

ST. MARTIN'S Weekly Announcements

April 21, 2013

Serving in Worship

Ushers:	Ben Blomendahl, Kristin Blomendahl, Dave Edsall, Sara Wetz
Communion Assistants:	Tom Freeman, Barb Freeman, Linda Wetz, Judy Houston
Lector:	Julianne Page
Assisting Minister:	Doug Hole
Children's Message:	Marta Wallace
Communion Bread:	Debra Mangin
Communion Clean Up:	Carolynn Goldberg, Jean Gates
Hospitality:	Martha Hollenbeck, Carole Komenda, Lissy Umlandt
Organist:	Timothy Smith
Preacher and Celebrant:	Pastor Mary Miller-Zurell

Today's Prayer List: We include the following in our prayers: Kelly Adams, Ken Barnes, Charlene Brogan, Jina Eckhardt, Martha Edsall, the family of Gene Elliott, Angela Ellis, Louise Gebelein, Doug Hole, Jonathan, Don Kredensor, Sue Lanham, Ethel LaRue, Rhea Lee, Marilyn, Laird O'Neill, Pr. John Ranney, Sandy Raphael, Helen Rudderow, Charles Shott, Stephanie Spies, Mike Taylor, Lily Ann Weeks, SSG Tony Cecil, SSG Brendan Fossum, civilian Tim Junak, CAPT Robert Parsley, SGT Cara Riordan, OS1 John Shutt, Matthew Rhodes and family, and our homebound members — Donald Burkness, Ardith Diffendorfer, Muriel Eser, Louise Herklotz, Anna Robinson, and Betty Strohl.

Scripture Readings: Acts 9:36–43, Psalm 23, Revelation 7:9–17, John 10:22–30

Dedications: Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Linda Gleave's birthday by Larry and Patty Laubscher.

Today

We welcome several young people to the Lord's table for the first time. They and their families will be introduced and will receive Holy Communion before the choir.

Adult Forum: Pastor Fink is leading a series on the biblical book of Romans at **9 a.m.** in the library/lounge. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. If you forget your Bible, there are extras available—just come!

Learning

The **Monday Night Study Group** continues tomorrow evening at **7 p.m.** in the library/lounge. The topic is "Being Christian in a Complex World."

Service Opportunities

Lock-up Team: Thanks to Tim Doyle for locking up our church this past week. Bob Hruby (410-280-8862) will be locking up this week. If you live near the church and could devote an occasional week to help keep our facility secure, please call Tim Doyle at 410-974-9033.

Earth Day at St. Martin's: On **Monday, April 22, from 1 to 4 p.m.**, we will celebrate Earth Day by working on the rain gardens and other landscaped areas. We will weed and plant perennials in the rain gardens and beautify other landscaped areas at St. Martin's. Come participate for an hour or two! Bring gloves and a trowel. Volunteers from the Maryland Energy Administration will help us. Questions? Contact Betty or John Knupp at 410-956-4881.

Wedding Coordinator: If you like to help couples on the day of their wedding to assure that all goes as planned, you might make a wonderful Wedding Coordinator. See Pastor Mary or Molly Edsall for more info.

Light House Shelter Dinner: Thanks to Patty and Larry Laubscher, Susan McCahan, dotti Kauffman, LeAnn Myhre, and Patty, Tara, and Brian Kovalski for preparing the Light House Shelter dinner earlier this month. If you are interested in preparing a dinner on the second Monday of the month, there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. If you have any questions, please contact Barbara Freeman at 410-798-6612 or tombarb.freeman@verizon.net.

Spring cleaning? Flying Quilters is currently in dire need of fabric to assemble into quilt tops. We also collect sheets for the backs. If you'd like to join us, we will meet **Mondays, April 29, and May 13 from 10 a.m. to 2 pm.** Bring a lunch and stay for the whole time or come for whatever part of the day that you can. If you can put in a pin or tie a knot, we can use you. No experience or sewing ability is needed. We hope to see you there. For more information, call Judy Houston at 410-263-3888 or email djhouston1@comcast.net.

Homework Club: The Homework Club meets most Wednesdays from 4 to 5 p.m. tutoring children from the Newtowne Rec Center. We will be meeting **April 24 and May 8**. We are in desperate need of some new volunteers. We usually have between six to eight children each week. Most of the students this year have been in 1–3rd grade so knowledge of calculus is not required! If you would like to help or have any questions, please contact Barbara Freeman at 410-798-6612 or tombarb.freeman@verizon.net.

Other

Gene Elliott's Memorial Service: The memorial service/celebration of Gene's life will be on **Saturday, April 27th at 10:30 a.m.** at St. Martin's. Everyone is then invited to a luncheon reception, immediately following the service, to be held at the Annapolis Marriott (located at 80 Compromise Street). Instead of flowers, Mary Ann would like memorial donations to go to St. Martin's music ministry program. Gene was a very happy member of the choir and enjoyed being part of the concert series throughout the year. Of course, if you have a favorite charity you would rather use to honor Gene, that would certainly be appreciated, too. Cards and notes can be sent to Mary Ann and her family at 1196 New Church Lane, Annapolis, MD 21403-4659.

