



## **Fifth Sunday in Lent**

April 6, 2025

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

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

The Rev. Lauren R. Holder, *Rector*

The Rev. Nathan Erdman, *Associate Rector and Chaplain*

Dr. HyeSung Hwang, *Director of Music Ministries*

**Our mission is to gather as a welcoming community of Christ called to love and serve God,  
our neighbors and each other in joyful presence in the world.**

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# HOLY WEEK & EASTER



A LOT CAN HAPPEN IN SEVEN DAYS  
APRIL 13 - 20, 2025

**Palm Sunday, April 13:** 8:00 and 10:00 a.m.

**Maundy Thursday, April 17:** 7:00 p.m.

**Good Friday, April 18:** 12:00 noon Interactive Stations  
of the Cross

7:00 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy with Choir

**The Great Vigil of Easter, April 19:** 8:00 p.m.

**Easter Sunday, April 20:** 10:00 a.m. Service  
11:00 a.m. Egg Hunt

## WALK THE LABYRINTH

Labyrinth walking is a practice used for spiritual centering, contemplation, and prayer. We will have our labyrinth in Parish Hall following our Maundy Thursday service through Good Friday. *All are invited.*



## OVERNIGHT PRAYER VIGIL

All are welcome to remain for prayer and meditation in response to Jesus' plea to his disciples, "Can you not pray with me one hour?" [Sign up today](#) for one of these hour-long opportunities to stay awake with Jesus from Maundy Thursday, April 17 to Good Friday, April 18. For safety we need at least two adults signed up per hour. **Scan the QR code, or sign up on our website [www.stmartinsinthefield.com/events/](http://www.stmartinsinthefield.com/events/)**



## NEW TO ST. MARTIN'S?

Please scan our QR code and help us welcome you to our community.

# 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.

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#### **DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

*All may receive the consecrated bread and wine of the Eucharist or a blessing. Stand or kneel at the altar rail to receive the bread in the palm of your hand. Gluten-free wafers are available on the far left of the altar rail. Receive the wine either by drinking from the common cup or by touching the wafer lightly to the wine in the smaller intinction chalice. If you would like to receive a blessing, cross your arms across your chest.*

<b>POST COMMUNION PRAYER</b>	BCP p. 339
<b>BLESSING</b>	
<b>DISMISSAL</b>	

*You're invited to join us for coffee, donuts 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), Enriching Our Worship, 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**. We livestream our 10:00 a.m. service.

## CELEBRATION OF HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II - 10:00 A.M.

### THE WORD OF GOD

We ask that you please enter the sanctuary quietly before and during the prelude.

**PRELUDE:** *The Well-Tempered Clavier Book 1, Prelude in B flat minor, BWV 867*

Johann Sebastian Bach

#### WELCOME

*Please stand and sing.*

**OPENING HYMN:** *Lord Christ, when first though cam'st to earth*

H 598

#### THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins. **His mercy endures for ever.**

#### SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." ~ *Mark 12:29-31*

#### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

#### TRISAGION

*All sing three times.*

HS102

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,  
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

#### COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen. **Amen.**

**FIRST READING**

Isaiah 43:16-21

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

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

**PSALM 126**

- <sup>1</sup> When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, then were we like those who dream.**
- <sup>2</sup> Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy.**
- <sup>3</sup> Then they said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them."**
- <sup>4</sup> The Lord has done great things for us, and we are glad indeed.**
- <sup>5</sup> Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like the watercourses of the Negev.**
- <sup>6</sup> Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.**
- <sup>7</sup> Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.**

**SECOND READING**

Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

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

**CHILDREN'S CHAPEL**

*As we sing the Sequence Hymn children who wish to attend Children's Chapel are invited to gather in the back of the church with the Children's Chapel adult leaders. Children's Chapel is located in the music room. The children will return during the Peace.*

*Please stand and sing.*

**SEQUENCE HYMN:** *Surely it is God who saves me*

H 679

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

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

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

## SERMON

The Rev. Nathan Erdman

## NICENE CREED

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**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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*In our parish family long term prayers are requested for: Sarah, Amalia, Edmund, Anna May, Joey, Kip, Wilma, Merla, Lisa, Mike, The Carman family, Kevin, Sarah, Kevin, Melanie, Jared, Bill, Jax, Brody, Matt, and Kyle.*

## THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GIVING

The Offertory is when we make a sacred gift to God as part of our worship. You can leave a donation in the plate being passed by the ushers; give online via our secure online system by scanning the QR code provided or visit our website at <https://stmartinsinthefield.com/giving/give/> Thank you for your generous giving to the mission and ministry of St. Martin's in our world.



