

The Episcopal Church of St. Martin
ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF March 30, 2025

This Week

Music Notes for Sunday, March 30

The Sanctuary Choir's Offertory anthem on March 30 is our commentary on the Gospel story of the Prodigal Son. "Lord, I Know I Been Changed" is a traditional African American spiritual; our choral arrangement is by Canadian composer Bruce More (b. 1942). His arrangement was intended for unaccompanied choir, but an optional gospel piano accompaniment was added by Jim Regin. Our Prelude music is from an important out-of-print liturgical source, "Songs of Deliverance: Organ Arrangements and Congregational Acts of Worship from the Church Year Based on African American Spirituals," compiled and edited by W. F. Smith, published in 1996. William Farley Smith (1941–1997) was an American composer, arranger, and church musician known for his contributions to hymnody and African American sacred music. Smith's work has helped preserve and elevate African American musical traditions within congregational singing. All three of Jeffrey's selections are some of Smith's suggestions for the season of Lent; in particular, he has recommended "Ah'm Trub'ld in Mind!" as being particularly suited to today's Gospel reading.

RSVP Now! OWL (Older, Wiser Laity) Spring Tea, April 3, 2-3:30pm

All older and/or wiser laity and clergy are invited to a Spring Tea this coming Thursday, April 3, in Room 6/7 and outside on the deck, weather permitting. Come at 2pm to share some social time and light refreshments. **Please RSVP by March 30 with the church office** so that we know how many to expect (info@churchofstmartin.org; 530-756-0444).

Special Easter Coffee Hour - Sign Up to Bring Food and/or Help Out

On Easter Day, April 20, after the 10am service, we will have a special Easter coffee hour, a time to reconnect with our parish family and welcome all who are visiting our parish for the first time. **But we need your help!** Sign up in the narthex or contact the church office (info@churchofstmartin.org) to bring a sweet or savory snack, or to help with set-up or clean-up.

Sunday Book Discussion During Lent

On **Sundays during Lent** after the 10am service, Rev. Pamela is hosting a discussion of *How We Learn to Be Brave*, the inspiring book by the Rt. Rev. Marianne Edgar Budde. **The discussion will start with Chapter Four this Sunday** and will focus on the topic, "Accepting What We Do Not Choose." All are welcome to come discuss this important topic. We'll try to get to Chapter Five also.

"Living Well Through Lent" Zoom Group, Mondays 1-2:30pm During Lent

Helen Campbell is facilitating a Zoom group on "Living Well through Lent 2025," with the theme "Cultivating the Fruits of the Spirit." Upcoming Meetings: Monday, March 31, April 7, and April 14. If joining for the first time, please get the Zoom link from the church office. Booklets are available in the narthex or the church office.

Wednesday Night Soup Suppers and Evening Prayer During Lent

On Wednesday nights at 6pm, we are joining Davis Lutheran Church (DLC) for soup suppers sponsored by DLC, St. Martin's, and several other churches. Spend fellowship time during a simple meal followed by a short service of Holden Evening Prayer (at approximately 6:45pm). Each of the sponsoring churches is being asked to provide three large soups each week. **We still need soup providers for April 9.** Please sign-up in the narthex or with the church office.

Accompaniment and MigraWatch Training, Thursday, April 3, 6pm-8:30pm

Yolo Interfaith Immigration Network (YIIN) and Davis Community Church (DCC) are sponsoring an evening of how to help our immigrant neighbors on April 3 from 6pm to 8:30pm at Davis Community Church, 412 C Street in Davis in their fellowship hall. You will learn how to accompany someone to appointments and how to watch for ICE action and what to do when you see it. For more information, contact YIIN, <https://www.yiinyolo.org/>.

With Courage and Humility: Dietrich Bonhoeffer's Ethical Approach for Us Today

Davis Lutheran Church of the Incarnation (LCI) is hosting a workshop and lecture by Pastor Mark Brocker, PhD on the topic of Dietrich Bonhoeffer's Ethical Approach for Us Today. The **workshop** will be on **Saturday, April 5** from **3pm-5pm** and the **lecture** will be from **7pm-8pm**, both at LCI, 1701 Russell Blvd in Davis. All are welcome!

Sunday Afternoon! Sinfonia Spirituosa Concert at St. Martin's, March 30, 4pm

Sinfonia Spirituosa will offer an all-English program of music by Purcell, Handel and Boyce, featuring tenor soloist Jonathan Saatman, Sinfonia Spirituosa's "big band" with oboe, flute, bassoon, theorbo, lute, guitar, strings, and harpsichord, a special guest chorus, and live commentary by CapRadio's Mike Nelson! Tickets are \$35 general/\$10 student. Tickets are \$20 for St. Martin's members at the door. More information: <https://sinfoniaspirituosa.org/>.

Next Week and Beyond

Online Tickets for Talk by Bishop Marian Budde, Wednesday, April 9, 5-6:30pm

The Graduate Theological Union Robert N. Bellah Lecture on Religion and Public Life will feature as their speaker the Rt. Rev. Marian Budde, Bishop of Washington. The lecture at First Presbyterian Church in Berkeley is sold out in person, but tickets are available online through Eventbrite [HERE](#).

"The Seven Last Words of Christ," Davis Lutheran Church, April 13

Quartet Eksultate will perform "The Seven Last Words of Christ" by Joseph Haydn on Palm Sunday, April 13 in the afternoon from 3-4pm at Davis Lutheran Church, 317 E 8th St in Davis. All are welcome! A free will offering will be taken.

Holy Week, and Easter at St. Martin's

Palm Sunday, April 13, 8am: Rite I Holy Eucharist with palms and the Passion Gospel reading.

