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THE LORD'S SUPPER is the way Jesus Christ, the bread of life, gives us his flesh and blood to eat and drink. Through this Sacrament, Jesus forgives our sins, gives us victory over death and Satan, and delivers his eternal salvation to us. In accordance with Jesus' teachings, we practice *closed communion* with those who share our public profession of the Christian faith in all its articles. We therefore ask our guests who wish to commune to speak with the pastor before the service.

BULLETINS can be found on our website under the News Tab, Newsletter/bulletins. Select the appropriate service.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION—If you are hospitalized, please be sure to update your admittance records indicating your religious preference and if you would like the hospital to call St. Martin. They will not contact the church unless you tell them to do so.

IF YOU REQUIRE PASTORAL CARE or would like to learn more about Jesus Christ and St. Martin Lutheran, please contact the church office at 920/849-4421 or Pastor Thomas K. Schmitt at 920/418-1559.

MARCH ALTAR GUILD: Bev Daun and Cherlyn Schmitting MARCH CALANDERS are available in the narthex and social hall. JANUARY – MARCH 2023 Portals of Prayer are available in the narthex. A monetary donation is appreciated.

2023 WORSHIP ATTENDANCE: 3/12 & 3/15 72 + 49 = 121

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE: 3/12 20 \$17.00

CALENDAR OF EVENTS		٩l	.EI	V	D	AR	C)F	E	V	Έ	N	TS	j
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SUN. 3/19	8:00A Gift & Memorial Meeting
	9:00A Worship Service with Holy Communion
	10:10A Fellowship
	10:15A Bible Study
	10:20A Sunday School
MON. 3/20	1:00P Bible Study
TUE. 3/21	10:00A Circuit Pastors' Meeting-Rantoul
	5:45P Board of Elders Meeting
	7:00P Church Council Meeting
WED. 3/22	5:15P Jr. High Catechism Class
	6:00P Lenten Supper-M&E Ham rollups, bread, cookies
	7:00P Lenten Worship Service
THU. 3/23	10:00A CBC Blood Drive
SUN. 3/26	9:00A Worship Service with Holy Communion
	10:10A Voters' Meeting -immediately after the service
	10:10A Fellowship
	10:15A Bible Study

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MEMBERS CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK INCLUDE:

Lee and Vicki Roehrig

MEMBERS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK INCLUDE:

10:20A Sunday School

Abigail Pethan, Linda Cullen, Lorraine Schultz, David Brehmer, Chad Halbach, David Wood, Marlene Bancroft, Darrell Dilley, Amber Krueger

IN OUR PRAYERS

-OUR SHUT-INS: Diane Broker, Darlene Brehmer, Linda Friederichs, Lucinda Loose, Janet Maile, Simone Pagel, Larelda Siebert -THE SICK: Diane Broker, Linda Freiderichs, Floretta Lemke, Krista Lisowe, Debra Dilley

FELLOWSHIP--Will be served Sundays after Worship in the social hall. If you are willing to host, please sign up in the social hall. St. Martin will provide coffee, water, and paper products. All are welcome!

FURNACE FUND CAMPAIGN –WE HAVE EXCEEDED OUR GOAL.

TO DATE WE HAVE RAISED: \$15270.00

WE ACNOWLEDGE THE GIFT of \$1,000 in memory of Hal Bancroft for the parking lot fund.

LENT SCHEDULE

Midweek 4, March 22: "Bread of Life"

Lenten Supper served by the Mission/Evangelism Committee-Ham Roll-ups, Bread, Chocolate Chip Cookies

Midweek 5, March 29: "The Palms of Victory!"

Lenten supper served by the Sunday School Staff/Board of Ed -Hot Beef, Cole Slaw and Cheese Potatoes

Wednesday services are at 7:00 PM with supper beginning at 6:00 PM Communion will be offered after the service.

Holy Thursday, April 6: "Water and Blood" 7:00 PM with communion

Good Friday, April 7: "The Old, Rugged, Wooden Cross" 1:30 PM

Easter Day, April 9: "Milk and Honey – The Resurrected Life to Come!" 6:30 and 9:00 AM with communion

PLEASE SUPPORT THE SCRIP PROGRAM--Order forms can be picked up in the narthex or social hall. If a business is not listed, please ask! Start thinking about Easter Basket gifts! The next order will be placed on March 27 for arrival before Easter.

TO THOSE VIEWING ONLINE: If you are a member of St. Martin, please "Register" by clicking one of the "Like" button on Facebook. We are trying to gauge how many of our members are worshipping virtually.

CHILDREN'S LESSON: All children through grade 6 are welcome to come forward when called for the Children's Lesson. Parents are more than welcome to accompany young and special needs children. Please note that our services are being streamed on Facebook Live. Therefore, you and your child(ren) may be visible to those viewing our services, either live or via recorded playback. Should this be a problem, please talk with the Pastor before the service, we may be able to adjust the camera.

