

**The Episcopal Church of St. Martin**  
**EXTENDED ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF**  
**July 17, 2022**

**New and Noteworthy**

**A Send-off for Jacki**

Join us this Sunday, July 17, after the 10am service to celebrate Jacki Amos' many years at St. Martin's before her upcoming move to Santa Rosa. This outdoor celebration will include coffee and snacks provided by the choir, of which Jacki has been a stalwart member. A shade structure and chairs will be available. There will be juice and snacks for the 8am service as well. All are welcome!

**Join Us in Watching *Traces of the Trade: A Story from the Deep North***

Join us on August 10 from 7 - 9pm for the film *Traces of the Trade: A Story from the Deep North*. Producer/director Katrina Browne tells the story of her forefathers, the largest slave-trading family in U.S. history. Given the myth that the South is solely responsible for slavery, viewers will be surprised to learn that Browne's ancestors were Northerners. The film follows Browne and nine fellow family members on a remarkable journey that brings them face-to-face with the history and legacy of New England's hidden enterprise. After learning her family history, Browne went on to help develop the Sacred Ground program, which some of you have experienced. Please join us as we watch the film via Zoom and share some discussion after viewing. If interested, you can get the Zoom link from Gabe at [communications@churchofstmartin.org](mailto:communications@churchofstmartin.org).

**Fellowship, Fun, and Ways to Get and Stay Connected**

**Outdoor Concert at the Lutheran Church of the Incarnation, July 29 at 6:45pm**

The Lutheran Church of the Incarnation, a church we have partnered with for special services and Vacation Bible School, is inviting all at St. Martin's to an outdoor concert they are hosting on Friday, July 29. The performer will be professional country music star, Greg Elba, who is a friend of Pastor Dan Smith. The concert will start at 6:45pm and will run about 90 minutes. The concert will include background musicians from churches in the Davis area. LCI invites us to join them for a night of good music, fun, and fellowship! Bring a lawn chair and a cooler of cold drinks to enjoy the event. The church is located at 1701 Russell Blvd., Davis, CA 95616; (530) 756-5500.

**Summer Class Continues This Week: *Being Christian* by Rowan Williams**

A class led by Pamela+ is meeting on Wednesday nights in Room 6/7 from 7:00 to 8:30pm. We will have one more session on July 20. If you did not attend the first three sessions, do not worry as each chapter is a self-contained unit. All are welcome! **If you can, please read Chapter 4 (Prayer) before class on July 20.** While not required, masks are strongly recommended for indoor events. Contact Pamela with any questions—call the church office or email [pamela@churchofstmartin.org](mailto:pamela@churchofstmartin.org).

**Fun Summer Pickup "Family Choir"**

Beginning on June 19 and lasting until our Kickoff Sunday in the Fall (September 11), anyone of any age can meet in the sanctuary on Summer Sundays at 9:00am to learn a fun, easy song for the 10:00am worship service. You can sit with your own friends and family during the service and come forward to sing the Offertory Anthem. We ask that participants be masked for this activity,

and please be vaccinated and boosted if age or health circumstance permits. This is a fun no-judgment musical activity, and an opportunity for service. See you in the Family Choir this summer!

### **Volunteer Sign Up System: How to Get on the Schedule**

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](mailto:communications@churchofstmartin.org).

### **Presiding Bishop Michael Curry's Statements on Recent Supreme Court Decisions**

Presiding Bishop Curry and the Office of Public Affairs of The National Episcopal Church recently released statements regarding two Supreme Court decisions. The court issued a decision on *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, which overturned the constitutional right to abortion recognized in *Roe v. Wade*. In *NYSRPA v. Bruen*, the court struck down New York’s regulation of the concealed carry of firearms. If you wish to read Presiding Bishop Curry's statements on these decisions, you will find links to them below:

[Presiding Bishop's Statement on Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization](#)

[Presiding Bishop's Statement on NYSRPA v. Bruen](#)

### **Every Person...Every Week...One Item of Food**

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. Please continue bringing non-perishable food items as the three food pantries we serve are always in need of items. You may 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 clients and staff at the UCD Pantry, STEAC, and Dixon Family Services thank you very much!!

### **Rector's Office Hours—Tuesdays 4 – 5pm**

Pamela continues to hold office hours on Tuesdays from 4 to 5 pm. She is also available at other times by appointment, as she has been throughout the time of COVID restrictions (although not always in person). The best ways to reach her to make an appointment are to email or call the church office and Pamela will get back to you. For urgent matters, call her cell phone (number in the church directory).

### **Upcoming Meeting Dates**

**Vestry:** Sunday, July 17 at 12:00pm

**Social Justice and Outreach:** Tuesday, July 19 at 7:00pm

**Buildings and Grounds:** Friday, July 22 at 4:00pm

**Worship Committee:** Monday, July 25 at 7:00pm

**Care for God's Creation:** Monday, August 8 at 7:00pm

**Ministry Council:** Tuesday, August 9 at 1:00pm

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

#### **Prayer Requests, Celebrations and Milestones**

If you would like to submit a prayer request, celebration or milestone to be read during Sunday services, please send it to Margaret at [margaret@churchofstmartin.org](mailto:margaret@churchofstmartin.org) by 6:00 pm on Friday.

#### **Church Office Hours**

Our 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](mailto: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](#).

### **Ways to Stay Connected to the Larger Community**

#### **The Diocese of Northern California: Connect with Us**

Visit the Diocese of Northern California [website](#) and sign up to get good, updated information from the Diocese straight into your inbox.