



The Herald

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

ANNUAL MEETING REPORT

February 2011

WILL YOU COME & FOLLOW ME?

Jesus walked up to his first disciples saying simply, “Come, follow me,” the next item on his agenda was to show them what they would be doing: *...teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people* (Matthew 4.23). He asked the four to surrender their lives to God’s will and purpose for the first time. That ‘call to commitment’ would come not once, but many times in their lives—and ultimately in ours as well - in many, diverse situations. The Holy Spirit blows in countless directions, and commitment to Jesus takes on surprising dimensions! This is God’s great mystery and gift to the generations. (Peter Millar, *The Iona Prayer Book*, 77.)

Once we surrender our lives in obedience to the Spirit, we may find that most everything about our way of life may change. One thing, however, will not: we always look back to what was. We look back to Jesus Christ...to all that he and his disciples accomplished; to the trust, zeal, and promise of God imbued in their ministries; to their commitment to making certain that Jesus was known “more clearly, loved more dearly, and followed more nearly” day by day. By this we measure our own commitment.

***What have we done for Christ?
What are we doing for Christ?***

In the next months, we will look back at who we are in Christ at St. Martin’s. We will look back into our memories to experiences that were good and right and holy in their time; we will determine to what we have already committed and where our energies are headed in living out our lives in Christ; and we will look forward to claim what God call us to do and be over the next five years.

The call to commitment in Christ’s world is strong. Armchair Christians are an oxymoron. Jesus requires that we constantly examine and reexamine what we are doing, with our eyes on the fruits of past and present actions. Yet the spirit-filled life also calls us to pay attention to what is to come. The Long Range Planning Committee hopes that you will make a commitment to the process that will begin at the Annual Meeting, February 27 following the 9am service... and followed by lunch! If we all come, surrender our lives to God’s will in our midst, and allow Jesus to shape our lives together, success is guaranteed!! Won’t you join us?

Doris+

ASSOCIATE RECTOR'S REPORT

I still have in mind the warm welcome you showed my family and I when we arrived at St Martin's six months ago. It has not been difficult for me, Sophie and the children to become part of St Martin's family. Of course I needed some time to be acclimated, to know the parish, to have a better picture of what is done in our community, and by whom. I know it's an on-going task, and I'm still learning to know you better in order to serve you better.

One of my duties is to accompany the Pastoral Care Ministry. I have been amazed by the important work discretely done by all those engaged in this ministry. Presence, love, prayer, service, help, listening, even food are offered to St Martin's members who are in need because of illness, hospitalization, etc. People involved in Pastoral Care are doing a very important task, by their actions and by their prayers, by their commitment and their desire to serve; they are signs of God's loving presence toward the suffering and the needy. I see here a concrete illustration of our baptismal covenant: to seek and serve Christ in all persons. This ministry is a reminder that we are all called to care for others, to love and serve Christ by loving and serving those in need around us.

As Chaplain of the Day School, I have the chance and the privilege to pray with the students every Wednesday. Two services of prayer are organized for Pre-School to 2nd grade students. The little ones are always surprising when they answer questions. For them it's evidence that Jesus loves them. For 3rd to 8th grade we celebrate the Eucharist. We follow the Episcopal order of service, with some adaptations: only one reading and the psalm before the Gospel, simplified Eucharistic prayer. The students participate by reading the lessons, offering a prayer or thought at the offertory, preparing and reading the prayers for the people, sometimes by offering a skit for the sermon, and by singing traditional and contemporary hymns. The picture about Wednesdays would not be complete without a mention for all the teachers involved in these services. I know that sometimes, the Eucharist can be boring for some students; however I have the deep conviction it is a gift for them. They can experience something about God's love and God's presence. I like what my daughter told me when we talked about the Wednesday Eucharist at home: "I like the Wednesday because I know there is the Eucharist, it's a possibility for me to think about God and to pray God." These three services are open to everybody; feel free to come and to worship with us, families and parishioners are always welcome!

As a priest, I'm also a privileged witness of what the Spirit is doing in our midst and in our lives. I'm always amazed by the dynamism and the life that I see at St Martin's every Sunday morning, but also every day of the week. So many groups, teams and committees have meetings on a regular basis! So many people are working for this community, and in behalf of this community! I'm amazed by all that our family parish is doing to serve those in need around us, and in Haiti. An incredible work has been done, and is done on a regular basis.

What I have witnessed since July is really a "*welcoming community of Christ,*" trying "*to love and serve God, our neighbors, and each other in joyful celebration of God's presence in the world.*"

It is a real pleasure to serve the Lord through this community, under the leadership of Doris+.

