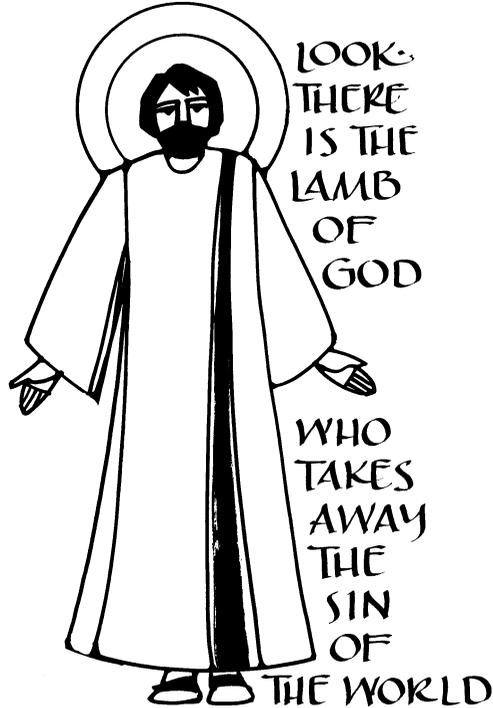


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St. Martin's Lutheran Church
203 S. Defiance Street + Archbold, OH 43502
Rev. Paul Reichert

Second Sunday after Epiphany
January 19, 2020

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

JANUARY 19, 2020

Today's gospel opens with further reflection on Jesus' baptism. He is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and the one anointed by the Spirit. In the liturgy we come and see Christ revealed among us in word and meal. We go forth to invite others to come and worship the Holy One, and to receive the gifts of grace and peace made known among us.

Regular text is spoken by the Worship Leader
Bold text is spoken by the congregation

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

BELL & ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEMPLE TALK – KAREN MATHISON

*OPENING HYMN

“Arise, Your Light Has Come”

Please sing unison on Verse 4

1 A - rise, your light has come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;
2 A - rise, your light has come! Fling wide the pris - on door;
3 A - rise, your light has come! All you in sor - row born,
4 A - rise, your light has come! The moun - tains burst in song!

show forth the glo - ry of your God which shines on you to - day.
pro - claim the cap - tive's lib - er - ty, good tid - ings to the poor.
bind up the bro - ken - heart - ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.
Rise up like ea - gles on the wing, God's pow'r will make us strong.

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

All-powerful and ever-living God, your gift of water brings life and freshness to the earth; by the waters of Baptism we are cleansed from sin and receive eternal life. Renew in us the living fountain of your grace and defend us, body and soul, from evil, that we may approach you with pure hearts and worthily receive your gift of salvation. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and one another.

Silence for personal reflection

Gracious God,

have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind, and strength. Help us to look beyond ourselves and our own wants and needs. Help us to share your love with the world. Forgive us, Lord, and turn us again to you. Amen

God's love never runs out. God never tires of calling us beloved children. Hear God say to you now: Your sins are forgiven.

Almighty God, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed on us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life through the grace of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

***GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Bright Morning Star, your light has come, and your good news is revealed in Jesus, the Christ. Fill all creation with that light again, so that by proclaiming your joyful promises to all nations and singing of your glorious hope to all people, we may become one living body, gathered through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 49:1–7

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me.

²He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away.

³And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified."

⁴But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God."

⁵And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength — ⁶he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

⁷Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 40:1-5 – *read responsively*

I waited patiently upon the LORD, who stooped to me and heard my cry.

The LORD lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my footing sure.

The LORD put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God;

many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the LORD.

Happy are they who trust in the LORD!

They do not turn to enemies or to those who follow lies.

Great are the wonders you have done, O LORD my God! In your plans for us, none can be compared with you!

Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! But they are more than I can count.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

²To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

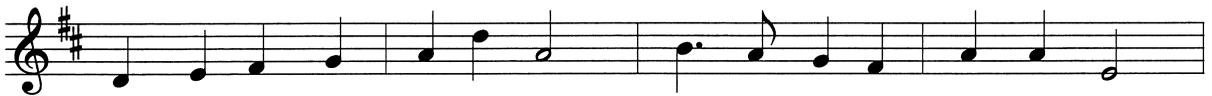
⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind — ⁶just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you — ⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

“Bright and Glorious”



Bright and glo - rious is the sky, ra - dant are the heav - ens high
As a star, God's ho - ly Word leads us to our King and Lord;



Where the gold - en stars are shin - ing, all their rays to earth in - clin - ing
Bright - ly from its sac - red pag - es shall this light through - out the ag - es



Beck - on us to heav'n a - bove, beck - on us to heav'n a - bove.
shine up - on our path of life, shine up - on our path of life.

*HOLY GOSPEL

John 1:29-42

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 1st chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord!

²⁹The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" ³⁰This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' ³¹I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." ³²And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him." ³³I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' ³⁴And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God."

³⁵The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" ³⁹He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). ⁴²He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MESSAGE

"Inspired to Follow"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN OF THE DAY

"I Love to Tell the Story"

1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best

of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
 what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
 seem hun - ger - ing and thirst-ing to hear it like the rest.

I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;
 I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
 And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,

it sat - is - fies my long-ings as noth - ing else would do.
 the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.
 I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Refrain

I love to tell the sto - ry; I'll sing this theme in glo-ry

and tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

***PROFESSION OF FAITH** – *Apostles Creed*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
He is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

Each petition ends...

Lord, in your mercy...**hear our prayer.**

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

(We greet one another with the words "Peace be with you")

OFFERING OF GIFTS

"The Lord's Prayer" – Adam Bjorlin

*OFFERTORY



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right



spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take



not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of



your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

*OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you,

O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

WE SHARE IN THE MEAL

* THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you!

And also with you!

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God!

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

* EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Blessed are you, O holy God: you are the Life and Light of all. By your powerful Word you created all things. Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.

Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son. He is your Light, shining in our darkness and revealing to us your mercy and might.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks, broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering, therefore, his preaching and healing, his dying and rising, and his promise to come again, we await that day when all the universe will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on this holy food and all the baptized gathered for this feast. Refresh us so that we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance of your Son.

Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

Amen

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

"Lamb of God"



1 Lamb of God, come take a - way the sin of all the
2 Lamb of God who'd give your soul to see a bro - ken
3 Lamb of God, ris - en Lord, † heal us with your
4 Lamb of God, Ho - ly One, † bring us peace when

world to - day: have mer - cy up - on us, mer - cy up -
 world made whole: have mer - cy up - on us, mer - cy up -
 liv - ing word: have mer - cy up - on us, mer - cy up -
 day is done: have mer - cy up - on us, mer - cy up -

on us, mer - cy up - on us, and give us your peace.
 on us, mer - cy up - on us, and give us your peace.
 on us, mer - cy up - on us, and give us your peace.
 on us, mer - cy up - on us, and give us your peace.

“Give Me Jesus”

1 In the morn-ing when I rise, in the morn-ing when I rise,
 2 Dark . . . mid-night was my cry, dark . . . mid-night was my cry,
 3 Just a - bout the break of day, just a - bout the break of day,
 4 Oh, . . . when I come to die, oh, . . . when I come to die,
 5 And . . . when I want to sing, and . . . when I want to sing,

in the morn-ing when I rise, give me Je - sus.
 dark . . . mid - night was my cry, give me Je - sus.
 just a - bout the break of day, give me Je - sus.
 oh, . . . when I come to die, give me Je - sus.
 and . . . when I want to sing, give me Je - sus.

Refrain

Give me Je - sus, give me Je - sus.

You may have all the rest, give me Je - sus.

WE ARE SENT TO SERVE

* BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen

* PRAYER

Ever-faithful God, you have taken us into your arms through the waters of baptism and nourished us as your dear children at this table. Lead us and guide us, that we may share our bread and your healing light with those who hunger and thirst. Embolden us to share the story of your never-ending love and sing your praise both now and forever.

