



# The Herald

GOOD TIDINGS FROM ST. MARTIN'S-IN-THE-FIELD EPISCOPAL CHURCH

September 2011  
Opportunities for Ministry

## GIFTS SHARED, GIFTS RECEIVED

On the third day of no electricity at my home, I was outside late at night walking my dogs. Like many of you, being without electricity was only annoying at first, and became more torturous day by day. Yet as I stood in the pitch dark, I realized that without the pollution of light from homes and street lamps, I could see *for the first time* on that hill the millions of stars in the heavens! It was as if a gift from God had dropped in my lap. I've always been mesmerized by the heavens and the very vastness of what lies beyond our eyesight, but this seemed to be a special message that light still existed, even if not in Arnold at that time. I was immensely grateful.

That gratitude got me thinking about how grateful I am for all the gifts that come my way right here at St. Martin's-in-the-Field. With RALLY DAY just around the bend...the Commissions offering opportunities for ministry at every turn, the J2A Pilgrims serving breakfast and sharing their trip to Italy, and the Parish Picnic which follows...the immensity of God's gifts here in our very midst are as staggering as the numbers of stars in the skies. The multitude of parishioners who offer their gifts on a weekly or daily basis is equally astonishing. People who each have their own host of responsibilities at home, at jobs, and within their families however large or small, still make time to give of their gifts, talents, skills, and energies to create at St. Martin's a wonderful community of faith.

God the Holy Spirit has blessed us with all the gifts that we could ever need, as long as each of us remembers to offer those gifts in ministry to God and to one another. That is what life in the Church is all about: remembering *that we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us* and sharing these gifts—faith, ministry, teaching, exhortation, generosity, compassion, leadership, and cheerfulness to start — these are to be the crux of our lives together (Romans 12. 6-8).

A “prayer” from Paul in Romans reminds us how to best reveal our gifts:  
*Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do no lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer* (Romans 12. 9-12).

These are the gifts that bless us, one and all.

Doris<sup>+</sup>

## Rally Day is here !

Thanks to Hurricane Irene, we are having our Rally Day later than expected. Now we are ready to start again a new pastoral year. After summer is good to have our regular Sunday services, it's good to resume our various Children, Youth and Adult ministries. The question for each of us could be what am I doing to do this year to serve St. Martin's community, and/or what group can feed me and help me to grow in faith and humanity?

Rally Day is the day where the different groups, commissions and ministries present to the parish who they are, what they do, what needs they have, and how to become a member or to take responsibility. It's true that during the past year we have heard people talking of their groups, we have heard about the different meetings, we have heard reports, sometimes we have heard that a group is looking for volunteers to run a program or an event. But do we know exactly what are the groups and commissions working in our midst? Do we know who are the people involved in these groups, and most importantly, do we know what they are doing? What is a Shepherd Group? What does an Eucharistic Visitor do? Who are the Men of St. Martin's and what are they doing? How is run the Sunday's Chapel Service for children? What is a Foyer Group? Etc... We have so many groups ministering to all kind of needs - our own needs and needs of others...

Rally Day is the perfect occasion to think about what each individual can do, depending on their own gifts and time, in order to serve their St. Martin's community and in order to be fed, intellectually, spiritually, and humanly. That reminds me of what happened in 1990 in my former Catholic Diocese. We had had a long year event called "The Year of the Call." It was an invitation to pray for new priestly vocations. The outcome was not especially good. Talking with people after the event I realized that the prayer said by the parents was "Lord send us priests... but not my son, I have other projects for him." Some young men prayed with all their hearts: "Lord send us priests... but not me." Very often we take for granted that various ministries are offered by our parish; the truth is that we need volunteers to lead these ministries, and we need people to be members, to help, or to participate.

So, Rally Day is the perfect time to discover anew what is offered at St. Martin's; find out who are the people involved, what are the needs, what are they doing and why. It's time to find a group that can fit your needs and expectations, it's time to find a group in which you can serve or be fed. If no group corresponds to your needs or desires, maybe it's the sign that we should start something anew!

