

ST. MARTIN'S Weekly Announcements

WADULT EDUCATION 9:45 a.m.W May 11, 2008

Date	Adult Forum Fellowship Room B
May 11	Week 7: Experiencing God
May 18	Week 8: Experiencing God

Our Stewardship Message...

For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.

—2 Corinthians 8:9

We offer with joy and thanksgiving...

+ The undesignated offerings for the week of May 4 were \$13,089.10. The weekly average needed to meet our 2008 budget is \$15,055.00.

We serve and share at St. Martin's...

+ **Vacation Bible School July 21-25...** Please consider helping with this wonderful ministry for our children. We need Teachers and Teen Volunteers. Please contact Norm Whitman, Natasha Wrobel, or Jodi Doney (410-263-4723). Come join our wonderful leadership team this year!!

+ **Sunday School Children...** will sing in both service on Sunday, May 18.

+ **Sit on our Quilts...** today is "Quilt Sunday" when St. Martin's Flying Quilters display the quilting "season's" production! The quilts on the pews today are those that the group has made since January. In December we displayed and sent 103 quilts to Lutheran World Relief. Many, many thanks to all who have contributed materials to the group—sheets, blankets, yard goods, etc. We couldn't do it without you! And we're happy to report that we have used our entire supply of sheets and are hoping that you will help us by donating sheets (any size, flat or fitted) throughout the summer. Just bring clean, gently used sheets labeled for the quilters to the church office. 11:00 a.m. folks!! It will be a great help to us if you would fold the quilts on your pew and leave them at the end of the pew. We will be delivering them to LRW Monday.

+ **Tanzania Wells...** The "well" is once again in the narthex for you to deposit change (and bills) to help with the well-building project in Tanzania. Potable drinking water is something we take for granted, but this is an ideal opportunity to help those who need this most basic of human necessities!

+ **Help our Youth...** by being a sponsor or Renting-a-Kid! Fill out the "A Gift of Love" form or a "Rent-a-Kid" form found in the bulletin! Your support will help the kids with trip expenses for work camp this summer.

+ **Global Mission Event...** There will be a Region 8 Global Mission Event at Camp Hill, PA May 23-24, 2008. In the words of the GME Notice: "Please join our brothers and sisters of the eight synods of Region 8 as we proclaim God's Word for the sake of the world, develop and support a variety of ministries, respectfully walk with ecumenical partners in mission, foster relationships and receive the witness of the global mission community." You can come for the two days commencing at 5:30 p.m. or just for Saturday commencing at 7:30 a.m. Child care is available with children and youth separately having their own learning opportunities on Saturday. Application forms are available on the Global Mission Bulletin Board in the hallway behind the church office. Please contact Sally or Darrell Dempster at 410-263-4460 if you have questions.

+ **Prayer Chain Ready to Pray...** There is always someone who will pray for you or for a loved one. The members of our Prayer Chain are committed to doing this. Requests for prayers may be made by placing a request card from the pew rack in the offering plate, by speaking to the pastors, Nancy Shults 410-849-3430, or by calling the church office, 410-263-4723.

+ **Greater Annapolis Interfaith Network...** Stop the Violence Unity Walk, Saturday, May 17 @ 7:30 a.m.; starting point at Newtowne 20 Community. "Hope, Solutions and Change!" We need your help! Please come out with family & friends for a walk for peace in our town—rain or shine. We plan to walk behind the St. Martin's banner. For more information contact Karl Kamp, 410-571-2070 or kakatt735@aol.com

We meet for worship and study. . .

+ **Contemporary Service...** Next Praise & Worship Service, Sunday May 18 at 12:15 p.m. To help with food for brunch, contact Janet Heuer 410-207-2487. Contemporary music band rehearsals are held on Wednesday evenings at 8:00 p.m. in the Chapel.

+ **Bible Study...** A Bible study of the beatitudes will be held on the third Thursday of May from 11:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Bring a sandwich for lunch; dessert and beverage will be provided. The lessons for May 15 are Session 9—"Blessed are those who are persecuted..." and *Blessed are you when people revile you falsely...* - GOOD COMPANY— Blessings in the Midst of Suffering. The beatitudes don't bless us so we look good, they bless us so we do good.

You are welcome to join Hope Circle women for the study. If you are unable to meet at this time and would like to participate in the study, contact Nora Garman, 410-923-0766.

+ **WOMEN OF ST. MARTIN'S** you are invited to a weekend away! The DE/MD SWO's 21 Annual Retreat will be at Sandy Cove conference Center, North East, MD on Friday to Sunday, September 19-21. The theme: **The Bold & The Beautiful:** a study from Isaiah. The Rev. Lisa Arrington (St. Luke, Harford Road) is the Bible Study leader. Saturday afternoon is free for many choices: shopping, touring, a preview of the 2008-2009 Bible study, crafts, massage, a private meeting with the Chaplain, The Rev. Lois Nehmer (Luther Memorial) and a discussion of the ELCA's Social Statement on Human Sexuality led by DE/MD Synod Bishop Gerald Knoche. Sandy Cove is at a beautiful site where the Elk River meets the Chesapeake Bay. Enjoy good food, a beautiful pool, hot tub, hiking area, no TV, etc. Registration must be completed before July 15. Contact Nora Garman 410-923-0766.

