

## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

FEBRUARY 16, 2014

### SERVING IN WORSHIP

<b>Ushers:</b>	Ches Lanham, Sue Lanham, Faye Wetherhold, Darrell Dempster
<b>Communion Assistants:</b>	Tom Freeman, Barbara Freeman, Larry Day, Doug Hole
<b>Lector:</b>	Julianne Page
<b>Assisting Minister:</b>	Joe Morrison
<b>Children's Message:</b>	Marta Wallace
<b>Kids' Time:</b>	Leslie Raabe
<b>Communion Bread:</b>	Mick & Paula Thistle
<b>Communion Clean Up:</b>	Tom & Barbara Freeman
<b>Hospitality Clean Up:</b>	Bob & Marianne Drumm
<b>Organist:</b>	Kerry Heyes
<b>Preacher:</b>	Bishop Wolfgang Herz-Lane
<b>Celebrant:</b>	Reverend Dr. David G. Oravec

**Today's Prayer List:** We include the following in our prayers: Shelby Bennett, Robin Bolig, Charlene Brogan, Marilyn Burke, Sandra Cwalina, Jina Eckhardt, the family of Randy Fox, Jean Gates and family at the death of her sister, Donna Lape Baldwin, Louise Gebelein, Jim Harden, Bill Jerman, Sue Lanham, Ethel LaRue, Cory Owens, June Peddicord, Helen Rudderow, Charles Shott, Pr. Alan Vomhof, Mildred Voytko, Lily Ann Weeks, Mark Whirley, SSG Tony Cecil, SSG Brendan Fossum, SGT Francis, civilian Tim Junak, CAPT Robert Parsley, MAJ Mark Saye, OS1 John Shutt, and our homebound members—Muriel Eser, Louise Herklotz, and Betty Strohl.

**Scripture Readings:** Deuteronomy 30:15–20, Psalm 119:1–8, 1 Peter 4:7–11, Matthew 10:40–42

### TODAY

We welcome **Bishop Wolfgang Herz-Lane** as our preacher this morning.

We rejoice with the **26 new members** being received into St. Martin's last week and today! Please take time to congratulate our newest brothers and sisters as we thank God for them. If you're interested in joining St. Martin's, please speak with Pastor Dave at any time. We welcome: Mike, Stephanie, Quinn, and Sullivan Crabtree, Lynn Gardner, Jennifer and Jack Henly, John Livingston, Greg and Tracey Maxwell, Karen McConnell, Katie Oravec, Ryan Parker, John, Emmy, Andrew, and Stefan Probasco, Lloyd, Nina, and Noah Ritter, Carleen Sanders, Gary, Kelly, Jack, and Eli Sherk, and Keith Stoltzfus.

**First Communion Instruction** will be held after worship (11:15 am) **today and next Sunday** in the Music Room/Chapel. Children will receive their **First Holy Communion on Transfiguration Sunday, March 2**. Interested? Please speak with Pastor Dave.

### SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

The **Altar Guild** will meet **Sunday, February 23** at 11:30 am in the lounge. The Altar Guild is responsible for preparing the altar for worship each Sunday. "Many hands make light work" and we would love to have some new members join us. We meet several times a year to help prepare for upcoming worship services and we also have the occasional "cleaning" party. The Altar Guild is not just for women. We have several men that serve on the guild so please come and join us! If you have any questions or would like more information, contact Barbara Freeman at 410-798-6612 or [tombarb.freeman@verizon.net](mailto:tombarb.freeman@verizon.net).

**Flying Quilters: Mondays, February 17, March 3 & 17, 10 am to 2 pm**, in Fellowship Room A. All are welcome to join, including non-sewers. Call Judy Houston at 410-263-3888 or email [djhouston1@comcast.net](mailto:djhouston1@comcast.net) for more info.

On **Ash Wednesday, March 5th**, there are two opportunities to worship—**12 noon and 7 pm**. Each Wednesday following we'll have a service preceded by a soup/salad supper. **Lenten Soup/Salad Sign-Ups:** We need volunteers to help cook the soup, make the salad, and help with set up/clean up. There is a sign-up sheet on the hallway bulletin board. Our Wednesday services in Lent will focus on the theme of forgiveness. Questions? Ask Pastor Dave!

**Sunday School Teacher Needed:** We are in need of someone to assist in teaching the 3rd/4th grade Sunday School class for the remainder of the school year. Please contact Sara Wetz ([slwetz@verizon.net](mailto:slwetz@verizon.net) or 410-956-6515).

**Hospitality Clean-Up Volunteers Needed:** We continue with "everyone please bring something to share" for fellowship, coffee, and goodies after Worship. Volunteers are still encouraged **for just one Sunday to help clean up**. Please sign up on the bulletin board, or contact Heather Tuckfield at [htuckfield@gmail.com](mailto:htuckfield@gmail.com). You will be shown exactly what needs to be done beforehand.

**Choir Opportunities—Please Join Us!** Bell Choir meets from 6:15 to 7:15 pm and Chancel Choir from 7:30 to 9 pm on Wednesdays.

**Lock-up Team:** Thanks to Ben Blomendahl for locking up our church this past week. Ches Lanham (410-268-4756) is locking up this week. If you could devote an occasional week to help keep our facility secure, please call Tim Doyle (410-974-9033).

Do you want to use your talent to the glory of God at St. Martin's? We have **training for lectors, assisting ministers, communion assistants, acolytes, torch bearers, and greeters/ushers**. Please contact Marianne Drumm (croftondrumms@gmail.com) or Linda Wetz (lkw@arinc.com) if you are interested—maybe even eager—to serve. Remember, it's God's work, but our hands!