Treasurers Report - St. Martin Lutheran Church									
2023 - January Totals									
		Budget		Actual	Difference				
Monthly Offerings	\$	15,673.00	\$	20,040.00	\$	4,367.00			
Offerings YTD	\$	15,673.00	\$	20,040.00	\$	4,367.00			
Expenses YTD	\$	14,398.86	\$	10,165.15	\$	4,233.71			
Missions YTD	\$	1,424.82	\$	2,004.00	\$	579.18			
Total Expenditures YTD	\$	14,398.86	\$	12,169.15	\$	4,812.89			
YTD Actual Offer - Total Expenditures				7,870.85					

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT March 19, 2023

Opening Hymn: 421 Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing

- 1 Jesus, grant that balm and healing In Your holy wounds I find, Ev'ry hour that I am feeling Pains of body and of mind. Should some evil thought within Tempt my treach'rous heart to sin, Show the peril, and from sinning Keep me from its first beginning.
- 2 Should some lust or sharp temptation Fascinate my sinful mind, Draw me to Your cross and passion, And new courage I shall find. Or should Satan press me hard, Let me then be on my guard, Saving, "Christ for me was wounded,"

That the tempter flee confounded.

- 3 If the world my heart entices With the broad and easy road, With seductive, sinful vices, Let me weigh the awful load You were willing to endure. Help me flee all thoughts impure And to master each temptation, Calm in prayer and meditation.
- 4 Ev'ry wound that pains or grieves me By Your wounds, Lord, is made whole; When I'm faint, Your cross revives me, Granting new life to my soul. Yes, Your comfort renders sweet Ev'ry bitter cup I meet; For Your all-atoning passion Has procured my soul's salvation.
- 5 O my God, my rock and tower, Grant that in Your death I trust, Knowing death has lost its power Since You crushed it in the dust. Savior, let Your agony Ever help and comfort me;

When I die be my protection, Light and life and resurrection.

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♠ Order of Service:

LSB p. 184-189

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. ... Our help is in the name of the Lord.
- \mathbf{C} who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin. \mathbf{C}

- **P** What is the Tenth Commandment
- You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.
- **P** What does this mean?
- We should fear and love God so that we do not entice or force away our neighbor's wife, workers, or animals, or turn them against him, but urge them to stay and do their duty.

(The Close of the Commandments)

- **P** What does God say about all these commandments?
- He says: "I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate Me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love Me and keep My commandments."

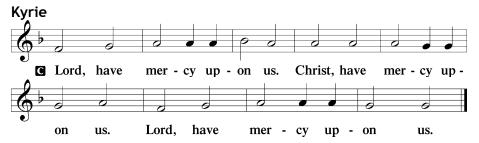
(Exodus 20:5-6)

- **P** What does this mean?
- © God threatens to punish all who break these commandments. Therefore, we should fear His wrath and not do anything against them. But He promises grace and every blessing to all who keep these commandments. Therefore, we should also love and trust in Him and gladly do what He commands.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.



Salutation and Collect of the Day



Let us pray. ... Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



V Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 42:14-21

¹⁴For a long time I have held my peace; I have kept still and restrained myself; now I will cry out like a woman in labor; I will gasp and pant. ¹⁵I will lay waste mountains and hills, and dry up all their vegetation; I will turn the rivers into islands, and dry up the pools. ¹⁶And I will lead the blind in a way that they do not know, in paths that they have not known I will guide them. I will turn the darkness before them into light, the rough places into level ground. These are the things I do, and I do not forsake them. ¹⁷They are turned back and utterly put to shame, who trust in carved idols, who say to metal images, "You are our gods."

¹⁸Hear, you deaf, and look, you blind, that you may see! ¹⁹Who is blind but my servant, or deaf as my messenger whom I send? Who is blind as my dedicated one, or blind as the servant of the LORD? ²⁰He sees many things, but does not observe them; his ears are open, but he does not hear. ²¹The LORD was pleased, for his righteousness' sake, to magnify his law and make it glorious.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

 Gradual

 Hebrews 12:2



O come, let us fix our eyes on | Jesus, the author and perfecter | of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despis | ing the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the | throne of God.

Epistle

Ephesians 5:8-14

⁸For at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light ⁹(for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), ¹⁰and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. ¹²For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. ¹³But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, ¹⁴for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

"Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Verse: 422 On My Heart Imprint Your Image

On my heart imprint Your image, Blessèd Jesus, King of grace, That life's riches, cares, and pleasures

Never may Your work erase;

Let the clear inscription be: Jesus, crucified for me,

Is my life, my hope's foundation, And my glory and salvation!

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Holy Gospel

John 9:1–41 (selected verses)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the ninth chapter.



¹As [Jesus] passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. ²And his disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" ³Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him. ⁴We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming,

when no one can work. ⁵As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." ⁶Having said these things, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then he anointed the man's eyes with the mud ⁷and said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing.

¹³They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. ¹⁴Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. ¹⁵So the Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, "He put mud on my eyes, and I washed, and I see." ¹⁶Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" And there was a division among them. ¹⁷So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet."