Pierre-Henry+

A MESSAGE FROM HEAD OF SCHOOL

The Annual Report provides me with the opportunity to thank the Board of Trustees, the Parents' Association, our families, and the faculty and staff of St. Martin's-in-the-Field Day School. The 2009-2010 school year was a successful one for the school, despite the lingering economic challenges and demographic shifts which are facing all independent schools.

Our school is in an enviable position, compared to a number of our peer institutions, because we have no debt. Our enrollment, while not as high as we would like it, appears to be stable, and we have retained a high proportion of our enrolled students. We have enhanced our buildings by installing a new telephone system that includes a public address feature, allowing us to communicate throughout our campus immediately and simultaneously. We are making progress on our multi-year AIMS accreditation process and strengthening our academic program through curriculum mapping at all divisions of the school.

Our talented and dedicated faculty continues to focus on meeting the educational, spiritual, social, and emotional needs of each individual child at our school. I'd like to share a note we received recently from a parent, who wrote, "I know how busy you all are and so appreciate the love and support, not to mention the patience, you lavish on this one child! Thank you so much! We are so blessed by you all."

This was an eventful year. It began in January, with a group from our school and parish ready to depart for Haiti when that country was struck by a devastating earthquake. We went into high gear to raise money for the victims, and ultimately through a special benefit concert and other events, our school and church were able to donate more than \$17,000 to Episcopal Relief & Development. School campaigns such as Hot Lunches, Dress-down Days, and Spare-Change Collections were able to raise funds for our sister school, La Resurrection, in Gros Morne, Haiti.



In September, our schoolchildren played and worshipped with children from Les Petits Chanteurs, the children's choir from Holy Trinity Episcopal Cathedral in Port-au-Prince, hosted by our parish and school.

Three almost back-to-back blizzards in the Mid-Atlantic disrupted school routines in January and February, but the rebirth symbolized by spring fully flowered in our school receiving official recognition as a Maryland Green School as a result of a year-long effort documented by Cristina Decker and the Green School committee. We now recycle, reuse, and reduce schoolwide. Our outdoors education program spirals through our grades, reinforcing the value of environmental stewardship in our students.

Despite the severe economic downturn of recent years, St. Martin's-in-the-Field Day School has managed relatively well. Our staff accepted a salary freeze for two years, and our enrollment, while down from peak years, has, we hope, stabilized. We continue to take a number of proactive steps to shore up our position in the independent school marketplace, including: (1) a more "brand-focused" advertising campaign that differentiates us from our competition; (2) a "Just One" program that asks currently enrolled families to talk to their friends about our gem of a school in Severna Park and refer contact information of families who may be interested in a St. Martin's education for their children; and (3) a thoughtful and thorough strategic planning process.

For me, personally, this is a momentous year. In the fall, I announced my intention to retire as Head of School in June 2011. After 25 years at St. Martin's, 10 teaching Kindergarten and the last 15 as Head of School, I have been privileged to lead St. Martin's growth from a preschool and Kindergarten school to a full-fledge Nursery through 8th-Grade Episcopal day school. Our Board of Trustees has entrusted a Search Committee, chaired by board member, parent, and parishioner Louise Knight, to carry out the important mission of choosing an Interim Head and a permanent Head of School. I have complete faith in them to find the best possible person to lead St. Martin's-in-the-Field Day School into the future.

I extend my heartfelt thanks to our St. Martin's-in-the-Field community—for your support through the years, your contributions to our financial well-being, and your belief in our educational mission.

Sharon Holsclaw

MISSION AND OUTREACH

During the course of the past year, the Outreach and Haiti Partnership Commissions actively support members of our local community as well as those in Haiti. The Parish is generous in its support of those less fortunate. The Commission supports local groups, Arundel House of Hope/Fouse Center, Habitat for Humanity, Holiday Sharing, Paul's Place, Severna Park Assistance Network (SPAN), Winter Shelter, and the Severna Park Community Center. We provide our facilities to Boy Scouts of America, Narcotics Anonymous, Alcoholics Anonymous, Mother's of Multiples and the Aspergers Support Group. These groups hold their meetings on campus.

Arundel House of Hope/Fouse Center continues its mission to provide housing for the homeless of Anne Arundel County. As a supporting church, we provide financial assistance as well physical assistance through Winter Shelter. During the Winter Shelter, approximately 30 homeless men are housed and fed one week in March. The effort requires the help of over 100 parishioners!

