

St. Martin's Lutheran Church
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Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
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Invited and inviting—that is the nature of the church. By God's grace in holy baptism we have a place at the banquet table of the Lord. When, by the power of that same Spirit, humility and mutual love continue among us, the church can be more inviting still.

Regular text is spoken by the Worship Leader

Bold text is spoken by the Congregation

** Indicates to stand as you are able*

PRELUDE

BELL & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*OPENING HYMN

“The Trumpets Sound”



1 The trum - pets sound, the an - gels sing, the feast is
2 Ta - bles are la - den with good things; oh, taste the
3 The hun - gry heart he sat - is - fies, of - fers the



read - y to be - gin. The gates of heav'n are o - pen wide,
peace and joy he brings. He'll fill you up with love di - vine;
poor his par - a - dise. Now hear all heav'n and earth ap - plaud



and Je - sus wel - comes you in - side.
he'll turn your wa - ter in - to wine.
the a - maz - ing good - ness of the Lord.



Sing with thank - ful - ness songs of pure de - light. Come and rev - el in



heav - en's love and light. Take your place at the ta - ble of the King.



The feast is read - y to be - gin, the feast is read - y to be - gin.

* **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity; Father, Son † and Holy Spirit; who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor, let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy,

we confess that we have sinned against you, and against one another, We are worried and distracted by many things, and we fail to love you above all else. We store up treasures for ourselves and turn away from our neighbors in need. Forgive us, that we may live in the freedom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

When we were laid low by sin and guilt, God made us alive together with Christ, forgiving us all our trespasses by taking our sins to the cross. For freedom Christ has set us free: Rejoice in this good news!

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.

Lord God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble.

Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, who took the lowest place among us that we might be raised to glory. We pray this in the name of our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

Old Testament Reading

Proverbs 25:6–7

⁶Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence
or stand in the place of the great;
⁷for it is better to be told, "Come up here,"
than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Psalm 112 – *read responsively*

Praise the LORD! Happy are those who fear the LORD,

They who greatly delight in his commandments.

It is well with those who deal generously and lend, who conduct their affairs with justice.

For the righteous will never be moved; they will be remembered forever.

They are not afraid of evil tidings; their hearts are firm, secure in the LORD.

Their hearts are steady, they will not be afraid; in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.

They have distributed freely, they have given to the poor; their righteousness endures forever; their horn is exalted in honor.

The wicked see it and are angry; they gnash their teeth and melt away; the desire of the wicked comes to nothing.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Hebrews 13:1–8, 15–16

Let mutual love continue. ²Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. ³Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. ⁴Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. ⁵Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." ⁶So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?"

⁷Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. ¹⁵Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. ¹⁶Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*GOSPEL READING

Luke 14:1, 7-14

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 14th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. ⁷When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. ⁸When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; ⁹and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. ¹¹For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

¹²He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

MESSAGE

"Getting a Better Seat"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* HYMN OF THE DAY

"We Come to the Hungry Feast"



1 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a word of peace.
2 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a world re - leased
3 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry that the hun - ger cease,



To hun - gry hearts un - sat - is - fied the love of God is
from hun - gry folk of ev - 'ry kind, the poor in bod - y,
and know - ing, though we eat our fill, the hun - ger will stay



not de - nied. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
poor in mind. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
with us; still we come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

*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

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

Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars, beneath the sea, and with each breath.

We praise you, O God.

Generations bless your faithfulness; through the past, in the present, and into the future.

We praise you, O God.

We give you thanks for your Son; at the heart of human life, near those who suffer, beside the sinner, among the poor, and with us now.

We praise you, O God.

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 in 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 in remembrance of me."

Remembering his love for us, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit in our gathering, upon this bread and cup, among your people, throughout the world. Blessing, praise and thanks to you, holy God, through Jesus Christ and by your Holy Spirit, without end.

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.

* 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")

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

"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.

"Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal"

1 Bread of life, our host and meal, Je - sus, feed us.
2 Bread now break and wine now pour, Je - sus, feed us.
3 Grant for - give - ness in the feast— Je - sus, feed us—
4 Thank you for this gift we share. Je - sus, feed us.

