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## **Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

July 3, 2022

8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

### **St. Martin's-in-the-Field Episcopal Church**

The Reverend Matthew Hanisian, *Rector*

The Reverend Nathan Erdman, *Associate Rector and Chaplain*

The Reverend Dr. John Price, *Priest Associate*

Dr. HyeSung Hwang, *Director of Music Ministries*

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# St. Martin's-in-the-Field

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

### SUMMER FUN WITH OUTREACH

**Sunday July 10, 9:00 a.m.**

In the spirit of Thanksgiving Sharing and Holiday Sharing, the Outreach Committee is introducing Summer Sharing. We have partnered with Light House in Annapolis to bring **Summer Fun Bags** to children Light House supports. We are collecting different items for children ages 2-10 and will be assembling the bags and delivering them on Sunday July 10 between the 8:00-10:30 a.m. services. To join us and to sign up for items you wish to donate please visit our sign up at: <https://m.signupgenius.com/#/showSignUp/10coe48ada82fa4fec07-summer>. All are welcome to come and help assemble the bags! For more information please reach out to Steven Haller or Elizabeth Newman, [elnewman93@gmail.com](mailto:elnewman93@gmail.com).

### SUMMER LEMONADE AND COOKIES

In celebration of worship during the glorious days of summer at St. Martin's, we will be starting a new refreshment offering of Lemonade and Cookies. In order to make these offerings available we need your help in setting out the lemonade and cookies. The lemonade will be in the Church fridge, and the cookies will be pre-packaged. Volunteers will just need to set things up (arrange lemonade and cookies, put out cups, napkins, silverware, etc) -**supereasy**. We even have the cleanup part covered. Summertime lemonade is a time for refreshment and fellowship. We appreciate your volunteering to help make this summertime event possible. If you can help make deliciousness happen, sign up online: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0444afa92ba2f49-summertime>. Questions, please contact [parishadmin@stmartinsinthe field.org](mailto:parishadmin@stmartinsinthe field.org).



### NEW FLOORS FOR PARISH HALL AND NARTHEX

We are excited to announce that St. Martin's will be getting new floors for Parish Hall and the Narthex. The work will begin in the Parish Hall on July 5. For everyone's safety, the **Parish Hall and kitchen will be closed during the construction period**, July 5-29. For questions please email [parishadmin@stmartinsinthe field.org](mailto:parishadmin@stmartinsinthe field.org).

### CHURCH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS AND CLOSINGS

Through August 22 the church office will be open Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon. Please note the church office will be closed Monday, July 4. For questions please email [parishadmin@stmartinsinthe field.org](mailto:parishadmin@stmartinsinthe field.org).

### WEEKLY EVENTS

#### NURSERY

Our nursery is available from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. on Sundays for infants and children ages 3 and under. Contact Rev. Nathan, [associate@stmartinsinthe field.org](mailto:associate@stmartinsinthe field.org) for details.

#### BIBLE CHALLENGE BOOK STUDY

**Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m. (St. Martin's House)**

Join the Bible Challenge group Tuesdays nights for a 9 week study of the book: *The Women of the Bible Speak; The Wisdom of 16 Women and Their Lessons for Today* by Shannon Bream. Books can be purchased on [Amazon](https://www.amazon.com). For details and questions please contact Cindy Neseth, [cincysue1@aol.com](mailto:cincysue1@aol.com).

**The following programs will resume in the fall:**

Sunday School, Children's Chapel, Youth Classes, EYC, Shepherd Group, Bible Workbench and Parents Group.

# Welcome to St. Martin's-in-the-Field Episcopal Church

*Our worship services are taken from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP);  
all are invited to participate fully in our worship of God this morning.*

## CELEBRATION OF HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I - 8:00 A.M.

### THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING ACCLAMATION	BCP p. 323
COLLECT FOR PURITY	BCP p. 323
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PSALM	See p. 4 of bulletin
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THE HOLY GOSPEL	See p. 5 of bulletin
SERMON	The Reverend Nathan Erdman
<i>One minute of silence.</i>	
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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE	BCP p. 328
CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION	BCP p. 330
THE PEACE	BCP p. 332
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### THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE	BCP p. 343
EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER II	BCP p. 340
THE LORD'S PRAYER	BCP p. 336
FRACTION	
INVITATION	
DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION	
<i>Please come forward to the altar rail, filling in from the center aisle outward, at the direction of the ushers. <u>ALL</u> are most invited to come forward to the altar rail at the time of Holy Communion at St. Martin's. If for any reason, you cannot or choose not to receive, please fold your arms over your chest to receive a blessing from the clergy. If after receiving the bread, you do not desire to receive from the common cup, please cross your arms over your chest and remain at the altar rail until other communicants have received.</i>	
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POST COMMUNION PRAYER	BCP p. 339
BLESSING	
DISMISSAL	

