



## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

SEPTEMBER 3, 2017

Welcome to St. Martin's on this Labor Day Weekend! We're glad you're here today and invite you to fill out blue attendance card (in the pew) and hand it to an usher as you come for Holy Communion. If you're a guest, we thank God for your presence and hope you're blessed through worship!

**Dedications:** The flower arrangement is given today to the glory of God from our beautiful gardens here at St. Martin's.

This is the final "Summer Hymn Sing" today. Call out your favorite hymn as we prepare for worship—and speaking of singing, our choirs will begin rehearsing this Wed., Sept. 6 (Bell Choir at 6 pm and Adult Choir at 7 pm). All are welcome to join the choir!

**WELLNESS! HEALTH! FITNESS!** That's what the Sept 9<sup>th</sup> Joyful Hearts gathering will be about! Our special guest speaker will be personal trainer, Becky Coward, of Future of Fitness in Crofton. She will guide us along the paths of "WHF". Dress casually perhaps to do an exercise or two! **Remember:** ALL women are invited to attend! Becky has trained women from their teens to their 80s, many with special physical requirements. She will address your needs and answer any questions you might have.

*REMEMBER, LADIES, let us know of your interest in attending an overnight retreat! We have to let the Hollywood Retreat Center know so that we can reserve the June 2018 date.*

**Next Sunday, Sept. 10 is RALLY DAY!!!!** Our Sunday School year will begin for our Sunday School students ages 3 through 5th grade in the Music Room. Registration forms will be available when you arrive. Many exciting ideas are planned for this year and we hope your kids (and their friends) can join us. Sunday School is a great way for your kids to gain a better understanding of faith and how it relates to them. Questions? - contact Sara Wetz ([slwetz@verizon.net](mailto:slwetz@verizon.net)) or Kathleen Spain ([kathleenspain2@gmail.com](mailto:kathleenspain2@gmail.com)). \*\*Volunteers are the lifeblood of Sunday School at St. Martin's...so please consider donating your time to lend a hand. For a list of upcoming dates for teacher and helper positions, please go to: ([www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c48a9ac2ca0fd0-sunday](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c48a9ac2ca0fd0-sunday)). No prior experience is needed.

Confirmation for 6th, 7th and 8th graders begins the same day in the Youth Room. Our senior high students will be meeting off-site this fall at a coffee shop that Laura will announce (more to come!). Also, the Adult Forum will meet in the Fellowship Wing beginning on Sept. 10 at 9 am.

We will be hosting an informational meeting on **Sun., Sept. 10 at 11:15 am** for all youth (entering 9<sup>th</sup> grade in 2018-graduating seniors), parents and adult leaders interested in attending the ELCA Youth Gathering June 27-July 1, 2018. This event only happens every 3 years! Don't miss this amazing 5 days of worship, service, learning and fun! Contact Laura for more information.



There will be a **Red Cross Blood Drive at St. Martin's on Fri., Sept. 15 from 12:30 pm - 6 pm in the Fellowship Wing.** If you are able to donate please register online at <http://www.redcrossblood.org/> or via the signup sheet in the Narthex or contact Sara Wetz ([slwetz@verizon.net](mailto:slwetz@verizon.net), 410-956-6515). If you can help check people in, please contact Sara.

**Calling all families with elementary-aged kids!!** St. Martin's is starting a new initiative that's aimed at families with school-aged children (ages pre-K 3 through 5th grade). Each quarter throughout this school year a different social event will be held as a way for families and children to get to know each other better while having some fun. Mark your calendars for the first event on **Sun., Sept. 17 from 1 - 4 pm at Constellation Beach**, located in Davidsonville's Harbor Hills neighborhood. Interested? Email Kathleen Spain ([kathleenspain2@gmail.com](mailto:kathleenspain2@gmail.com))

**Annapolis Run for the Light House - Sun., Sept. 24 at Quiet Waters Park.** Raise money for the Light House AND get exercise at this family-fun event. You can do a 1.25 power walk/stroll, a 5K or a Half Marathon. For all the details see: <https://www.annapolisrunforthelighthouse.org/>

Mark your calendar – **Sun., September 24 at 4 pm - Reformation 500 Hymn Sing** here at St. Martin's!!



**Yard Sale:** The youth will be hosting a yard sale on **Sat., Oct. 7** to raise money for the ELCA Youth Gathering trip next summer. We are looking for LOTS of donations. If you are looking to part with furniture, household goods, toys, books, DVDs, electronics, gently worn clothes and sports equipment, please consider donating them to the sale. We will begin accepting donations Sun., Sept 17. If you need help transporting items to the church, please let Laura know.

You can help folks in Texas by going to [elca.org](http://elca.org) where there is more detailed information on how to contribute. Also, there is an interfaith effort to provide "hurricane clean-up buckets" that will contain scouring pads, sm/lg sponges, scrub brushes, reusable cleaning towels, and 50 oz liquid laundry detergent. Drop off for these items is at the Annapolis UCC (Rt 2) or bring them to St. Martin's and we'll transport.

## TODAY IN WORSHIP

**8:00 am:** **Assisting Minister:** Jonathan AseLINE

**Ushers:** The Knoepfles

**10:00 am:**

**Preacher & Celebrant:** Pastor Dave Oravec

**Organist:** Sister Stacie Lightner

**Assisting Minister:** Jane Anne Houser

**Communion Assistants:** John Knupp, Judy Houston,  
Kim Rosekrans, Molly Michaelson

**Lector:** Rob Antochy

**Ushers:** Rosa Ruhf, Joanne Lewis,  
Carole Komenda, Lissi Umlandt

**Children's Message:** Greg Roemer

**Communion Bread:** The Thistles

**Communion Clean Up:** Judy Svoboda, Beverly Lyall,  
Carolyn Anzalone

Scripture Readings: Psalm 26:1-8; Romans 12:9-21

**We include the following in our prayers:** Chris Allegria, Carly Bastiansen, Joan Bitonti, Chris Braun, Francis Budney, Jina Eckhardt, Russell and Barbara Fink, Donna French, 1Lt Richard Gibson, Valinda Gilbert, Jeff Gunhus, Lydia Hegel-Huhn, Donna Hole, Mary Kilbourne, Shari Kristiansen, Sue Lanham, Lucas March, Julia McClenahan, Mollie Moday, Zoltan Modly, Charlie Pacher, Deb Ridel, Linda Ruhf, Russell Ruhf, Joy Shoemaker, Terri Sparks, Meghan Schuessler, Mike Thistle, Elaine Vatrál, Mildred Voytko and Betty Strohl.

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## OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

**Sunday, September 3**

8:00 am Worship

10:00 am Worship

**Monday, September 4 \*Labor Day\***

**\*\*Church Office Closed\*\***

**\*\*STMLC School Closed\*\***

**Tuesday, September 5**

7:00 am Men's Bible Study (Double T Diner)

8:30 am STMLC School – 1st Day for Students

9:00 am Staff Meeting (CF)

**Wednesday, September 6**

6:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal (S)

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal (S)

**Saturday, September 9**

10:00 am Joyful Hearts – Wellness! Health! Fitness! (B)

**Sunday, September 10**

8:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)

9:00 am Sunday School Rally Day (Music Room)

Adult Forum (Fellowship Rm B)

Confirmation Class (Youth Room)

Sr. High (Laura's Office)

Choir Rehearsal (S)

10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary); Blessing of Teachers

