

Advent -

the new church year has started!

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Father Lee Hutchson

I was riding in a pick up a few years back and the guy driving said, "You know I am tired of all this Jesus stuff and the way people lay guilt on you." As we talked, I found out that he was living the Christian life to avoid punishment and he did not want anyone telling him he had done something wrong.

Some fall into that mindset of being a Christian so that God does not get them. You certainly hear plenty of sermons about the sinfulness of the human race. What I find incredible is that when you read about the life of Jesus no one



followed Him because he made them feel guilty. Those who were sick did not try to touch his cloak because they thought they were sinners or the mobs who laid down their garments and palms on the road to hail Jesus as a king did not do so because they felt they were sinners in his sight.

No, they followed Jesus because they saw in him a better more joyful way to live life. They saw in Jesus a way to be made whole in body mind and spirit in a world that so often takes and drains the life out of people. In Jesus people found values which nourished the lives of people, a message that gave hope for the future, an acceptance of otherswarts and all. They saw in the message of Jesus a sense of justice for people who more often than not were doing the right thing but never the less found themselves getting squeezed by the system, squeezed by the very people who were supposed to be lifting people up. In the life of Jesus, we see an example of how much we can love the people around us-especially those in distress. In Jesus we see how much we can show kindness to those who are rude.

In Jesus we see how strongly we can remain faithful to God-despite disappointment and hardship in life. In Psalm 95 we hear the words "Shout with Joy, with a thankful heart to our God who created it all, let us joyfully give thanks". As the season of advent begins our preparation to celebrate Christmas. Let us remember to focus on nourishing the lives of those around us with messages of hope and an attitude of generosity. It's hard work, anyone who is a parent knows that caring for a new child has its joys but requires a selfless commitment to nourish that child's life, that the child may grow into adulthood.

We celebrate our Christian faith in the birth of a child. However, let us not forget about the selfless commitment it takes to bring the faith of that Christmas child to life in our own lives.

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Mark the date: Friday, January 6 at 7 pm

Epiphany Feast of Lights Burning of the Greens

What and When

Book of Acts Bible Study none until the new Year

Advent Wreath/Centerpiece Workshop Saturday December 3 at 10 am (see page 12)

2nd Advent Sunday

Confirmation - Bishop Roaf of West TN Sunday December 4 at 10 am service

First 60th Anniversary Event: Bunco Night Friday, December 9 at 6:30-8:30 pm

ECW Christmas Party Saturday December 10 at 9 am (see page 12)

Men's Breakfast Saturday, December 10 at 9 am @ Nick's Bistro all men welcome to join us

> **Caroling** (please sign up) Saturday December 10 from 2-5pm

3rd Advent Sunday Sunday December 11 - baptism at 10am

EYC (see page 15) Sunday December 11 at 11:30 am

Our New Journey meeting Sunday December 11 at 3 pm

Vestry Meeting Tuesday December 13 at 7 pm

St. Martin's Project Saturday December 17 at 9:30 am - Blue Team

> **Chrismons Workshop** Saturday December 17 at 10 am

4th Advent Sunday

Christmas Pageant/Chrismon Gift Giving Sunday December 18 after the late service (see page 13)

> **WE (West End) Quilters** Normally 3rd Tuesday - not this month

> > **Office Closed** Monday December 26



Advent has started: Happy New Church Year!



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Regular Weekly Events

| Event | Day | Time |
|--|------------|--------------|
| Sunday Services | Sunday | 8am* & 10am* |
| Boy Scouts | Monday | 7 pm |
| ${\sf MOW}{\sf Meals}{\sf on}{\sf Wheels}$ | Tuesday | 10 am |
| Holy Eucharist | Wednesday* | 10 am |
| Sr. Choir Practice | Thursday | 7:30 pm |
| Social Bridge | Friday | 10 am-1 pm |
| Compline Service | | |
| live on Facebook | daily* | 8 pm |
| Ethiopian Christians | Saturday | 6am |

* all these are streamed live on FaceBook

Regular Monthly Events

| Event | Day | Time |
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| Vestry Meeting | 2 nd Tuesday | 7 pm |
| Men's Breakfast | 2 nd Saturday | 9 am |
| ECW | 2 nd Saturday | 9 am |
| St. Martin's Project | 3 rd Saturday | 9:30 am |



Christmas Eve Services

5 pm Family Service with children's sermon and music (no incense)

10:30 pm Caroling - 11 pm Service (with incense)