Enjoy Rally Day, take time to discover the marvelous diversity of your parish, and maybe you will find a new opportunity to serve.

*Pierre-Henry+*

# CHRISTIAN FORMATION FOR ALL AGES

## Adult Spiritual Formation

**Purpose** Adult Formation's leaders believe we might more accurately be called Adult Transformation for that is exactly what we aim to encourage. Our hope is that in conversation with your fellow travelers along the path to faith, you will move closer to God. We offer Bible studies for those who haven't a clue; those who wish to widen their meager knowledge; and those for whom Bible study is a way of life. There are also current book studies, often by provocative authors, that seek to help us articulate our own beliefs. We hope you'll choose to engage your mind as you come to know God.

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**Clergy Contact:** Rev. Doris

### Sundays:

#### Sunday's Adult Forum

This forum held during Education Hour will feature several different strands during the year. We will continue to offer the Spiritual Journeys of our parishioners throughout the year. We will begin an "Exploring our Faith" series that will also pop up throughout the year. We will have several opportunities to have "Ask the Questions You've Always Wondered About" sessions: cards will be passed out prior to those Sundays, so you won't have to be embarrassed to ask! Meditations for Thanksgiving, and the season of Advent will lead us into the spiritual space needed to remember the reasons for these seasonal celebrations. The Long Range Planning Report, a report on the diocesan Horizon's initiative, "Where are We with the MDG's?" and Convention reports will round out the 2011 year. New programs will begin with the new year. We hope you'll join us in these on-going conversations. If you have ideas for others that you hope to see...just let us know!

### Wednesdays Together

We will continue to host meals and classes throughout the program year focusing on fellowship and expanding our faith journeys. The first "round" begins on Wed., Oct. 5 and will include the **Fall Inquirer's Class**, another opportunity to discover what the Church proclaims in juxtaposition to what you believe in your journey and practice of faith. Other offerings will also be on the program.

**Baptism Class** An exploration of the spiritual life as one comes forward to be cleansed by the waters of baptism. Required for parents of small children and adults who will be baptized.

**Contacts:** The Clergy

**Cursillo** is a weekend retreat that creates lasting friendships of faith that continue throughout ones spiritual journey. The Cursillo movement consists of proclaiming the best news of the best reality: that God, in Christ, loves us.

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**Education For Ministry** is a four year program of theological education that covers the basics of education in the Old and New Testaments, church history, liturgy, and theology. Students meet regularly, usually once a week, in seminars under the guidance of trained mentors to reflect together on the place of their learnings within their daily lives.

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**Men's Bible Study:** Men's Bible study meets all year long every Sunday 7:30-9 pm. They discuss the theology, history, literature, even the archaeology of the Bible, in a very informal atmosphere. All men are welcome. Bring your own Bible.

**Contact:** Mike Garabedian

**Shepherd Group** gathers weekly on Thursday afternoons to reflect on Sunday's readings of scripture. No weekly commitment needed, come when you can.

**Contact:** Sylvia Marston, 410-647-7493

**Inquirers Class** for all who are new to the Episcopal faith and those who want to brush up on Episcopal tradition. This is a 12-week, class, held on Wednesdays beginning Oct. 5, 7 to 8:30pm, that explores who we are in the Episcopal Church.

**Contact:** The Clergy

## Youth

St. Martin's Journey to Adulthood Youth Program is gearing up for an exciting year ahead of us. Each of our classes of youth is advancing this year, so we'll have students with different teachers sharing God's love, their faith and perspective.

Our **Young Adults in Church (YAC)** group (10th, 11th and 12th grades) will be focusing on Confirmation this year. Incoming class members will be learning what it means for them to confirm their faith and the returning class members (12th graders) will be serving as mentors for their peers. Kassy Sodergreen and John Poulton return as teachers for this class.

