



St. Martin's Lutheran Church
203 S. Defiance Street + Archbold, OH 43502
Deacon Steve Basselman

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 6, 2023

“What Is This Place”

Please sing unison on Verse 3

1 What is this place where we are meet - ing? On - ly a house, the
2 Words from a - far, stars that are fall - ing, sparks that are sown in
3 And we ac - cept bread at this ta - ble, bro - ken and shared, a

earth its floor. Walls and a roof shel - ter - ing peo - ple,
us like seed: names for our God, dreams, signs and won - ders
liv - ing sign. Here in this world, dy - ing and liv - ing,

win-dows for light, an o - pen door. Yet it be-comes a bod - y that lives
sent from the past are all we need. We in this place re - mem-ber and speak
we are each oth-er's bread and wine. This is the place where we can re - ceive

when we are gath - ered here, and know our God is near.
a - gain what we have heard: God's free re - deem-ing word.
what we need to in - crease: our jus - tice and God's peace.

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 6, 2023

In today's first reading God invites all who are hungry or thirsty to receive food and drink without cost. Jesus feeds the hungry multitude and reveals the abundance of God. At the eucharistic table we remember all who are hungry or poor in our world today. As we share the bread of life, we are sent forth to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry.

Regular text is spoken by the Worship Leader

Bold text is spoken by the congregation

** Indicates to stand as you are able*

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

“Fanfare” – Ronald Arnatt

Bell & Announcements

*Opening Hymn

“What Is This Place”

*Confession and Forgiveness

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

Amen

In the presence of God, who knows our hearts and our minds, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God our strength,

we confess that we are captive to the power of sin that dwells within us.

We put ourselves first and others last.

What we think will make us happy leaves us longing for more.

Even when we strive to do what is good, we find ourselves being tempted to do less than what is expected of us.

Rescue us from death's grip on our lives, and raise us up day by day, that we may be alive in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Amen.

Sisters and brothers, all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God; *(Romans 3:23)* therefore we are justified by God's grace as a gift. Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus, *(Romans 8:39)* in whom we have forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation.

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.

Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

First Reading

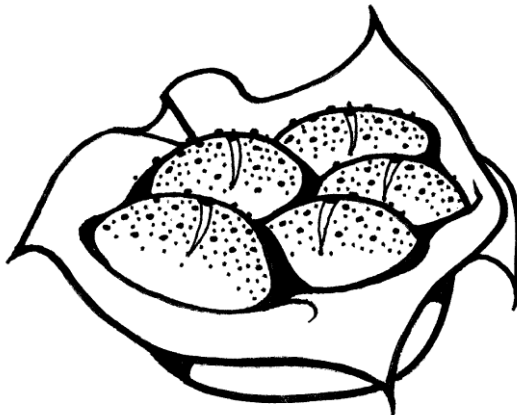
Isaiah 55:1–5

Listen, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

²Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. ³Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.

⁴See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. ⁵See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



Psalm 145:8-9, 14-17

Verses – Leader

Refrain - All

Refrain

God is com-pas-sion-ate to all crea-tures.

*Ev'ry day I will bless you, O God.
I will praise your name forever and ever.
Great are you and highly to be praised;
The myst'ry of your goodness is unsearchable. **Refrain***

*Let all creatures give you thanks, O God.
Let your whole creation bless you with singing.
We will tell the glory of your works
And live the story of your power and your love. **Refrain***

*Be to all the healing core of life.
With the splendor of the universe fill us.
You are faithful to creation;
Your mercy flows to ev'ry generation. **Refrain***