Christmas Day Sunday December 25 - 10 am worship



Words from Rev. Dr. Sandra Levy-Mix

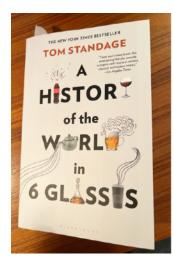
"The Joy of Wine: A Drink of the Gods–Almost as Old as Humankind Itself"

Some of you know that if I am real lucky, along about mid- to late afternoon, I retire upstairs to pray, think, read, and relax at the end of usually a busy and sometimes crazy day. I refer to it as my "chair time," because I sit on my bedroom chair for the duration of this down-time relaxation, lasting from 15 minutes to an hour or so. My spiritual practice during this "chair-time" usually consists of finding the readings and psalms appointed for the day in our liturgical calendar. And on a couple of Thursdays ago, I was delighted with the Old Testament reading from Ecclesiasticus–better known as the Wisdom of Ben Sira, or simply Sirach.

About half-way into that appointed reading, Sirach praises wine-drinking thus: "Wine is very life to human beings if taken in moderation. What is life to one who is without wine? It has been created to make people happy. Wine drunk at the proper time and in moderation is rejoicing of heart and gladness of soul. (Sirach 31:27-28)

Sirach is part of the Wisdom literature--like the book of Proverbs. Thought to have committed his wisdom to writing before the year 180 B/C., Sirach's wisdom was likely used by the early Christian community which accepted and included that writing as part of the approved books or Canon of the church. To this day, Roman Catholics and Anglicans also include this wisdom writing as part of the approved Canon.

Now I will say that is good news! Because my friends and I do like a glass or two of fine wine as we gather together for social occasions. Wine in moderation does gladden the heart. And I will say that after a particularly busy or stress-filled day, a nice glass of wine during my "chair time" does indeed gladden my soul.

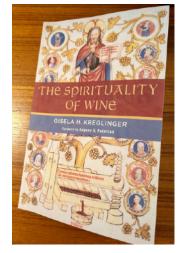


Archaeological evidence suggests that wine started to be produced during the Neolithic period, between 9000 and 4000 B. C. in an area today that "corresponds to modern Armenia and northern Iran." (A History of the World in 6 Glasses by Tom Standage, p. 47) (Please see lead photo) And around 7000 B. C. pottery was created in which to store and serve portions of wine. Most wine among the civilized was watered down, and in mixing the two, water was also more safe to drink due to the natural antibacterial agents that are liberated during the fermentation process.

Turning to Gisela Kreglinger's *The Spirituality of Wine*, (please see second photo) the discussion takes on a decidedly religious and in fact, Christian point of view. It is a large, well-crafted book, and space here will not allow a depth review. But just to give you a taste of the work (no

pun intended), let me turn finally to that work in the space we have left.

Kreglinger grew up on a winery in Franconia, Germany. Her family has been crafting wine for many generations. She holds Ph.D. in historical theology from the University of St. Andrews, and she taught Christian spirituality for four years before turning to writing full-time. (From the back cover) Her basic message throughout this impressive work is that wine is an important food both in Scripture and in the history of the Christian church. After all, Jesus first miracle was the changing of water into



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wine at the wedding in Cana; and of course his last supper with his disciples included the mandate, "Do this in memory of me"–laying the foundation for our Eucharistic liturgy as the central practice of the Church. Kreglinger insists that "the recovery of a spirituality of wine is thus an excellent way to overcome a dualistic spirituality that seeks to divorce the physical from the spiritual, to divide secular and sacred. After all, we are an incarnate faith worshiping the Lord of all, manifested in human form in history.

"Gratitude and joyful celebration are two important ways for Christians to respond to God's exuberant gifts of creation and salvation. In the Hebrew world that Jesus and his disciples inhabited, feasts and celebrations were important ways for believers to cultivate their spiritual lives." (Pg. 5) Before we end this little peon to wine, let me let the Bible speak to us once more. In fact, "it was St. Paul who recommended a little wine for various physical ailments (1 Tim 5:23) Moreover, a healthy spirituality embraces all of creation as a gift from God, and trust that God continues to sanctify his creation and causes humans to grow in gratitude toward the giver of these amazing gifts."

"For everything created by God is good, and nothing is to be rejected, provided it is received with thanksgiving; for it is sanctified by God's word and by prayer." (1 timothy 4:4-4)

And let the people say "Amen"!

