THIS WEEK AT ST. MARTIN'S

Sunday, February 25

8:45am Nursery open for ages 0-4

9:00am Family Worship

9:45am Chapel Gathering for children 10:00am Faith Formation for all ages

11:00am Traditional Worship (live streamed)

12:00 Noon Pre-Youth Gathering meeting

1:00pm Steering from Busyness to Intention Workshop

Monday, February 26

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

4:30pm Bread for All

Tuesday, February 27

9:00am WELCA Tack & Pack

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

Wednesday, February 28

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

1:00pm Zoom Book Study 6:30pm Simple Supper 7:00pm Lenten Vespers 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

8:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 29

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

Friday, March 1

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Saturday, March 2

8:00am Mop and Hammer

Sunday, March 3

8:45am Nursery open for ages 0-4

9:00am
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10:00am
Family Worship (live streamed)
Chapel Gathering for children
Faith Formation for all ages

11:00am Traditional Worship

1:00pm Steering from Busyness to Intention Workshop

Wednesday Evening Vespers

Wednesday evenings in Lent we will gather at 7pm in the chapel to sing Holden Evening Prayer and reflect on letting go of the onerous labors that weary us so that we can embrace the worthy tasks that put our souls at ease. Our scripture text is Matthew 11:28-30.

Wednesday Evening Simple Suppers

You are invited to gather in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30 for a simple supper before Vespers.

St. Martin's Lenten Practice

St. Martin's Serves Lenten Opportunity



BREAD FOR ALL serves approximately 150 families weekly. They have requested donations of *reusable plastic shopping bags*. They are also in need of canned beans, oatmeal, and diapers (sizes 4, 5, & 6).

Please drop new or used green HEB or similar reusable bags and other items for Bread for All in the receptacle in the lobby, or use the QR code to donate funds (use the "Lent Drive" drop down tab). More information is in this week's issue of St. Martin's Shares email newsletter.



Give Now

Busyness to Intention Workshop Series Sundays, Feb 18 - Mar 24, 2024, 1-2:30 PM. - Fellowship Hall

Are you longing to break out of busyness? Do you hope to recenter? In this workshop, we will reflect on what drives us to busyness, consider what we miss when we are busy, assess personal roadblocks, and start an individualized practice of replacing busyness with intention.

Come join for casual lunch at Kesos Tacos after the 11:00am service.
600 W Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

Support at the End of Life

You are invited to join the Stephen Ministry on Tuesday, February 27, as they review insights from Barbara Karnes' book, *New Rules for End of Life Care*. Barbara is an award winning hospice volunteer and though leader on matters of end of life. Please join us as we learn more about supporting our family and friends through the last chapter of life. This will be a one hour session from 7-8pm in the Parlor.

Come As You Are Class

As the next installment in its ongoing Lenten series of topics related to the themes of passion, service and reflection, the Come as You Are class will present a video of the recent Austin Helps Honduras mission trip. This video shares the Honduran students' hopes and dreams. Everyone is welcome to join us in the Parlor today, Sunday, February 25th, at 10am.

Saint Martin's February Benevolence



Cross Trails Ministry is a year-round camp and retreat ministry operated by the congregations of the Southwest Texas Synod of the ELCA. There are two sites:

Lutheran Camp Chrysalis in Kerrville and Ebert Ranch Camp in Harper. The Cross Trails mission is to provide unique settings and experiences in which youth, adults and families are strengthened in their relationships with Christ, each other, the church and community. Youth from St. Martin's attend summer camp and retreats at the Cross Trails locations. 2024 Camp Chrysalis applications are open.

Middle & High School Youth News

Contact Austin Shortes (ashortes@saintmartins.org) for more information

Our next pre-Youth Gathering planning meeting is TODAY, February 25th, at 12 Noon.

Service Opportunity - The Youth of SMLC will serve grilled cheese sandwiches and tomato soup before Lenten Vespers on March 6th. Supper starts at 6:30pm, so please be at the church at 6pm to help cook!

Youth March Madness Prediction Challenge! All SMLC Youth are invited to fill out a Men's March Madness bracket and turn it in between Selection Sunday, March 17th and Wednesday March 20th. Pick up an extra blank bracket during the Lenten Simple Supper on the 20th. The winning bracket will receive a \$25 Apple or Google Play gift card!







The Mariposa Family Learning Center invites all to the "LEAPING for Mariposa!" Pickleball Tournament on Sunday, March 3rd, 2024, from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM at the Eastside Paddle Club. You will enjoy a fun-filled evening with pickleball for all skill levels, community fellowship, and the opportunity to support early childhood education in Southeast Austin's Montopolis community by helping provide scholarships for children ages 0-5 at Mariposa. Please visit the SMLC website for the link to the pickleball tournament page.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Liz Roberg; Mike Creasy; family of Eric Schvarda; Tyler Haas and ER staff in Kansas City; Cass Beere; Neuman Sidique; thanksgiving for new life and God's blessings on young families; Milton Felger

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR

Diane Bergstrom; John Sommer; Kent Mickelson; Deb Johnson; Bill Martin; Anita Tiller; Sam Gourley; Dean Haynie; Ronnie Johnson; Peter Jordahl; Walt Knauff; Arvid Larson; Pat Larson; Doris McGaughy

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