

The Episcopal Church of St. Martin
EXTENDED ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF
May 29, 2022

New and Noteworthy

Pentecost Sunday is June 5

Join us for *a single service at 10am* as we bring the whole parish together to celebrate the “birthday of the church” and the joy of worshipping, serving, and learning together. After church, enjoy our time together renewing commitments to our many important ministries and reconnecting with our parish family at the Ministry Fair. We will also have face painting and a cupcake station! Our 10am Eucharist (again, the only service that day!) will be in the church; all other activities will be out on the lawn or the patio. Invite friends, bring the kids or grandkids, and let’s make it a grand celebration! *If you can provide cupcakes or help with setting up the frosting station, please be in touch with the office asap.* And don’t forget to wear RED!

Weekly Food Drop-off Location Moving Back to Church

The Social Justice and Outreach Committee extends a huge thank-you to everyone who has continued to donate food each week throughout the pandemic for the three food closets we serve. Starting in June, we will be collecting nonperishable food items at the church only (rather than at the church and at Janet and Bob’s home). Please bring your items to the Narthex on Sunday between 7:30am and 11:30am, when the church is open. If that time doesn’t work for you, you can also bring items to the church office during open hours—Monday through Friday 9am - 12noon. The staff at the UCD Pantry, STEAC, and Dixon Family Services have been thankful for and amazed by our commitment to continuing food deliveries during the pandemic. Thank you all and special thanks to our parishioner volunteers who deliver the donated items to the three food closets. Let’s continue with “**Every Person...Every Week...One Item of Food.**”

Anti-Racism Training Being Offered by the Diocese

The Episcopal Diocese of Northern California is offering an in-person anti-racism training. **An approved anti-racism training is required every five years for many lay leadership and volunteer positions, including Vestry, Eucharistic Ministers, Eucharistic Visitors, Healing Ministers, Godly Play leaders, and TYGMOS leaders.** If you have not taken this course recently, or are interested in taking it to learn more about racial reconciliation, see the information below. The course is open to all, whether required or not.

I Will With God's Help: Journey Toward Racial Healing and Justice

When: Saturday, June 4, 9:30am – 4:00pm

Where: Faith Episcopal Church, Cameron Park, CA

This one-day anti-racism workshop was specially developed for our diocese by the Commission for Intercultural Ministries. During the workshop you will have the opportunity to renew your Baptismal Covenant as we learn about forms of historic and contemporary racism and how to engage in ministry with sensitivity and respect for all. Use this link to register for the workshop.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfJHAqr06GDEjqQ-CadlzbLWR4op9AiKGTPI9Ijh3rNFKhh3g/viewform>

If you have questions or want more information, please write to norcalcim@gmail.com.

Davis High Madrigals Hold United Kingdom Tour Preview Concert at St. Martin's

On Sunday, June 5 at 3pm in the sanctuary at St. Martin's, the Davis High School Madrigals will hold a United Kingdom tour preview concert. All are invited to come hear the repertoire for their England and Scotland tour. Admission is free and the concert is expected to last about an hour. We wish them a wonderful and safe trip to the U.K.!

Trinity Sunday, June 12

We are planning outdoor worship for Trinity Sunday to welcome the start of the summer season and enjoy our beautiful Great Lawn together. The 8am service will remain inside; the 10am service will move outside and be picnic-style—bring your own lawn chairs or blankets if you can and wear comfy clothes and shoes. We will provide some chairs for those who need them.

Graduation Season is Here: Attention Families of Graduates!

St. Martin's would love to honor your graduates' accomplishments. If you send the names of Class of 2022 high school, college, and graduate school grads, along with what they are graduates of, by June 2 we'll be sure to include them in the celebration. Please send the names and pertinent information to info@churchofstmartin.org.