Amen

* BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine brightly upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

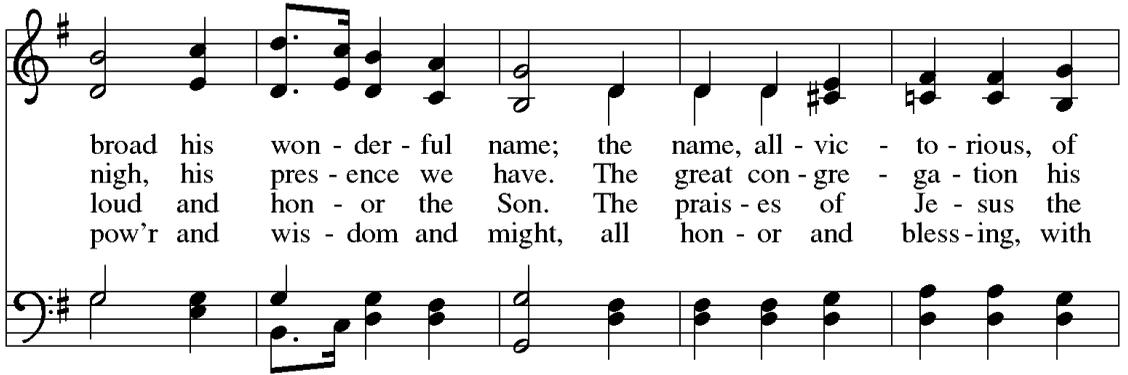
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

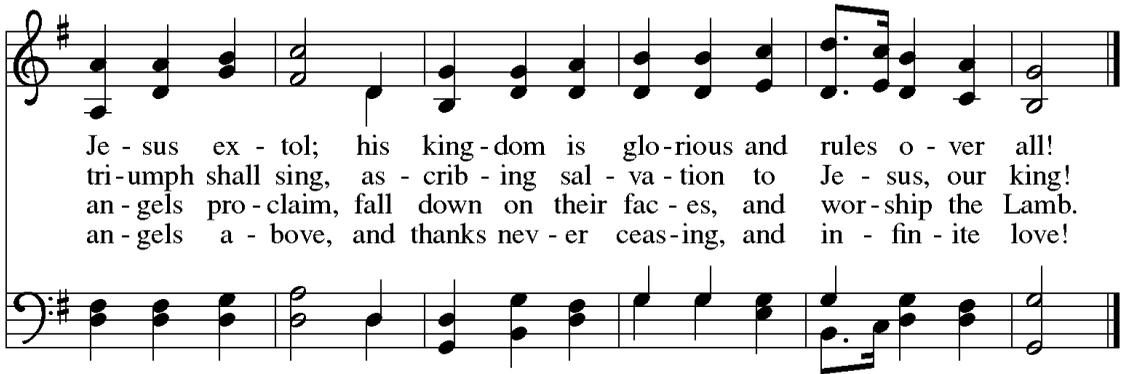
* CLOSING HYMN

"You Servants of God"

1 You ser - vants of God, your Mas - ter pro - claim, and pub - lish a -
2 As - cend - ed on high, al - might - y to save, yet still he is
3 Sal - va - tion to God who sits on the throne! Let all cry a -
4 Then let us a - dore and give him his right, all glo - ry and



broad his won - der - ful name; the name, all - vic - to - rious, of
 nigh, his pres - ence we have. The great con - gre - ga - tion his
 loud and hon - or the Son. The prais - es of Je - sus the
 pow'r and wis - dom and might, all hon - or and bless - ing, with



Je - sus ex - tol; his king - dom is glo - rious and rules o - ver all!
 tri - umph shall sing, as - crib - ing sal - va - tion to Je - sus, our king!
 an - gels pro - claim, fall down on their fac - es, and wor - ship the Lamb.
 an - gels a - bove, and thanks nev - er ceas - ing, and in - fin - ite love!

***DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

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Worship Services

9:00 am each Sunday
Holy Communion:
First & Third Sunday of the Month
Festivals
6:00 pm each Wednesday
Informal Service
Holy Communion, 1st Wednesday

Sunday School

10:30 – 11:15 each Sunday
Classes for All Ages

Building The Welcome Place

Who Are We? We are The Welcome Place

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.
- Romans 15:7

What Is Our Mission As A Church And As Members? WWW

We are...**Welcoming** friends and strangers with God's love.
Working to build deeper relationships with Jesus.
Witnessing to share God's love with everyone

What Is Our Vision Of Who God Wants Us To Be? ORG

People who are serving...**One Real God**,
living **One real faith**,
making **One real difference**.