Second Reading

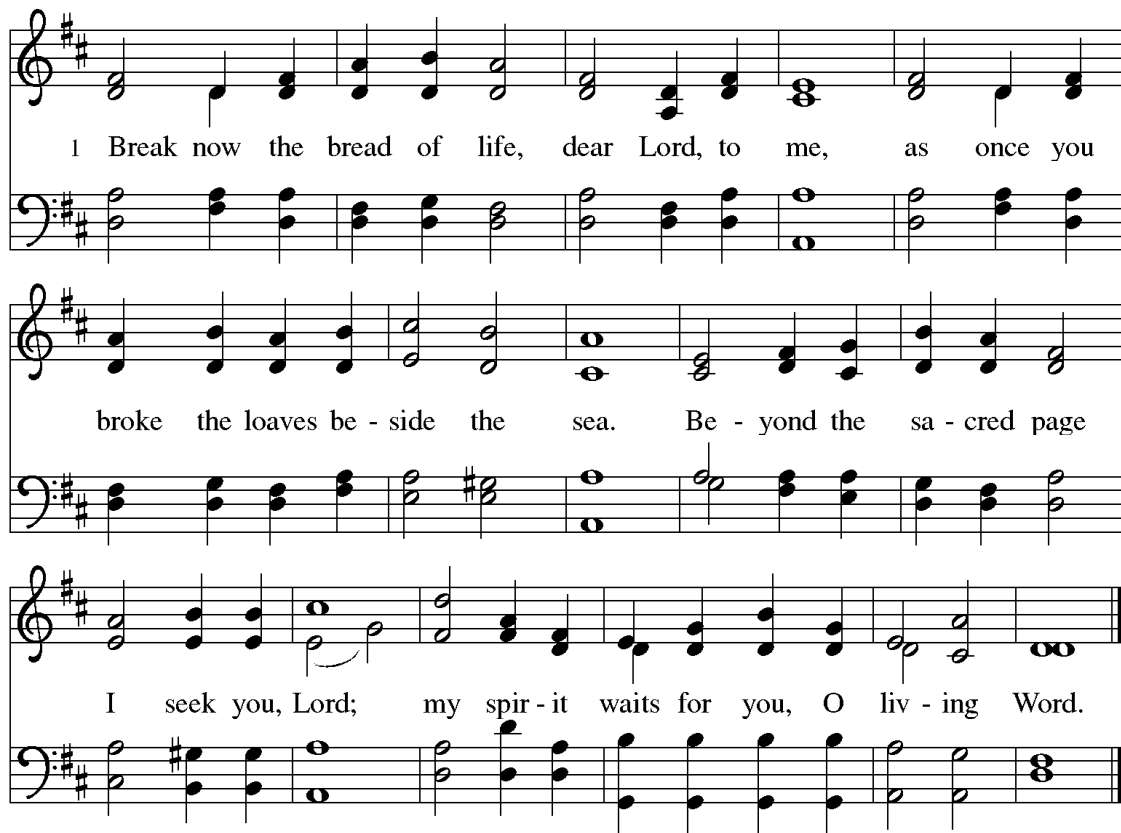
Romans 9:1-5

¹I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—²I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. ⁴They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; ⁵to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

*Gospel Acclamation



1 Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as once you
broke the loaves be - side the sea. Be - yond the sa - cred page
I seek you, Lord; my spir - it waits for you, O liv - ing Word.

*Holy Gospel

Matthew 14:13-21

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 14th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord!

¹³Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." ¹⁸And he said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the

disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ!

Message

“There Is Enough”

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

*Hymn of the Day

“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.

***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

Adam Bjorlin, soloist

"The King of Love My Sheperd Is"

Ch. Gounod

*The King of love my shepherd is,
whose goodness faileth never.
I nothing lack if I am his,
and he is mine forever.*

*Where streams of living water flow,
my ransomed soul he leadeth;
and where the verdant pastures grow,
with food celestial feedeth.*

*Perverse and foolish, oft I strayed,
but yet in love he sought me;
and on his shoulder gently laid,
and home, rejoicing, brought me.*

*In death's dark vale I fear no ill,
with thee, dear Lord, beside me;
thy rod and staff my comfort still,
thy cross before to guide me.*

*And so through all the length of days,
thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
within thy house forever.*

*Offertory

"Oh, What Shall I Render



1 Oh, what shall I ren - der in thanks to my Lord
2 My hands take the cup of sal - va - tion you give;



for all the good gifts by which I am re - stored?
I'll praise you, O God, for as long as I live.



No trea - sure I ten - der could ev - er re - pay
My thanks will rise up as I call on your name,



God's mer - cy and faith - ful - ness, new ev - 'ry day.
with all of your peo - ple your good - ness pro - claim.

*Offertory Prayer

Merciful God,

you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing.

You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it.

Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it.

We pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen

WE SHARE IN THE MEAL

*The Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them to the Lord. (*Lamentations 3:41*)

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise. (*2 Thessalonians 1:3*)

*Eucharistic Prayer

Holy God, our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer, in the harmonious world of your creation, the plants and animals, the seas and stars were whole and well in your praise.

When sin had scarred the world, you sent your Son to heal our ills and to form us again into one.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and 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 acts of healing, his body given up, and his victory over death, we await that day when all the peoples of the earth will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus

Send your Spirit upon us and this meal: as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread, so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth, that all may be fed with the Bread of life, your Son.

Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

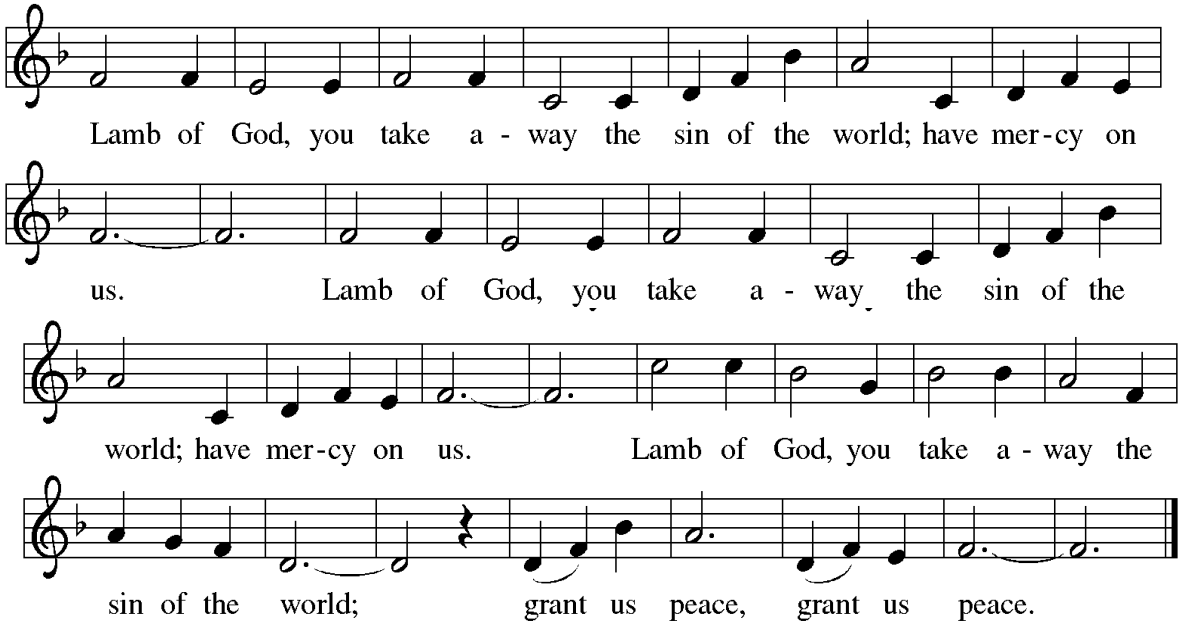
Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

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.

Distribution of Communion



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

“Let Us Break Bread Together”



1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees;
2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees;



let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.
let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.

Refrain



When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing



sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.



3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;



let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.

Refrain

“I Am the Bread of Life” WOV 702 (Blue hymnal)

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**

Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore.

Amen

*** Benediction**

As you go on your way may Christ go with you.

Christ before you to lead you;

Christ behind you to encourage you;

Christ beside you to befriend you;

Christ above you to watch over you;

Christ within you to give you peace.

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

Amen

*Closing Hymn

"Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises"

Refrain— sung twice each time




Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa ro - na, di tha -
Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your prais - es, all our




bi - le ka - o - fe - la. Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa
hearts are filled with glad - ness. Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your

End

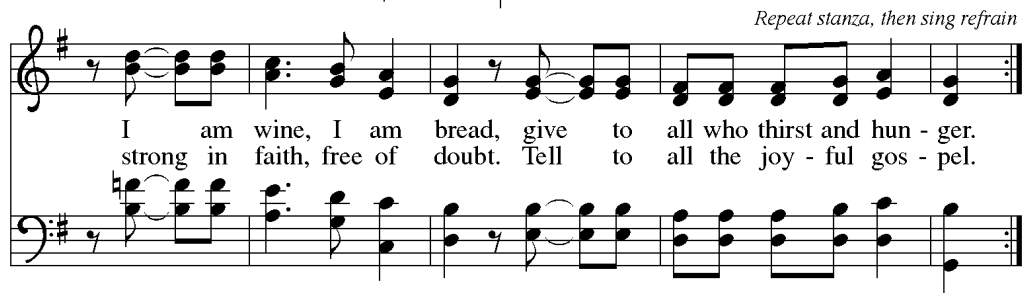


ro - na, di tha - bi - le ka - o - fe - la.
prais - es, all our hearts are filled with glad - ness.



