

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARTIN'S

Sunday, July 27

9:30am Nursery Opens (0-4yrs)

10:00am Summer Worship
(live streamed)

12:00pm St. Martin's Serves at
Mobile Loaves & Fishes

Monday, July 28

6:30pm Council Meeting

Tuesday, July 29

9:00am WELCA Tack & Pack

2:30pm Time with the Pastor

Wednesday, July 30

12:00pm Lectionary Study

12:00pm Farewell Party for
Alexis Redondo

1:00pm Theology Book Study

Saturday, August 2

8:00am Mop & Hammer

7:00pm Youth and Families -
Bowling at Highland Lanes

Sunday, August 3

9:30am Nursery Opens (0-4yrs)

10:00am Summer Worship
(live streamed)

11:30am Committee Chairs
Planning Meeting

Farewell for Preschool Assistant Director Alexis Redondo

Wednesday, July 30 | 12:00–2:00 p.m. | St. Martin's Fellowship Hall

The congregation of St. Martin's is warmly invited to a special farewell gathering honoring Alexis as she prepares to begin a new opportunity. Join us for a festive nacho bar, sweet treats, and a chance to express our gratitude for her faithful service and joyful leadership over the years. All are welcome—your presence would mean a great deal as we send Alexis off with heartfelt thanks and warm wishes.

Your Preschool Staff

WELCOME TO SUMMER WORSHIP AT ST. MARTIN'S TELLING OUR STORIES, SHARING OUR FAITH

This summer, our theme is "We Love to Tell the Story: Jesus' Parables and Stories from the St. Martin's Community." Jesus often taught through parables—simple, powerful stories that reveal deeper truths about God, humanity, and the world. In that same spirit, we'll be sharing stories from our own community throughout the season. We hope these stories inspire reflection, deepen our faith, and draw us closer together as a community rooted in grace, love, and hope.

This week, Ann Wall will share some of her story. Next week, Pr. Ellen and intern Janet Brehm Taylor will have a question and answer time about their faith journeys.

Sunday, August 10 - St. Martin's Serves Together

Bring your iPad, smartphone, or other device—and wear your comfy work clothes. During the worship service, we'll have interactive tech time to walk you through using our Realm Connect app. Afterward, stick around for lunch and a variety of hands-on projects to help spruce up the church and grounds. You can also donate blood at the onsite Bloodmobile, and pack lunch bags. Another way to help is to bring donations of diapers and canned goods for Bread for All, or school supplies for Tack & Pack. There's something for everyone—come ready to connect, give back, and have fun!

Beginnings, Backpacks, Blessings!

Kick off the school year with joy! On Sunday, August 17, St. Martin's will celebrate new beginnings with a special blessing during worship. Students, bring your backpacks and book bags, to be blessed—and leave with a gift to remind you that your church family is cheering you on all year long!



WELCA Backpack Supplies Needed

Back-to-school sales are on! As you shop, please consider picking up extra boxes of 24-count crayons or 70-sheet spiral notebooks. The blue bin in the lobby is ready for your donations. Help us reach our goal of 500+ school kits by November—thank you!



Time with the Pastor

2:30-3:30pm Tuesdays

Pr. Ellen is hosting an informal time for conversation when she will be in her office and available for casual visits without an appointment.

You can contact Pr. Ellen by phone or text at 512-537-8706
or email pastorellen@saintmartins.org

Saint Martin's July Benevolence Giving

The Move-In Ministry supports young adults who are aging out of foster care, through donations of time, apartment appropriate furniture, and dollars. Monetary donations are used to purchase new items, such as small appliances, dishes, sheets and towels. For more information, please email serves@saintmartins.org. To donate, use this QR code and choose Monthly Benevolence from the drop down list.



News from the Youth

The Youth will resume regular class schedule on September 7.

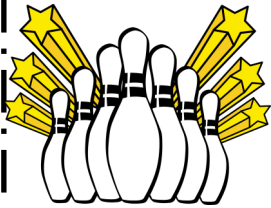
Upcoming Events:

August 2 - 7:00pm - Youth and Families Bowling at Highland Lanes

August 6 - Youth Game Night

August 13 - Youth Game Night

August 16 - St. Martin's Youth Serves at Mobile Loaves & Fishes



Continued Support for Our Neighbors Recovering from Flooding

You can give to the Southwestern Texas Synod Disaster Fund (which provides immediate relief) Use the QR code to access this fund.



WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

All those who have lost loved ones in the recent flooding; Kaitlynn Webb; family and friends of Dr. Woody Eichler; family and friends of Lorelei Priesmann; Judy Seymore; Syringa Bilberry; Staff of St. Martin's; JoAnne Buerger; Allyson and Josephine and all victims of Guadalupe River flood; families of those who drowned; those who are awaiting word on loved ones affected by the floods; recovery workers; family and friends of Bill Doyon; Elfie Bergstrom

WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR

Kent Michelson; Audrey Alpers; Diane Bergstrom; Deb Johnson; Bill Martin; Sam Gourley; Dean Haynie; Ronnie Johnson; Peter Jordahl; Walt Knauff; Arvid Larson; Pat Larson; Doris McGaughy

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