# THE HOLY COMMUNION

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM:** *The Blood of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, Cleanse Us From All Sin*

Heinrich Schütz

*Please stand and sing.*

**PRESENTATION HYMN:** *The glory of these forty days*

H 143, v. 5

**O Father, Son, and Spirit blest, to thee be every prayer addressed,  
who art in threefold Name adored, from age to age, the only Lord.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

## SANCTUS

*All sing.*

HS 130

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.  
Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with St. Martin's and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**FRACTION ANTHEM**

*All sing.*

HS 158

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.**

**DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

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*The Congregation joins in the singing of the Communion Hymn.*

**COMMUNION HYMNS:** *Let thy Blood in mercy poured*

H 313

*When I survey the wondrous cross*

H 474


**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**

**Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**


**BLESSING**



1. If the world from you with-hold, of its sil-ver and its gold,  
 2. If your bod-y suf-fers pain, and your health you can't re-gain,  
 3. When your en-e-mies as-sail, and your heart be-gins to fail,  
 4. When your youth-ful days are gone, and old age is steal-ing on.



1. And you have to get a-long with mea-ger fare;  
 2. And your soul is al-most sink-ing in de-spair;  
 3. Don't for-get that God in heav-en an-swers prayer.  
 4. And your bod-y bends be-neath the weight of care;



1. Just re-mem-ber in His word. How He feeds the lit-tle bird.  
 2. Je-sus knows the pain you feel. He can save and He can heal.  
 3. He will make a way for you, and will lead you safe-ly through.  
 4. He will nev-er leave you then, He'll go with you to the end.



1. Take your bur-den to the Lord and leave it there.  
 2. Take your bur-den to the Lord and leave it there.  
 3. Take your bur-den to the Lord and leave it there.  
 4. Take your bur-den to the Lord and leave it there.


(leave it there)



Leave it there, leave it there, leave it there, leave it there,  
 Leave it there, leave it there, leave it there, leave it there,  
 leave it, there.



Take your bur-den to the Lord and leave it there, leave it there.



If you trust and nev-er doubt, He will sure-ly bring you out;  
 leave it there.



Take your bur-den to the Lord and leave it there, leave it there.

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*After the dismissal you may remain seated for the postlude or exit to the Narthex.*

**POSTLUDE: Postlude in D minor**

Charles Vincent

*You're invited for fellowship and refreshments in the Narthex following our worship this morning.*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

## WHAT IS AN EPISCOPALIAN?

**Sundays, 9:00 a.m. (Parish Hall)**

Grow deeper in your faith with your St. Martin's community. Join this weekly conversation with Rev. Lauren. Bring your questions and your coffee to the Parish Hall Sundays at 9:00 a.m. Contact Rev. Lauren, [rector@stmartinsinthefield.org](mailto:rector@stmartinsinthefield.org).

## BINGO NIGHT, TONIGHT!

**This Sunday, April 6, 5:30 p.m.**

Don't miss the chance to yell BINGO! during this evening full of fellowship, food and prizes. Admission is only \$20 for adults and \$10 for kids, and includes dinner and starter card pack. Extra bingo cards and other games available for purchase. Hosted by our J2A youth with all proceeds to benefit the J2A Holy Pilgrimage to Italy this summer. *Participants are invited to bring gently used and new items for the prize table.* Contact Rev. Nathan, [associate@stmartinsinthefield.org](mailto:associate@stmartinsinthefield.org).

## WALKIN' LOVES

**Begins April 8, 8:00 a.m. (Kinder Farm Park)**

Lace up your shoes and join our new *Walkin' Love* group for fresh air and fellowship. Meet us for a walk on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 8:00 a.m. at Kinder Park, off of Kinder Rd, near the small playground. The loop is 2.4 miles, mostly level, and takes about 45 minutes to complete. All ages and fitness levels welcome. Contact: Julie Reiter 443-875-1457.