Christ, by faith, to see and feel, feed us with your love.
Make us one, our hope re - store; feed us with your love.
for the great - est and the least; feed us with your love.
Save God's chil - dren ev - 'ry - where; feed us with your love.

The musical score consists of two systems, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff of each system.

WE GO TO SERVE

*** BLESSING**

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

Amen

*** PRAYER**

O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord.

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 *Please sing unison Verse 4*

“In Christ Called to Baptize”



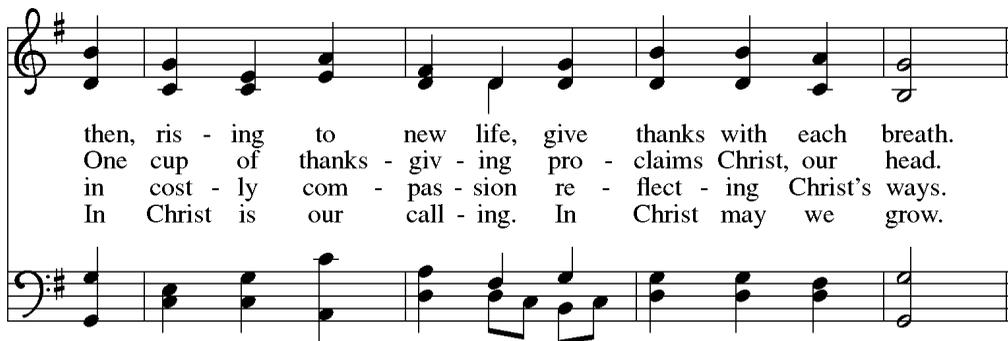
1 In Christ called to bap - tize, we wit - ness to grace
2 In Christ called to ban - quet, one ta - ble we share,
3 In Christ called to wit - ness, by grace we will preach
4 U - nite us, a - noint us, O Spir - it of love,



and gath - er a peo - ple from each land and race.
a ha - ven of wel - come, a cir - cle of care.
the life - giv - ing gos - pel; God's love we will teach.
for you are with - in us, a - round us, a - bove.



In deep, flow - ing wa - ters, we share in Christ's death,
Al - though we are man - y, we share in one bread.
By grace may our liv - ing give proof to our praise
E - quip us for ser - vice with gifts you be - stow.



then, ris - ing to new life, give thanks with each breath.
One cup of thanks - giv - ing pro - claims Christ, our head.
in cost - ly com - pas - sion re - flect - ing Christ's ways.
In Christ is our call - ing. In Christ may we grow.

*** DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God

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Worship Services: 9:00 am each Sunday

6:00 pm each Wednesday, Informal Service

-9:00 Sunday live broadcast on Facebook and YouTube

We welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. – Romans 15:7 ESV

We Welcome All to St. Martin's Lutheran Church this Sunday as you join us in person and online for worship.

Worship includes the celebration of Communion today. We will be distributing communion in a continuous fashion. As you come forward you will receive the bread and then you can move to the side to receive the wine. Please pick up your own glass from the wine tray unless you need assistance. The center light-colored glasses are grape juice. Please place your empty wine glass in the basket as you return to your seat by the side aisle.

St. Martin's Worship Servants . . .

Ministers of Worship	-Everyone Present both near and far
Acolyte	-Maddox Schneider
Organist/Pianist	-Deacon Steve Basselman
Lector	-Mark Weaver
Usher Team	-Butch Blankenship
Altar Guild	-Sandy Thatcher, Robin Trudel
Sound System	-Noah Blankenship
Offering Counters	-Jo Ann Liechty, Aaron Short

This Week at St. Martin's

Today – August 28

Worship, 9:00 am, Holy Communion

Tuesday – August 30

Men's Breakfast Bible Study, 6:45, at McDonald's, Archbold
Community Meal, 5:00, at St. John's Christian

Wednesday – August 31

Welcome Place Wednesday Meal, 5:15 pm
Welcome Place Wednesday Worship, 6:00 pm
Catechism Meeting, 6:30 pm

Thursday – September 1

Women's Breakfast Bible Study, 7:00, at Home Restaurant
Bulletin Deadline, 9:00 am

Next Sunday – September 4

Worship, 9:00 am, Holy Communion

Last Week at St. Martin's . . .