*You're invited to join us for lemonade, cookies and fellowship in the Narthex following our worship this morning.*



# Welcome to St. Martin's-in-the-Field Episcopal Church

Our worship services are taken from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP), The Hymnal 1982 (H) and Lift Every Voice and Sing II (L). We invite you to participate fully in our worship service, by both singing joyfully and with spoken responses which appear in bold

## CELEBRATION OF HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II - 10:30 A.M.

### THE WORD OF GOD

**PRELUDE:** *Meditation on "Materna"*

Matthew McConnell

**WELCOME**

*Please stand and sing.*

**OPENING HYMN:** *We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing*

H 433

**OPENING ACCLAMATION**

BCP p. 355

**COLLECT FOR PURITY**

BCP p. 355

***Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

**GLORIA**

H S 278

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

BCP p. 230

The Lord be with you. ***And also with you.*** Let us pray.

**A READING FROM THE PROPHET ISAIAH**

66:10-14

Thus says the Lord: "Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her--that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. For thus says the Lord: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees. As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the Lord is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies."

The Word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

**PSALM 66:1-8**

BCP p. 673

**<sup>1</sup> Be joyful in God, all you lands; sing the glory of his Name; sing the glory of his praise.**

**<sup>2</sup> Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.**

**<sup>3</sup> All the earth bows down before you, sings to you, sings out your Name."**

**<sup>4</sup> Come now and see the works of God, how wonderful he is in his doing toward all people.**

**<sup>5</sup> He turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot, and there we rejoiced in him.**

**<sup>6</sup> In his might he rules for ever; his eyes keep watch over the nations; let no rebel rise up against him.**

**<sup>7</sup> Bless our God, you peoples; make the voice of his praise to be heard;**

**<sup>8</sup> Who holds our souls in life, and will not allow our feet to slip.**

*The Gloria, short for "gloria in excelsis," is our hymn of thanks and praise to God that focuses on the redemption of the world by Christ's death and resurrection.*

*The Collect of the Day "collects" our individual thoughts into unified prayer that we might respond to the lessons we are about to hear.*

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised-- only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule-- peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN: *O Spirit of the living God*

H 531

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'

"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

The Reverend Nathan Erdman

*One minute of silence.*

NICENE CREED

BCP p. 358

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE—FORM IV

BCP p. 388

*In our parish family long term prayers are requested for: Richard, Christy, Ethan, Deryn, Jasper, Donald, George, Eileen, Stephen, Alison, Dwayne, Jeff, Barbara, Jim, Matt, Tina, Kyle and Kenny.*

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

BCP p. 360

*The Gospel procession into the congregation reminds us that Jesus came among us.*

*All face the Gospel.*

*The Nicene Creed is the most ancient and important corporate confession of our faith. We are joining ourselves to the great heritage of the holy (of God) catholic (universal) and apostolic (witnessing to the resurrection) church down through the centuries.*

*The Prayers of the People remind us that in our worship we are connected to a larger fellowship - the Church - the Body of Christ, on whose heart lies the cares and concerns of the world.*

