

St. Martin's Lutheran Church
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The Holy Trinity
May 26, 2024

"Holy, Holy, Holy"



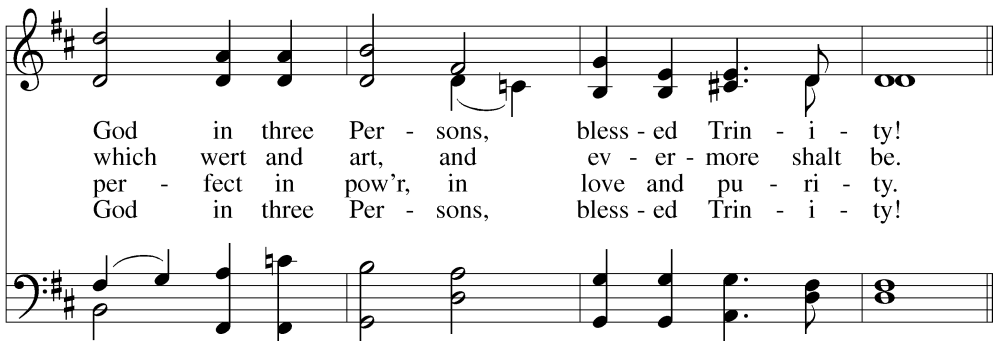
1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God Al - might - y!
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
though the eye made blind by sin thy glo - ry may not see,
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
which wert and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
per - fect in pow'r, in love and pu - ri - ty.
God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Trinity Sunday

May 26, 2024

When we say God is the triune God, we are saying something about who God is beyond, before, and after the universe: that there is community within God. Our experience of this is reflected in Paul's words today. When we pray to God as Jesus prayed to his Abba (an everyday, intimate parental address), the Spirit prays within us, creating between us and God the same relationship Jesus has with the one who sent him.

Regular text is spoken by the Worship Leader

Bold text is spoken by the Congregation

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

“All Creatures of Our God and King”

with the Doxology - arr. John F. Wilson

BELL & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***OPENING HYMN**

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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

Amen

We are created by God, redeemed by the Son our Savior, and sustained by the Holy Spirit. In that name, and with that faith, let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination.)

Gracious God,

have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and lift us up by your Spirit, so that we may be freed to live and serve you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him might not perish but have eternal life. To those who believe in Jesus Christ, the heavenly Father gives the Holy Spirit that they may be children of God. Rejoice in the Lord; our sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

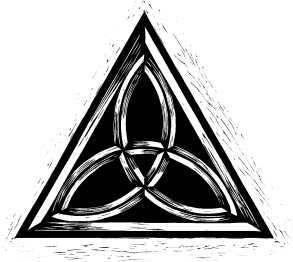
*GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.

Almighty Creator and ever-living God, we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One; and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, and defend us through the adversity in our lives. Bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

Amen



WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 6:1–8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the LORD sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ²Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." ⁸Then I heard the voice of the LORD saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Romans 8:12-17

¹² Therefore, dear brothers and sisters, you have no obligation to do what your sinful nature urges you to do. ¹³ For if you live by its dictates, you will die. But if through the power of the Spirit you put to death the deeds of your sinful nature, you will live. ¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

¹⁵ So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God's Spirit when he adopted you as his own children. Now we call him, "Abba, Father." ¹⁶ For his Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God's children. ¹⁷ And since we are his children, we are his heirs. In fact, together with Christ we are heirs of God's glory. But if we are to share his glory, we must also share his suffering.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



1 In God we be - lieve: the Cre - a - tor whose pow'r in
2 In Je - sus, the Sav - ior, our hope is se - cured. True
3 The Spir - it at work in our lives we con - fess; with



mer - cy has brought us for wor - ship this hour. God
God and true man once the cross He en - dured. to
pow - er and truth the Church now ev - er blessed. As



gra - cious - ly grants us our years and our days and
grant our lives whole - ness, for - give - ness of sin. With
saints, God's for - giv - en, one day we shall then be



bles - es with kind - ness our work and our ways.
hearts freed from guilt, we know true peace with - in.
liv - ing in glo - ry for - ev - er. A - men!

*GOSPEL READING

John 3:1-17

The Gospel according to St. John, the 3rd chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord!

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." ³Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' ⁸The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." ⁹Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" ¹⁰Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

¹¹Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

¹⁷Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ!