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| | For a fuller discussion of this topic, please see the |
| | blog page on my website. <u>www.sandralevy.net</u> |
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The Meaning

A woman who has nourished And cherished a child. twined Silky little curls Around her finger, Soothed away hunger and nightmares In darkness, Delighted in first gurgling word-sounds, Held little hands To steady first steps, Seen God's handiwork In emerald eyes, Growth and strength And bits of unexpected wisdom; Who has seen that child Run, hurdle, ski-jump, skate, fly, dance Far beyond her expectations, Shaken with sorrow At that child's troubles. Never losing faith That she has given the world Something so necessary To its existence It is changed forever -- that woman Understands the meaning of Christmas.

- Patsy Anne Bickerstaff

James Burr has been a Pilgrim on the Camino in Spain 5 times, the way to the tomb of St. James the Apostle. On his first one in 2013 he came to the town of Irache and wrote about this in his blog on day 5: Soon after Estella we passed a **Fuente del Vino** - the wine fountain. Across the road from an old monastery is a fountain with 2 taps. One gives water and the other red wine. All free and available for the passers-by. The wine is supplied by the wine processing plant next to it. We were happy to sample it and fill a bottle we had with us for consumption later. It was excellent.



James had another photo just of a plaque which translated: Pilgrim. If you want to water Santiago with the strength and vitality of this great wine, take a drink and toast to happiness. Fountain of Irache

Fall Festival - October 29 (unfortunately too late to feature in the last Cloak)



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Diocesan Meeting - photos from November 18

Consecration of Bishop Stevenson Saturday December 3 at 11 am



St. Martin's Annual Meeting - Sunday November 20



Each year 3 new Vestry Members are elected and also new members to the Endowment Committee. See next page! Printed and verbal reports were also given.







Vestry

At the Annual Meeting on November 20 the congregation voted on 3 new vestry members starting in January. Also new members to the Endowment Committee were elected. The votes were unanimous and we thank these wonderful members for volunteering.

Leslie Dering: I am a native of Richmond Virginia area. I attended both public and private schools. I have a B.A. in Art with a minor in Psychology from Ferrum College. I have worked in many different job directions but all revolving around customer service. I own and operate a successful residential cleaning and pet sitting services which I started almost 17 years ago. In my free time I enjoy spending time with nature, hiking, reading and spending time with animals.

Linda Fairtile: I'm originally from Rhode Island, and for 20 years I've been the Music Librarian at the University of Richmond. I started attending St. Martin's around 2005, joined the choir, and became a church member in 2007. I've served on the Vestry twice before, and I look forward to the opportunity to serve God and my church family again in this capacity.

Jim Moss: First of all, I'd like to thank you for considering me for the important position on the vestry at St. Martin's Episcopal Church.

Mary and I were greeted warmly from our first visit, and although we've been members for only a few years I've found a few ways to serve the church as an usher and volunteer for Meals on Wheels. I also enjoy participating in Bible studies and various social activities.

In our previous church I served on the Finance Committee and was a counter for offerings. I also grew up in this area and went to Tucker HS and knew a few people who attended St. Martins, including the Barritts and my cousin, Phyllis Berkle, so it felt like home as soon as we joined.

Though St. Martins is a fairly small church but has a big heart and there's always so much going on. My wife and I would like to participate as much as we can and believe strongly in giving back. If I'm selected as a member of the vestry, I will work hard to support the St. Martin's community.

Endowment Committee

James Burr: I was born in England and raised in the Church of England, so am a "cradle Episcopalian". After a career with an international company, I retired in 2008 and moved to Virginia with my wife, Christa, and soon found St. Martin's and it has become our church family. Christa and I volunteer when we can and feel blessed to be able to serve at St. Martin's. I have served on Vestry, Outreach and as a Lay Reader.

Janice Carpi: Janice Carpi has been a member of St. Martins for over 25 years. She has been on Vestry, and currently is a Lay Reader and Teller. She also leads Compline services frequently, and occasionally leads Morning Prayer when needed.

Jill Grumbine: Jill Grumbine is a lifelong member of St. Martins and was baptized and confirmed at the church. Jill's grandfather was the first vicar of St Martins, and her family has been active in the church ever since. Jill has been serving in the acolyte ministry since she was six or seven, and she currently assists with training our small but mighty group of dedicated young acolytes! Jill has previously served on the Vestry, been in the choir, served as a layreader, been a youth leader, and served on two search committees. Jill truly considers her fellow Martinites as family members.