## THE PEACE

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## THE HOLY COMMUNION

**OFFERTORY HYMN:** *God bless our native land*

H 716

**DOXOLOGY**

H 411, v. 1

***O bless the Lord, my soul! His grace to thee proclaim!  
And all that is within me join to bless his holy Name!***

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER C**

BCP p. 367

**SANCTUS**

*All sing.*

H S 125

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

BCP p. 364

**FRACTION**

*All sing.*

H S 155

***Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.***

**INVITATION**

**DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

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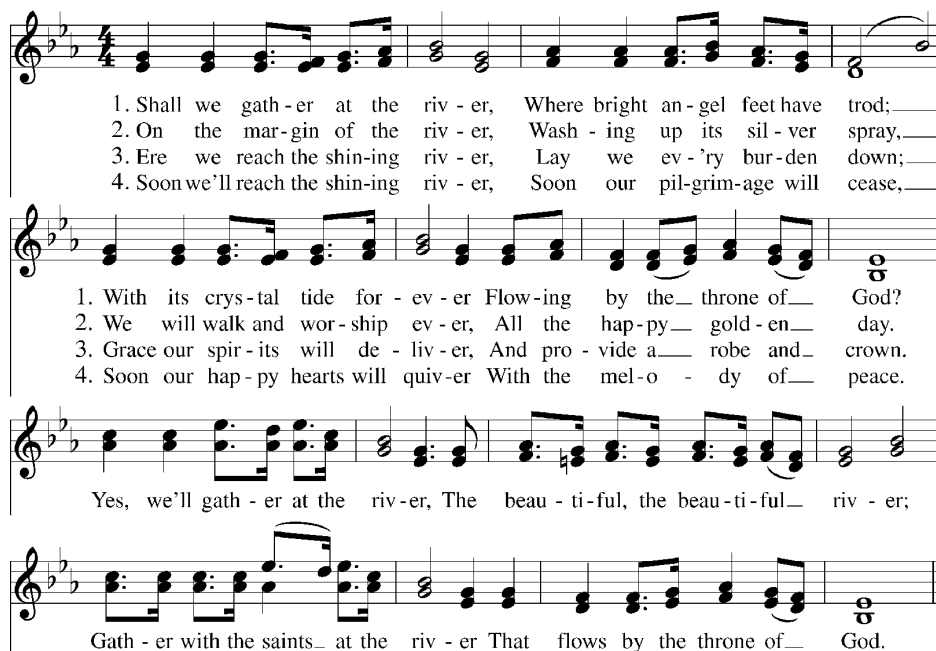
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*The Sanctus, which begins, "Holy, holy, holy..." is a hymn of remembrance, consecration and praise where our voices echo the voices of the angels who eternally praise God with these words. Our worship also includes the **Benedictus**, "Blessed is he..." a Christological acclamation of the coming of Christ into the world, taken from Matthew's gospel.*

## THE CONGREGATION JOINS IN THE SINGING OF THE COMMUNION HYMNS

### COMMUNION HYMNS: *Shall we gather at the river*

L 141



1. Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, Where bright an - gel feet have trod; \_\_\_\_  
 2. On the mar - gin of the riv - er, Wash - ing up its sil - ver spray, \_\_\_\_  
 3. Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, Lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down; \_\_\_\_  
 4. Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, Soon our pil - grim - age will cease, \_\_\_\_

1. With its crys - tal tide for - ev - er Flow - ing by the throne of God? \_\_\_\_  
 2. We will walk and wor - ship ev - er, All the hap - py gold - en day. \_\_\_\_  
 3. Grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, And pro - vide a robe and crown. \_\_\_\_  
 4. Soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er With the mel - o - dy of peace. \_\_\_\_

Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, The beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er; \_\_\_\_

Gath - er with the saints at the riv - er That flows by the throne of God. \_\_\_\_

### COMMUNION HYMNS: *My God, thy table now is spread*

H 321

#### SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. ***We who are many are one body because we all share one bread, one cup.***

#### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP p. 365

#### BLESSING

### CLOSING HYMN: *Jesus shall reign, where'er the sun*

H 544

#### DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. ***Thanks be to God.***

#### POSTLUDE: *Postlude on "National Anthem"*

A. F. Schultz

*The congregation is invited to sit and listen to the postlude, remaining in the sanctuary until the online broadcast concludes.*

*You're invited to join us for lemonade, cookies and fellowship in the Narthex following our worship this morning.*

*The Dismissal asserts the relationship between worship and living. It is a call to mission, a call to live the baptismal and Eucharistic life in the world.*



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# St. Martin's-in-the-Field

## OUTREACH AND MINISTRY

### JULY'S OUTREACH COLLECTION: HOPE FOR ALL

Hope For All is a Christian ministry whose mission is to provide basic necessities (i.e. furniture, housewares, clothing, and personal items) to families and individuals without sufficient economic resources. They are a public 501 (c) (3) non-profit serving residents of Anne Arundel County and parts of Baltimore City. They are a unique resource in our area for those transitioning from homelessness, or just in need of a helping hand. They offer clients the essentials necessary to create a healthy home. For details visit: <https://hopeforall.us>



To donate visit <https://stmartinsinthe field.com/giving/give/> and put Hope for All in the memo area.

In addition to monetary donations, we are also collecting donations in-kind for Hope for All in the Narthex. They accept new or used clothing (such as pajamas, jeans, tennis shoes), furniture and household items (such as bed linens, pots and pans, lamps), yard sale items (such as DVDs, books, purses), and hygiene and cleaning items (such as toilet paper, toothpaste, and general cleaning products). Used items must be clean and free of rips, worn areas, smoke, and pet hair. For a full list of what they accept, go to <https://hopeforall.us/give/>. If you want to donate a larger item (such as a nightstand or table), but are unable to transport them to Hope for All, or would like more details contact Parker and Tiffany Carlisle, [parker.carlisle@gmail.com](mailto:parker.carlisle@gmail.com).