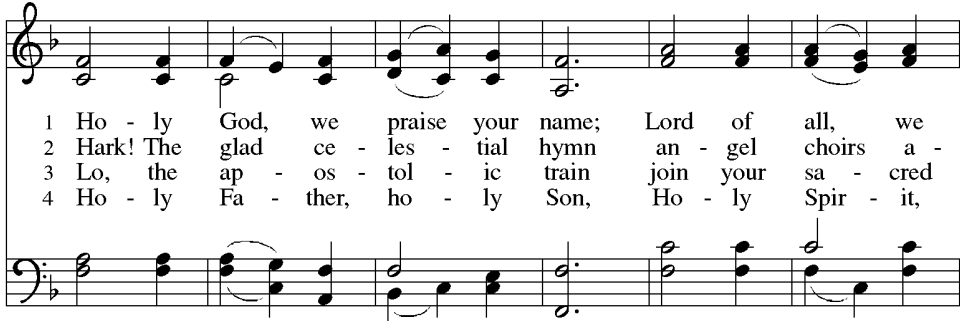
MESSAGE

"Relational God"

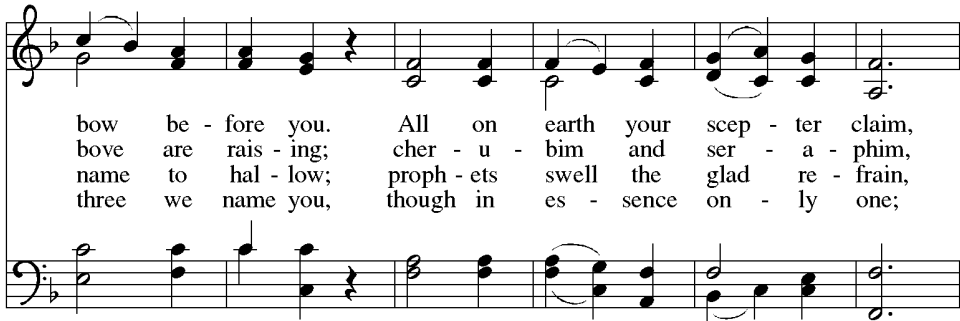
WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* HYMN OF THE DAY

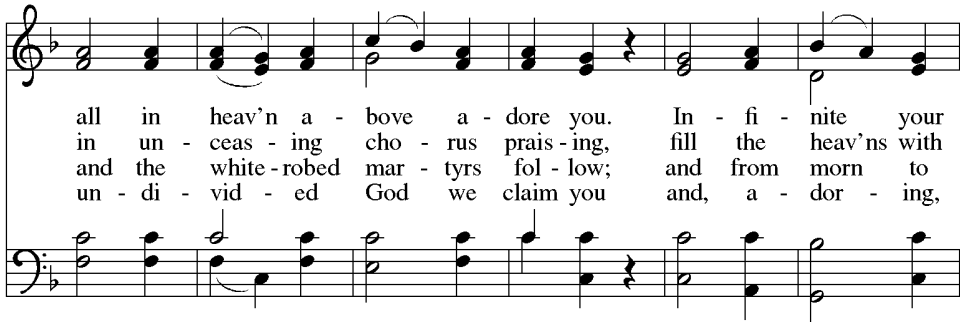
“Holy God, We Praise Your Name”



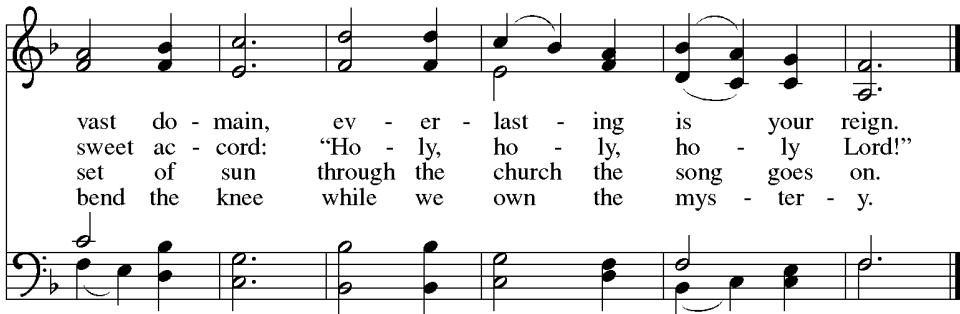
1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we
2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a -
3 Lo, the ap - os - tol - ic train join your sa - cred
4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,



bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim,
bove are rais - ing; cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,
name to hal - low; proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,
three we name you, though in es - sence on - ly one;



all in heav'n a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your
in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, fill the heav'ns with
and the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low; and from morn to
un - di - vid - ed God we claim you and, a - dor - ing,



vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is your reign.
sweet ac - cord: “Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!”
set of sun through the church the song goes on.
bend the knee while we own the mys - ter - y.

***PROFESSION OF FAITH** – *Nicene Creed*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

*** 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

Rick Breier, piano

* OFFERTORY

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be-low;

praise him a - bove, ye heaven-ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.