In addition to our support of homeless men, we support families with limited financial resources. Holiday Sharing collects and distributes food and gifts during the holidays. The most recent Holiday Sharing effort assisted 12 families (for a total of 14 adults and 30 children) with food for holiday meals and Christmas presents. None of that occurs without the on-going support of the Parish. Paul's Place, a soup kitchen in Baltimore, receives chili and casseroles from the Parish. These efforts provide meals for homeless and needy people in Baltimore City. Our efforts to address the issue of hunger in the community continue. We support Severna Park Assistance Network (SPAN) through monetary donations and food products collected on First Sundays.

The Episcopal Church Women (ECW) also works with the Haiti Partnership to support and sustain the Women's Vocational Center in Gros Morne. Funds are raised through the Annual Christmas Bazaar and the Plant Sale. The ECW donates sewing machines, and such incidentals as cloth, thread, and needles.

The year 2010 saw an increase in activities for Haiti Partnership. A planned trip involving teachers and students from the Day School was cancelled due to the catastrophic earthquake which occurred in January 2010. This trip with Day School students was a 'first' in our 25-year relationship with La Resurrection School. In response to requests for aid, immediately following the earthquake, the Parish raised \$17,000 which was forwarded to Episcopal Relief and Development. The earthquake resulted in damage to the La Resurrection School buildings. In the meantime, the school, though damaged, was reopened in April, thanks to St. Martin's \$40,000 donation! It was put to full use in housing a student body that had grown over night from 600 to 850 students. The school building was repaired and school reopened on time in October 2010.

Pere Jean Lenord Quatorze and his wife Marie (Fifi) visited St. Martin's in October. Parishioners opened their homes and their hearts to Pere Lenord and Fifi. Pierre-Henry graciously translated for Pere Lenord during a visit to the church, where Pere Lenord gave a presentation of scenes from La Resurrection School. Also during their October visit, Pere Lenord requested Christmas toys be sent to La Resurrection School for a Christmas Party for the Primary school children. The Parish donated \$2,030 to purchase toys which due to the unrest during Haitian elections were undeliverable. The toys were returned to Severna Park, for local distribution to charitable organizations in Anne Arundel County.

Cynthia Shimp-Day



La Resurrection School buildings being repaired.



MUSIC MINISTRY

The Music Ministry of St. Martin's consists of the congregation and smaller ensembles that meet weekly to prepare for worship. These ensembles are the Parish Choir of 25 singers, Handbell Choir of 11 ringers, St. Cecilia and St. Nicholas Choir of 12 choristers, Recorder Consort of 5 musicians, 9am Guitars and Spirit Rising Band. Our newest ensemble is a trio of singers that have helped cover the musical demands of our services.

The Parish Choir leads worship at 9am on first and second Sundays and at 11:15am on third and fourth Sundays. The St. Cecilia and St. Nicholas Choir leads worship at 9am on second and third Sundays.

The Handbell Choir adorns worship at both the 9 and 11:15am services on first Sundays. The Recorder Consort serves on an ad hoc basis. The 9am Guitars support a contemporary hymn during communion every Sunday at 9am. The Spirit Rising Band supports the liturgy at 5pm on Sunday afternoons.

We have expanded the capabilities of our organ by purchasing a laptop computer equipped with MIDI recording software. This computer enables me to record accompaniments for our services, leaving me hands-free to help the choirs as much as possible. The computer can record the organ alone or in combination with my synthesizer. The result can be a symphonic score, organ and brass or any contemporary band configuration.

As part of the music ministry plan, children have participated in outings - bowling, pool parties and a trail ride at Misty Manor Stables. Adult singers and ringers have had several nights of fellowship after rehearsal - members of the recorder consort have met for lunch following rehearsal.

Special events held this past year include the Children's Musical - *Malice in the Palace*, Choral Evensong for All Saints Day, Advent Lessons and Music, three experimental evensong services over the summer, a guitar concert by Peter Griggs and a benefit concert for Haiti which raised over fifteen thousand dollars. After two pilot services last fall, one new service on alternate Sundays at 5pm was set in our service schedule for the rest of the year. The format for this service is Eucharist Rite II with music provided by the band Spirit Rising. In addition, the Handbell Choir participated in a one day workshop in Frederick, Maryland.

As for me, I've also been busy. I presented a session on the Psalms for the Men's Bible Study. I completed three compositions this year - a psalm setting, a Sanctus setting and an anthem *The Lord is My Light*.

