THIS WEEK AT ST. MARTIN'S

Sunday, September 24 8:45am Nursery open for ages 0-4 **Family Worship** 9:00am 9:45am Chapel Gathering for children Faith Formation for All Ages - see below 10:00 am Traditional Worship (live streamed) 11:00am St. Martin's Serves at Mobile Loaves and Fishes 12:15pm Monday, September 25 St. Martin's Serves Lunch Bag Ministry 9:00am Tuesday, September 26 WELCA Tack & Pack 9:00am St. Martin's Serves Lunch Bag Ministry 9:00am Stephen Ministry Meeting (Room 230) 7:00pm Wednesday, September 27 St. Martin's Lunch Bag Ministry 9:00am 1:00pm Zoom Book Study 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal 8:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal Thursday, September 28 9:00am St. Martin's Serves Lunch Bag Ministry Friday, September 29 9:00am St. Martin's Serves Lunch Bag Ministry Saturday, September 30 5:00pm **Contemplative Worship (Chapel)** Sunday, October 1 Creation Sunday Nursery open for ages 0-4 8:45am 9:00am Family Worship (live streamed) Chapel Gathering for children 9:45am Faith Formation - All ages 10:00 am **Traditional Worship** 11:00am

Faith Formation for All Ages!

Godly Play (3rd floor Sunday School	Adult Classes:
Room)	Come As You Are (Parlor)
JAM (3rd floor Room 313)	Crossways Bible Study (Room 230)
Confirmation (1st Floor - Youth Room)	Companions in Christ
High School (1st Floor - Youth Room)	Sunday after lunch; Sunday 7pm; Tuesday 5:30pm

Do You Wonder...

How the altar is set up or where the altar vessels are kept? Who keeps the linens clean and ready for each service? These questions and more can be answered by the members of the Altar Guild who do the behind the scenes work and ministry of preparing the church for worship. When you see them, please thank Tom Blomquist, Nancy Schroeder, Virginia Haas, Donna Gunter, Mamie Hickerson, Carey Henderson, Joan O'Mara, Ann Henry, Connie and Bill Grosskopf, Anna Bergstrom, Dina Ortiz, Janis Ottmers, and Bunny Oliver. Please know that there is space for you if you would like to serve with the Altar Guild. Please contact Tom Blomquist or Nancy Schroeder for more information.

Ordination of Cecie Suknaic-Saulnier Sunday, October 1, 3:30pm - Triumphant Love Lutheran Church

The St. Martin's congregation is invited to attend and WEAR RED! More information can be found in St. Martin's Shares.

Next Sunday, October 1 - BOTH SERVICES

Creation Sunday and Pet Blessing

Bring your dogs, cats, goldfish, iguanas, chickens, and other non-human family members to receive their annual blessing during worship.

Farewell and Godspeed to Cason Miller

We will bid farewell to Cason Miller as he leaves his job as Director of Youth and Family Ministry to pursue other creative and creation-related work.

You are invited to bring a card, small plant from your garden, or creation/plant-related gift for him to thank him for his dedication to St. Martin's.

Thanks to Rev. Travis Fitzgold for preaching and presiding at our services today while Pr. Ellen is at the Women's Retreat in Galveston.

Pr. Travis leads our weekly Saturday 5PM Contemplative Communion Service in the chapel.



Lutheran Men in Mission Gathering

The men of the Southwestern Texas Synod Lutheran Men in Mission are gathering to rejuvenate the Synod LMM .

Zion Lutheran Church in Helotes (San Antonio) - September 30th, 2023.

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.

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 Milton Schultz, Jr.; life, family, and friends of Gladys Hermanson; cousin of Tom Blomquist; Dennis & Lynn Brandon; Meghan; Seric and Seth; Christie; Phil; 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 **<u>W</u>orship** God and deepen relationships with one another through Lutheran faith traditions, including engaging liturgy, inspiring music, and lifelong faith formation. We **<u>Extend</u>** God's inclusive gift of welcome to all people, especially those historically excluded from traditional church communities.

We **<u>A</u>dvocate** for justice, righteousness, and mercy with our time, property, and power.

We <u>**R</u>ally** everyone to use our God-given gifts and talents to love, share, and serve all of God's creation boldly.</u>

WEAR reminds us to wear the full armor of God.

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