

# ST. MARTIN'S Weekly Announcements

WADULT EDUCATION 9:45 a.m.W August 10, 2008

Date	Adult Forum Fellowship Room A
August 10	<u>Summer Survey of the Bible</u> Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah and Malachi
August 17	<u>Summer Survey of the Bible</u> Matthew, Mark, Luke and John

*Our Stewardship Message...*

*For, as I can testify, they [Macedonian Christians] voluntarily gave according to their means, and even beyond their means, begging us earnestly for the privilege of sharing in this ministry to the saints.*

—2 Corinthians 8:3-4

*We offer with joy and thanksgiving...*

+ The undesignated offerings for the week of August 3 were \$12,589.41. The weekly average needed to meet our 2008 budget is \$15,055.00.

+ **Organ Appeal...**As of Sunday, August 3, 82 people have responded to our Organ Appeal for a total of \$24,845.00 towards our goal of \$29,000. Thank you for keeping this in your prayers.

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

+ **The Flying Quilters...** are looking for supplies for their September start-up. Please bring

your gently used sheets (any size) or any large fabric pieces to the church office. We had a banner year last season thanks to your generous donations.

+ **Also, Flying Quilters...**we will meet on Monday, August 11 at 10:00 a.m. for a "Sorting Day." If you would like to have more information about this Ministry, please join us.

+ **Select a Hymn for Sunday Hymn Sing...**August 24! Write your suggestion and either give it to an usher, place in the offering plate or leave in the church office.

+ **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. Contributions can be made by church envelope marked for "Tanzania Wells."

+ **Shelter needs...**remember that the Light House Shelter's pantry has year-round needs. You can drop off groceries anytime in the narthex for delivery to the shelter.

+ **Sunday School...**On Sunday, September 7 the Sunday School teachers and assistants will have a staff meeting and orientation from 8:30-10:45 a.m. in the conference room. Please consult your email for detail. On Sunday, September 14 the first class of Sunday School begins! Start in the gym with an introduction of teachers who will take the children to their classrooms. Parents will remain for Orientation presentation. **Registration continues in the Narthex before and after services. Please return forms ASAP so we may plan for the children and their teachers.**

+ **Prayer Chain...**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 email [church@stmartinonline.org](mailto:church@stmartinonline.org).

+ **The Back to School...**program is underway. Once again, St. Martin's has an opportunity to participate in a county-wide program that benefits needy school children. Thanks to all who selected a child's name from the bulletin board. Those who did not get a student's name for the book bag program can still participate. As you prepare your children for school, you could purchase a few extra items and bring them to the church office for distribution to those less fortunate. Supplies should be brought to the church office before Aug. 17.

*We meet for worship and study. . .*

+ **Next Contemporary Praise and Worship Service...** August 24 at 9:45 a.m. will be held in the gym. Join the youth early at 9:30 a.m. as they share their summer Work Camp experiences, stories and pictures! Contemporary

Band rehearsal, Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m.

+ **Save the Date...** August 31 at 9:45 a.m. in the Youth Room. All 9-12th graders (& parents) interested in going to New Orleans for the National Youth Gathering July 2009 are invited to attend an informational meeting to reserve a spot for the trip!

+ **Women's Prayer Afternoon Tea...**Saturday, Sept. 6 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Nourish your body and soul. Join us in our lovely courtyard (weather providing) for talk, prayer and sweets and savories. Bring your mother, sister, daughter and/or granddaughter, best friend or new neighbor.

+ **Bible Study...**Monday Night Bible study is having an identity crisis and will be meeting on Tuesday nights this year! We will start the year with a study of the book of Daniel. We will be learning lots of things about the history of the Jewish people in the years before the birth of Christ, reading some old favorite stories from our Sunday school years (Lion's Dens and firey furnaces) and studying some really strange visions. So bring your Bible (or we can provide one) and join us starting Tuesday, September 9 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the Library. For more information call or email Judy Houston 410-263-3888 [djhouston1@comcast.net](mailto:djhouston1@comcast.net) or Sally Dempster 410-263-4460. We look forward to seeing you there.