I have performed two concerts in the past year - a duo-piano program in Cincinnati, Ohio, and as an organ soloist for the Washington Bach Marathon held at Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church.

For my continuing education I took a study tour of England in October, observing rehearsals and services in Durham, Gloucester, Worcester, Hereford, Bath, New College Oxford, King's College Cambridge, St. Paul's London. It was a grueling schedule, but I learned a great deal about the English system of training children and returned home ready to inspire our musicians.

James Walton, Director



Thanks to those who pledged!

*Acree, George
Anderson, Megan
Andraka, Jane & Steve
Angel-Hanratty, Laura
Arey, Anne
Bachmann, Elaine & Austin
Bacot, Elizabeth
Bannat, Betsy & Edward
Bieri, Chris & Bob
Bieri, Lolly
Boblman, Doc & Shirley
Bonanno, Judy & John
Boteler, Melanie & Greg
Bourdon, Mary Ina & David
Bozorth, Rachel & Matthew
Brockett, Lois & Ward
Buchanan, Linda
Buisson, Sophie & Pierre Henry
Burdette, Sam &
MacNaughton, Drew
Burton, Sally
Cade, Ardath
Cavanagh, Anita
Clegg, Ann & John
Cleven, Brian & Kate
Converse, Jeannie & Chuck
Cooke, Marika & Christopher
Cook, Robert
Corddry, William
Corston, Amy & John
Cowell, Dave & Elizabeth
Cromwell, Barbara
Cross, Jane & Michael
Cullinane, John
Cummings, Michele & Jeff
Daniels, William
Day, John &
Shimp-Day, Cynthia
Deasey, Cynthia & Tony
DiNunno, Belle & Joseph
Dirks, Marilyn & John
Dodson, Donald & Debra
Downey, Barbara
Downey, Wayne & Cathy
Edwards, Ann & David
Eisenhart, Deborah
Ellis, Shane & Lorne
Esposito, Kimberly
Fields, Dr. & Mrs. Richard
Fiery, Maria
Fitzgerald, Debbie & Charlie
Fonseca, Sherry & Jon
Franklin, Rhonda & Sloane
Frantz, Claudia & David
Fritz, Carol
Garabedian, Veronica & Mike
Gatanas, Wendy & Andy
Gibbons, Susan & John
Grant, Durrelle
Greenis, Adele
Griesmyer, Susan
Hambly, Rick & Elaine
Haughton, Jennifer & John
Hauser, Carolyn & Roland
Hays, David
Heck, Wilma & Lewis*

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

As we enter year two as Commissioners we want to thank the congregation for their support and encouragement. We continue to find ourselves humbled by the generosity, enthusiasm and spirituality of our teachers, Chapel leaders and parents. Many volunteer hours are put in to our Sunday school program, and chapel preparation that we sometimes forget that these parents give willingly of their time and talents. The children bring such a wonderful element to our programs and it is by His grace that they welcome God's Word so openly.

After receiving feedback from parents regarding Children's Homily, we worked with Rev. Doris and came up with a new format: Children's Chapel. The chapel program "mirrors" that of the 9AM service, but is tailored to our younger parishioners. With the help of our chapel leaders the children adjusted nicely to the new format. We do find ourselves struggling however, to keep an active roster of volunteers to lead Chapel each Sunday. If the program is to continue, we need additional parishioners to offer their time and talent. Please, see us if you're willing.

Lori Skalitzky graciously accepted the role of Christmas Pageant director again, and we were thrilled. She embraced every child as a "star" and found the right role for all who participated. With the help of some parent volunteers, the dress rehearsal and evening of performance went off without a hitch. One could almost feel the overwhelming peace and joy as the children entered the sanctuary on Christmas Eve.

Kristina Astle & Patti Zielinski

HOSPITALITY COMMISSION

The Hospitality Commission continues to support the welcoming and loving spirit of St. Martin's. Ushers headed by Betsy Bacot greet folks new and old at the door each Sunday. A recent addition to the Commission is Jennifer Wazenski. She will be heading up the Greeters and revamping the program to make it more "user friendly" for both the greeters and the greeted. We will need many of our friendly members to step up and be a part of this outstanding growth program. So be prepared to join the ranks. Ann Edwards continues to head a competent cadre of dedicated Baristas that make our Sunday morning coffee hour a pleasurable experience for all of us. Receptions are glorious with Anne-Marie Poulton at the helm. Lisa Mallery helps plan events to welcome newcomers and we've discussed incorporating those welcoming events into regular church events. That way everyone can say hello to the new people! Libby Olton is the Vestry Representative to the committee and works hard to make sure we have anything we need.

