

# ST. MARTIN'S Weekly Announcements

WADULT EDUCATION 9:45 a.m.W August 17, 2008

Date	Adult Forum Fellowship Room A
August 17	<u>Summer Survey of the Bible</u> Matthew, Mark, Luke and John
August 24	<u>Summer Survey of the Bible</u> Acts, Romans, I Corinthians, II Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, I Thessalonians, II Thessalonians

## Our Stewardship Message...

*And he [Jesus] said to them, "Pay attention to what you hear; the measure you give will be the measure you get, and still more will be given to you."*

—Mark 4:24

*We offer with joy and thanksgiving...*

+ The undesignated offerings for the week of August 10 were \$9,736.00. The weekly average needed to meet our 2008 budget is \$15,055.00.

+ **Organ Appeal...**As of Sunday, August 10, 83 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.

+ **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.

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

+ **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.

+ **The Flying Quilters...** Thanks to all of you who have donated the fabric that we need to start our next batch of quilts for Lutheran World Relief. As you continue to "clean out your linen closets" please remember that we can always use your gently used sheets (any size) or any large fabric pieces.

+ **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.

+ **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).

+ **Fall Kick Off Choir Picnic...**The Music Ministry will have a picnic on Thursday, Sept. 11 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Tuckfield home in Arnold. All Chancel, Retiree, Contemporary Band and Bell Choir members are invited. All families of children's choirs are also included. New members are also invited, if you are interested in joining a musical group this year. Sign up on the Music Bulletin Board to bring a salad, vegetable or dessert to share. Swimming available.

*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 September 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 co-chairs for August 17 is Carola Grubbs and Judy White.

+ 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

+ 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, 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.

### Other Notes. . . .

+ Church Family Picnic...Save the date Sunday, September 21. Volunteers needed to help organize this Congregational Event. For information and to volunteer, please call Doug Schrader 410-841-5010 [sparky914@comcast.net](mailto:sparky914@comcast.net) or Judy White 410-757-1738 [jafwhite@comcast.net](mailto:jafwhite@comcast.net).

### 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.

[www.pdfactory.com](http://www.pdfactory.com)

## OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK AT ST. MARTIN'S

Sun., Aug 17	8:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	<b>Worship with Communion</b> Adult Forum (A) <b>Worship</b>
Mon., Aug 18	7:00 p.m.	Finance Committee (CF)
Tues., Aug 19	7:00 p.m.	Teachers Return Church Council (B)
Wed., Aug 20	1:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Newsletter Deadline Church Staff Meeting (CF)
Thurs., Aug 21	7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Contemporary Band Rehearsal (M) New Family Orientation (S)
Fri, Aug 22		LISG (C)
Sat., Aug 23		
Sun., Aug 24	8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	<b>Worship</b> Workcampers Share (G) <b>Contemporary Praise &amp; Worship (G)</b> Adult Forum (A) <b>Worship with Communion</b> Commission Day School Staff

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