³⁴They answered him, "You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?" And they cast him out. ³⁵Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" ³⁶He answered, "And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" ³⁷Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and it is he who is speaking to you." ³⁸He said, "Lord, I believe," and he worshiped him. ³⁹Jesus said, "For judgment I came into this world, that those who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

- **P** What does this mean?
- I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil;

- not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death,
- that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness.
- **P** just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.
- **C** This is most certainly true.
- **C** I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life

 → everlasting. Amen.

Little Lamb's Lesson

Hymn 849 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

- Praise the One who breaks the darkness
 With a liberating light;
 Praise the One who frees the pris'ners,
 Turning blindness into sight.
 Praise the One who preached the Gospel,
 Healing ev'ry dread disease,
 Calming storms, and feeding thousands
 With the very Bread of peace.
- 2 Praise the One who blessed the children With a strong, yet gentle, word; Praise the One who drove out demons With the piercing, two-edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool water To the desert's burning sand; From this Well comes living water, Quenching thirst in ev'ry land.
- 3 Let us praise the Word Incarnate,
 Christ, who suffered in our place.
 Jesus died and rose victorious
 That we may know God by grace.
 Let us sing for joy and gladness,
 Seeing what our God has done;
 Let us praise the true Redeemer,
 Praise the One who makes us one.

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Sermon

- ∴ Offering Presentation and Offertory (LSB p. 192)
- Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

- P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For the Church of God, that she, enlightened by the Gospel, would be a home for those cast out by this world, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For all who seek refuge in the Church of Christ, that God would raise up pastors in every age to serve them in His name, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For those baptized into the light of Christ, that He would guide us in His ways and teach us to both know and do His will, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For those who wander in the darkness through rough places in this life, that they would wait on the salvation of the Lord and not be put to shame, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For the afflicted in body or soul, _____ that they would take heart, trust in Christ for healing and find Him even in the midst of their trials, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For a right reception of the Lord's Supper, that God would unite His people in a true confession of His Word and bring them with penitent hearts to receive the great riches of His Son's body and blood for their salvation, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.

- P Hear us, heavenly Father, for the sake of Christ Jesus, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

- Communion Liturgy: Hymnal, pages 194-198
- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with thy spirit.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them up unto the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
- C It is meet and right so to do.
- Proper Preface for the Season of Lent
- It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:
- Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.
 Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

- P 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.
- **C** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ⅓ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ⅙ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.
- Agnus Dei
- O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
 - O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
 - O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Distribution Hymns: 451 Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted

1 Stricken, smitten, and afflicted,

See Him dying on the tree!

'Tis the Christ, by man rejected;

Yes, my soul, 'tis He, 'tis He!

'Tis the long-expected Prophet,

David's Son, yet David's Lord;

Proofs I see sufficient of it:

'Tis the true and faithful Word.

2 Tell me, ye who hear Him groaning, Was there ever grief like His? Friends through fear His cause disowning, Foes insulting His distress; Many hands were raised to wound Him, None would intervene to save:

But the deepest stroke that pierced Him Was the stroke that justice gave.

- 3 Ye who think of sin but lightly
 Nor suppose the evil great
 Here may view its nature rightly,
 Here its guilt may estimate.
 Mark the sacrifice appointed,
 See who bears the awful load;
 'Tis the Word, the Lord's anointed,
 Son of Man and Son of God.
- 4 Here we have a firm foundation,
 Here the refuge of the lost:
 Christ, the Rock of our salvation,
 Is the name of which we boast;
 Lamb of God, for sinners wounded,
 Sacrifice to cancel guilt!
 None shall ever be confounded
 Who on Him their hope have built.

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431 Not All the Blood of Beasts

- 1 Not all the blood of beasts
 On Jewish altars slain
 Could give the guilty conscience peace
 Or wash away the stain.
- But Christ, the heav'nly Lamb,
 Takes all our sins away;
 A sacrifice of nobler name
 And richer blood than they.
- 3 My faith would lay its hand On that dear head of Thine, While as a penitent I stand, And there confess my sin.
- 4 My soul looks back to see
 The burden Thou didst bear
 When hanging on the cursed tree;
 I know my guilt was there.
- Believing, we rejoice
 To see the curse remove;
 We bless the Lamb with cheerful voice
 And sing His bleeding love.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt. Public domain

Nunc Dimittis (LSB p. 199)

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,

- A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- and His mercy endureth forever.

world without end. Amen.

- A Let us pray. ... We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.
- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with thy spirit.
- **P** Bless we the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.
- The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
 The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and

 → give you peace.
- C Amen, amen, amen.

Closing Hymn: 906 O Day of Rest and Gladness sts. 1, 4

O day of rest and gladness,
O day of joy and light,
O balm of care and sadness,
Most beautiful, most bright;
This day the high and lowly,
Through ages joined to bless,
Sing, "Holy, holy, holy,"
The triune God confess.

△ 4 That light our hope sustaining,
We walk the pilgrim way,
At length our rest attaining,
Our endless Sabbath day.
We sing to Thee our praises,
O Father, Spirit, Son;
The Church her voice upraises
To Thee, blest Three in One.

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