Please look around on Sunday and make sure you speak to those you know and those you don't. St. Martin's is our home and we are the hosts. We welcome any volunteers in our ministry. Please let us know if you would like to join us!

Amy Lee

SENIOR WARDEN'S NOTE

Ends and beginnings. Accomplishments and unfinished business. Peace and unrest. Optimism for church, family and community as we move forward in renewal. With February, comes beginnings for the church – annual meeting, rotation of the vestry, and waiting for the groundhog's shadow to let us know when it'll be time for spring cleanup. Looking over notes from town meetings I found the following: we endorsed the idea of trying to increase the services / offerings / commissions to create a deeper experience for parishioners to increase the individual and community sense of ownership of responsibility for the church experience. We wanted to enhance music, and explore broadening services. Some had an interest in exploring part time music, while others voiced a desire to enrich music with not only a full time director, but also bringing other musicians into the service. We've welcomed new clergy and music leadership, while growing as a faith community with new families in attendance and a broader commission system, and now we are on the edge of a second family service with contemporary music. There has been mourning for past ways changed and excitement for new opportunities. The cycle of life, worship and community is alive and well at St Martin's-in-the-Field. Hallelujah and here's to a missing shadow and with it a short hop to springtime!

Peace. John Haughton

JUNIOR WARDEN REPORT

"The way to love anything is to realize that it may be lost." — G.K. Chesterton

First, many thanks need to go to Corrine Macon for all of her dedication and hard work during her tenure as Junior Warden. She truly went above and beyond the call of duty in dedicating her time and energy to St. Martin's in the Field. Also, our sexton, Doug Blake, is a tremendous asset to St. Martin's, and deserves our thanks.

This past year, we have held a successful Fall campus clean-up, in which many parishioners have come together as a community to keep the property looking good. Drew McNaughton has been a strong leader for the Building and Grounds Committee, and has done a fantastic job of pulling together and motivating some very talented, hard workers. Under his leadership, the committee has been working on fixing up Heck Hall with repairs to the electrical system, cosmetic repairs, and repainting the interior. The installation of new flooring is scheduled to be completed within the next week.

Another project that is forthcoming is the construction of a boulevard on the St. Martin's property, which will streamline the traffic flow on and off of Benfield road, as well as on campus. Wadi Williams and Ardath Cade have been working on the plans for this. They have acquired the necessary county permit, and Wadi is currently working on a cost estimate. This may be a Capital Campaign for 2011.

Thank you to everyone who has given their time and energy to show how much they love St. Martin's, and want to keep us lookin' good for Jesus!

Anne Arey

Thanks to those who pledged!

Hedges, Anita & Paul
Hemphill, Sandy & Bill
Herron, David
Hider, Barbara & Jeff
Hill, Susan & Rodney
Hill, William
Hilton, Pam & Frank
Ingrao, Ellen & Paul
Jackson, John Payne
Jernigan, Nancy & Prince
Johnson, Doris Buchanan
Judd, Alice
Kellogg, Helen & Mark
Keys, Elizabeth & Lloyd
Kidd, Catherine & Thomas
Killip, Ernest & Errub
Knight, Louise & Kevin
Koger, Ann-Marie & Brian
Kuhn, Henry & Christy
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Ladd, Margaret
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Rose, Amy & Rick
Rott, Chris & Cindy
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Sacra, Mr. & Mrs. James

Thanks to those who pledged!

Sammis, Elizabeth
Savoy, Christina
Saxe, Sarah & Tom
Sayers, Hilary
Schultz, Monica & Mark
Senholz, Kip & Pete
Shade, Robert/Shaffer, Patricia & Edward
Sheely, Laura & Howard
Skalitzky, Lori
Slattery, Sheri & Bob
Smith, Connie & Charlie
Smolinski, Janet & Gerry
Sodergreen, Katherine & John
SongerSantos, Stephanie & Scott
Straut, Roma & Dale
Sturgeon, Bambi & Dan
Sullivan, Sarah
Swartz, Terry & Brock
Taylor, Bruce and Anna May
Taylor, Marcia & Andy
Theune, Amy & John
Theune, Christel
Tice, Lee & Rick
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Tihyou, Mark
Tootle, Merla & Dan
Townsend, Joan & Rolph
von Subrke, Susan
Walker, Amanda & Earl
Walker, George
Wallace, Lesley & Roy
Wallenstrom, Sharon
Walton, James & Howard, John
Ward, Pam
Wazenski, Jennifer & Michael
Weingarten, Fred
Welsh, Amy & Keith
Werth, Christopher
Wigglesworth, Martha
Williams, Kathy & Wadi
Williams, Liz
Williams, Peter
Williams, Ronald
Williams, Rozanne & Herbert
Zielinski, Patti & Mark

PASTORAL CARE

Pierre-Henry+ is a most welcome addition to our “PC Team” as Clergy Leader and has taken on this role with much love and support to the PC ministry and its leaders. We are so thankful and blessed to have him working with us.