**J2A class** (8th and 9th grades) will start lessons on "Self" and "Society" this year as they grow in faith together and strengthen the bonds of Christian Community that they have begun to form. Roy Wallace returns to this grade level, while Margaret Tenney moves up from Rite-13. Sophie Buisson will be joining the Journey to Adulthood team this year to co-teach the J2A class.

**Rite-13** will be comprised of the incoming 6th graders as well as the 7th graders who were part of last year's Breakfast Club. They will begin the journey to adulthood together, learning about faith, prayer, the Bible and what it means to be a disciple of Christ. Laura Sheely and Bob Slattery will move up from Breakfast Club to teach this class.



**St. Martin's-in-the-Field Day School** is a long standing educational outreach ministry of the church. Our day school has been educating children in the Severna Park area for over fifty years, providing a strong, developmentally appropriate, academic program for 3 year olds through eighth grade. From the beginning of each day until its conclusion, our program is carried out in a nurturing, caring Christian environment. Our weekly chapel services undergird the program. Lessons learned in chapel are carried into the classroom. Our teachers not only teach academic lessons with passion and joy, but also take seriously their commitment to the nurturing of the spiritual core of each child. Community outreach projects throughout the year encourage the students to reach out beyond the school to make a difference in their world. St. Martin's is a provisional member of the Association of Independent Maryland Schools as well as the National Association of Episcopal Schools. Our graduates go on to area high schools as strong learners, leaders and friends, carrying the St. Martin's spirit with them as they go. Please join us for our Open House on October 18 to learn more about the fabulous program offered or come by any Wednesday morning for a personal tour with our Admissions Director.

Contact: Margaret Delk Moore, Interim Head of School, [mmoore@stmartinsdayschool.org](mailto:mmoore@stmartinsdayschool.org)/410-647-7055

Many thanks to David Eagleson for filling wherever and whenever needed in all three of the youth classes.

Our youth groups will also have opportunities to participate with youth from the entire Diocese of Maryland for activities such as Happening at the Bishop Claggett Center and Night Watch at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City.

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**Rite 13** (6th & 7th grades):

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**J2A** (8th & 9th grades):

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Sophie Buisson, [sobuis@gmail.com](mailto:sobuis@gmail.com)

**YAC** (10th, 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> grades):

John Poulton, [jpoulton@brownadvisory.com](mailto:jpoulton@brownadvisory.com)

Kassy Sodergreen, [sodergreen@aol.com](mailto:sodergreen@aol.com)

## Children's Ministries

Our purpose is to enhance and build our children's relationship with God through teaching. Within Children's Ministries we create many opportunities to broaden and strengthen this relationship by providing a structure and setting for children and families to gather and learn the foundations of our faith in Sunday school and Children's Chapel. By caring for God's youngest people in the Nursery Co-op; reaching out to the community through service projects; and leading children and families in joyful celebration of God's presence in the world, we begin a lifelong commitment and praise to God. Activities such as Vacation Bible School, Advent wreath making, the Christmas pageant and Kids-in-Worship celebrations enable us to extend our goals.

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### Children's Chapel:

This program ushered in last year, strives to deepen our children's understanding of our Episcopal worship service. The children leave the sanctuary at the conclusion of the processional hymn and return at the Peace. During the chapel service, Chapel Leaders provide a program oriented towards children which is based on our weekly readings. Volunteers rotate and are typically assigned a few chapel dates per year. Training, curriculum and materials provided. We warmly welcome volunteers of all ages to join us in leading chapel for our children.

**Contact:** Dawn Major, [dawnmajor@verizon.net](mailto:dawnmajor@verizon.net)

**Nursery Co-Op:** Care is provided during church services and Sunday school to children ages 3 and under. Volunteers help our professional childcare provider, Ms. Reita Turro, for approximately 2.5 hours on Sunday morning, on a recurring basis. Volunteers of all ages, not just families of young children, are welcome.

