



# The Cloak



*St. Martin's – A Christian Church for all people Sharing God's Love, Following Christ, Serving Others*



*Doors are closed because of the bitter cold, but they are always open!*

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# Father Lee Hutchison



This year our church season of Lent begins on Valentine's Day. The day in our secular world most associated with love is the day we begin 40 days of reflection on how well we are reflecting God's love and grace in our individual lives. Grace has often been defined as God's unmerited favor towards us. This unmerited favor of God lays at the center of the Christian message of Good News about God. This message of grace will be repeated each Sunday of Lent in the proper preface which is said at the beginning of the Communion prayer.

The proper preface changes at each liturgical season and sums up a basic understanding of the meaning of each particular season. Our preface for Lent begins: "through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way, as we are, yet did not sin. By His grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again."

The preface for Lent tells us that Jesus is different from us. He was tempted as we are yet he did not give in to that temptation and sin. Jesus led a life which was totally acceptable to God. The preface also tells us that by the grace of God, you and I are able to triumph over every evil and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Called to an active vocation of love, you and I are called to nurture God's love and grace in other people. We do this because we have chosen to live our lives for Christ. This can be a difficult thing to do in our world today which is so often filled with self-centeredness and anger. As Christians we are called to persevere taking courage from our belief that one day God's kingdom will come and God's will will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

As you approach the altar for communion on Sunday come with an expectation that God will help us with the strength we need to reflect God's love and grace. As the author of the book of Hebrews writes "Let us come boldly before the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and grace to help in the time of need".

*Fr. Lee*



# Announcements for ...

# February

## Super Bowl Party

Sunday Feb. 4 starting at 6 pm  
see page 4

## Men's Breakfast

Saturday Feb. 10 at 8 am - Nick's - 8051 Broad  
(close to Harbor Freight and Hancock Fabric)  
all St. Martin's men are always invited  
bring a friend or neighbor along too  
Call Sid Akens (804-740-5375) if you need a ride

## EYC

Saturday Feb. 10 at 4-6 pm - Bowling  
Tuesday Feb. 13 from 5 to 7:30 pm - Pancake Supper  
Sunday Feb. 25 from 10 am to 2 pm - Youth Sunday

## Annual Meeting

Sunday Feb 11 immediately following 10 am service  
Please attend to hear reports from the Rector, the  
Wardens and selected Committee Chairs on "the state  
of our church", programs and financial fitness.

## Pancake Supper

Shrove Tuesday Feb. 13 from 5 pm to 7 pm  
see page 5

## Ash Wednesday

Wednesday February 14  
Services at 7:30 am, 10 am and 7 pm

## St. Martin's Project

Saturday Feb. 17 at 9:30 am, White Team

## Regular Weekly Events

Event	Day	Time
Sunday Services	Sunday	8 & 10 am
Boy Scouts	Monday	7 pm
Women's Bible Study	selected Mondays	10-12 am
Meals on Wheels	Tuesday	10:15 am - 12 pm
Holy Eucharist	Wednesday*	10 am
*Healing Service every 3rd Wed.		
Cub Scouts	Thursday	6:45 pm - 7:45 pm
Sr. Choir Practice	Thursday	7:30 pm
Social Bridge	Friday	10 am - 1 pm
Ethiopian Christians	Saturday	6 am

## Regular Monthly Events

Event	Day	Time
Vestry Meeting	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday	7 pm
Men's Breakfast	2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday	8 am
Daughters of the King	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday	11 am
Daisy Troop	1st & 3rd Wednesday	6 - 7:30 pm
Book Club	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	10:30 am
St. Martin's Project	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday	9:30 am
ECW	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	5:30 pm
EYC	selected Fridays (see calendar)	6 - 9 pm
Prayer Shawl Ministry	quarterly	11:45 am



**Cloak Deadline - please, if possible submit by Friday February 23 at 8 pm (only 28 days in the month!)**



# February 4

Starting at 6 pm

Hamburgers provided. Bring a covered dish.  
Sign up on bulletin board.

Lots of Great Food and Fun in a Festive atmosphere .  
Opportunity to win gift cards based on quarterly score.

