

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARTIN'S

Sunday, September 17

- 8:45am Nursery open for ages 0-4
- 9:00am Family Worship (live streamed)**
- 9:45am Chapel Gathering for children
- 10:00 am Faith Formation for All Ages - see below
- 11:00am Traditional Worship**
- 1:00pm Youth at Round Rock Express

Monday, September 18

- 9:00am St. Martin's Lunch Bag Ministry
- 6:30pm Council Meeting (Parlor)

Tuesday, September 19

- 9:00am WELCA Tack & Pack
- 9:00am St. Martin's Lunch Bag Ministry

Wednesday, September 20

- 9:00am St. Martin's Lunch Bag Ministry
- 1:00pm Zoom Book Study
- 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal
- 8:15pm Bell Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 21

- 9:00am St. Martin's Lunch Bag Ministry

Friday, September 22

- 9:00am St. Martin's Lunch Bag Ministry

Friday-Sunday, September 22-24

- Fall Women's Retreat - Lutherhill Galveston Retreat Center

Saturday, September 23

- 5:00pm Contemplative Worship (Chapel)**

Sunday, September 24

- 8:45am Nursery open for ages 0-4
- 9:00am Family Worship**
- 9:45am Chapel Gathering for children
- 10:00 am Faith Formation - All ages
- 11:00am Traditional Worship (live streamed)**

Faith Formation for All Ages!

Godly Play (3rd floor Sunday School Room)

JAM (3rd floor Room 313)

Confirmation (1st Floor - Youth Room)

High School (1st Floor - Youth Room)

Adult Classes:

Come As You Are (Parlor)

Crossways Bible Study (Room 230)

We have multiple adult Faith Formation options starting for the fall!

- Join a Companions in Christ small group to explore the depths of scripture, learn to listen to God, and allow your life to be shaped by the Word. Beginning September 24, these covenant groups will meet Sunday right after lunch, Sunday 7 PM, and Tuesday 5:30 PM . There's a space just for you!
- Participate in Crossways Bible Study for an academic reading of the Bible in two years. Meets on Sundays at 10 AM in room 230.
- Drop in to Come As You Are on Sundays at 10 AM in the Parlor. This is a casual environment to build community and explore faith. The class is loosely modeled on Faith 5 principles of Share, Read, Talk, Pray & Bless.
- Looking for more information or not seeing something that gets you excited?
Contact Anita Salmon.

Fall Women's Retreat September 22-24 in Galveston

At the Table—WIT, WISDOM & RECIPES

There is still time to register for the retreat - Please contact Katherine Lutter or check the St. Martin's website (www.saintmartins.org) to sign up.

Let's Go Out to a Ballgame!

Saint Martin's is going to a Round Rock Express game!
Join us TODAY, September 17th, right after the 11am service
for a great afternoon of baseball, fellowship and hot dogs!



Lutheran Men in Mission Gathering



The men of the Southwestern Texas Synod Lutheran Men in Mission are gathering to rejuvenate the Synod LMM. We will be meeting at Zion Lutheran Church in Helotes (San Antonio) on September 30th, 2023. The theme for our gathering is "WHAT CAN LMM DO FOR YOUR CONGREGATION?" We want to help you start or improve the Men's ministry in your congregation. The gathering will start at 8:30 AM and run through 3:00 PM and will include presentations from the LMM Board, our local synod, and members of the Zion Church. We will also have a required business meeting to elect officers and start developing plans for the future. We are requesting a free will offering to cover the cost of coffee, tea, water, and snacks. We will provide sandwiches for lunch. For those men who would like to arrive on Friday morning, we will be putting together a group to help at a Habitat for Humanity build site.

For more information, you may pick up a flyer at the Welcome Center in the narthex.

Safety Training Day!

This Fall, St. Martin's is focusing on safety training for the congregation. This training is highly encouraged for all volunteers and ushers. Our first session will cover CPR, First Aid, and Stop the Bleed training. Please join us on Saturday, September 30, from 9-1 in the Fellowship Hall.

Our Lunch Bag Ministry Needs Volunteers!

If you can give 2 hours - 9am-11am - on Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday, of each week, please consider volunteering to hand out lunch bags to our homeless neighbors.

Contact Penny Davis, (pennyfdavis2112@gmail.com)

Saint Martin's September Benevolence

St. Martin's Preschool Scholarship Fund

St. Martin's preschool offers year round programs for children 3 months to Pre-K. The children are instructed by a team of excellent faculty members who are experts in their fields and exhibit a loving, patient attitude toward children in their care. The September benevolence is the Jean Coburn Hill Scholarship Fund. The fund benefits lower income children that would not have the financial resources to attend our top quality program. Your support of the program extends our reach further through the community.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Life, family and friends of Victoria; Lorraine Cheleen Newman; Rev. David Peterson; Beth, Lincoln, & Scarlett; Randy; Bonnie and Casey; Sue; Larry; Diane; Kelly Hibbs; Tristin; Jeannie Preston; all those who suffered loss in fires in Maui and across Central Texas; Jackson, Dana, Jeannie; life, family and friends of Cookie; life, family and friends of Mark; life, family and friends of Hart

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR

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

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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