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### Sunday School:

Deepens the foundation of our children's relationship with God. Caring, devoted, and nurturing teachers teach their assigned classes for an entire school year (September-May), allowing for consistency and routine in our program. Training, curriculum, and materials are provided. We welcome anyone who feels a calling to teach our youngest members about embracing and celebrating the joy of God's presence in their lives.

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### Vacation Bible School:

After a brief hiatus Vacation Bible School returned to St. Martin's this summer and what a great time we had! We are eager to continue the momentum and offer VBS every summer, but this program requires a lot of volunteers (adults and youth alike). This is an excellent opportunity for someone who may want to participate in Children's Ministries but is unable to teach Sunday school or conduct Children's Chapel during the school year. Plans begin in late spring with VBS typically being held the last week of July. If you are interested in learning more about this amazing program please let me know!

**Contact:** Patti Zielinski, [patti.zielinski@verizon.net](mailto:patti.zielinski@verizon.net)

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## Communication

**Purpose:** The role of our commission is evolving. We seek to improve communication and connectedness within our parish, finding new and creative ways to help us interact and to improve the dissemination of information by means of the St. Martin's website, Facebook, the *Epistle*, and the *Herald* and to publicize our activities in the community at large in local media and other means. Our group will be a liaison between commissions and the parish office and will be looking for ways to keep everyone connected and abreast of what's happening.

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## Hospitality and Evangelism

**Purpose:** When newcomers bring their lives, hopes, and dreams to St. Martins, we have an amazing group of parishioners who open their inner circles to welcome and worship with those new to us. Each of our members ultimately receives and integrates our guests into our community, discovering the touch-points between each individual life. We greet them at the doors, guide them to Sunday School and coffee hour, and make them feel at home in our worship and fellowship. We reach to each other daily, new and old, lifting our spirits in one to the Lord.

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**Coffee Barristas:** A team of parishioners who prepare for fellowship each Sunday, making coffee, lemonade, and treats; setting the table for a feast of fellowship and sharing. One parishioner brings his or her offering of pastries from a bakery as a gift to all.  
**Contact:** Ann Edwards, [edwardspartyof5@verizon.net](mailto:edwardspartyof5@verizon.net)

**Greeters:** Welcome newcomers to the church, leading the way by encouraging them to ask questions and tell their story, and to join us for fellowship following the

service. They also check in later that night to see if there are additional questions or how they can help them discern whether St. Martin's might serve their needs.  
**Contact:** Jennifer Wazenski, [surfinwaz@gmail.com](mailto:surfinwaz@gmail.com)

**Nametags:** Available to all ...and especially with the regular advent of our newcomers and new clergy, we encourage all to wear them each Sunday.  
**Contact:** Susan von Suhrke, [dbldutchl@verizon.net](mailto:dbldutchl@verizon.net)

**New Member Class:** see "Inquirer's Class" under Adult Formation.  
**Contact:** Clergy

**New Member Reception:** A welcome for all who have recently become new members, a chance to meet others - longtime or new, ask questions and learn about who we are as a parish.  
**Contact:** Lisa Mallery

**Reception Coordinator:** Throughout the year, we celebrate our finest achievements with receptions between services. If you like to cook, bake, or set a pretty table, contact Anne- Marie.  
**Contact:** Anne-Marie Poulton, [poulton@bellatlantic.net](mailto:poulton@bellatlantic.net)

**Ushers** are our "first line" of hospitality, welcoming all... long-timers and newcomers...into each service as an agent of the Lord.

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## Parish Life

**Purpose:** The purpose of the Parish Life Commission is to help parishioners find a welcoming and joyful community of God in which to share fun and fellowship within joyful celebration. This commission sponsors many of the exciting and food-filled activities for everyone of every season of life. If you have an idea you'd like to explore—call me!