Receipts Week of 8/21/2022 Budget and Year to Date

Operating Contributions	\$5,230.43	Budgeted Weekly Operating Need	\$6,230.00
Benevolence Received	\$114.00	Budgeted Weekly Benevolence Need	\$570.00
Other Designated Income	\$160.00	As of 7/31/2022	
Total Income	\$5,504.43	YTD Operating Received	\$151,765.78
Attendance: Sun/Wed/Total	84/18/102	YTD Operating Expenses	(\$103,433.64)
		Net Income/(Deficit)	\$48,332.14

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
St. Martin's congregation and all involved in the process of calling St. Martin's Youth Leader
People of Ukraine during this time of unrest, may they know the presence of our Lord Jesus
All First Responders, Hospital Staff, Caregivers and all who have lost family members & friends to
covid may we know the ever-present grace of God
For those who need healing, may they know the healing hand of God
Jeff Cook, Ann Ott's son
Jan Delaney
Steven DeNault, June Hayes' friend
Jerry Geiger
Sharon Heckel
Steve & Sue Hurst, Health Concerns
Amy Johns
Shelly Kammeyer, daughter in law of Sharon, Leukemia
Amanda Karduck, friend of Sara Adams & Jan Delaney
Michael, Pastor & Linda Koch, friends of Melanie & Dick Nagel
Doris Koerner, Peg Bjorlin's mother, under Hospice Care
Bonnie R. Lauber
Lois Mininger, June Hayes' cousin
Heather Nehls Witten, daughter of Marie Nehls & Tarry Nehls, cancer
Janice Siegel, Dustin Bailey's mother, cancer
Al Siewert
Jonathan Siewert
Tom Wagener, father of Mark Wagener, health concerns
Joe Wyse
Kelsy Wyse
Homebound – Louise Wyse, Steward 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,
Patrick Cirenza (June Hayes), Bradly & Victoria Nilsson, Kennedy Hartung, Ashtyn
Frederick, Christopher Goertz, Brendon Johns, Kasyn Schaffner, Spencer Short
①① Prayer requests for the people of St. Martin's ①①
(Note, we include a person's name with permission.)

Rally Day, September 11 . . .

Outdoor Worship at 9:00am
Brunch following Worship,
approx. 10:00am
Packing LWR Kits—following Brunch



Bible Sunday + 1st Day of Sunday School, September 18

Sunday School Picnic



Worship at 9:00am
Sunday School for all ages -
10:15—11:00am
Activities for all ages
at 11:00am
Sunday School Picnic Lunch
at 11:30am



Lutheran World Relief Kits

Goal for 300 School Kits, we need...

- 730 – 70-sheet notebooks, wide or college ruled paper 8" X 10½"
(Meijers in Defiance has notebooks by the box)
- ~~300 – 30-centimeter rulers (or centimeters and inches)~~
- ~~300 – Pencil sharpeners~~
- 93 – Blunt scissors
- ~~62 – Unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers~~
- 617 – Black or Blue Ballpoint pens (no gel ink)
- 35 – Boxes of 24 crayons
- ~~300 – 2½" Erasers~~

PLEASE – NO GLUE!

Goal for 75 Personal Care

We need . . .

- 58 – Light to medium-weight, bath-size towel (52" X 27" or smaller), dark color
- 63 – 2-Bath-size bars (4 to 5 oz.) of soap, original wrapping
- 48 – Adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging
- 44 – Sturdy comb, remove packaging
- 10 – Metal nail clippers (with or without file), remove packaging

Goal for 75 Baby Care Kits

We need . . .

- ~~150 – Lightweight cotton t-shirts~~
- ~~150 – Long- or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers (without feet)~~
- ~~150 – Receiving blankets, medium-weight cotton or flannel, or crocheted or knitted with lightweight yarn, up to 52" square~~
- ~~300 – Cloth diapers,~~
- ~~75 – Jacket, sweater or sweatshirt with a hood, or include a baby cap~~
- ~~150 – Pairs of socks~~
- 75 – Hand towel, dark color recommended
- 150 – Bath-size bars (4 to 5 oz.) of gentle soap, in original wrapping
- ~~150 – Diaper pins or large safety pins~~