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September Newsletter Deadline: 8/20

Pastor's Corner

We Lutherans are liturgical people. However, I've learned that within the Lutheran church, we often say the word (liturgical) but may be a little fuzzy on what it actually means.

The word comes two Greek words (Laos = the people and Ergon = work) and combined they mean the work, duty, or service of the people. This is why we call it a worship "service". It's our holy duty and joy to return thanks to God as our hearts are lifted in praise!

So being identified as liturgical Christians means that we're all in it together when we worship. It's not about watching Pastor Dave preach or Kerry and the choir perform. Rather, worship is about all of us lifting praises to God...and this matters.

God rejoices when we worship...and God is active for us when we gather too. God speaks to us through the Word and He blesses us at the table. The Holy Spirit moves within our fellowship. Our Sunday mornings are sacred. This liturgical worship "thing" that we do on Sundays -- it matters.

As a liturgical church we observe the seasons of the church year (e.g. Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, Pentecost, Sundays after Pentecost...and then back to Advent). Currently we're in those Sundays after Pentecost, sometimes called ordinary time. Some call it the long season (because it goes from May or June until late November or early December).

Additionally, each season has a color associated with it -- and these liturgical colors have meanings. So, the color for our current season is green. Green is the color of a living, growing plant. So my question is: Are you, growing in your faith life? In other words, are you regularly in worship (where God speaks to us through the Word and blesses us at the table)? Are you praying regularly? Are you in the Word daily (reading on your own or committed to a Bible study group)? Are you blessed by Christian fellowship? Do you actively and generously share your money, time, and talents for Christ's work in this world?

I know from experience that so many of you are and I thank God for your witness! I also thank God for the many ways that we're growing together at St. Martin's.

However, if these words reach you and you're not quite green (in the liturgical sense) right now...then I hope you'll recommit to the disciplines mentioned above. It begins with worship. After a commitment to Sunday worship each week is made, the other things begin to fall into place.

It's good to be green, growing in God's grace! As your pastor and friend I want the very best for you...and so, I hope and pray that I see you in worship soon, either at our new 8:00 service (outside) or at our wonderful 10:00 worship (I love them both!).

Thanks for your ministry and God bless you!

Your Brother In Christ,
Pastor Dave+



Shop for Hunger

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Shop for Hunger event, either by shopping together at Shoppers or filling a grocery bag to bring to church. We collected 48 cans of tuna, 34 boxes of cereal, 93 cans of fruits and vegetables, 73 cans of soups and stew, 33 boxes of spaghetti, 25 boxes of mac and cheese, 16 jars

of peanut butter and 15 jars of jelly along with a variety of other foods and personal products. If you still have a bag to fill you can bring it back to church at any time. Thanks for your support; it is much appreciated and we hope you will shop again with us next year!

Memorials Report

A donation has been given to the Music Ministry Fund in memory of **Betty Liller**, to commemorate her June 12th birthday, by her daughter, Kim Rosecrans.

There are several open funds within Memorials that loved ones can be remembered or honored on special days. Please direct your questions to Faye Wetherhold, the chair of Memorials, for further information. Thank you for your generosity to Memorials.

- Faye S. Wetherhold, Memorials Committee Chair



Garden Evening Workday at St. Martin's

Please join us on **Thursday, July 17 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm** to beautify our gardens. We will weed our rain gardens, the courtyard, the

area around the signs, and other landscaped areas. Bring gloves and a trowel and come even if you can stay only 45 minutes. Thanks!

We invite you to adopt a rain garden for the summer, weeding and watering as needed. You can choose the one you want to "adopt." Please let us know if you can help.

- Betty and John Knupp 410-956-4881

Vacation Bible School July 14 - 18

Thank you to everyone who has donated our requested items. We could use some extra helpers, especially on the Friday. If you are available, please contact Judy Houston (410-263-3888 or judyhouston2@gmail.com).



