



## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

DECEMBER 21, 2014

**St. Martin's is a place where you can grow in faith, fellowship, and opportunities to serve God's people. We welcome all and look forward to growing together to share God's love and serve Christ with energy and joy.**

**Dedications:** The flowers are given to the Glory of God with thanksgiving for His many blessings.

Please pick up your **2015 OFFERING ENVELOPES** in the Narthex today!! If you have questions, please contact our Financial Secretary, Glenn Hollenbeck (410-224-5747). Thanks for your generous giving so that God's work may be done.

**Flying Quilters:** The Flying Quilters will meet again on Monday, **January 12 and 26** in Fellowship Room A/B from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. Any questions call or email Judy Houston at 410-263-3888/djhouston1@comcast.net.

**2015 Pledges:** THANKS to all who have already made pledges for the coming year. We have surpassed last year's pledges in both number of households and amount pledged (over twenty thousand dollars more, and growing). If you haven't been able to submit your pledge letter yet, we invite you to do so. An usher can help you with a form and you may place them in the "pledge basket" or hand them to Pastor Dave or Glenn Hollenbeck. Our offerings to our Lord through His church bless people far and wide. Thank you!

**Monday Bible Study** led by Pastor Dave will resume on **Monday, January 5** from 7 to 8:30 pm in the Library Lounge.

**Men's Breakfast and Bible Study** with Pastor Russell Fink will resume on **Wednesday, January 7** at the Double T Diner (corner of West St. and Rt. 2), 7-8 am.

**New Members Class:** There will be a **New Members Class** on **Wednesday, January 7** at 7 pm in Fellowship Room A. New members will be received on **January 11** at the 10 am service.

**M.A.D. Envelope Fundraiser:** Please support our youth with your contribution to the "Make A Difference" Envelope Fundraiser. The Envelope Board is located in the Narthex. Your donation will support our youth in attending the National Youth Gathering in Detroit next summer.

**Holiday Sharing:** Thank you to all the members of St. Martin's that participated in the Holiday Sharing program. We were truly blessed with such tremendous generosity for this outreach ministry. Thank you for helping make Christmas a special time for ten needy families in our community. Thank you also to the Knupp, Lanham, Laubscher, Ruhf, Trump-

Starkey, Shenk, Schoonmaker, Fox, Hwang, Doyle and Freeman families for delivering meals for Thanksgiving and Christmas along with gifts for each family at Christmas.

**New Ministry with Samaritan House Needs Your Support:** St. Martin's has started a new ministry partnership with one of our neighbors, The Samaritan House, which is a state certified treatment facility for adult men struggling with substance abuse. For over 40 years, Samaritan House has worked with thousands of men in their journey to rebuild their lives, families and careers. Samaritan House is the next step in recovery for men who are medically stabilized and have either completed inpatient treatment or are referred through the legal system, mental health agency, medical facility or self-referral. The Samaritan House is what is commonly known as a Halfway House. In other words, the organization is a community-based residential treatment and rehabilitation facility providing services for chemically dependent persons in a supportive, chemical-free environment. A Halfway House is a live- in/work out environment, with a typical length of stay being 3 to 6 months. We are sponsoring a Christmas dinner for the residents this season to kick off our social ministry. In addition, Samaritan House is in dire need of 4 sofas for their fellowship room, so if you have a sofa around your house that you would like to donate especially for a year-end tax deduction, please consider donating it to the Samaritan House. They are also in need of new bed linens. If you are interested in learning more about this new social ministry or would like to donate sofas or linens, please Contact Lenny Bosley at 443-354-2947 or Greg Maxwell at 410-757-8039.

For those attending **Christmas Eve's 9 pm worship**, please **bring a small bell** to ring during the refrain on "Angels We Have Heard on High".

### Upcoming Christmas Events:

#### **Wednesday, December 24 (Christmas Eve):**

4 pm: Children's Service

9 pm: Candlelight Service with Brass (Preludes 8:30 pm)

#### **Thursday, December 25 (Christmas Day):**

10 am: Christmas Service

*Merry Christmas!*

## TODAY IN WORSHIP

### 8:00 am: (Chapel)

**Assisting Minister:** Matt Lanham  
**Ushers:** The Knapps

### 10:00 am: (Sanctuary)

**Preacher & Celebrant:** Reverend Dr. David G. Oravec  
**Organist:** Kerry Heyes  
**Assisting Minister:** Mel Tuckfield  
**Communion Assistants:** Donnaleen Trump-Starkey, Tom Freeman, Barb Freeman, Larry Day  
**Lector:** Donnaleen Trump-Starkey  
**Children's Message:** Heather Tuckfield  
**Ushers:** Dave Edsall, Ches Lanham, Sue Lanham, Faye Wetherhold  
**Communion Bread:** The Drumms  
**Communion Clean Up:** Beverly Lyall, Debra Mangin

**We include the following in our prayers:** Carolyn Abel, Alana, Elinor Amundsen, Jackie Angle, Kaye Bailey, Donna Binder, Charlene Brogan, Jimmy Brown, Marilyn Burke, Jamshed Chaudy, Alan Creager, Joe Duncan, Jina Eckhardt, Cecilia Edwards, Hilda Erickson, Louise Gebelein, Jim Harden, Joe Henson, Tom Hoffman, Bill Jerman, Michael Kelly, Michelle Kinal, Sue Lanham, Ethel LaRue, Bobby Marsden, Bob Nicoll, Lisa Norgard, Dan Oravec, Joseph Poncharik, Elinore Pribble, Deborah Ridell, Julia & Kyle Saye, Charles Shott, Kristi Sjolholm-Sierchio, Pr. Alan Vomhof, Mildred Voytko, Lily Ann Weeks, Mark Whirley, Pat Wiley, John Wiley, Tim and Cheryl, Luke Anderson, SSG Tony Cecil, SSG Brendan Fossum, SGT Peter Francis, Tim Junak, CAPT Robert Parsley, OS1 John Shutt, and our homebound members—Muriel Eser, Louise Herklotz, June Peddicord, Helen Rudderow and Betty Strohl.

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## OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

### **Sunday, December 21**

8:00 am Worship with Communion (Music Room)  
9:00 am Sunday School (S)  
Adult (Parent) Forum (Art)  
Confirmation Class (YR)  
9:15 am Choir Rehearsal (S)  
10:00 am Worship with Communion (S)  
11:15 am Children's Choir (S)

### **Monday, December 22**

-School Closed-

### **Tuesday, December 23**

-School Closed-

### **Wednesday, December 24 (Christmas Eve)**

-School Closed-  
3:15 pm Rehearsal/Costuming for Service (S)  
3:30 pm Children's Choir (S)  
4:00 pm Children's Service (S)  
7:30 pm Bell Choir (S)  
8:00 pm Chancel Choir (S)  
8:30 pm Preludes Begin (S)  
9:00 pm Candlelight Service with Brass (S)

### **Thursday, December 25 (Christmas)**

-School Closed-  
-Church Office Closed-  
10:00 am Christmas Service (S)

### **Friday, December 26**

-School Closed-  
-Church Office Closed-

### **Sunday, December 28**

8:00 am Worship with Communion (Music Room)  
9:15 am Choir Rehearsal (S)  
10:00 am Worship with Communion (S)

**Building Lock-Up this week:** Darrell Dempster (410-263-4460). If you could devote an occasional week to help keep our facility secure, please call Tim Doyle (410-974-9033).