* OFFERING PRAYER

Merciful Father,

we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered 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

Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three! The whole earth is full of your glory. You are our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer. You lived as Jesus among us, healing, teaching, dying, rising, and inviting us all to your feast.

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."

And so, remembering all that was done for us – the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension – we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Holy God, we beg for your Spirit. Enliven this bread and wine and ignite your church. Make us, while many, united; make us, though broken, whole; make us, despite death, alive.

Come, Holy Spirit!

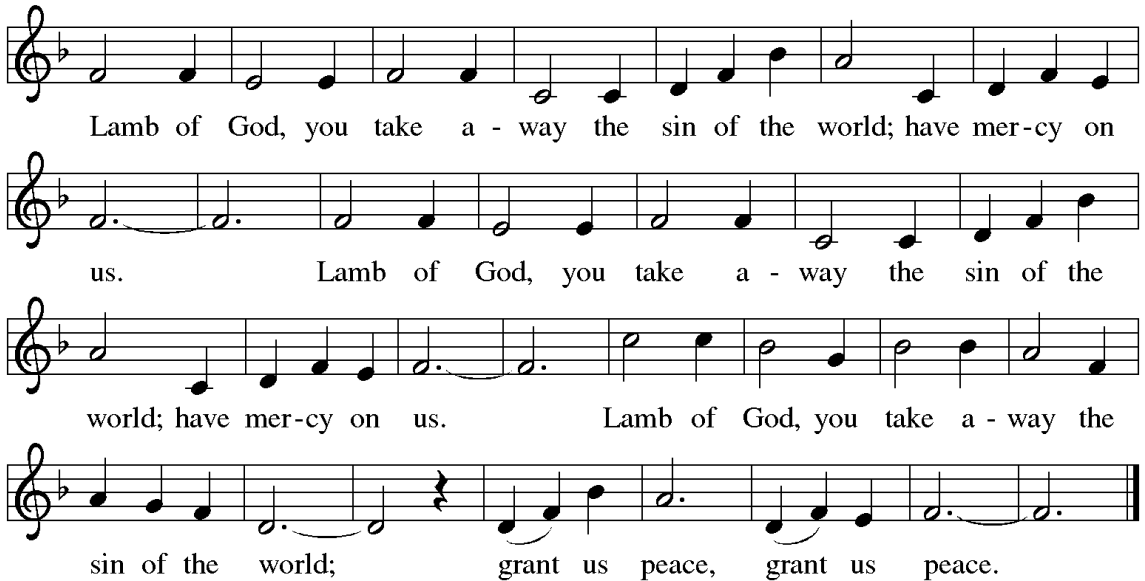
Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three – you are our Way, our Truth, and our Life. We praise you today, tomorrow and forever.

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 HOLY 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.

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

*POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

Amen.

*SENIOR RECOGNITION AND PRAYER

* 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 SONG

“Go, My Children with My Blessing”

1 “Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
 2 “Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
 3 “Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.
 4 “I the Lord will bless and keep you, and give you peace.

Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
 Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
 Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.
 I the Lord will smile up - on you, and give you peace.

In my love’s bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
 Here you heard my dear Son’s sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
 Here my Spir - it’s pow - er filled you, here his ten - der com - fort stilled you.
 I the Lord will be your Fa - ther, Sav - ior, Com - fort - er and Broth - er.

Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own.”
 Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.”
 Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free.”
 Go, my chil - dren, I will keep you, and give you peace.”

*** DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God

POSTLUDE

“God Bless America”

arr. Jari Villanueva

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In God We Believe(Creed) Music: St. Denio, Text: Steve Basselman

Liturgical texts and music for Offertory, Eucharistic Prayer, Lamb of God and Post communion from Evangelical Lutheran
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Madeline (Maddie) Sue Short- Maddie is graduating from Archbold High School today, May 26, 2024. She will be furthering her education at The University of Cincinnati, majoring in Electrical Engineering.

St. Martin’s Worship Servants . . .