"God's Work, Our Hands"

"God's Work, Our Hands" - always true, but the entire ELCA will put special emphasis on making this statement our own in September, when we roll up our sleeves to work on two service projects in the local areas. All are welcome - young and not-so-young, church and school. St. Martin's bright gold T-shirts with "God's Work, Our Hands" emblazoned across the front will let others around the area know what we believe. Order forms with prices are available on the bulletin board in the Narthex and in both the church and school offices. Most sizes are only \$6.50. Please make your checks out to *Marianne Drumm* and turn them in to the church office (or to someone you know who can get them there!). For further information, contact Marianne at 410-721-2376 or croftondrumms@gmail.com. Orders will be placed in late July and early August.



Lutheran Campus Ministry

Every year, Lutheran Campus Ministry at the University of Maryland holds a school supplies drive to benefit children in need in nearby Langley Park, MD for "The Backpack Project". Last year, they donated over 350 backpacks to children who may not have the resources to get all the supplies they will need for the upcoming school year. St. Martin's has contributed many items in past years and we plan on doing so again this year. Please check the Weekly Announcements for the latest details and deadlines for donations.

Below is the Lutheran Campus Ministry list of requested school supplies to fill backpacks:

- Backpacks
- Pens: black, blue, or red
- #2 pencils (no mechanical pencils- kindergartners need "fat" pencils)
- Pink Erasers, or pencil top erasers
- Small pencil sharpener
- Glue sticks (no white glue)
- Ruler
- Student scissors (5+ style)
- Pencil pouch (clear is preferred)
- 3-ring binder (1 ½ inch)
- Set of dividers
- Box of crayons (kindergartners need "fat" crayons)
- Composition books
- Colored pencils
- Markers
- Several 2-pocket folders
- Wide ruled paper
- Highlighter
- Index cards



The Best of Ireland

Pastor Dave is leading a tour to Ireland in November of this year. Brochures are available in the Narthex or you can get one by talking with him. Not only will this trip to Ireland include the amazing scenery and people of the Emerald Isle, it will also enable participants to learn more about the beauty of Celtic spirituality. Pastor Dave has led 8 international tours in the past and is excited for his first tour with the people of St. Martin's. Everyone (including family and friends) are welcome. If you have questions, feel free to call Pastor Dave at 240-457-2043.

Coming Soon!

August 27 - Choir rehearsals start; 7:00 - 8:00 pm (*new time*)
All are welcome to join us.

September 7 - Sunday School starts with a Rally Day opening before we start our new rotational format this year!
Confirmation starts with a Cookout.

October 26 - Reformation Day - special music planned.

November 26 - We're hosting the Ecumenical Thanksgiving Eve Service that evening.

December 14 - Christmas Pageant during 10:00 am worship.
Candlelight Concert at 4:00 pm.

St. Martin's Evangelical Lutheran Church

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thanks so much for all of the cards, flowers, prayers and best wishes for recovery from my recent back surgery.

It lifted my spirits to know I had so many dear friends keeping me in their prayers and hearts.

Love and Blessings to all,

Sally Dempster

Congrats to Pastor Fink!

Check out the article in July 10's *THE CAPITAL*, page B7.
Pastor Russell Fink is ranked No. 1 nationally in men's 85 doubles and No. 2 nationally in singles by the United States Tennis Association. Pastor Fink also ranks high with our Men's Bible Study, Wednesdays, 7 am at the Double T Diner in Annapolis!

Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries

If your birthday or anniversary is not listed here, please provide the church office with the information so you can be included next time!

Birthdays

7/4 Judith Houston
7/5 Vickie LeDuc
7/10 Francine Gill
7/11 John Knupp
7/14 Thomas Freeman, Ella Madsen, Greta Stock
7/20 Chris Stock
7/21 Faye Wetherhold
7/22 Joseph Stensland, John Henley
8/7 Jolene Lanham
8/9 Julian Karam
8/11 Glenn Hollenbeck
8/13 Peter Doyle
8/17 Jeannette Brzozowsky, Verena Karam
8/21 Sue Lanham
8/23 Zoe Harner
8/28 Lissi Umlandt, Jean-Marie Harner
8/31 Carolynn Goldberg, Lynn Gardner

Anniversaries

7/13 Darrell and Sally Dempster

We love our Confirmands!