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## ECW update!

- by Sally Dvorak

At the January 23rd meeting we evaluated the 2017 Holiday Market and started discussing the 2018 Market to be held on Saturday November 3rd from 9.00am to 1.00pm. The ECW needs your help - we are looking for new ideas for craft items to sell. If you are creative please share your ideas with an active member of the ECW. The ECW will work on making the crafts at their Sunday afternoon workshops.

Also if you are interested in being a vendor this year, or if you particularly liked a vendor last year, please contact Ann Robbins or Jean Rollins.

We also discussed various interesting ideas for programs for our regular meetings and there were some exciting and interesting possibilities. Details will follow.

After the meeting, much laughter and head scratching ensued as we tried to complete a home-made crossword puzzle devised by a member. Prizes were given to the four women who had the most answers correct.

All women of St Martin's are encouraged to attend the following February events:

- an ECW craft workshop on Sunday February 18th at 2.30pm.
  - the next regular meeting on Tuesday February 27th at 5.30pm.
- Please watch the bulletin and announcements for the program.  
Please bring your dinner.

As always, if anyone needs a ride please call Kim Shook at [804 387 8493](tel:8043878493).

### 2018 United Thank Offering In-gatherings

The spring in-gathering will be on Sunday May 13th and the fall in-gathering will be Sunday November 11th. Blue boxes may be found on the table in the hallway outside the parish hall. Every coin counts.

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## Condolences!

to *Leslie Dering*

on the death of her mother Kathleen Grant Catlin



## Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner



There is a Pancake Supper being hosted by the EYC on 2-13 to raise money for this summer's Mission Trip

Time : 5:00-7:00 pm Donations Welcome

Please direct any questions about Pancake Supper to Rick Gibbs ( in Sallie and Sandy's absence)

**Thanks for supporting the Youth Mission Trip!**

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## History of Shrove Tuesday and Pancakes

The tradition of marking the start of Lent has been documented for centuries. [Ælfric of Eynsham's](#) "Ecclesiastical Institutes" from around 1000 AD states: "In the week immediately before Lent everyone shall go to his confessor and confess his deeds and the confessor shall so shrive him as he then may hear by his deeds what he is to do [in the way of penance]". The association between pancakes and Shrove Tuesday may have arisen as it permits foods which are discouraged from being eaten during the Lenten season, such as butter, eggs, and fat to be used up. Christians use these ingredients during Shrovetide to make pancakes or other rich foods. (Wikipedia)

## Prayer

*A man stands tallest  
when he's on his knees*



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**Brunswick Stew Sale: Boy Scout Troop 777** is again cooking and selling Brunswick Stew to raise funds for troop activities. \$8 per quart (pay upon picking up stew). Sign up by Sunday, Feb. 4, pick-up on Saturday, Feb. 7 at noon in church parking lot. If you can not pick up at this scheduled time, please call Doug Robelen 804-549-3780.

# John C. Wallace Scholarship

by Ashley Borders

Applications for the John C. Wallace Scholarship are now available on The Community Foundation website. Again, two \$1000 scholarships will be granted for 2018. Use this address to go directly to the site:

<http://www.tcfrichmond.org/Apply-for-a-Scholarship/View-All-Scholarships?s=John+C.+Wallace+Scholarship>.

Applications are available now through March 1, 2018 at 5pm. Should you have any questions using the online application, please contact Stacey Keeley of The Community Foundation at [skeepy@tcfrichmond.org](mailto:skeepy@tcfrichmond.org) or [804-409-5602](tel:804-409-5602).

Scholarship recipients will be notified in mid-May.

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## Book Club

- by Pat Rourk

The January meeting of the book club was cancelled because of the bad weather and we will discuss **both books** at the February meeting. Anyone interested in joining please feel free to attend, all are welcome.

The book(s) for **February**:

"To Capture What We Cannot Keep" by Beatrice Colin.