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**Advent Wreath Making:** On the first Sunday of Advent, parishioners gather to assemble advent wreaths as we prepare for the coming of Christ.  
**Contact:**

**Family Club:** This group sponsors exciting activities welcome to everyone, including the annual Parish Picnic and Games as summer begins, Family Bingo, Christmas Caroling, a camp out and a host of other opportunities for families of all ages to come together.  
**Contact:**

**Men of St. Martin's (MOSM)** provide fellowship, worship and service in the church and in the larger community. MOSM holds monthly prayer breakfasts with guest speakers; helps around our church and its campus; "mans" the grill and provides great fellowship. The men participate in Winter Shelter, Earth Day, and Habitat for Humanity; they plan and help with the Rally Day picnic, Super Bowl party, Shrove Tuesday pancake supper, and other functions. Join us for fun & fellowship!  
**Contact:** Bill Hemphill, [willhemp@aol.com](mailto:willhemp@aol.com)

**Foyers:** Here's your opportunity to get to know fellow parishioners beyond Sunday morning. Join a group of eight for dinners, brunches, picnics of your choosing. Fun, food, fellowship for all ages!  
**Contacts:** Mary Ina Bourdon, [mooringsdmi@comcast.net](mailto:mooringsdmi@comcast.net)  
Veronica Garabedian, [vag\\_3@verizon.net](mailto:vag_3@verizon.net)

**Parish Picnics:** Rally Day (September) and the last day of Sunday school (June) are sponsored by MOSM and Family Club.  
**Contact:**

**Summer Barbeques:** Wednesday nights through the summer parishioners gather at the deck for grilled meats, salads and desserts.  
**Contact:** John Theune, [JTheune@verizon.net](mailto:JTheune@verizon.net)

## Mission and Outreach

Purpose: As the new program year begins, Mission and Outreach looks forward with renewed enthusiasm to serving those less fortunate members of our local and international communities.

This year we will continue **active support for the local community**: Arundel House of Hope, Habitat for Humanity, Holiday Sharing, Paul's Place, SPAN, Winter Shelter, and the Severna Park Community Center. We will continue to provide our facilities for use by the Boy Scouts of America, Narcotics Anonymous, Alcoholics Anonymous, Mother's of Multiples, and the Asperger's Support Group.

**Internationally**, through the Haiti Partnership, paired with the ECW, and the St. Martin's-in-the-Field Day School, Outreach continues to provide financial and material support to La Resurrection School, Church, and Women's Center in Gros Morne, Haiti. Thus, as we begin anew, the congregation is invited to join the Mission & Outreach Commission with both their time and talent to fulfill our greater mission "to serve Christ in others." We welcome your help in the work of the commission to ease the burdens of those who need our support.

Co-Commissioners:

Local Outreach: Cynthia Shimp-Day, [jldayjr@aol.com](mailto:jldayjr@aol.com)

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**Arundel House of Hope/Fouse Center** provides emergency, transitional, and permanent housing for the homeless; employment assistance; and mental health and substance abuse support. Contact: Susan Griesmyer, [sgriesmyer@verizon.net](mailto:sgriesmyer@verizon.net)

**ECW (Episcopal Church Women)** works with the Haiti Partnership to sustain the Women's Vocational Center in Gros Morne; provides scholarships for the Day School; and raises funds through the Annual Christmas Bazaar and the Spring Plant Sale to fund other outreach ministries. We meet one morning a week. All St. Martin's women are warmly welcomed. It's ideal for stay-at-home moms, retired people and anyone who is home during the day. Contact: Gladys Thew, 410-647-8061

**Holiday Sharing** provides food baskets and gifts at Thanksgiving and Christmas for some of the needy families in our county.

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Michele Cummings, [michele@tcsix.com](mailto:michele@tcsix.com)

**Paul's Place** is a soup kitchen in Baltimore where many of our parishioners supply casseroles and three others serve lunch the first Tuesday of the month to the residents/homeless of the Baltimore community of Washington Village/Pigtown.

Contact: (servers) Michele Cummings,

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(chili) Carol Roesle, [croesle@verizon.net](mailto:croesle@verizon.net)

**Scouts**: St. Martin's has sponsored Boys Troop 355 for 50+ years. Parishioners are always welcome to join our troops. The Day School's "Daisy Troop" for girls in kindergarten and first grade continues as well.