Summer Class Announced: *Being Christian* by Rowan Williams

Many thanks to those who were able to touch base about when to offer a four-part formation opportunity this summer. Based on your feedback, we'll be meeting on four Wednesday nights from 7 to 8:30 pm: June 29, July 6, July 13, and July 20. If you want to share a potluck supper, please arrive at 6:30 with a dish to share. (Or come without a dish to share and we'll see if we can recreate the miracle of the loaves and fishes on a smaller scale—somehow there's always enough to go around, even if we have to order emergency pizza!) We'll take one chapter a time and talk about Baptism, Eucharist, the Bible, and Prayer. Contact Pamela with any questions—you can call the church office or email pamela@churchofstmartin.org.

Update on Ministry Survey and Thanks for Participating!

Our ministry survey is complete! Thank you to everyone who submitted a survey. We had 80 responses! We are grateful for your willingness to explore what ministries God might be calling you to right now. With your responses, we've been able to generate lists of those who are interested in our various ministries, such as Worship, Music, Hospitality, Formation, etc. We will soon reach out to you about the items you have indicated interest in. In addition, we are in the process of using your survey responses to update our directory. We hope to have a draft directory available for proofing soon. As a thank you, we used a random number generator to select three of the entries to receive prizes. We will announce the winners this Sunday, May 29, during the services! Thank you again and we look forward to strengthening and expanding our ministries.

Living Classroom and Prayer Chalkboard on Hawthorn

The newest addition to our outdoor classroom on the Hawthorn side of the campus is a donation of beautiful wood from Alessa Johns and Chris Reynolds. We're now entering a period of discernment—of living with the wood and listening to the space—as we decide on the best placement and use of this generous donation. The largest stumps may eventually be used as an altar

or pulpit, or perhaps even as benches. It could become a place for contemplative prayer, for outdoor scavenger hunts with our children, for lectures and book circles, even for movie screenings. We'll see how the Spirit moves us!

We hope you'll all find a moment to visit the space, enjoy the shade, and maybe talk with a neighbor who happens to be walking by. Weather permitting, Pamela also holds her Tuesday office hours there, and she'd love for you to stop by.

New Volunteer Sign Up System

We have a new signup system for volunteers that was rolled out recently. At the end of each month we will open up dates for the next month, allowing you to pick the days and ministries in which you would like to volunteer. Here is the link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e49acaa2ea3fecf8-may2022>

At the link, you will find a Signup Genius form with several dates and times. Under each date/time option, there is a list of ministries for which we are looking for volunteers and the number of volunteers needed for each ministry.

If you would like to sign up for one of the slots, please click on the box next to the words "Sign Up." (Please note that Eucharistic Visitors and Eucharistic Ministers must be trained and approved to serve in this ministry.) Once you have selected what you would like to volunteer for, look at the very bottom of your screen for the words "Submit and Sign Up." Click that and you will be directed to the submit screen. Put in your name and email address, then click sign up now. You do NOT need to log in to sign up. You'll be reminded of your sign up automatically two days before the service.

Thanks so much for your willingness to try this new system and for your continued participation in these important ministries. You help make our liturgies shine! If you might be interested in serving in one of our ministries but want additional information, we would love to talk with you. Contact Gabe at communications@churchofstmartin.org.

Fellowship, Fun, and Ways to Get and Stay Connected

Creatives! We need you for a one-time project

If you have ever taken pride in your science-fair posterboard prowess, we have an opportunity for you to relive your glory days! We are in need of an eye-catching tabletop display for our Farmers Market table, which we hope to start soon. We can pay for any necessary supplies, help with finding photos, and so on. We just need some good old-fashioned artistic (but not fancy!) skill and we know it must be out there.

Rector's Office Hours—Tuesdays 4 – 5pm

As the office and church are now both fully reopened, I am making more formal in-person hours available. My outdoor office hours this Lent were a great success, so I want to keep those going; they will now be on Tuesdays from 4 to 5 pm.

I am also available at other times by appointment, as I have been throughout the time of COVID restrictions (although not always in person). The best ways to reach me to make an appointment are:

- Email me and I will email or call you back (let me know which you prefer) and set something up.
- Call the church office. If I'm not there, leave a message.
- Call my cell phone. The number is and has been in the directory for the last (almost) five years and is the very best way to reach me, especially if something is urgent.