## JOURNEY THROUGH THE TRIDUUM

**Wednesday April 9, 12 noon (Zoom)**

The Triduum marks the sacred time from Maundy Thursday, to Good Friday, to the Easter Vigil and Easter Morning. This Zoom class will illuminate that Paschal mystery, and ground our proclamation/renewal of our baptismal covenant at Easter!. **For the Zoom link scan the QR code, visit our website [www.stmartinsinthefield.com/events/](http://www.stmartinsinthefield.com/events/) or contact Rev. Lauren, [rector@stmartinsinthefield.org](mailto:rector@stmartinsinthefield.org).**



## LIVING LENT FOR ALL AGES

**Wednesday April 9, 5:30-7:00 p.m. (Parish Hall)**

There are many ways to observe a holy Lent. Join us Wednesday night to learn and practice ways to grow in faith. We'll have both hands-on activity and discussion options each week. And leave the cooking to us! Each session will include a simple meal. Perfect for all ages. For questions or more information, please contact Rev. Nathan, [associate@stmartinsinthefield.org](mailto:associate@stmartinsinthefield.org).

## SPAN EASTER BASKETS & PALM MAKING

**April 13, 9:00 a.m. (Parish Hall)**

Celebrate Palm Sunday with us by making beautiful palm crosses and decorations! All are welcome to join in this meaningful tradition. Supplies will be provided—just bring your hands and heart. Additionally, we'll be packing Easter Baskets in partnership with SPAN. To donate items, please visit this link: [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/l/3ETXPW1O1PZJT?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/l/3ETXPW1O1PZJT?ref=wl_share). Come together in fellowship as we prepare for Holy Week! Contact Liz and Chris Lucas, [stmartinsparentsgroup@gmail.com](mailto:stmartinsparentsgroup@gmail.com).

## EYC: RESTAURANT NIGHT

**Sunday, April 13, 5:30 p.m.**

Join us as we share dinner and dessert together! *For all youth grades 6th-12th. Friends are welcome.* EYC regulars watch your email for details. Newcomers always welcome contact Sam Burdette, [samburdette@gmail.com](mailto:samburdette@gmail.com) or Amy Miller, [akriewald19@gmail.com](mailto:akriewald19@gmail.com).

## EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS AND DEDICATIONS

**Deadline: Monday, April 14**

We are accepting sign-ups now for those who wish to dedicate flowers to give glory to God and bring focus to the cross during our Easter service. Please use the forms in Sunday's bulletin or complete our online form at [stmartinsinthefield.com/parish-life/](http://stmartinsinthefield.com/parish-life/). Deadline is **April 14**.

## WORSHIP SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK

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**Maundy Thursday, April 17:** 7:00 p.m.

**Good Friday, April 18:**

12:00 noon Interactive Stations of the Cross  
7:00 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy with Choir

**The Great Vigil of Easter, April 19:** 8:00 p.m.

**Easter Sunday, April 20:**

10:00 a.m. Service with Egg Hunt at 11:00 a.m.

## VBS SIGN UPS ARE READY

**July 28- August 1**

St. Martin's is offering Vacation Bible School for kids ages four to 12 years old. For \$50 you can register your child for half-day VBS, which would be from 8am to 12pm, or for \$75 we will have a full-day of VBS, from 8am to 3pm. **To register scan the QR code, visit our website [www.stmartinsinthefield.com/events/](http://www.stmartinsinthefield.com/events/) or contact Tabitha Carman, [tabithacarmanrn@gmail.com](mailto:tabithacarmanrn@gmail.com).**



# OUTREACH AND MINISTRY

## SMES NIGHT AT THE RACES GALA & AUCTION

**Saturday, May 3**

Don your best Derby hat and get ready for an unforgettable night of fun at our School's largest annual fundraising event, our Gala & Auction on Saturday, May 3, 6:00 - 11:00 p.m. at Chartwell Golf & Country Club. Your evening includes cocktails, seated dinner, live and silent auction, and dancing with music by the Dan Haas Band! Purchase your tickets today! Visit <https://stmartinsmd.org/>



## SPAN OPPORTUNITIES FOR APRIL

SPAN (Serving People Across Neighborhoods) serves our neighbors by helping them through a critical or emergency situation. St. Martin's supports SPAN's mission this month by asking for donations for SPAN's **April's theme is "Spring Cleaning."**

*Please donate household cleaning items:* soaps, laundry detergents, sanitizing wipes and sprays. Sanitary items and baby diapers especially in the larger sizes are also helpful. Of course we're also happy to collect anything else you're willing to share. **Donations can be dropped in the bins marked "SPAN" in the Narthex.** For details about SPAN visit: [www.spanhelps.org/support\\_us](http://www.spanhelps.org/support_us).

