extend, Advocate and Rally

During our summer worship services we continue to explore what it means to advocate for justice, righteousness, and mercy with our time, property, and power. Our Strategy Task Force will be leading us on August 6th and 13th to consider how we plan to live into our values for many years to come.

Anyone can sing here at St. Martin's!!

Want to sing in the choir but don't want the commitment of being part of St. Martin's regular choir? Sing in our Family Choir during worship on August 6th. There will be a rehearsal after worship **today** with Music Director Tim O'Brien.

Adults and kids of all ages are welcome—come and sing as a family.

Saint Martin's July Benevolence

The July benevolence is Meals on Wheels Central Texas, an organization that seeks to nourish and enrich the lives of the homebound and others to promote independent living. This is one of the largest meal-delivery organizations in the state, distributing 3,000 meals daily. MOWCTX believes in holistic case management and offers the following services: in home care, minor and major home repairs, grocery shopping assistance, meals for the nutritionally at risk, veteran services, problem-solving therapies, Alzheimer's respite care and pet health care.

WELCA Tack & Pack needs School Supplies

Help fill backpacks for students around the world. We need **Spiral Notebooks (70 count) and 24 count Crayons**. We are always in need of Irish Spring soap for hygiene kits too! Leave your donations in the BLUE BUCKET just inside the Church office doors.

Upbring/Move-In Ministry

Help young adults move out of foster care and into their own apartments by donating small furniture items.

Connect with **Susan Jensen** for more details about items needed.

Bread for All Food Pantry every Monday

@ Faith Presbyterian Church, 1314 E. Oltorf.

Food bag preparation is 12:30-5pm, distribution is 5-6:30pm, and cleanup 6:30-7pm.

Come when you can and stay as long as you can.

BFA uses about 100 reusable plastic shopping bags (like you get from HEB) every week. Drop your extras in the BFA donation box in the St. Martin's lobby and they will be filled with groceries for our neighbors.

SMLC Saturday Morning Meetup

August 5, 9:30 a.m., Easy Tiger-The Linc

Get your Saturday started off right by joining your SMLC friends for a delightful time at Easy Tiger Bake Shop, located at The Linc. Invite a friend and enjoy the shade and misters of the relaxed outdoor space that's kid & dog friendly (or meet indoors if you prefer AC). It's the perfect sport for fun-filled chat over tasty breakfast treats! Note that this is Easy Tiger's north location (The Linc shopping center, east of the ACC Highland campus), and this will be a pay-as-you-go event. We can't wait to see you there!

Saint Martin's Community Sunday

August 20 10AM JAZZ Worship

with Potluck and Ministry Fair following the service.

Join us for a fun and festive potluck lunch and take some time to find out more about the St. Martin's ministries and programs in which you can participate.

Fall Women's Retreat September 22-25 in Galveston

At the Table—WIT, WISDOM & RECIPES

Ladies plan to join us to share laughter, learnings, memories and more in the beautiful Lutherhill Galveston Retreat Center.

We will be creating art for our first-in-a-long time St. Martin's Cookbook, delving into the stories of the "Nameless" Women in the Bible, eating together and exploring Galveston. Don't worry about driving—we're taking the church bus, so plan to join us.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Family and friends of Carolyn McDaniel; Rachel; those going through hard times; Judy Salmon; Rachel; family and friends of Lori Ashcraft; family and friends of Cherie Henderson; cancer researchers and effective treatments; safe travels for summer vacationers; Brenna Gill; Craig Pauling; Michael Kenney; Chris Smith; Myra Mallick

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR

JoAnn Buerger; John Sommer; Kent Mickelson; Tom Hoelzel; Deb Johnson; Bill Martin; Anita Tiller; Milton Felger; Sam Gourley; Dean Haynie; Ronnie Johnson; Peter Jordahl; Walt Knauff; Arvid Larson; Pat Larson; Doris McGaughy; Carolyn Elmshaeuser

Our St. Martin's Values:

We **Worship** God and deepen relationships with one another through Lutheran faith traditions, including engaging liturgy, inspiring music, and lifelong faith formation.

We **Extend** God's inclusive gift of welcome to all people, especially those historically excluded from traditional church communities.

We **Advocate** for justice, righteousness, and mercy with our time, property, and power.

We **Rally** everyone to use our God-given gifts and talents to love, share, and serve all of God's creation boldly.

WEAR reminds us to wear the full armor of God.

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