1 Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread,
2 Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt,

Repeat stanza, then sing refrain



I am wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hun - ger.
strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joy - ful gos - pel.

*Dismissal

Go in peace, serve the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

Postlude

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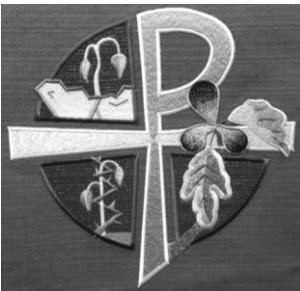
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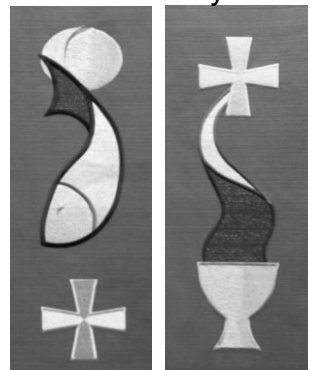
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The parament on our pulpit outlines the parable of the seed and the sower reading from July 13th's Gospel reading, Matthew 13: 1-23. The seeds fall on a variety of surfaces; the hard pathway, the rocky ground, and among the thorns. The large "P" is symbolic of the Chi Rho. It is formed by superimposing the first two (capital) letters chi and rho (XP) of the Greek word "ΧΡΙΣΤΟΣ" = Christ. A green branch and leaves are seen growing from the cross bar of the symbol.

The Chi Rho was an early symbol of Christianity used in the days of Constantine in the 4th century.

The altar paraments include communion imagery and the miracle of the feeding of the 5000 in Matthew 14. We will hear that gospel text today. Take a few moments and make your way up front each time we cycle through the church year colors and study the images on each set of paraments. Each set was deliberately chosen at the time of the sanctuary renovation in 2014 to reflect the various symbols important to the church for the season they represent.



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Tue – Thurs. 9-4:00 pm

Worship Services: 9:00 am each Sunday, live broadcast on Facebook
6:00 pm each Wednesday, Informal Service

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

Worship includes the celebration of Communion today. We will be distributing by individual tables at the altar rail today. As you come forward, you are invited to kneel. You will receive the bread and the wine, then each table will be dismissed with a blessing. The center light-colored glasses are grape juice. If you prefer a gluten-free bread wafer, please tell the person serving bread. Please place your empty glass in the basket as you return to your seat by the side aisle.

St. Martin's Worship Servants . . .

Ministers of Worship	-Everyone Present
Acolyte	-Grayson Forward
Organist/Pianist	-Matthew Wachtman
Preacher	-Deacon Steve Basselman
Vocalist	-Adam Bjorlin
Lector	-Eliza Avers
Usher Team Leader	-Butch Blankenship
Sound System	-Darren Sonnenberg
Altar Guild	-Sandy Thatcher, Robin Trudel
Offering Counters	-Jo Ann Liechty, Jane Sonnenberg

The **Chancel Flowers** today are given to the glory of God and in honor of the 45th wedding anniversary of Peg & Dana Bjorlin that was yesterday.

Welcome Place Wednesday Meals...We are looking for people to help host the meals. Meals are needed through the month of September. This can be for a single Wednesday or multiple Wednesdays. Cooks, helpers and servers are needed. Meals will be for up to 40 people. They can be simple summer style meals. Meals are served from 5:15 to 6:00 on Wednesday. There are funds available for reimbursement of items purchased up to \$50 a week if needed. A sign-up sheet will be in the entry way.

Volunteers Needed...Have you ever thought of donating your time and yet meeting new people at the same time? Sauder Village is looking for individuals who would enjoy working in Retail at the Sauder Village Gift Shop. The Gift Shop is open on Wednesday through Saturday from 10:00 am to 5:00 PM. This is a flexible opportunity for anyone who would like to volunteer two days a month or more. This position would run from now until the end of the season, October 28, 2023. Contact Nona Rupp, Volunteer Coordinator at Sauder Village 419-446-2451 Ext. 3228, or join her during coffee hour to learn more about this opportunity. You can also apply online at www.saudervillage.org and click on Employment and Volunteering. You can feel good knowing that each and every dollar saved through volunteer time contributed directly supports the educational mission of Sauder Village. If you are able to serve on a regularly scheduled basis, you may qualify to receive complimentary membership, discounts and other benefits. Many other position opportunities are available also.