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Cub Scouts: Bryan Cooper

Boy Scouts: Rick McFeeley

**SPAN (Serving People Across Neighborhoods)** is supported by our area churches, through which parishioners donate food and financial assistance to the families in crisis throughout the Severna Park area.

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Mission and Outreach

**Winter Shelter**, a ministry of Arundel House of Hope, now in its fifteenth year, is a rotating winter shelter for homeless men providing meals, beds, and showers for approximately two-dozen men each winter. Dozens of volunteers make this week-long ministry a reality.

Contact: Susan Griesmyer, [sgriesmyer@verizon.net](mailto:sgriesmyer@verizon.net)

**Severna Park Community Center** is a neighborhood gathering place for swimming, sports, and other community activities.

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**TWO SPECIAL EVENTS THIS MONTH!**

Sept. 13: LA PETITE CHANTEURS CONCERT

Sept. 24: HAITI 80 BIKE RIDE

## Pastoral Care

**Purpose:** The purpose of Pastoral Care is to assist the clergy with the pastoral needs of St. Martin's congregation. With God's Grace, we help provide spiritual, emotional, and physical support to members and friends of the parish as needed. An ongoing important part of Pastoral Care (PC) is Prayer! Another major part is the volunteers who give so willingly and unselfishly of their time and talent. Please come by the Pastoral Care table on Rally Day to see how you can help serve in one or more of these important ministries to help do God's work at St. Martin's! There will be people available to answer questions, sign-up sheets, and information for the taking. There's something for everyone!

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**Cards and Booklets** are sent as reminders to parishioners of God's constant love and presence during the happy times and the times of distress in their life.

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**Daughters of the King** is an Order founded in 1885 for women of the Episcopal Church comprised by a caring community of women who support each other in their faith journey, and who work to strengthen their parishes..

Contact: St. Martin's Clergy

**Eucharistic Visitors (EV)**, following a Sunday service, take the Eucharist to those who've requested it and are unable to be in church. Training is available to become a Eucharist Visitor.

Contact: The Rev. Bob McCoy

**Healing Prayer** is a powerful and additional avenue of communicating with God through prayer at most Sunday services at the St. Mary's Chapel rail, and several times throughout the year at special Healing Prayer evening services. This is a great way to serve the Lord.

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**Helping Hands (HH)** is an opportunity to not only nourish souls, but to nourish bodies by providing meals for our church family members who are recovering from surgery or have just given birth to a newborn. Other HH services available are transportation to medical appointments and/or pharmacies plus help with other small needs. This loving service is made possible by several dedicated parishioners. There is always room for more Helping Hands!

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**Prayer Shawl, Lap Throws and Baby Blankets** provides these items which are prayed over while being knitted, crocheted or sewn, and are given to parishioners to not only warm their bodies, but to cover them with God's love and to be reminded that they are not alone.

Contact: Lolly Bieri, [lollybfl@verizon.net](mailto:lollybfl@verizon.net)

**Stephen Ministry** is an important ministry through which one-on-one care is given to those who are in need of someone to listen and pray with during a temporary or long-term crisis. Stephen Ministers have had 50 plus hours of training to qualify as Caregivers. Confidentiality is an absolute given!

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Thank you to all of these volunteers for their dedication and faithful leadership in this important and vital Commission.

*Veronica*

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## Stewardship

The Stewardship Commission is umbrella for all that we do as community to care for all the blessings God has given us in our life together. Terry Parsons, former Stewardship chairperson for the national church used to say, stewardship is "using the gifts that God has given us, to do the work God gives us to do." Here at St. Martin's, we include groups that care for the needs of our **Buildings and Grounds**; we pay attention to our own **Stewardship of Creation** by remaining a Maryland Green School, maintaining our Bay-Wise certification; and reusing/recycling all that we can; in **Planned Giving & Endowment** we honor parishioners wishing to remember St. Martin's in their wills; we seek to open our hearts and our treasure to God's bountiful blessings that the work of the Church may continue in our **Annual Pledge Campaign**; and we seek ways to best utilize our time and our God-given talents through our **Opportunities for Ministry Fair** on RALLY DAY, hoping that everyone may find a place in our midst to do the ministry God calls them to do.