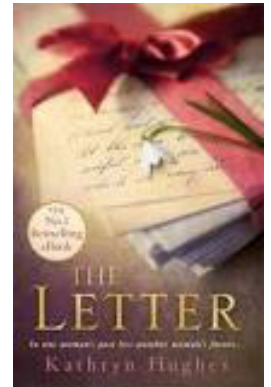
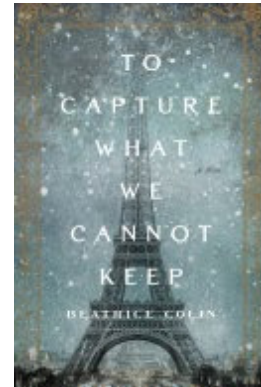
"The Letter" by Kathryn Hughes

The book for **March**:

"Lisette's List" by Susan Vreeland.

**Food for Thought:**

- The glow of one warm thought is infinitely more than money. (Thomas Jefferson)
- I always prefer to believe the best of everybody, it saves so much trouble. (Rudyard Kipling)





# Parish Nurse by Betty Horne

## February is National Children's Dental Health Month

It is so important to lay the groundwork for healthy teeth and gums by teaching your children to brush their teeth early. There are some jingles that can be used to make brushing fun. Unfortunately some families have no coverage for dental care. Thankfully there are groups and entities that fill in the void left by lack of dental coverage. One such entity is a group known as Give Kids a smile.

**The Virginia Dental Association Foundation** provides dental care and education for Virginians without any other means of accessing dental services. The following are offered free of charge:

- Exams and routine dental procedures for anyone without access to dental care on a first come, first served basis at the **Mission of Mercy** mobile projects. See upcoming dates and locations, and then check the Details for Patient Information.
- Comprehensive, non-emergency dental care through **Donated Dental Services** program for adults who are low-income and are either 62 years or older who have a permanent disability. Learn more or apply.
- Oral health education and routine dental procedures for children through our **Give Kids a Smile** events. Learn more.

- Most events are held in February during National Children's Dental Health Month. Events are planned in conjunction with schools, dental offices, and other community organizations.
- Services may include oral health education, cleanings, fluoride varnishes, and limited fillings and extractions. All services are not available at every project.

Contact us **Virginia Dental Association**, 3460 Mayland Ct, Ste 110, Richmond, VA 23233 (804) 288-5750, to see if a

Give Kids a Smile! Event is planned in your area. [www.vadental.org](http://www.vadental.org) [www.ADA.org](http://www.ADA.org) [JoinTodayinfo@vadental.org](mailto:JoinTodayinfo@vadental.org)



## The following is the history of Give Kids A Smile: From 400 Kids to More than Five Million

In 2002, Drs. Jeff Dalin and B. Ray Storm held the first Give Kids A Smile® (GKAS) event in a run-down soon-to-be-demolished dental clinic in St. Louis, where 15 patient chairs were scraped together to deliver free dental care to nearly 400 children.

The American Dental Association (ADA) recognized that this grassroots effort had great potential to raise awareness nationally about the importance of oral health to overall health, and about the staggering need that exists among millions of children who go without care. So in 2003, Give Kids A Smile evolved into a nationwide program with the collaboration of the ADA, Henry Schein, Procter & Gamble, and DEXIS.

Today, Give Kids A Smile is the ADA Foundation's signature access to oral health care program for underserved children, with events taking place throughout the year. These **events kick off annually on the first Friday in February**, which is Give Kids A Smile Day. Thousands of dentists and volunteers give their time to provide free oral health education, screenings, and treatment to underserved children.

Since 2003, more than 5.5 million children have been cared for by more than half a million volunteers.

Give Kids A Smile remains a critical piece of the [ADA's Action for Dental Health](#), a nationwide, community-based movement aimed at ending the dental health crisis facing America today. It is designed to address the dental health crisis in three distinct areas:

1. Provide care now to people who are suffering from untreated disease;
2. Strengthen and expand the public/private safety net; and
3. Bring disease prevention and education into communities.

Thanks to everyone who has contributed to Give Kids A Smile's success.