<u>Ann Robbins</u>: I have been a member of St Martin's since 1975 (?) when my mother discovered "a lovely little Episcopal church " close to where we'd just moved. I was raised as an Episcopalian and had never considered any other church affiliation. When I had first moved to Richmond, and before we were married, I did visit several other churches but knew right away I would be most comfortable here. In several ways St Martin's reminded me of my church back home. Both Katy and Bill were confirmed at St Martin's and it has always pleased me that they were part of the church as well.

I served as Vestry secretary for several years and later as a Vestry member. My involvement with St Martin's has been through the Altar Guild, ECW, the prayer shawl ministry, St Martin's project, and MOW. Once I was even an interim church secretary!



to the **outgoing vestry members** at the end of this year:

David Mix Dianne O'Kelley Lamb Susan Teachey

If you were not able to be at the Annual Meeting but still would like the Agenda/Reports you may find a copy on the information table. Or inquire in the office.

First 60th Anniversary Event -Jean Rollins

St. Martin's is kicking off our 60th Anniversary with Bunco Night on Friday, December 9th between 6:30 and 8:30 pm. This is a fun and easy game to play. Be sure to bring a friend. Betsy and Will Stanley will start the game for us. We will provide appetizers, wine, tea, and drinks. All that you ned to do is to sign up at the podium in front of the bulletin board. Let's celebrate our 60th!!!!!!

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Outreach Committee

Thanks to all of our St Martin's family for more wonderful donations for our Salvation Army coat drive. We received some really nice coats and delivered them to Puritan Cleaners. Great job!!! - Nancy Fleming

The Outreach Committee is now "adopting" **Ridge Elementary** School, which is located close to St. Martin's and is in need of help for their students. We have donated food to several families for Thanksgiving and will be giving gifts to a family for Christmas. We

plan to donate items to either the teachers or the students each month during this school year, so look at the announcements in the future to see what the school needs and where you can help. Thanks for your support. - Jean Rollins

Angel Tree Project for Christmas!

The Outreach Committee has begun work on preparation for the Angel Tree gifts again this year. We will sponsor around 35 children. These are the children of incarcerated parents or grandparents. After we have contacted each child's caretaker, we get suggestions as to what the child would like and we will put the Angels on the tree. The gifts should each cost in the area of \$25 and should be wrapped and returned to church by December 17th or before. Please attach the Angel tag to the gift as well because it is necessary for tracking and delivery.

This outreach project has been greatly appreciated by the families who have received the gifts. It is very meaningful for these children to feel loved and remembered by their family members who would not be able to provide such a gift in their situation. Please let us know if you have questions. - Nancy Fleming

In 2023, St. Martin's will be 60 years old! We will celebrate our 60th anniversary in October 2023. For those of you that were here for our 40th and 50th, you may remember what celebrations we had!

We want to plan something really special for our 60th as well.

We are seeking **Passionate** and **Creative** members of our St. Martin's family to become part of a 60th Anniversary Planning Committee.

Please sign up on the Parish Hall bulletin board and indicate your area of interest for planning the 60th Anniversary Celebration.







Advent Wreath / Centerpiece Workshop

This annual event will be held on **Saturday, December 3, at 10 am** in the Parish Hall. This year there are two options: advent wreaths and advent centerpieces. Please sign up on the Parish Hall bulletin board so we have enough supplies for all and bring your clippers!

> This is a time of nice fellowship and fun for the family. No previous experiences needed.

If anybody in the congregation has a yard with **different** evergreens which would like a little trimming, please let Christa know. Happy to come the day before to get it. (kygerman@hotmail.com or 804-787-0525)

ECW Annual Christmas Party

Please join us: Saturday December 10 at 9 am

We hope many women and mature teenage daughters of St. Martin's will attend. Every year we have fun taking a pause during this busy time. A light breakfast and the usual refreshments will be offered. Our special guest for this will be Fr Lee who will again read a fun Christmas story that guides the gift exchange. If you want to participate in this please bring a gift (wrapped) not exceeding \$10 (homemade welcome).

Those planing our fun need to know how many will attend. Please sign up on the provided list. We would love for you to join in the fun and fellowship.

Finance Committee

Report by Garland Harwood

Our income October YTD is \$9,348 below Budget. Of that total Pledges are behind Budget by \$7,156. To those who may be a bit behind, please do your best to catch up by the end of the year.

