



WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOVEMBER 30, 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.

For the kids: Kids' Time is offered after the Children's Message during our 10 am worship. Children return to the sanctuary after the sermon. Coloring pages and other fun items are also available for kids at the back of the sanctuary. If your little ones get fussy during worship, please know that the Library Lounge is a great place (with a basket of toys), and you can still hear the service via our speaker system. Ask an usher for help.
Volunteers Needed – Please sign up on the Bulletin Board!!!!

Monday Bible Study will be led by Pastor Dave and will take place from 7 to 8:30 pm in the Library Lounge.

Men's Breakfast and Bible Study with Pastor Russell Fink meets on **Wednesdays** at the Double T Diner (corner of West St. and Rt. 2), 7–8 am.

Advent Workshop: On **Sunday, November 30th at 4:30 pm**, we will be creating Advent Wreaths in the Gym. There will also be kid-friendly crafts as well. Please bring a potluck dish to share.

Christmas Dedications: Dedications for poinsettias to beautify our sanctuary and/or gifts to our homeless and hungry neighbors will be received through **Sunday, December 7**. The cost is \$12.00 per plant. Poinsettias may be picked up by donors after the 10 am worship service on Thursday, December 25. Please return your dedication and payment to the church office by the December 7 deadline so it can be included in the bulletin. Dedication forms will be in the Narthex.

Concert for Benefit of Wells: Everyone's invited to a delightful Christmas Concert by the Heart of Maryland Barbershop Chorus on **December 12 at 7:30 pm** at Salem Lutheran Church in Catonsville. All proceeds will benefit Wells and Water Projects in the Mara Diocese of the Lutheran Church in Tanzania, our sister synod. If you have any questions, please contact Darrell Dempster at dseddh@comcast.net/410-263-4460.

Yankee Gift Swap Party: Please mark your calendar for **Saturday, December 13 at 7 pm** for a Yankee Gift Swap Party. We will meet at the Tuckfields home. Please bring a hors d'oeuvre to share and a wrapped gift to swap (something around the house) or something new at a cost of no more

than \$10. Beverages and lots of fun will be provided. Please sign up on the sheet in the hallway on the bulletin board.

Christmas Candlelight Concert, Sunday, December 14, 4 pm: Take an hour out of your stress-filled schedule, sit down, relax, and focus on the meaning of the season while the sun sets and the candles glow. We plan to feature our Children's, Adult, and Bell Choirs, *Minor Problems*, (Amy Buckner and Keith Stoltzfus' quartet), Sarah Schofield, Soloist, Barbara Wagner, flute, Gary Shenk, djembe, and congregational participation on a few hymns. A free-will offering will benefit our concert series. Please plan to come, and bring a friend! *There are postcards on the tables in the Narthex for you to share in your community.*

Additional Upcoming Events:

Sunday, Dec. 7: Soup Bar Fundraiser at 11:15 am; Christmas Caroling at 12:00 pm.

Sunday, Dec. 14: Sunday School Christmas Program at 10 am.

Wednesday, Dec. 24, Christmas Eve: Children's Service at 4 pm; Candlelight Service with Brass at 9 pm.

Thursday, Dec. 25, Christmas Day: Service at 10 am.

Holiday Sharing: St. Martin's is sponsoring ten families through the county's Holiday Sharing Program. If you would like to purchase a gift for one of the children, please take a tag from the family cards located in the hallway off the narthex. There are three tags for each child. Some suggestions for gifts have been provided by Social Services and are listed on the family card. Please wrap your gift and attach the gift tag. All gifts should be returned before the 10:00 am church service on **December 14th**. Gifts can be placed in the library/lounge.

Children's Choir Rehearsals: Sundays after the 10 am service. Parents can enjoy coffee and fellowship in the Narthex while the children rehearse in the Sanctuary for about 20 minutes. We're preparing for the Christmas season.

Senior Singers Welcome: Are you uncomfortable driving at night? We'd like you to know that we can add a **daytime choir rehearsal**, (as was done in the past), for those who wish to assist the Chancel Choir. Please contact Kerry Heyes (410-757-6416) with your available times and days, and we will make it happen. At the moment, we could really use your voices for our December events.

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.

TODAY IN WORSHIP

8:00 am: (Chapel)

Assisting Minister: Matt Lanham
Ushers: Brian Kovalski

10:00 am: (Sanctuary)

Preacher: Seminarian Sarah Schofield
Celebrant: Reverend Dr. David G. Oravec
Organist: Kerry Heyes
Assisting Minister: Doug Hole
Communion Assistants: Judy Svoboda, Gene Humphrey,
Bob Drumm, Donna Trump-Starkey
Lector: Judy Svoboda
Children's Message: Sarah Schofield
Ushers: Joanne Lewis, Lissi Umlandt, John
Knupp, Betty Knupp
Kids' Time: Laura Albanese
Communion Bread: The Drummis
Communion Clean Up: Joanne Lewis, Donna Trump-Starkey

We include the following in our prayers: Carolyn Abel, Alana, Elinor Amundsen, Jackie Angle, Kaye Bailey, Shelby Bennett, Donna Binder, Charlene Brogan, Jimmy Brown, Marilyn Burke, 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, Charles Shott, Kristi Sjoholm-Sierchio, Pr. Alan Vomhof, Mildred Voytko, Lily Ann Weeks, Mark Whirley, Pat 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, November 30

8:00 am Worship with Communion (Music Room)
9:00 am Sunday School (Music Rm)
Adult (Parent) Forum (Art)
Adult Forum (L)
Confirmation Class – Seafarers Gift (YR)
9:15 am Choir Rehearsal (S)
10:00 am Worship with Communion (S)
11:15 am Children's Choir (S)
4:30 pm Advent Workshop/Potluck (Gym)

Monday, December 1

10:00 am Flying Quilters (A,B)
7:00 pm Bible Study (L)

Tuesday, December 2

12:00 pm Art Class (A)

Wednesday, December 3

7:00 am Men's Bible Study (Double T Diner, Annapolis)
8:40 am Chapel (School)
10:00 am Staff Meeting (Conf. Rm)
6:00 pm Bell Choir (S)
6:00 pm Cub Scouts Pack 771 (Gym/Art)
7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop 771 (Gym/Art)
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal (S)

Thursday, December 4

6:30 pm YAG Progressive Party (Jonathan A.)

Sunday, December 7

8:00 am Worship with Communion (Music Room)
9:00 am Sunday School – Christmas Program Rehearsal (S),
Adult (Parent) Forum (Art)
Adult Forum (L)
Confirmation Class (YR)
9:15 am Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)
10:00 am Worship with Communion (S)
11:15 am Children's Choir (S)
Soup Bar Fundraiser (SHY)
12:00 pm Christmas Caroling (Narthex)

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