Puerto Rico Mission Trip...We are planning to send a team from St. Martin to repair roofs damaged from Hurricanes in Puerto Rico. St. Martin has sent teams in the past. The roof repair is through "Toldos Pa' Mi Gente" which is "roofs for my People". You can check out their Facebook page to see some of the recent projects. We will be going in February of 2024. Please contact me if you would like to go. Talk to some of the members that have gone in the past. It has always been a very rewarding trip. We would like to have a team of 10-12 people. More information to come once the team is in place and a date is selected. Please pray that the plans will come together.

This Week at St. Martin's

Today – August 6

Worship, 9:00 am, Holy Communion

Tuesday – August 8

Parkinson's Support Group, 1:00pm

Men's Breakfast @ McDonalds, 7:00am

Wednesday – August 9

Devotions with Jake @ Healthy Spot, 2:00 pm

Welcome Meal, 5:15 pm

Welcome Place Worship, 6:00 pm

Thursday – August 10

Women's Breakfast Bible Study, 7:00 am, @ Home Restaurant

Bulletin Deadline, 9:00 am

Next Sunday – August 13

Worship, 9:00 am

Help is Needed at Care & Share Thrift Shops. . . Care & Share is looking for someone to manage the pick-up and delivery part of our furniture area. This would be approx. 15-20 hours per week. Part of the hours would be working in the store, preparing furniture for sale, as well as helping out wherever needed. Contact Pat King, Furniture Coordinator 419 445 1926 Ext 202 or Kathy Nofziger General Mgr. Ext 100

Online Giving - Mobile Access

Mobile users can now access the giving page to set up recurring donations or make one time donations directly from phones using this QR code.

To change or delete recurring donations you will still need to go to:

<https://givingtools.com>

and sign in to your account.



Last Week at St. Martin's . . .

Receipts Week of 7/30/2023, Budget and Year to Date

Operating Contributions	\$5564.64	Budgeted Weekly Operating Need	\$6,135.00
Benevolence Received	\$60.00	Budgeted Weekly Benevolence Need	\$640.00
Other Designated Income	\$87	date	
Total Income	\$5711.64	YTD Operating Received	\$135,661.96
Worship: Sun./Wed./Total	84	YTD Operating Expenses	(\$149,788.27)
<i>NO Wed. Worship 8/2</i>		Net Income/(Deficit)	(\$14,126.31)

RALLY DAY is coming September 10. Begin bringing your donations for Lutheran World Relief. We will have an updated count next Sunday.

School Kit:

- 70-sheet notebooks wide or college ruled paper 8" X 10½"
- 30-centimeter ruler, or centimeters and inches
- Pencil sharpener
- Blunt scissors
- Ballpoint pens (no gel ink)
- Box of 24 crayons
- 2½" Eraser

Personal Care Kit:

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

Baby Care Kit:

- Lightweight cotton t-shirts
- Long- or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers (without feet)
- Receiving blankets, medium-weight cotton or flannel
- Cloth diapers
- Jacket, sweater or sweatshirt with a hood, or include a baby cap
- Pair of socks
- Hand towel, dark color recommended
- Bath-size bars (4 to 5 oz.) of gentle soap, in original wrapping
- Diaper pins or large safety pins

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, Tanzania, and Mission Partner Congregation of Redeemer,
Toledo, may they continue to carry out God's ministry in their areas of mission
People of Ukraine during this time of unrest, may they know the presence of our Lord Jesus
All First Responders, Hospital Staff, and Caregivers
For those who need healing, may they know the healing hand of God
Owen Basselman, Pat Basselman's grandson
Rick Breier
Leo Brennan, brother-in-law of John Trudel
Jeff Cook, Ann Ott's son
Orlo Cully, brother of Pat Richards, Health Concerns
Jerry Geiger
Jeanise Hoeffel, Jane Sonnenberg's sister
Steve & Sue Hurst, Health Concerns
Amy Johns
Shelly Kammeyer, daughter in law of Sharon, Leukemia
Amanda Karduck, friend of Sara Adams & Jan Delaney
Michael Koch, friend of Melanie & Dick Nagel
Bonnie R. Lauber
Conrad and Karen Perry, Andi Erbskorn's brother and sister-in-law
Ava Pahl, Pat Basselman's niece, health concerns
Tom Plezia, friend of Karen Stevenson
Chris Shafer
Marilyn Sholl
Al Siewert
Peg Winzeler
Joe Wyse
Kelsy Wyse
Homebound – 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,
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.)