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7 am Men's Bible Study
 10 am Staff Mtg
 6:15 pm Softball

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8 am Worship (Courtyard)
 10 am Worship

6:15 pm Softball
 7 pm Adult Bible Study

7 pm Finance Committee
 7 pm Christian Ed Mtg

7 am Men's Bible Study
 10 am Staff Mtg
 6:15 pm Softball

9 am LMS Clothes Sorting
 7 pm VBS Volunteer Training Mtg

8 am VBS Set-Up

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8 am Worship (Courtyard)
 9 am Conf. Mtg
 10 am Worship with Youth & VBS Commissioning
 11:30 am SHY Lunch Mtg

9 am- 12 pm VBS
 5 pm Light House Shelter Dinner
 6:15 pm Softball
 7 pm Adult Bible Study

9 am- 12 pm VBS
 7 pm Church Council

7 am Men's Bible Study
 9 am- 12 pm VBS
 6:15 pm Softball

9 am- 12 pm VBS
 5:30 pm Garden Club Work Evening

9 am- 12 pm VBS
 12 pm VBS Closing & Lunch (Gym)
 12 pm Memorial Service for Carola Grubbs (Fellowship Rm)
 3:30 pm SHY leaves for San Diego Mission Trip

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8 am Worship (Courtyard)
 9:15 am Choir
 10 am Worship
 5:30 pm SHY Mtg

6:15 pm Softball
 7 pm Adult Bible Study

7 am Men's Bible Study
 10 am Memorial Service for Bob Franks
 6:15 pm Softball

7 pm Christian Ed Mtg

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8 am Worship (Courtyard)
 9:15 am Choir
 10 am Worship
 4:45 pm SHY returns from Mission Trip

6:15 pm Softball
 7 pm Adult Bible Study

7 pm Mutual Ministry Mtg

7 am Men's Bible Study
 10 am Staff Mtg
 6:15 pm Softball

Ongoing Events		
Sunday	10 am	Orthodox Church (B)
	7:45 pm	AA (A, B, and C)
Wednesday	6 pm	Cub Scouts (G)
	7:30 pm	Boy Scouts (G)
	7:45 pm	AA (A)
Saturday	4 pm	Orthodox Church (B)

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8 am Worship (Courtyard)
10 am Worship with Mission Trip Report

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7 pm Adult Bible Study

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7 am Men's Bible Study
8:30 am Tubing at Harpers Ferry
10 am Staff Mtg

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PM Wedding Rehearsal

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3:30 pm Michaelson/Ruppersburger Wedding

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8 am Worship (Courtyard)
10 am Worship

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5 pm Light House Shelter Dinner
7 pm Adult Bible Study

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7 pm Finance Committee

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7 am Men's Bible Study
10 am Staff Mtg

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8 am Worship (Courtyard)
10 am Worship

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7 pm Adult Bible Study

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9 am- 12 pm VBS
7 pm Church Council

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7 am Men's Bible Study
10 am Staff Mtg

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9am New Student Orientation for Day School

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10 am Worship with teacher and Backpack Blessing
5:30 pm SHY Mtg

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School starts for K-8 (Pre-K staggered entrances this week)
7 pm Adult Bible Study

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7 am Men's Bible Study
10 am Staff Mtg
6:30 pm YSC Mtg & Supper at Budney's home
7 pm Choir Rehearsal

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School closed for holiday weekend

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10 am Worship

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Education Hour: 9:00 a.m.

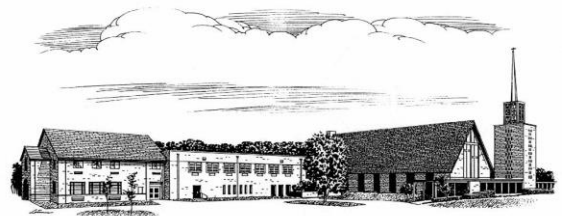
Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m.

St. Martin's Lutheran School

Pre K 3's through Grade 8

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**St. Martin's Mission Statement:
Welcoming all and growing together
to share God's love and serve Christ
with energy and joy!**