Palm Sunday, April 13, 9 - 10am: Donkeys visit from the Rural Veterinary Experience and Teaching Service in Dixon. Bring carrots if you'd like to feed them.

Palm Sunday, April 13, 10am: Rite II Holy Eucharist at 10am with palm procession and Passion Gospel play. Wooden egg painting after the 10am service.

Maundy Thursday, April 17, 7pm: Holy Eucharist with choir and optional foot washing.

Good Friday, April 18, 12pm: Stations of the Cross in the church with optional veneration of the cross.

Good Friday, April 18, 7pm: Good Friday Proper Liturgy in the church with optional veneration of the cross.

Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 19, 8pm: The Great Vigil of Easter with lighting of the new fire, dramatic readings, and ending with a festive Holy Eucharist. Reception following in the narthex.

Easter Day, Sunday, April 20, 8am: Festive Holy Eucharist with music, preaching, and choir.

Easter Day, Sunday April 20, 10am: Festive Holy Eucharist with music, preaching, and choir. Easter Egg hunt for children of all ages after the service. Special Easter coffee hour after the service.

Other Updates and Events

St. Martin's Teams Up for Woods to Waves Hike-a-thon, Saturday May 10th

On May 10th, St. Dorothy's Rest in Sonoma County is holding its annual Woods to Waves hike-a-thon. We invite you to join St. Martin's team for this 12-mile hike from St. Dorothy's Rest to the Pacific Ocean. The hike kicks off at 10:00 AM, with most hikers expected to take between 3 to 5 hours to complete the route. A \$50 per person participation fee includes refreshments and a meal provided along the way, as well as shuttles available after the halfway point, just in case! St. Dorothy's also offers the option to stay overnight the Friday before the event. All funds raised support St. Dorothy's Hospital Camp programs and provide camp scholarships for underserved and foster youth in the Bay Area. Hospital Camp is offered each summer in partnership with Lucile Packard Children's Hospital to youth who have undergone transplant surgery. To join our team, go to [this link](#) and use "The Episcopal Church of St. Martin" as your parish/team affiliation. Please also email communications@churchofstmartin.org if you join the team!

"A Place at the Table" May Potlucks

Our two April potlucks are full, but we have openings at two potlucks in May. On **Thursday, May 15 at 6pm**, Deb and Kimo Kimokeo along with Mark and Libba Brothers are hosting at the Kimokeo home (4 spaces available). On **Monday, May 26 at 4pm**, Rev. Pamela is hosting a Memorial Day picnic at Forbes Ranch in Esparto (20 spaces available). To attend, please RSVP with the church office (info@churchofstmartin.org).

Every Person. Every Week. One Item of Food

The Social Justice and Outreach non-perishable food collection is one way you can help those in need. We deliver food to four locations on a weekly rotating basis: Dixon Family Services, The Belfry and CA House, STEAC, and the UC Davis Pantry. For The Belfry, please bring toiletries, such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, and other such items. Bring your nonperishable items and put them in the basket in the narthex at church services or bring them to the office during the week (9am - 12pm). Our motto is *Every Person. Every Week. One Item of Food.*

Vacation Bible Camp, June 16-20 for K-6th Grade and Teens

Davis United Methodist Church, St. Martin's Church, Davis Community Church, and Davis Lutheran Church of the Incarnation invite your children to participate in a collaborative Vacation Bible Camp held at Davis United Methodist Church. Celebrate faith, make lifelong friendships, and grow spiritually in a vibrant, engaging environment. Registration required. Read all the

details about morning and afternoon options on our website:

<https://churchofstmartin.org/event/vacation-bible-school/>.

Bishop's Visit in December

On December 7, 2025, Bishop Megan Traquair will visit St. Martin's. The Bishop visits us approximately every two years, so you won't want to miss this visit! If you are interested in being baptized, confirmed, or received in the Episcopal Church, please let Rev. Pamela know. Many licensed ministries in the Episcopal Church require participants to be confirmed. We will be offering a confirmation class in the fall if there is enough interest.

Weekday Prayer Opportunities, In-person and Online

Morning Prayer: Wednesdays, 8:30am in Room 8. Join Rev. Pamela and others for this 25-minute service.

Centering Prayer: Wednesdays, 5pm in Room 6/7. This 60-minute session consists of 30 minutes of silent meditation followed by reflection on contemplative readings.

Compline: Fridays, 8:30pm on Zoom. Join Deacon Margaret and others for this 20-minute service. Find the Zoom link on our website under "Worship."

Meetings, Office Hours, Prayer Requests

Upcoming Meeting Dates

Choir Practice: Thursday, April 3 at 7pm in the church

Social Justice and Outreach: Monday, April 28 at 5:15pm on Zoom

Vestry: Monday, April 28 at 7pm in Room 6/7

Buildings and Grounds: Tuesday, April 29 at 4pm on Zoom

Worship Committee: Tuesday, May 6 at 8:45am in the church library

Rector's Office Hours

Rev. Pamela's next open office hours will be on **Monday, April 7, from 3pm to 4:30pm**. Her Monday office hours are first-come, first-served, so sometimes you may have to wait to speak with her. If you'd like to meet with Rev. Pamela at a different time, you can email her (pamela@churchofstmartin.org) or the church office (info@churchofstmartin.org).

Prayer Request Submissions: <https://tinyurl.com/StMsPrayerRequest> or contact the office.

Church Office Hours: We are open 9am - 1pm Monday - Friday. Contact us at 530-756-0444 or info@churchofstmartin.org.

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