### LUNCH MISSION

Arundel House of Hope operates a Resource and Day center dedicated to providing daytime shelter and hospitality to those in need. Families, individuals, and groups have an opportunity to support this mission by providing 25 bagged lunches (sandwich, chips, snack, and fruit) during the months of July and August. If you are interested, please sign-up online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10cof4fa5a823aoface9-daycenter> For details or questions contact Kathy Berge, [helpingotherstowin@gmail.com](mailto:helpingotherstowin@gmail.com)

### SPAN OPPORTUNITIES FOR JULY

SPAN (Serving People Across Neighborhoods) has been serving our neighbors to help them through a critical or emergency situation such as hunger, utility turn-offs, court-ordered evictions, and prescription/medical needs. We at St Martin's want to continue supporting this mission. Thus, we now have a year-round collection bin in the Narthex. Each month we will have a collection theme.



#### July's SPAN theme is SUMMER FUN.

Please donate household goods and foods that are generally used more in the **Summer**. Useful items include: sunscreen, insect repellent, hand sanitizer, swim diapers, baby wipes and laundry detergent. Additionally, spices and condiments used for cookouts would be appreciated: mustard, ketchup, relish, salt, pepper, garlic, onion powder, paprika, Worcestershire sauce, apple cider vinegar, barbecue sauce, baked beans, dried beans, brown sugar, honey, olives, and pickles. Of course we're grateful to collect anything else you're willing to share. For more details about SPAN visit: [https://www.spanhelps.org/support\\_us](https://www.spanhelps.org/support_us)

### GIFT CARDS TO SUPPORT J2A

Our J2A Youth Group is selling gift cards for their pilgrimage. For every card purchased, they receive a percentage back. These cards make great gifts, but most importantly can be used for everyday purchases. Give a card to yourself to buy your everyday groceries. It's a easy way to support the youth at St. Martin's without costing you extra.



Our current gift card coordinator, Meg Stott, will be handing over the gift card fundraiser to Amber Kaltz. It is with grateful hearts that we thank Meg for her time as coordinator and her help in raising over \$1,500 for the J2A youth group. To place an order or to set up an account and order online contact our incoming coordinator Amber Kaltz, [amberkaltz@gmail.com](mailto:amberkaltz@gmail.com).





## SUMMARY OF MAY OUTREACH EFFORTS

In May, the congregation donated \$235 to the Arundel Lodge through the Second Offering. This was "rounded up" to \$300 from Outreach Miscellaneous funds. This money goes to support the treatment of over 3,000 community members annually who are impacted by mental health and substance use disorders. If you want to learn more about Arundel Lodge's mission, and how you can support them, you can find information at [www.arundellodge.org/](http://www.arundellodge.org/)

Dawn Major and Kathy Berge are continuing their work with non-profit organizations in support of Afghan refugees. They still need support from people who are willing and able to provide transportation and delivery of large items and pro-bono care. If you think you may be able to help, please contact Dawn at [dawnsmajor@gmail.com](mailto:dawnsmajor@gmail.com) and/or Kathy at [helpingotherstowin@gmail.com](mailto:helpingotherstowin@gmail.com).

In response to our monthly SPAN theme of "Food Allergy Awareness" the congregation donated 2 boxes of gluten free cereal, 1 bag of gluten free pasta, and 2 bags of gluten free pretzels. Additionally, the congregation also donated 3 bags of canned goods, 2 bags of vegan boxed goods, 1 box of brownie mix, 1 4-pack of SlimFast shakes, 78 cans of canned salmon, 4 boxes of granola bars, 1 bag of loose granola, and 1 Mr. Clean Magic Eraser. If you want to learn more about SPAN's mission and ways to help, you can find information at [www.spanhelps.org](http://www.spanhelps.org).

In accordance with the budget previously approved by the Vestry, St. Martin's gave \$1,500 to the Wellness House of Annapolis, which provides free services and programs to those who have been touched by cancer. The money will help them as they build a new house for their operation. For more information visit [www.annapoliswellnesshouse.org](http://www.annapoliswellnesshouse.org).