I'll be exploring other ways to make appointments and other times to have drop-in hours, so stay tuned for more information. It is so wonderful to see people face-to-face again! And, I am very comfortable meeting via Zoom if that is best for you due to reasons of health or convenience.

Blessings, Pamela+

Upcoming Meeting Dates

Vestry: Monday, June 20 at 4:30pm

Social Justice and Outreach: Tuesday, June 28 at 7:00pm

Caring Ministries: Tuesday, July 12 at 7:00pm

Meetings are on Zoom unless otherwise noted; for a link, please contact communications@churchofstmartin.org. If you wish to schedule a meeting on the calendar, contact the church office info@churchofstmartin.org.

Opportunity to Connect at Davis Farmers Market

As part of our efforts to Invite, Welcome and Connect (IWC) we will be obtaining a space at the Davis Farmers' Market to spread the word about what St. Martin's Episcopal Church is all about. The IWC committee will provide a sign and pamphlet material that we can offer to anyone who stops by our table. What we need now are volunteers willing to staff the table and serve as St. Martin's ambassadors. If you're interested, a member of the IWC committee will provide guidance; for now, just contact Tim Williams (info available through the directory) or send your interest to info@churchofstmartin.org and Tim will get back to you. Once we receive a group of initial volunteers, we will schedule a brief training session and schedule St. Martin's Ambassadors for Sat (8am – 1pm) and Wed (3pm – 6pm) at Central Park. We are open to two shifts on Sat and Wed so the time commitment is manageable for Ambassadors.

Help Needed for the Altar Guild

Are you interested in a quiet, contemplative ministry inside the church? The Altar Guild needs additional volunteers to serve once a month. Duties include setting up the altar for services, clearing the altar after the service or washing and ironing the altar linens. We would love to show you the ropes and/or talk to you about this ministry if you just want information first. Please contact Carla Harris for details (get Carla's contact information from the church directory or the church office).

Saturday Meal Reps Needed

St. Martin's Parish Hall hosts community meals three times a week, which are prepared by volunteers working with Davis Community Meals & Housing (DCMH). Hot, sit-down meals have resumed. We are in need of Saturday St. Martin's meal representatives who are willing to dedicate a couple of hours on one Saturday per month to greet folks who come to the meal, oversee clean-up, and lock up afterwards. The Saturday commitment is from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Please reach out to

Diana Glick (email in the church directory) if you have questions or might want to participate.

Grace Garden Volunteering Opportunity

Grace Garden (located on Anderson Road at the United Methodist Church) grows vegetables and fruits to help feed those in our community who are facing food insecurity. You, too, are invited to join in the fun on **Mondays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 9:00am to 11:00am!**

Notes from St. Martin's Church Office

COVID Masking Update and Clarification

Masking is optional, although strongly recommended, in church. The exception to this is Godly Play. Since we have a number of young people in close proximity to one another and could potentially have children and teachers with health vulnerabilities, we will require masks during Godly Play. Additionally, as we see COVID numbers rise in our county, we may have to go back to requiring masks in worship at some point. A few reminders:

We have added a number of air filters in the sanctuary and office building.

We encourage you to wear a mask when inside any church building.

Choir members will continue to mask.

We will continue to offer our 10am online service on Zoom and on Facebook, or to view later on YouTube. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Pamela (pamela@churchofstmartin.org).

Prayer Requests, Celebrations and Milestones

Deacon Margaret is away this weekend, so if you would like to submit a prayer request, celebration or milestone to be read during Sunday services, please send it to Pamela at by 5:00 pm on Friday (pamela@churchofstmartin.org).

Church Office Hours

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, 5/30 in observance of Memorial Day. Our regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, 5/31.

Our regular office hours are Monday-Friday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. **We are open in person.** We still strongly recommend wearing a mask indoors and when visiting our office. You can also reach the office by calling us at 530-756-0444 or sending an email to info@churchofstmartin.org.

Online Services and Communications Requests

Please note that our web page with online service information has a new title, streamlined content, and now includes a link to submit communications requests. See [Online Services and Communications Requests](#).

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