## OTHER

**This Saturday, February 22** - All are invited to a **Tubing/Snowboarding/Ski Trip at Ski Liberty** in Carroll Valley, PA. Meet at St. Martin's to carpool at 8 am. If interested, please contact Marta Wallace as soon as possible for info (240-463-3746, mlwalla@verizon.net).

**Troop 771 Pancake Supper:** Boy Scout Troop 771 Pancake Supper will be held **Tuesday, March 4 from 4:30 to 7 pm**. You may purchase your tickets from any scout on Sundays in February in the Narthex after worship or at the door the day of the supper. (Note: If Anne Arundel County cancels school on March 4 due to weather, the Troop will postpone the Pancake Supper and it will be held the following Tuesday, March 11, 4:30–7 pm.) Questions about the supper? Please call or text Linda Danckwerth at 410-279-2376 or email danckwerth@verizon.net.

**Announcing "The Big Class" from ChurchNext and Augsburg Fortress, featuring Making Sense of the Cross and David Lose!** Endorsed by Pastor Dave! From Ash Wednesday, **March 5 through March 12**, get free instruction on Making Sense of the Cross via an open, online 45-minute course and discussion hosted by author David Lose. Participants can take the class anytime during the week at churchnext.tv. No special software is required. The Big Class is a worldwide online course for all who want to go further in their walk with Christ and is free to all. View the full press release on the ChurchNext blog site or register for The Big Class. ChurchNext creates online Christian learning experiences to invigorate lives and congregations. Making Sense of the Cross is part of the Making Sense series—a dialogue that encourages readers to bring their questions or doubts to the table.

**Music News:** On **Sunday, March 23, 4 pm, Felix Hell Plays Bach at St. Martin's:** Virtuoso (and Baltimore Symphony Orchestra) organist Felix Hell closes our season with a landmark performance featuring organ works of Johann Sebastian Bach with German chorales sung by St. Martin's Choir followed by a Q & A session. Refreshments will follow at this conclusion of our 50th Anniversary Concert Series (*\$10/\$5 students*). **Lebanon Valley College Concert Choir performs here, Thursday, March 27 at 7 pm:** Dr. Mark Mecham will be conducting the 82-voice choir on their annual Spring tour. The concert is free to the public and will consist of all types of choral literature.

**Save the Date!** St. Martin's Lutheran School's 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Silent Auction, "A Night on the Town," will be held on **Saturday, March 29, 2014**, at Loews Annapolis Hotel at 7 pm. For more information or to buy your tickets, purchase an ad/sponsorship, or to donate an item, please contact Paula Staudt at paulastaudt@verizon.net or 443-716-8179.

**Tuesday Volleyball, 7–9 pm** in the Gym. You must be at least 14 years old to play. The season will last through April. Please contact Ches Lanham if you have any questions (410-268-4756).

**A huge thank you to everyone** who helped make our **Chipotle Night & Soup Bar Fundraisers** a big success! Your continued support of the Youth Program is greatly appreciated...we couldn't do it without all your help. Stay tuned for another Soup Bar in March! Also, be sure to check out our **Sponsorship Board** in the Narthex now and sign up to help out a youth by giving \$10 or \$20 a month toward their Mission Trip expenses. Your help will go a long way!

**Would you like to advertise your business to our school and church community?** Sponsor an ad in next year's school calendar/handbook. We are starting to work on our 2014–2015 school calendar and handbook. See flyers in the Narthex. If you have questions, please contact Carol Campbell or Michelle Wineberg with J. M. Gaske at 443-286-7630.

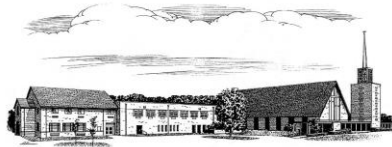
**The Best of Ireland:** Pastor Dave will be leading a tour to Ireland in **November**. If you are interested, please pick up a brochure in the Narthex or speak with him!

### Adult Bible Study Opportunities

- **Sundays, 9 am** with Paula Thistle in the music room.
- **Mondays, 7 pm** with Pastor Dave in the lounge.
- **Wednesdays, 7 am, Men's Bible Study/Breakfast** with Pastor Dave at the Double T Diner (West St. and Rt. 2).

## OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, February 16	8:30 am 9:00 am 9:15 am 10:00 am 11:15 am 5:30 pm	Special Council Meeting with Bishop Wolfgang Sunday School/Adult Bible Study/Confirmation Choir Rehearsal (S) Worship with Communion/Reception of New Members (S) First Communion Class (M) Confirmation Class Dinner with Pr. Dave (Noodles & Co.)
Monday, February 17	10:00 am 7:00 pm	<i>Winter Break – School Closed all week</i> <i>Church Office Closed for President’s Day</i> Flying Quilters (A) Adult Bible Study (L)
Tuesday, February 18	7:00 pm	<i>Building/Office Closed all day</i> Volleyball (G)
Wednesday, February 19	7:00 am 10:00 am 6:15 pm 7:30 pm	Men’s Bible Study (Double T Diner, Annapolis) Staff Meeting (CF) Bell Choir (S) Choir Rehearsal (S)
Saturday, February 22	8:00 am	Tube/Snowboard/Ski Trip (Ski Liberty)
Sunday, February 23	9:00 am 9:15 am 10:00 am 11:15 am 11:30 am 5:30 pm	Sunday School/Adult Bible Study/Confirmation Choir Rehearsal (S) Worship with Communion and Baptism (S) First Communion Class (M) Altar Guild (L) SHY Planning Mtg (Y)



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