We thank our volunteers. . . .

+ **Thank you to our Altar Guild chairs** who are responsible for setting up weekly communion and preparing the chancel for worship: The chairs for May—Mimi Maggard and Kathy McFadden.

+ **Bulletin Artists...** Thank you all for sharing your wonderful talent each week. We are in the midst of many changes in our church office, and would ask that you please submit your artwork to the office as soon as possible. Thank you.

Dedications. . . .

+ **Our 2008 dedication sheets** are on the bulletin board across from the church office; \$40 for one flower arrangement, \$15 for bulletin dedication, \$12 for candle dedications. Please remember NOT to sign up on the sheets themselves. Submit your dedication envelope(s) to the church office and we will write your name on the sheets. Please take an envelope, fill it out, and return to the office. Thanks!

Other Notes. . . .

+ **Concert Series ..**The time of the May 18 Concert with Nick Drumm on violin with Erik Apland as accompanist is at 7:00 p.m.

+ **All are invited ...**to a prayer time at the home of Janet Heuer every Friday, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Commencing when I was diagnosed with cancer, this prayer time focuses on simply praying God's Word back to Him. Feel free to just show up, no need to call first. Janet Heuer, 599 Pinedale Dr., Annapolis. .

+ **Meals On Wheels Volunteers Needed. . .** If you are interested in being a packer, driver, or visitor for Meals on Wheels, please contact Nancy Shults at 410-849-3430 or Audrey

Gilbert at 410-841-6073.

+ **Attention Men of St. Martin's...** The next Men's Morning Fellowship breakfast is scheduled for Saturday, May 17 at 8:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will be discussing Men of the Bible with a focus on Joseph from the book of Exodus. If you are able to bring a dish to contribute to the meal, or wish to obtain more information, please contact Doug Oyler at: daoyler@capitolbuildingsupply.com.

+ **Newsletter Deadline Change...** Please submit all your articles for the June/July combined issue of *Tabletalk* by Wednesday, May 14 to Cindy Miller at talkto@stmartinsonline.org or to her mailbox in the church office. Keep in mind that Cindy is new to St. Martin's and is unfamiliar with our events and activities so she will need all your help with getting current information in the newsletter. We will be collating this newsletter on Wednesday, May 28.

+ **Take a hike...** with Habitat for Humanity in May 17, 2008, on the Baltimore and Annapolis Trial, to support the Ecumenical Build at 439 Freeman Street. See details on the bulletin board across from the music office.

From the church office. . . .

A reminder that all bulletin announcements are due to the church office by 10:00 a.m. on Wednesdays.

Church Office Hours

**9:00 a.m. to noon
1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

Church e-mail: church@stmartinsonline.org
Web site: www.StMartinsOnline.org

Please remember that if you leave phone messages outside of office hours, including Saturdays or Sundays, we will respond the next day that the office is open.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK AT ST. MARTIN'S

Sun., May 11	PENTECOST Quilt Sunday Mother's Day 8:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 10:30 a.m. 1:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:15 p.m. 11:30 a.m. Noon 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Worship with Communion Sunday School for All Ages Adult Forum (B) Confirmation Class Worship with Communion School Band Practice (C) Bible Study (C) Retiree Choir (C) Choristers (C) Beginning Bells (M) Athletic Banquet (G) Bells (M) Executive Committee (CF) Day School Chapel (S) Church Staff Meeting (CF) Cherub Choir (Chapel) Homework Club (FW) Storytellers (A) Evening Song Worship Youth Support Meeting New Member Class (L) Hope Circle (A) Pr. Kenan's Bible Study (L) Chancel Choir (M) PTO Meeting (BC)
Mon., May 12		
Tues., May 13		
Wed., May 14		
Thurs., May 15		
Fri, May 16		
Sat., May 17	7:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. Noon	Peace Walk Newtowne 20 Community Men's Morning Fellowship (AB) MSY Super Saturday, Quiet Waters Park
Sun., May 18	HOLY TRINITY 8:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:15 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Worship with Communion (SS Children's Choir) SS Classes for all ages Adult Forum Confirmation Classes Worship with Communion (SS Children's Choir) 4th Grade Faith Goal Contemporary Worship Service (G) Concert Series, Nick Drumm & Erik Apland (S)

Ministers: The People of St. Martin's

The Rev. Gerald A. Miller, *Senior Pastor*

Paula S. Thistle, *Associate in Ministry*

Donna Pruzinsky, *Church Secretary*

Barbara Hoffman, *Building Manager*

Marta Wallace, *Youth Director*

1120 Spa Road, Annapolis, MD 21403

E-mail: church@stmartinsonline.org

School: office@stmartinsonline.org

The Rev. Kenan Habetler, *Assisting Pastor*

Donna Dixon Ervin, *Minister of Music*

Cindy Miller, *Production Secretary*

Susan McCahan, *Church Bookkeeper*

Norm Whitman, *Director of Christian Education*

Tel: 410.263.4723 Fax: 410.216.9038

Church: www.StMartinsOnline.org

Church Officers

Dave Edsall, *Council President*

Steve Schmidt, *Vice-President*

Kent Damschroder, *Church Treasurer*

Mick Thistle, *Church & Day School Financial Consultant*, Melanie Schryver, *Financial Secretary*