Thanks to all for supporting your Church!

| Financial Highlights | end of previous month | MTD October | YTD end of October |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Income | \$165,087.61 | \$19,847.82 | \$184,935.43 |
| Expenses | \$177,999.76 | \$20,860.29 | \$198,860.05 |
| Gain or Loss | -\$12,912.15 | -\$1,012.47 | -\$13,924.62 |







Chrismon Workshop

All who want to learn how to make this year's ornament (and maybe teach their children at home later) are welcome. Please let Christa know a few days before so she has enough material (<u>kygerman@hotmail.com</u>).

We learn by making the ornament with the larger beads for the Church Christmas tree. After the workshop we will like every year add the new ornaments to the tree in the Sanctuary!

A Chrismon Tradition

Every year Chrismons are offered to all the children at St. Martin's. This year it is on the 4th Sunday of Advent. The Burr household is behind this year with the making and lucky that the other Advent Sunday's are already busy. Cards will be mailed to the children and we hope they will come on December 18 and claim their gift. As the cards say: if you can not come this day, please let Christa know in advance and it will be reserved. Otherwise leftovers will be given away.



wishes from our house to yours!

We would love to give one to each of our friends in this congregation but of course that is not possible. That would be too many to make. And because tastes are different not everyone might like them which is o.k. too. Every year there are some leftovers and probably this year too.

If you love the Chrismons and would like to have one for your tree, please contact Christa: <u>kygerman@hotmail.com</u> There might also be leftovers from other years. They are free if they are for your own tree. Please, don't be shy.

This year's Chrismon:



Wheat

A grain of wheat can tell us about life and the kingdom of God.

"Before any of the wheat-harvest, however, could be eaten, the first fruits had to be presented before the Lord." (Leviticus 23:14)

Jesus mentions it often in his parables: "Let both (wheat and weed) grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn." (Matthew 13:30) ~ "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. He who loves his life loses it, and he who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life." (John 12:24-25)

But most of all, bread made from wheat and wine made from grapes are symbols of God's sacrificial and eternal love for us.



Parish Nurse by Betty Horne

Giving Thanks

We approach the holiday season in a world where there is so much turmoil. Many of us have lost family and friends over the last 2 years and the holidays are especially hard as we celebrate without our loved ones. There has been any number of natural disasters; flood, hurricane, fires, earthquakes and the never ending gun violence in our schools, grocery stores etc. Unprovoked wars, in addition to inflation make everything cost so much more than they did a couple years ago. We are rude or uncivil with those who have a different opinion than ours. The evening news share very little good news. Yet, as we look back over the last year we can still find much to be thankful for. While we are thankful for all God has blessed us with, let us remember and pray for those who are not so fortunate, doing whatever we can to help.

Personally, I am thankful for my family, friends and neighbors, my church family, my community, the people I work with and those who have made an impact on my life over the years. Above all I am



thankful for the baby Jesus born in a manger in Bethlehem, over two thousand years ago. That was God's gift to us. He lived and walked among us teaching us how to love God our Creator, and to love our neighbors as ourselves. Finally he paid a ransom for our sins by dying on the cross. For this and other blessings, I am thankful.

Having a thankful heart has some benefits. Did you know that counting your blessings can increase your emotional health?

Giving thanks promotes health and well being.

There was a study of 3 groups of



students: one group listed what they were grateful for, the other listed what they were angry about and the third made random lists. The group who listed what they were grateful for was the happiest at the end of the experiment. The students who expressed gratitude were also less likely to be sick throughout the semester.

Being grateful increases your blessings.

We take for granted the blue skies, the beautiful sunset, the

flowers and the bountiful harvest. The more we notice all the beauty of nature and give thanks for all we enjoy, including our freedom, the more blessed we seem to be!

The consequences of not being grateful. "And when the people



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complained, it displeased the Lord: and the Lord heard it" Numbers 11:1. People who are not grateful tend to complain, mostly about anything or everything! We can make that choice to have a

grateful heart (an attitude of gratitude). Think of the benefits!

Gratitude keeps us continually aware that the Lord is close by.

It motivates us to look for His purpose in our circumstances. Thanking God focuses our attention on Him rather than our circumstances.

Thankfulness is an essential ingredient for joy.

Gratitude transforms anxiety into peace, which passes all understanding. Be fearful for nothing, but in everything with prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God which passes all understanding will keep your heart and mind through Jesus Christ our Lord. Philippians 4:6-7



During the season of Advent we are also hopeful. We prepare ourselves and await the Lord's second coming. This holiday season as we gather with family and friends, may we be filled with *hope, love, joy and peace* while giving thanks.