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| Acolyte | -Allison Reyes |
| Lector | -Maddie Short |
| Pianist | - Rick Breier |
| Organist | - Steve Basselman |
| Trumpet | - Anita Roth, Leah Roth |
| Horn | - Phillip Hoverman |
| Baritone | - Abbie Short |
| Usher Team Leader | - Butch & Amy, Jay, Diane, Jan, and Jake |
| Sound System | -Bill Phelps |
| Altar Guild | - Michelle Collins & Gwen Grisier |
| Offering Counters | -Jan Delaney & Jo Ann Liechty |

St. Martin's Lutheran Church Directory is being updated to an on-line version. The member directory information is computer-based. Current member directory information will be uploaded to Instant Church Directory. Family/Individual pictures will also be uploaded and accompany the family information. If you do not have a family/individual picture to provide for the directory, the directory committee will schedule a day/time to take pictures for you at the church. Watch for an email or phone call from a committee member to verify your information (address, phone number, email, anniversary, birthdate(s)). In the meantime, review your recent photos (preferably head/shoulder shots) for a picture you would like to share to be uploaded to the directory. Once the directory is complete, it will be shared for church members to download. There will also be printed copies for those that want a hard copy. The directory information will be a part of St. Martin's Church website. The best part of the on-line directory, as your personal status changes (i.e. address change, phone number change, new profile pic, etc), updates may be sent to the church office and the directory is updated with a couple clicks. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Chris Ziegler, 419-551-1016 or Gwen Grisier, 419-572-9975.

We are looking for people or groups to help host the Wednesday Night Welcome Place Meals. This can be for the summer, a single Wednesday, or multiple Wednesdays. Helpers are also needed. Meals will be for up to 40 people. They can be simple summer-style meals and costs can be covered if requested. Meals are served from 5:15 to 6:00 each week. We will need meals covered starting May 29th through the summer. Contact Darren Sonnenberg for more information or to volunteer. sonnberg@rteceexpress.net

Burger Bash Recap- Because of the wonderful support of this community, almost \$10,000 was given in free-will donations at the Burger Bash in the park on Sunday, May 5. That fund kicks off the new mission year. Last year's Burger Bash plus the sale of our project steers allowed the treasurer to send \$42,848 to Growing Hope Globally for the efforts of this past project year which brings the total local ecumenical gift over 18 years to \$729,721!

May is Missionary Sponsorship Month for St. Martin's. Maumee Valley Conference voted at their last gathering to continue supporting the Swanson's work in Tanzania. You may use your offering envelope marked "Missionary Sponsorship" or mark your envelope Missionary Sponsorship. Here is an update on the Swanson's work . . .

Dr. Stephen Swanson and his wife Jodi are dedicated medical missionaries serving in Tanzania. Their work focuses on improving healthcare for children and communities in the region. Let me share some details about their mission:

1. Stephen Swanson is a board-certified pediatric and infectious disease physician. He serves at Arusha Lutheran Medical Center (ALMC) and Selian Lutheran Hospital in Arusha, Tanzania. His responsibilities include:
 - +Providing care for children
 - +Engaging in educational and research efforts
 - +Developing pediatric medical curriculum
 - +Training Tanzanian nursing and medical students

+[Serving as an intermediary to the international global health community](#)¹².

2. Jodi Swanson, Stephen's wife, is actively involved in:
 - +Managing acute childhood malnutrition in hospitals and the community
 - +Contributing to nursing and health education
 - +[Training community health workers](#)¹.

Their work is essential for improving neonatal care and overall healthcare in Tanzania. Unfortunately, there's also some sad news. [Steve Swanson passed away on March 17, 2024, but his legacy lives on through the impact he made during his missionary work](#)

This Week at St. Martin's

Sunday – May 26-Graduation Recognition-Trinity Sunday

Worship, 9am

Tuesday – May 28

Men's Breakfast, 7am @ McDonald's

Sewing, 9am

Community Meal @ St. John's Christian, 5-6:00pm

Wednesday – May 29

Welcome Meal, 5:15pm

Worship, 6pm

Thursday – May 30

Women's Breakfast Study, 7am @ Home Restaurant

Bulletin Deadline, 9am

Saturday- June 1

NWO Synod Assembly at St. Mark's, Bowling Green

Next Sunday – June 2

Worship, 9am



St. Martin's Apparel Store has been opened as a fundraiser for the ELCA Youth Gathering trip. There are a variety of shirt and sweatshirt options. Some designs are specific to the 2024 Youth Gathering, but also available are general St. Martin's items with our Anchored in the Cross logo and other simple designs. Please use this QR code to start shopping. **Orders will be taken online through today, May 26.** Orders can be taken on Sunday mornings too.

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Tues. 8:30-12, Fri 8:30-12

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

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. . .

Week of 5/19/2024, Budget and Year to Date

Operating Contributions	\$6,515.95	Budgeted Weekly Operating Need	\$6,657.00
Benevolence Received	\$363.00	Budgeted Weekly Benevolence Need	\$677.00
Other Designated Income	\$95.00	AS OF 4/30/24	
Total Income	\$6,973.95	YTD Operating Received	\$96,183.40
Worship: Sun/Wed/Total	139/25/164	YTD Operating Expenses	\$(115,693.64)
		Net Income/(Deficit)	\$(19,510.24)