How Do We Remind Ourselves?

www.the-welcome-place.org

Welcome to worship today and join us in building The Welcome Place Jesus calls us to be.

We Welcome All to St. Martin's Lutheran Church this Sunday as you join us to worship our Savior, Jesus Christ. We invite you to sign the Welcome Insert in your Bulletin and fill in the appropriate information. If you are visiting, we would like to invite you back to worship with us at your earliest convenience. If you are looking for a church home, come join us here at "The Welcome Place" for worship and allow us to introduce ourselves and the Lord whom we serve. Join us for coffee, cookies and fellowship in the Fellowship Hall following the Worship Service.

You Are Invited Today to the Lord's Table to Celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Here are a few instructions to help you as you prepare:

- ❑ What We Believe: We welcome all to the Lord's Table who believe that the Body and Blood of Christ is given to us in bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins. A person is well prepared and worthy to receive the Sacrament who believes the words "given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins".
- ❑ Please fill out the Welcome Card bulletin insert and indicate if you are receiving Communion today.
- ❑ We offer two lines of continuous communion.
- ❑ When invited by the usher, come down the center aisle to receive the Bread. After eating the Bread, move to the side to receive the Wine either by glass or Common Cup. Glasses: The dark glasses contain wine. The light center ring contains grape juice. Place your empty glass in the baskets and return to your seat by the side aisle. Common Cup: simply step to the assistant with the Common Cup
- ❑ If your health does not permit you to come forward, indicate this to the usher and the Pastor will bring you Communion in your seat.

For Children: Children of all ages are welcome to come forward for a blessing. If a child has received First Communion instruction, they are welcome to receive the Sacrament.

Sight and Hearing Assistance: Personal PA, Wireless Earphones are available from the worship ushers

The Nursery Room at the back of the sanctuary is available for parents and children during Sunday morning services. We ask that no children of any age be in the nursery without adult supervision.

St. Martin's Worship Servants . . .

Ministers of Worship	-Everyone Present
Acolyte	-Maddie Short
Organist/Pianist	-Steve Basselman
Lector	-Beth Reichert
Greeter Team Leader	-Jackie Schweitzer
Usher Team Leader	-Jim Wyse
Sound System	-Darren Sonnenberg
Altar Guild	-Cristie Sevey, Robin Trudel
Offering Counters	-Jo Ann Liechty, Steve & Kate Rettig

2019 Annual Report available today. One per family, please. Please bring them back next week for the **Annual Meeting, January 26 following Worship.**

On Super Bowl Sunday (February 2nd), the FROGs youth group will be collecting any cash and canned-food donations after the worship service for the annual Souper Bowl of Caring event. All donations stay in our local community and are given to the Archbold FISH Food Pantry. Thank you for your generous support!!

Puerto Rico Mission Trip . . . Plans are almost complete for our mission trip on February 2nd-10th. We are sending a 12-member mission team from St. Martin to repair roofs damaged from Hurricane Maria. The roof repair is through "Toldos Pa' Mi Gente" which is "roofs for my People". Please consider giving a gift toward our mission trip. Could you give \$250 for one persons housing for the week, or \$350 for a van rental? Or consider maybe \$500 for an air fare ticket? Even small gifts will make a difference. <https://www.facebook.com/techospamigente.pr/>

This Week at St. Martin's

Today – January 19

Worship, 9:00 am, Holy Communion
Sunday School, 10:30 am
Strikepoint Youth Bell Choir, 11:15-12:00 pm

Monday – January 20

Monday Night Bible Study, 7:00, Book of Acts

Tuesday – January 21

Men's Breakfast Fellowship, 6:30 am at McDonalds
All Day Sewing, 9:00 with lunch at a local restaurant
Community Meal, 5:00 – 6:00 pm, St. John Christian

