

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARTIN'S

Sunday, August 13th

9:45am Nursery open for ages 0-4

10:00am Summer Worship

11:30am Strategy Task Force Meeting

Monday, August 14th

Church Office and School Closed

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

Tuesday, August 15th

Church Office and School Closed

9:00am WELCA Tack & Pack

Wednesday, August 16th

Church Office Closed

7:00am-4pm Preschool Teacher In-service

1:00pm Zoom Book Study

Thursday, August 17th

Church Office Closed

7:00am-4pm Preschool Teacher In-service

Friday, August 18th

Church Office Closed

7:00am-4pm Preschool Teacher In-service

Sunday, August 20th

9:45am Nursery open for ages 0-4

10:00am Jazz Worship

11:30am Community Potluck and Ministry Fair

SUMMER WORSHIP

Worship, Extend, Advocate and Rally

Today the St. Martin's Strategy Task Force will lead us as we consider our purpose for the next five years and beyond. The following is a proposed purpose statement prepared by the Strategy Task Force for your consideration, reflection and comment: **St. Martin's purpose for the next 5 years is to invite each other to leave busyness and loneliness behind and to discern and pursue in community and connection, "What is worth wanting in life?"**

We welcome Rev. Travis Fitzgerald as he presides today while Pr. Ellen is with a group of St. Martin's members at Holden Village. Please contact Business Manager Katherine Lutter (512.402.3082) for any emergency needs while Pr. Ellen is away.

NEXT SUNDAY August 20 Saint Martin's Community Sunday

10AM JAZZ Worship, Potluck and Ministry Fair

Join us for a great jazz worship service followed by a fun and festive potluck lunch where you can find out more about St. Martin's ministries and programs.

MINISTRY LEADERS and COORDINATORS

Please contact your Committee Chair or stop by the Welcome Desk to sign up for a table at the Ministry Fair. Every volunteer group in the church needs representation! If you want others to know about something you love to do at St. Martin's, sign up for a table.

SEPTEMBER 10 RALLY DAY

Our Program Year begins September 10th

9AM Family Service

Faith Formation for children and adults between services

11AM Traditional Service

Fall Women's Retreat September 22-24 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. Cost is \$240/person including accommodations, transportation and meals.

Registration is OPEN. Sign up at the Welcome Desk today.

Saint Martin's August Benevolence

The August benevolence is the Lutheran Campus Ministry Austin. Your gift will support LuMin as it serves the campuses of UT, ACC and St. Edward's with a mission to radiate God's love and grace through embracing all, serving boldly and working for peace and justice. Find out more about this program on the St. Martin's website www.saintmartins.org.

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.

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.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Family and friends of Fred Evans; Greta Myers; Werner Tiller; Fred Evans; Elisabeth Williams; family and friends of Judy Salmon; Tom Dodd; family and friends of Carolyn McDaniel; family of Ryan Charbeneau; Rachel; those going through hard times; family and friends of Lori Ashcraft; family and friends of Cherie Henderson

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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