## Worship

Worship is the coming together of all God's people to praise and glorify God, God's creation, and God's works among us. Worship isn't so much about what we receive, as to what we give in thanks for God's presence in our lives. We arrive on Sundays open to hear what God has to say in our readings, in the sermon for the day, in the music we sing. Each of these is carefully crafted to become a connection to God in ways sometimes beyond our understanding.

Holy Eucharist is the thread that not only draws us each together in God's sacrificial love, but reminds of us of our common roots in God's creation. It is the root of our community here at St. Martin's. It is the tie that binds us as one in our Lord Jesus Christ.

On occasion, ad hoc committees are set up to discover and implement new directions for our worship and spirituality. Last year, Debbie Fitzgerald and Kip Senholzi led a committee in the creation of our current Contemporary Service held at 5pm on alternate Sundays. This year an *ad hoc* committee will be set up to explore the possibility of a church-sponsored Pilgrimage for adults. Our teens have already learned the value of discovering God in other geographical space, now our time has come to share that experience. Interested? Talk to one of the clergy!

Clergy Contacts: Rev. Doris, Rev. Pierre-Henry  
Vestry Liaison : Libby Olton, [libbyhro@cablespeed.com](mailto:libbyhro@cablespeed.com)

### Worship Leaders

**Altar Guild** beautifully and reverently prepares the altar and vessels for service.

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Kay Nelson, [bnelson@cbmove.com](mailto:bnelson@cbmove.com)

**Flower Guild** arranges the flowers for services and delivers the flowers to donors or those in need of cheer.

Contact: Betsy Bacot, 410-647-3759

**Wedding Guild** provides wedding day support for bride, groom, and all their attendants.

Contact: Pam Ward, [pamward1@gmail.com](mailto:pamward1@gmail.com)

**Acolytes** serve as crucifers and torch bearers for our three services. Fourth grade through adults are welcome to join.

Contact: Priscilla Carroll,  
[priscilla.carroll1@verizon.net](mailto:priscilla.carroll1@verizon.net)

**Eucharistic Ministers (EM's)** share the "cup of salvation" during the Holy Eucharist at each service.

Contact: The Rev. Bob McCoy,  
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**Servers** assist the clergy at the altar during Holy Eucharist, as well as acting as Eucharistic Ministers, intercessors, etc, dependent upon which service they attend.

Contact: The clergy

**Lectors** share the Word of God from the Old Testament and the Epistles at each service.

**Intercessors** share the prayers of the people. All are welcome to join.

Contacts:

7:45 service: Maria Fiery, [fierymaria@gmail.com](mailto:fierymaria@gmail.com)

9:00 service:

11:15 service: Susan von Suhrke,  
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**WELCOME TO OUR  
NEW DEACON!  
THE REV. BOB MCCOY**

## Music

### Choir Practices

Wed. 4:15-5:30 Girls and boys grades 2-8

Tue. 8-9 pm Handbells

Wed.. 10:30-12n Recorder Consort

Thur. 7-9pm Parish Choir (adults & grades 9-12)

Music for children in grades 2 through 8 will incorporate Royal School of Church Music training scheme - a method that utilizes a system of rewards and incentives to inspire and recognize personal and team achievement. Rewards will include movies, bowling, horseback riding and swim parties.

We welcome all to serve this church in music ministry. There are many opportunities to improve your musical skills and join this community in fellowship. One new ministry: if you play an instrument, and are willing to share your gift, there will be opportunities every Sunday to accompany a communion hymn.

