

The Episcopal Church of St. Martin
ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF Sunday, March 8, 2026

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We also have a weekly E-News. Contact the office to sign up.*

TODAY!

Music Notes for 10am Service: On this Third Sunday of Lent, the image of thirst is vivid in our readings: in Exodus, God brings water from the rock; in John's Gospel, Jesus offers the Samaritan woman "living water" of eternal life. The choir will sing "Sicut cervus," by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, one of the most important composers of the Renaissance. At a time when church leaders were concerned that complex polyphony obscured sacred texts, his style demonstrated that intricate vocal writing could still allow the words to be clear. The Latin text is from Psalm 42 ("as the deer desires the springs of water, so my own soul longs for you, O God"). The flowing lines of Palestrina's imitative polyphony evoke the movement of water itself, giving voice to the soul's deep longing for God. **Find the full music notes at:** <https://churchofstmartin.org/music#clef>

LENT WORSHIP, FELLOWSHIP AND FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Living Well Through Lent Online Reflection Group: Join Helen Campbell on Mondays during Lent. **This week only, March 9, the session will be from 1:30-3pm** on Zoom. Contact the church office or Helen for the Zoom link.

Tuesday evening book study of Richard Rohr's The Tears of Things: Prophetic Wisdom for an Age of Outrage: We've had two wonderful sessions, with more than 20 people participating. All are welcome to join an optional dinner together at the DCMH meal in the parish hall at 5:45pm; the book study starts at 6:30pm in the church and ends at 8pm; the church opens by 6:15pm. Zoom participation is also an option. If you were not at our first two sessions, you are still welcome to join! Please be in touch with Rev. Pamela or the office so we can get you the Zoom link or set up a chair for you. **Before the third class**, please read Chapters 3 and 4, and/or listen to the corresponding podcast episodes: <https://cac.org/podcast/everything-belongs-podcast/>.

Candlelight Prayer Vigils: In the spirit of remembering our brokenness as well as God's call to let our light shine, a series of candlelight prayer vigils are taking place at Davis churches on the third Sunday of the month at 7pm. **The next vigil will be on March 15** at Lutheran Church of the Incarnation and then on April 19 at St. Martin's.

Wednesday Night Soup Suppers: We are partnering with other area churches for Wednesday night Soup Suppers and Evening Prayer during Lent. This Lent, we'll be at Lutheran Church of the Incarnation. Supper starts at 6pm, with the sung Evening Prayer service (Vespers) starting at 6:45pm and lasting about 30 minutes. **Please sign up in the narthex if you can bring soup and/or bread to share. The next soup supper is Wednesday, March 11; Rev. Pamela will be offering a brief reflection during the service.**

EASTER MEMORIALS AND THANKSGIVINGS

This year, Easter donations in memory of or thanksgiving for loved ones go to the Altar Guild. The Altar Guild provides the bread and wine for Communion as well as the linens, candles, candle oil, and silver you see on and around the altar at every service. Write a check to the church with "Easter Memorials & Thanksgivings" on the memo line or use the online GIVE button on our website. Please write the office with your loved ones' names so that we can print them in the Easter bulletins.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Bring Nonperishable Food for Our Weekly Collection: "Every person. Every week. One item of food." This is the motto of our weekly non-perishable food collection. Today's food goes to Dixon Family Services and next week's to The Pantry at UC Davis.

Diocesan-Wide Summer Youth Service Project: All high-school aged students (including those entering or graduating in summer 2026) and/or chaperones are invited to join the Sierra Service

Project on July 12-18 in Del Norte County, CA or July 19-25 in Navajo Nation, AZ. The Diocese is covering part of the cost for every student and St. Martin's can provide additional financial support; please be in touch with our clergy if you need a scholarship. More information about Sierra Service Projects: <https://www.sierraserviceproject.org/>. If your youth is interested, fill out this Diocesan interest form as soon as possible: <https://form.jotform.com/norcalepiscopal/2026sierra-service-project-interest>.

STATEMENTS FROM THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH ON THE MILITARY STRIKE IN IRAN

Our Presiding Bishop, Sean Rowe, has issued the following statement on current events in Iran: <https://tinyurl.com/PresidingBishopStatement>. Our Diocesan Bishop Megan Traquair has also issued a letter that includes a prayer for a time of war (the one we prayed together in church last Sunday): <https://tinyurl.com/BishopMeganStatement>.

LEARNERS' SHABBAT AT CONGREGATION BET HAVERIM, FRIDAY, MARCH 13

On Friday, March 13, 2026, 6:30-8 pm, Congregation Bet Haverim is hosting their Third Annual Learners' Shabbat Service. This is a typical Friday night Shabbat Service with special extra information about how the service works, with the Rabbi and others providing explanations for what makes up the service. All are welcome!

SUPPORTING OUR MIGRANT NEIGHBORS

Mark your calendars for the "No Kings" protests on March 28. These are nationwide, nonviolent demonstrations across the U.S. in opposition to authoritarian actions and immigration crackdowns. Organizers include the No Kings Coalition and Indivisible. To learn more about the **No Kings Yolo** Event co-hosted by the Davis Phoenix Coalition (DPC) and Labor Council for Latin American Advancement (LCLAA), visit <https://www.indivisibleyolo.org/no-kings-yolo>.

Save the Date! April 11, 5:30-7pm, for Brewing Stories with St. Martin's "Pope of Foam," Charlie Bamforth: A fundraising evening of beer tasting and banter at Sudwerk in Davis. All funds raised will support our migrant neighbors through the Yolo Interfaith Immigration Network. More information about how to buy tickets soon.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SCHEDULE AT ST. MARTIN'S

Wednesday, April 1, 7pm, A Musical Meditation on the Nine Nocturnes of Tenebrae featuring music by Frédéric Chopin.

Thursday, April 2, 7pm, Maundy Thursday: Holy Eucharist with optional foot washing.

Friday, April 3, 12pm, Good Friday: Stations of the Cross.

Friday, April 3, 7pm, Good Friday: Good Friday Liturgy.

Saturday, April 4, 8pm, Easter Vigil: The Great Vigil of Easter.

Sunday, April 5, 8am and 10am, Easter Day: Festive Holy Eucharists with Music and Choir at both. Easter Egg Hunt for children of all ages follows the 10am service.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Choir Practice: Thursday, March 12, 7pm, in the church | **Vestry:** Wednesday, March 18, 7pm, in Room 6/7 | **Social Justice & Outreach:** Monday, March 23, 5:15pm, on Zoom | **Worship**

Committee: Tuesday, March 24, 8:45am, in the church library | **Buildings & Grounds:** Tuesday,

March 24, 4pm, on Zoom

RECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS

Rev. Pamela's next office hours will be on Tuesday, March 10, from 4-5:15pm in the church library. To see Pamela at a different time, email her or the church office.

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