+ **Men of St. Martin's...**The next Men's Morning Fellowship breakfast is scheduled for Saturday, September 13 at 8:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will be discussing Men of the Bible with a focus on Solomon. If able, please bring a dish to contribute to the meal. For more information contact Doug Oyler at 410-451-9131 or email [daoyler@capitolbuildingsupply.com](mailto:daoyler@capitolbuildingsupply.com). See you on September 13!

*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 dedication. Please submit your dedication envelope(s) by taking an envelope, filling it out and placing it in the mail slot in the hallway by the window. Please DO NOT sign up on the sheets themselves; we will write your name on the sheets. Thank you!

+ Flower Dedications...There are a few openings for August dedications. Please see the Flower Chart outside of the church office for open dates.

*We Thank our volunteers. . . .*

+ Thank you to our Altar Guild Chair who is responsible for setting up weekly communion and preparing the chancel for worship: The chair for August 10 is Barbara Freeman.

+ The Children in the Nursery...thank you for volunteering. Your help is appreciated. We still have some open dates for help in the nursery. Remember it is just once or twice a year

+ Summer Voice Class...Donna Ervin will have her last voice class on Tuesday, August 12 from 6-7:30 p.m. Included will be tips on breathing, tone production, sight reading and diction. Bring a song you've always wanted to sing!

+ Flower Delivery Help Requested... Currently, Altar Guild monthly chairs are responsible for delivering the altar flowers that have been designated to go to the ill or homebound. With the rising gas prices, we are hoping that some members of the congregation will volunteer to help the guild by delivering flowers to members or to local nursing homes. If you are able to pick up flowers after the 11:00 a.m. service or on Monday mornings for occasional delivery, PDF created with pdfFactory trial version [www.pdffactory.com](http://www.pdffactory.com)

please call the church office and leave your name, the area in which you live, and your phone number or email. Another option would be for those who donate flowers to fill out their dedication forms, indicating they will TAKE the flowers themselves. You could then deliver your special dedication flowers to a family member, friend, or neighbor who would appreciate them. Questions, suggestions or comments? Contact Donna Hole or Judy White, Guild Co-chairs.

+ The Grounds at St. Martin's need some TLC...we are looking for a few people who will make a commitment to weed or water a small area of the grounds during the summer. Our thanks to Barbara & Tom Freeman, John & Betty Knupp, Audrey Gilbert, Janet & Bob Downy and Paul Jorgensen who have agreed to help, but we still need you! Please call Betty or John Knupp 410-956-4881.

*Other Notes. . . .*

+ Church Family Picnic...Save the date Sunday, September 21. Watch for details in September Tabletalk.

*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](mailto:church@stmartinsonline.org)  
Web site: [www.StMartinsOnline.org](http://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**

<b>Sun. Aug 10</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b> 9:45 a.m. <b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship</b> Adult Forum (A) <b>Worship with Communion</b>
<b>Mon., Aug 11</b>	10:00 a.m.	Flying Quilters (A)
<b>Tues., Aug 12</b>	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Voice Class (M) Executive Committee (CF)
<b>Wed., Aug 13</b>	1:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Church Staff Meeting (CF) Contemporary Band Rehearsal (M)
<b>Thurs., Aug 14</b>	10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 1:30 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	ELCA Lay Coordinator Training (A) Pr. Kenan's Bible Study (L) Memorial Service Miriam Greenberg (S) Memorial Reception (C) Blood Drive Meeting (L) Christian Life & Caring Committee (L)
<b>Fri, Aug 15</b>		
<b>Sat., Aug 16</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship with Communion</b>
<b>Sun., Aug 17</b>	9:45 a.m. <b>11:00 a.m.</b>	Adult Forum (A) <b>Worship</b>

**Ministers: The People of St. Martin's**

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| The Rev. Gerald A. Miller, <i>Senior Pastor</i>                                    | The Rev. Kenan Habetler, <i>Assisting Pastor</i>                             |
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