Contact: Dr. Jim Walton,  
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## Clergy

The Rev. Doris Buchanan Johnson, *rector* [djohnson@stmartinsinthefield.org](mailto:djohnson@stmartinsinthefield.org)  
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## Worship Service Schedule

7:45 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I: A quiet reflective service for those who like to start their Sunday with the simplicity of the liturgies of the Word and Sacrament.

9:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II: A service for those who enjoy a mix of generations, music and liturgies.

9:00 AM (2nd & 4th Sundays) Contemporary Service, Holy Eucharist, Rite II: Music provided by Spirit Rising, a contemporary band, and liturgy creates lively worship. (Held in upstairs Heck Hall; Resumes 9/25)

9:00 AM Children's Chapel: Mimics the traditional liturgy with a homily directed to those 5th grade and younger.

10:15 AM Christian Education for all ages.  
Fellowship & Refreshment too.

11:15 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II: A service for all who enjoy the great and classical traditions of our Episcopal liturgy, in a context of spiritual awe.

5:00 PM (1st & 3rd Sundays) [RE]DISCOVER: A unique service intended to challenge, encounter, and journey as disciples of Christ. (Held in upstairs Heck Hall)

### Holy Baptism

Baptisms are scheduled four times a year and may be held at any of the three morning services on the date noted or at the 7pm Easter Vigil service.

Sun - Nov 6 All Saints' Day

Sun - Jan 15 Epiphany

Sat - Apr 7 Easter Vigil (7 pm service)

Sun - May 27 Pentecost

Baptism Classes and Rehearsals

For November and January Baptisms

Oct 29, Nov 5 at 10am

For April and May Baptisms

Mar 31, April 7 at 10am

Contact: The clergy

## Bulletin Board

You are welcome at any of the events listed below. Information about activities and events is also in the Sunday Epistle and on our website: [www.stmartinsinthefield.org](http://www.stmartinsinthefield.org).



### September Events and Meetings

- 9/11: Rally Day!
- 9/13: Le Petite Chanteurs Visit  
Adult Formation, 7pm  
Haiti 80 meeting, 7pm
- 9/14: Healing Prayer Service, 7pm
- 9/16: Cursillo Ultreya 7pm
- 9/17: Men of St. Martin's 8am,
- 9/18: [RE] Discover Service, 5pm
- 9/20: Haiti 80 Meeting, 7pm
- 9/21: Vestry 7pm
- 9/24: Haiti 80 Bike Event
- 9/25: Contemporary Worship, 9am
- 9/27: Commission Council, 7pm
- 9/27: Healing prayer team meeting, 7pm

### Every Week

- Mondays Counters 9am
- Tuesdays Handbells Rehearsal 8pm
- Wednesdays Recorder Consort 10:30am  
Children's Music 4:15pm
- Thursdays Shepherd Group 4:30pm  
Women's Cursillo Group, 6pm  
Parish Choir, 7pm

### Every Month (all 7 pm unless otherwise noted)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Sat - Men of St. Martin's (8am)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Mon - Building and Grounds
- 1<sup>st</sup> Thur - Mission and Outreach Commission  
& Haiti Partnership
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Tue - Adult Formation Commission
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed - Youth Leaders Meeting
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues - Stewardship Creation
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed - Vestry \*
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Fri - Cursillo Ultreya
- 4<sup>th</sup> Tues - Commission Council\*

\* call the office for information

**Calendar Scheduling:** If you are planning a St. Martin's meeting or any St. Martin's event, please contact Jessie Syms to schedule on the parish master calendar. This also includes all meetings or events which will be off-site. Jessie can be reached in the office at 410-647-6248 or [jsyms@stmartinsinthefield.org](mailto:jsyms@stmartinsinthefield.org). Unless indicated, all meetings are open, welcoming anyone interested in knowing more about our church.

*The vision of St. Martin's-in-the-Field is to gather as a welcoming community of Christ, called to love and serve God, our neighbors, and each other in joyful celebration of God's presence in the world.*



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