## The path to 5.5 million smiles: How one small idea created a national movement

Posted on [March 13, 2017](#)

Five and a half million underserved children have received free dental services. More than 137,000 dentist and 420,000 volunteers—including new dentists and dental students—nationwide have given of their time and talents. All of this goodwill is the result of one man's idea that grew from a basic thought into a well-known and energizing movement, known fondly as [Give Kids A Smile \(GKAS\)](#), for the past 15 years.

Dr. Jeff Dalin is a native of St. Louis and would describe himself as dependable, loyal and hard working. He's a husband, proud dad to three children, a big hockey fan and he absolutely loves his day job as a dentist in Creve Coeur, Missouri. He also happens to have founded one of dentistry's most recognizable and respected charitable programs by pursuing a simple idea with passion and perspective.

Dr. Dalin's love for dentistry began when he was a little boy working at his father's dental office in St. Louis. Determined to pursue his dental career, Dr. Dalin finished his undergraduate studies at Emory University in three years and then earned his dental degree at Indiana University School of Dentistry, before immediately returning home to practice with his father in 1980.

Soon after graduating, Dr. Dalin became involved with the Greater St. Louis Dental Society where he later became the editor of their journal. It was several years

later that Dr. Dalin found himself in an ad hoc committee meeting where members were discussing ways of giving back.





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“Our first project consisted of a compilation of programs that performed dentistry around the world,” I started asking, “Why go overseas to work, when we have people without access to dental care in our own backyard?”

Later that year, Dr. Dalin volunteered at a back-to-school program that collected everyday items like socks, winter coats and school supplies for kids in need. “When our committee met back up a few months later, I mentioned this program,” Dr. Dalin says. “Why not take care of their dental needs? Give Kids A Smile was born right then.”

The first GKAS event took place in St. Louis in 2002. Two months later, the American Dental Association adopted the program. Since its inception, GKAS has grown to more than 1,300 annual programs nationwide with more than 420,000 volunteers over the past 15 years, approximately a third of whom are dentists. Numerous sponsors have also generously joined in, such as Henry Schein, Colgate and KaVo Kerr.



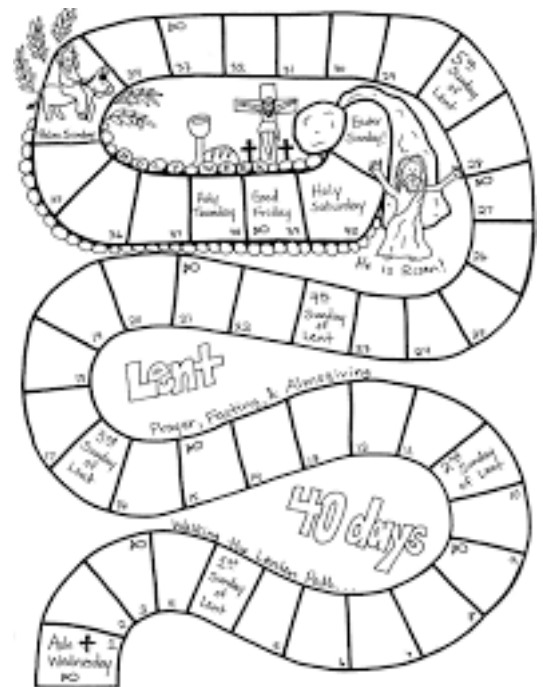
Today, Dr. Dalin and several colleagues he considers friends come together for a two day clinic, two times a year in St. Louis. Since their inception, over 31 clinics have delivered more than \$9 million in dental care to more than 15,000 kids. “It is great to be around others with the same level of passion and desire to help.” he says.

Here’s to healthy teeth and gums!