Wednesday – January 22

Welcome Meal, 5:15 pm
Welcome Place Kids, 6:00 pm, in the basement
Informal Worship, 6:00 pm, Fellowship Hall
Catechism, 6:30 pm, in the basement
Adult Circle, 6:30 pm, Fellowship Hall
Book Club, 6:30 pm, Nursery
Adult Bell Choir, 6:30 pm
Chancel Choir, 7:30 pm

Thursday – January 23

Women's Breakfast Bible Study, 6:30 am, at Home Restaurant
Bulletin Deadline, 9:00 am
Newsletter Deadline, 9:00 am

Next Sunday – January 26

Worship 9:00 am, Holy Communion
Annual Congregational Meeting, following Worship, Fellowship Hall
Sunday School, 10:30 am
Strikepoint Youth Bell Choir, 11:15 – 12:00 pm
Fairlawn Hymn Sing, 6:45, Fairlawn Chapel

Last Week & Last Year at St. Martin's. . .

	9:00	6:00	Total Attendance	Offering
January 13, 2019	71	27	98	\$2,962.40
January 12, 2020	115	35	150	\$24,736.65

Receipts Week of January 12, 2020 Budget and Year to Date

Operating Contributions	\$4,067.00	Budgeted Weekly Operating Need	\$5,224.00
Benevolence Received	\$5.00	Budgeted Weekly Benevolence Need	\$512.00
Other Designated Income	\$20,664.65	As of 12/31/2019	
Total Income	\$24,736.65	YTD Operating Received	\$290,527.40
		YTD Operating Expenses	(\$270,059.37)
		Net Income/(Deficit)	\$20,468.03

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St. Martin's Prayer Line

For our prayers in worship this morning and our daily devotions in the coming week, we remember:
All Believers as we look for the coming Messiah, may we be ready to see the Son of Man coming
in a cloud with power and great glory

All in Need both body & soul that we might know the joy we have in the presence of our Lord,
Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and King

Bishop Daniel Beaudoin, Synod Staff members and all the office staff, that they may be
supported in their ministry to the Church

The Bethel Parish of Dodoma, St. Martin's Companion Congregation, may they continue to carry
out God's ministry and mission in Tanzania

Mission Partner Congregation of Redeemer Lutheran, Toledo may they continue to carry out
God's ministry and mission in the Toledo Area

Victims & Responders to recent weather-related crisis in Puerto Rico & Australia, may we know
the comforting presence of our Lord Jesus Christ

For those who need healing, may they know the healing hand of God

Members of St. Martin's

Kay Badenhop
Sharon Heckel
Milla Kohv
Dick Nagel
Rosemary Short
Al Siewert
Joe Wyse
Willie Ziegler

Family & Friends of St. Martin's

Margaret Benecke, Dan & Jeff Benecke's aunt
Paul L. Bockelman, Deb Schmidt's father
Phillip Calvin, Tanya Howell's brother
Jeff Cook, Ann Ott's son
Steven DeNault, June Hayes' friend
James Dilyard, Peg Winzeler's great grandson
Daphne Hannaford, Edon 3rd grader, brain tumor
Greg Jenkins, Pastor Paul's brother-in-law
Shelly Kammeyer, daughter in law of Sharon, Leukemia
Lois Mininger, June Hayes' cousin
Joan Mortenson, Pastor Paul's sister-in-law
Mike Nafziger, Pettisville, following lung transplant
Ana Perry, Andi Erbskorn's niece
Doug & April Saville, friends of Gene & Jan Delaney
Janice Siegel, Dustin Bailey's mother, cancer
Jim Shiley, Beth Reichert's father
Lu Wolf, Judy (Paul) Wyse's mother

Our Shut-ins Rex Detwiler, Henry & Dorothy Huner, Irene Liechty, Ada Thrasher, Louise Wyse

For those who need God's protection and the assurance that he is near

All St. Martin's Members as they prepare for Ministry

Our College students both close to home and far away

All members, family & friends who serve in our military, Steve & Sara (Delaney) Adams,
Hunter Beaverson, Patrick Cirenza (June Hayes), Bradley Nilsson (Pat Richards),
Christopher Goertz, Brendon Johns

①① Prayer requests for the people of St. Martin's ①①
Please contact the church office by 9:00 am. Thursday
(Note, we include a person's name with permission.)