## WAY OF THE CROSS AT MANRESA

**April 18, 12 noon**

You and your family are invited on Good Friday, April 18 at 12 noon for the Way of the Cross at Manresa. Join fellow Christians for an outdoor ecumenical service and Stations of the Cross alongside the Severn River at 85 Manresa Dr, Annapolis, MD 21409. Gathering begins at 11:30 with music. Event is rain or shine. For further information contact Julie Taylor, 410-268-1776.

## NEED GIFT CARDS?

Our J2A Youth Group is selling gift cards in support of their pilgrimage. For every card purchased, they receive a percentage back. These cards make great graduation 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. To place an order or set up an account contact Amber Kaltz, [akaltz@stmartinsinthefield.org](mailto:akaltz@stmartinsinthefield.org).

## YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR THESE WEEKLY PROGRAMS:

### CHILDREN AND YOUTH PROGRAMS

**Sundays, 9:00 a.m.**

Children and youth of all ages are welcome to join any time.

**Sunday School (K-Grade 5):** SMES Art and Science Rooms

**Rite-13 (Grade 6-8):** SMES History Room

**J2A (Grade 9-10):** Lower St. Martin's House

**YAC (Grade 11-12):** St. Martin's House

Contact Rev. Nathan, [associate@stmartinsinthefield.org](mailto:associate@stmartinsinthefield.org).

### FAITH AND FAMILY GROUP - Sundays, 9:00 a.m.

**(Parish Hall)** - St. Martin's Faith and Family Group is an inclusive community dedicated to nurturing faith and service in our families. Open to all. Join us during Lent for a rector led class on *What is an Episcopalian?* Contact Chris and Liz Lucas, [stmartinsparentsgroup@gmail.com](mailto:stmartinsparentsgroup@gmail.com).

### CHILDREN'S CHAPEL

During the 10:00 a.m. service children age 5 and older are invited to experience an age-appropriate Liturgy of the Word. *See bulletin for details.*

**SUNDAY NURSERY** - Available for infants and children ages 4 and under on Sundays from 8:45 - 11:30 a.m. Located in Parish Hall, see an usher for directions.

### TUESDAY NIGHT GROUP - Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m. (Virtual)

Deepen your understanding of your theological beliefs and how they may impact your everyday life. Readings are based on Christian Theology from a variety of authors. Join us Tuesday evenings 7:00-8:30 p.m. via Zoom. Contact Charlie Fitzgerald, [charliefitz76@gmail.com](mailto:charliefitz76@gmail.com), 410-353-4719.

### BIBLE CHALLENGE BOOK STUDY - Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.

**(St. Martin's House)** Join us for a 16 week study of the *Acts of the Apostles*. We will be using the LifeChange Study Guide on Acts which can be ordered on Amazon. [https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0891091122?ref=dbs\\_m\\_mng\\_rwt\\_calw\\_tpbk\\_11&storeType=ebooks](https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0891091122?ref=dbs_m_mng_rwt_calw_tpbk_11&storeType=ebooks) Contact Cindy Neseth, [cincysue1@aol.com](mailto:cincysue1@aol.com).

### SHEPHERD GROUP - Thursdays, 4:00 p.m. (via Zoom)

Join us for a zoom group discussion of the readings for the upcoming Sunday. All adults welcome. For zoom link and details contact Susan Griesmyer, [sgriesmyer@verizon.net](mailto:sgriesmyer@verizon.net).

### MIDDAY BIBLE STUDY - Thursday, 12:00 noon

**(St. Martin's House)** Join us for a weekly, midday Bible study and connect with God's word. Meetings are held in the conference room of St. Martin's house. Bring a Bible. For information contact Julie Reiter, 443-875-1457, [voicesbyjulie@gmail.com](mailto:voicesbyjulie@gmail.com).



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