Save the date! Sunday, May 19th is Pastor Mary's last day at St. Martin's. It is also Pentecost Sunday, Confirmation Sunday, and the last day of Sunday School. A reception to welcome the new confirmands will be held immediately after our worship service that day. We will then adjourn to the church courtyard for a light luncheon and celebration in Pastor Mary's honor. Please come and wish her Godspeed as she travels to her new home in North Carolina where she will be joining her husband, Bill. More details to follow!

An Afternoon at the Theater—Saturday, May 4 at 2 p.m. You are invited to attend the performance of "Eleemosynary" by Lee Blessing at Compass Rose Theater (located at 49 Spa Road across from the Westin Hotel). This new location offers larger and more comfortable space. The group rate is \$20 per person rather than the regular cost of \$30. Checks should be made payable to Compass Rose Theater and given to Betty Knupp or put in her mailbox in the church office. The play is about the relationship of three women: grandmother Dorothea, daughter Artie, and her daughter, Echo, who is determined to win a national spelling bee and with it the admiration of her grandmother and mother. The word "eleemosynary" means to be charitable. The reviews have been terrific: "...one of the best productions in Annapolis in recent memory..." - *The Capital*; "...should be required viewing..." - *Bay Weekly*; and "...brilliant performance all around" - *DCMetro TheaterArts*. Contact Betty (410-956-4881) to attend or if you have any questions.

Shipment of Medical Supplies to Tanzania: For **April and May** we will use our Wishing Well (located in the narthex) to collect funds to help support the cost to transport a van of medical supplies to our Companion, the Mara Diocese of Tanzania. The approximate cost to ship the van is \$17,000. The medical supplies are donated and have a value of over \$350,000. Please take this opportunity to place your loose change and bills in the Wishing Well.

Volleyball every Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m. Anyone 14 or older is invited to play. There will be lots of fun. For questions, call Ches at 410-268-4756 or email sueches4@comcast.net.

2013 Vacation Bible School: Registration is now open! Our Vacation Bible School will be **July 8–12 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon**. Our theme is "Everywhere Fun Fair," a combination of state and world's fairs and stresses our relationship with our neighbors both locally and abroad. We will present five Bible stories (two from the Old Testament and three from the New Testament), all different from last year, and feature the countries of Japan, Australia, United Kingdom, Mexico, and Zimbabwe. We had a wonderful experience last summer and hope to make this one even better. We will have classes for age 4 through finished 4th grade. If you are in 5th grade or above, we would welcome you as a volunteer! You can register your child (or yourself as a volunteer) by visiting: stmartinsannapolis.org/outreach/vacation-bible-school/. If you can help in any way or have any questions, please contact Judy Houston at judyhouston2@gmail.com or 410-263-3888. We have a bin in the narthex to collect items on our **Vacation Bible School Wish List:** world globes, maps, tent canopy, items from other countries, blue cellophane or plastic wrap, dried beans (any variety), rice, unpopped popcorn, red plastic tablecloths (Dollar Store), sombreros, artificial tree, piñatas, swimming pool noodles, aluminum foil, white trash can, paper lanterns, bamboo, artificial fruits or vegetables, and straw mats. Please check the list often as new things will be added.

Flower, bulletin and candle dedications can be made each week to honor, remember, or celebrate a special person or event. The cost for a flower arrangement ordered from Sandi's is \$50, or you may bring an arrangement yourself at no charge. You may use one of our vases here or bring your own. The Candle Dedication is \$12 and the Bulletin Dedication is \$15. Please take an envelope from the board across from the church office, complete it, and return it to secure your dedication dates.

Opportunities This Week

Sunday, April 21	9:00 a.m.	Education Hour
	9:00 a.m.	Confirmation Class (Y)
	9:15 a.m.	Choir (S)
	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Communion (S) and First Communion
	11:30 a.m.	Confirmation Planning Meeting (Y)
Monday, April 22	6:00 p.m.	YAG Potluck Supper at Ben & Kristin's
	7:00 p.m.	Monday Night Study Group (L)
Tuesday, April 23	11:45 p.m.	Art History Class (A)
	6:30 p.m.	School Board (B)
Wednesday, April 24	7:00 p.m.	Volleyball (G)
	11:00 a.m.	Chapel
	1:00 p.m.	Staff Meeting (CF)
	6:15 p.m.	Bell Choir
	7:30 p.m.	Choir (S)
Thursday, April 25		
Friday, April 26	3:00 p.m.	Middle School Spring Dance (A, B, C)
	5:00 p.m.	Wedding Rehearsal
Saturday, April 27	9:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal for Memorial Service
	10:30 a.m.	Gene Elliott Memorial Service
	2:30 p.m.	Dolan/Castell Wedding
	5:00 p.m.	Wedding Rehearsal
Sunday, April 28	9:00 a.m.	Education Hour
	9:00 a.m.	Confirmation Class (Y)
	9:15 a.m.	Choir (S)
	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Communion (S)
	11:30 a.m.	Confirmation Planning Meeting (Y)
	4:00 p.m.	Jones/Nichols Wedding

Ministers

Interim Pastor: The Rev. Mary B. Miller-Zurell
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