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### GET INVOLVED IN OUR MISSION

Join us July 6 at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Martin's House upstairs conference room for our next Outreach Commission meeting. For details or questions contact Parker and Tiffany Carlisle, [parker.carlisle@gmail.com](mailto:parker.carlisle@gmail.com). Thank you for your contributions.

### SECOND OFFERING FOR JULY

July's Second Offering will be to Hope for All, which provides clothing and home furniture to families and individuals without sufficient economic resources. ([www.hopeforall.us](http://www.hopeforall.us)). More details can be found in the worship bulletin or weekly E-pistle.

#### **Prayer in Support of Hope for All**

*O God, the strength of the weak and the comfort of sufferers: Mercifully accept our prayers, and grant to your servants the help of your power, that his sickness may be turned into health, and our sorrow into joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

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## JUNE 2022 OUTREACH MINISTRY SURVEY RESULTS

Last month we asked the congregation to help the Outreach Commission learn how we are “*called to love and serve God, our neighbors, and each other,*” by participating in a survey, to help us learn where the heart of our congregation lies.

### **27 parishioners responded to that call, representing:**

- > approximately 3.32% of registered members
- > approximately 15.45% of active members.

### **A summary of the Outreach Survey results are listed below:**

> 97% of survey respondents noted that they have given time or talents toward Outreach programs or missions in the past.

### **Survey respondents are split on where to focus our financial support to Outreach, with:**

- > 48% in favor giving more money to fewer organizations,
- > 22% in favor of keeping the current level of financial contributions
- > 30% neutral.

### **The top 3 Outreach areas that survey respondents noted they wish to support financially are:**

- > 56% - Financial insecurity (ex. Food pantries and emergency services)
- > 20% - Mental health (including substance addiction and suicide prevention)
- > 12% - Housing insecurity and homelessness

### **When it comes to recurring hands-on Outreach opportunities:**

> 78% of survey respondents noted their wish to participate in recurring hands-on Outreach

### **Of those who want to participate in hands on; frequency was noted as:**

- > 73% want to participate monthly
- > 9% want to participate bi-weekly
- > 14% want to participate weekly.

### **Survey respondents are generally neutral on where to perform hands-on outreach, with:**

- > 21% wanting to do hands-on at St. Martin's
- > 13% wanting to do hands-on on-site
- > 67% neutral

### **When it comes to best times for Outreach Events:**

- > 78% of survey respondents want to do hands-on Outreach on Sundays with preference as:
  - 40% requesting Sunday, Between services
  - 30% requesting Sunday, Immediately after the 10:30 a.m. service
  - 8% requesting Sunday, Evenings
- > 12% of survey respondents want to do hands-on Outreach on Weekdays, during working hours

> 8% of survey respondents want to do hands on Outreach on Saturdays, morning or afternoon

### **The top 3 areas that survey respondents want to support through hands-on Outreach are:**

- > 67% - Financial insecurity (Food pantries and emergency services)
- > 8% - Opportunities for underserved children (volunteering to lead camps, activities, & sports)
- > 7% - Primary and secondary education

### **The top 3 on-site outreach activities that survey respondents are interested in participating are:**

- > 28% - Lighthouse Shelter pizza night (Friday, 4:00 pm – 7:30 pm)
- > 26% - Orphan Grain Train (Tuesdays, 9:00 am-12:00 pm and/or 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm)
- > 7% - Paul's Place Lunch Servers (Weekdays, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm)

### **The top 3 Outreach areas that survey respondents noted interest in participating at St. Martin's are:**

- > 29% - General food donation sorting & delivery for community members in need (ex. Holiday and/or monthly sharing)
- > 25% - Lighthouse Shelter Dinner Preparation (Weekdays, 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm)
- > 11% - General fellowship and team building groups (ex. Organization and mentorship)

### **Additionally, survey respondents gave a lot of valuable insights & suggestions, such as:**

- > Increasing cross-generational activities
- > Fielding a team for the SPAN Turkey Trot
- > Mentoring Opportunities / Advocacy / Hands-On Time & Talent Offerings
- > Organizations helping with Homelessness, Wellness, Mental Health, and Children

### **Moving forward:**

The Outreach commission will review the results, and decide how to best implement them. In addition, we will try to identify ways to include some, or all, of the specific organizations suggested in the survey, into the Outreach Planning Guide as we determine next year's budget, Second Offering plan, and plan some hands-on outreach opportunities in the coming months.

Thank you for taking the time to provide your thoughtful feedback and ideas as we continue to partner with the congregation and create meaningful opportunities to understand how we can all best carry out the vision of St. Martin's-in-the-Field Episcopal Church and our mission values.