## Cardinal

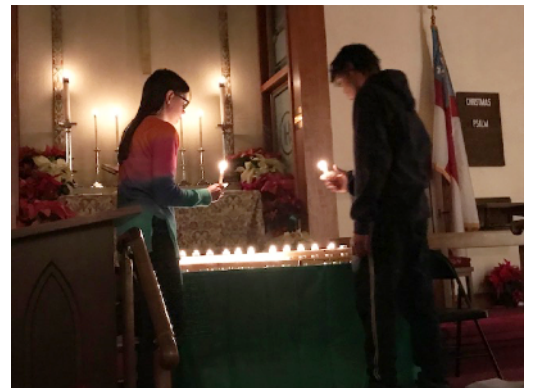
Brittle dark skeletons of Queen Anne's Lace,  
Frost-dusted, fading meadow memories  
Of flowers, like girl graduates, whose grace  
Once danced a summer's wind to melodies,  
Prattle faint dying whispers in the chill.  
A ruby spark of Marchblown plume and song  
Shocks grief with light and music, promise-trill  
Of waking pulse, in fields asleep too long.  
Bird, spirit, messenger: this fleet-winged prayer,  
Constant in snow, dark forests, springflushed days  
Chants glory to the Power that placed him there  
With lyric litanies of endless praise.  
High priest of life, eternity, rebirth;  
Bright tongue of Godfire, consecrating earth.

- Patsy Anne Bickerstaff



# Feast of Lights Service

Saturday January 6



Our youth did a wonderful job again leading the Feast of Lights service. It is such a meaningful service. Jesus came into the world to be the Light. Other's have carried his light starting with the Apostles. Our EYC members take turns reading about them and lighting a candle for each from Jesus' candle. The service ends with our candles being lit because we should carry the light for Jesus too.

Unfortunately this event was hampered by the weather. It was so bitterly cold and the burning of the greens as in previous years could not take place.

The church was un-decorated though and hot cider and fellowship was enjoyed.



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Not all marshmallow roasting for s'mores was successful.





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 02/01 Scott Alloway  
 02/06 Elaine Jacobson  
 02/07 Janice Kelly  
 02/07 Larry Reid  
 02/08 Carolyn Wallace  
 02/10 Annette S. Woolwine  
 02/13 Mikayla Fiasco  
 02/13 Dennis Pinner  
 02/14 Frank Lamb  
 02/16 Darrell Jenkins  
 02/21 Ian Woolwine  
 02/21 Susan Iervolino  
 02/26 Anne Shirey  
 02/26 Brock Lansing  
 02/26 Stephanie Machalinski  
 02/27 Brianna Bailey  
 02/27 Nicole Baroody  
 02/28 Randy Chowning  
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 03/01 John Atkins  
 03/01 Joyce Wellford  
 03/02 James Barrett  
 03/02 Holden Watt  
 03/02 Carter Watt  
 03/07 Pat Rourk  
 03/07 William Hapgood  
 03/08 Ginny Munoz  
 03/10 Abishek Samuel  
 03/12 Debbie Grumbine  
 03/12 Noah Romano  
 03/15 Harvey Lawrence  
 03/16 Barbara Smith  
 03/16 Taylor Adams  
 03/20 Nan Scott  
 03/21 Noah Clements  
 03/22 Sharon Ragland  
 03/22 Mary Goodman  
 03/23 Jim Greenwood  
 03/25 Ann Watts  
 03/26 Colin Clements  
 03/27 Sharon Alloway  
 03/28 Craig Watt  
 03/28 Khai Fisher  
 03/29 Ivy Miller  
 03/31 Jamie Greenwood  
 03/31 Sherry Wilson  
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 03/13/2010 Molly & James Bristol  
 03/17/1974 Jean & Richard Rollins  
 03/20/1984 Kim & Mike Shook  
 03/21 Greg & Vicky Echevarria  
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**If you know of somebody not on these lists (including yourself) please let the office know. If we don't know ...**





# 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.

## DERING'S CLEANING SERVICE:

If interested in your home getting a super good cleaning, call Leslie at 239-5865.  
Licensed, Insured & Bonded



## OCEANFRONT BEACH HOUSE FOR RENT

Located directly on the beach in Hatteras Village, NC.  
Contact Bob or Max Barritt (h) 270-3862 or (c) 512-4586

## Amazon Smiles:

1. Go to <https://smile.amazon.com/> or click the box above.
2. Create an amazon account or log in.
3. Go to "Or pick your own charitable 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!

## YOU ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

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



## LAMB'S Basket

"...I was hungry and you fed me"  
Matthew 25:35

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2017	2018	2019
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