Happy Holidays

EYC Update - by Sallie Bright

Many thanks to the EYC members who helped decorate the Chrismon Tree and church for Advent. Our youth are very fortunate to have adults teach them how to make our Sanctuary such a welcoming and joyous place of worship.

On December 11th, we will have an EYC meeting after church. During this meeting we will assign reading parts for the Feast of Lights which will be held on January 6th at 7:00 p.m. Each youth will have the complete script to take home.

In the near future, we will begin painting and arranging the new youth room. If anyone would like to help in this small renovation, please contact Sallie Bright (804-873-9139).













Anniversary Celebration

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| 12/01 | Lorelei Cooper |
| 12/01 | James Logan |
| 12/02 | Jennifer Cooper |
| 12/03 | Victoria Hughson |
| 12/03 | Errol Stephens |
| 12/05 | Katie Bright |
| 12/06 | Marie Atkins |
| 12/07 | (Roanna) N'neka Logan |
| 12/07 | Joe Lamb |
| 12/10 | Nasira Horne |
| 12/10 | Ria Springer |
| 12/15 | Carter Hood |
| 12/16 | Krestin Gibson |
| 12/17 | Kevin Bailey |
| 12/17 | Beverly Stone |
| 12/18 | Scott Goodman |
| 12/19 | Austin Newcomb |
| 12/20 | Sean Reid |
| 12/25 | Merielle Horne |
| 12/25 | Carl Newcomb |
| 12/26 | Christa Burr |
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| Sandy Bright |
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| Tony Romano |
| Patsy Bickerstaff |
| Carol Roseme |
| Martha Murphy |
| Greg Echevarria |
| Betsy Crowell |
| Madison Britton |
| Bob Kirby |
| Alex Goolsby |
| Thomas Verlander |
| Jill Grumbine |
| Ida Moore |
| James Sykes |
| Addison Sykes |
| Jessica Shook |
| Kathy Theado |
| Millie Lindsey |
| Taylor Hood |
| Sharon Lindsey |
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Jim & Victoria Hughson Bob Kirby & Ria Springer Kathy & Jay Theado Sandy Levy & DavidMix Ruth & James Barrett Jenny & Jim Richardson Darrell & Melinda Jenkins



If you know of somebody not on these lists (including yourself) please let the office know.

Children are very welcome at St. Martin's!

They come to the 10 am worship service with their families and are invited to process out to **Sunday School** after the Children's Message. They return to the Sanctuary for Holy Communion.

Children's Chapel will be offered as needed during the 10 am service for our youngest members.

St. Martin's Yellow Pages

This area is where you can post your service or product to let your fellow St. Martinites know how you can help them, and you can give those who post here your support.



OCEANFRONT BEACH HOUSE FOR RENT

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2. Create an amazon account or log in.

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organization" and type "**St. Martin's Episcopal Church**" then click Search.

4. Locate "**St. Martin's Episcopal Church**" in Henrico VA.

5. Then start shopping!

Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases **to St. Martin's**! We are grateful for your participation!

If you are not yet taking advantage of the **Amazon Smiles** offer for another charity, please consider to do it now to benefit St. Martin's. It's easy see above! Every little bit helps!



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call Leslie Dering at 804-239-5865 or email <u>LDering07@yahoo.com</u>



YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

The weekly announcements will tell us what is needed especially this month. Please place your donations in the basket in the hallway.



Do you need ideas what you could bring for the Lamb's Basket?

You can find the answer for most needed items in most of St. Martin's weeklies.

| ST. MARTIN'S STAFF Rector: Priest Associate: Organist & Choirmaster: Parish Coordinator: | The Rev. Lee A. Hutchson Rev. Dr. Sandra Levy-Mix David R. Hopkins Kathy Theado | Trustee Emeritus: Trustees: VESTRY | Robert I. Kirby, Kerry Alloway, Garla & Jim Greenwood | and Harwood |
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| Head of Nursery: CHURCH OFFICE (804) 270-6786 (Phone) E-mail: saintmartinsec@g | | 2022 David Mix Dianne O'Kelley Lam Susan Teachey | 2023 George Crowell b Rick Gibbs Jean Rollins | 2024 Nancye Greenwood Mike Shook Betty Horne |
| Website: <u>https://saintmar</u> Office Hours Monday to Friday 9 | r <u>tinschurch.org</u> am-1pm | Senior Warden: Junior Warden: | George Crowell Rick Gibbs | |
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