Lolly Bieri has graciously taken on the role as leader of the Prayer Shawl ministry (PS) after Louise Wheeler moved to the West Coast, and has jumped in with both feet! She has organized “knitting/crocheting” meetings by request of some parishioners wanting to pray together as they create these lovely prayer shawls. She has also added baby blankets to this loving ministry.

Jeff Hider and Libby Olton continue their strong and committed leadership with the Stephen Ministry (SM) program. Anyone interested in taking the new Caregiver training class being offered are welcome to contact Jeff or Libby for details. They are also always available and happy to share with you about the Stephen Ministry program. This is a worthwhile ministry opportunity for men and women who are looking for a special way of doing God’s work by helping others.

Abby Miller has had a busy year providing “Helping Hands” (HH) volunteers from our congregation to those who have had surgery or a major illness this past year. She has arranged numerous meals and transportation needs for many. Her list of volunteers is ever growing but can always use more “HH”. Contact Abby if you’d like to join this caring & important ministry.

Claudia Frantz has revitalized the Eucharist Visitors (EV) program so we all may be “fed” even if unable to get to the Altar! Call Claudia or the church office if you wish to join or if you or a loved one has need for communion to be brought to you at home or in the hospital.

Jeff Hider continues to represent the Men’s Circle (MC) who meet at least two Monday nights each month to prayerfully share and support each other.

Carol Roesle continues to faithfully and lovingly serve the Cards and Notes (C&N) ministry. She sends the appropriate card or note to those who may have suffered the loss of a loved one, or have been ill, or are going through a difficult time. And on a happier note, congratulations on the arrival of a new baby, or as in some cases - babies!

Libby Olton coordinates the Prayer Team group, which is led by the Holy Spirit, whose members are available during the Eucharist on Sunday mornings, to pray with and for anyone who desires personal prayer. It is St. Martin’s blessing that the members of the team continue to be faithful in their relationships with God and in their offering of this ministry.

Veronica Garabedian, Pastoral Care Commissioner

YOUTH COMMISSION

The youth of St. Martin's have had an active year so far. They started with Messy Day where they all got together and got messy. Great way to start the new year for the Youth Groups. In October, the annual Pumpkin Sale began a week earlier this year than in the past, thus we made more money – just under \$2000. The youth groups contributed to the Bazaar held by the Women of St. Martin's, by selling chili, hotdogs, chips and sodas for the crafters and delivering them to the crafters booths. **The money made from this event all went to Haiti.** Breakfast Club has put together backpacks with school supplies this year. The YAC group continues to enjoy each others company and many went to Kanuga just after Christmas. Several went to Nightwatch in New York City and the Happening. Many of the youth along with some adults went to pick potatoes for a food pantry in October. The J2A class will take their pilgrimage this coming June and are planning a trip to Italy. The youth will be gone for 8 days and will be touring Piazza della Signoria, Santa Maria degli Angeli, Assisi Rome, the Catacombs, The Sistine Chapel and many more places in their search for God in different environments.



Lisa Radike

ADULT FORMATION

The Adult Formation Commission remains leaderless since the departure of Bruce Parker. Allan Andrews and Sarah Saxe have been sharing the responsibilities while searching for a new commissioner. This past year, the Wednesdays Together series was held for 6 week periods in the Lenten season, the summer, the fall and the Epiphany season. A variety of prayer methods, book discussions and marriage workshops were offered and led by parishioners from St. Martin's in the Field and other churches. A regular Adult Forum schedule was established, running from 10:30 to 11:05 each Sunday. This program was enriched by parishioners offering their faith journeys, Haiti updates, visitors from the Diocese and from the greater community, prayer methods and meditations. In the fall, a weekly Bible study was added to Sunday's adult education choices.

Sarah Saxe

PARISH LIFE COMMISSION

The Parish Life Commission (Men of St. Martins, Family Club and Mezzanine) have been very involved with every aspect of St. Martins in the last year. We are so thankful for all the volunteers that make this Parish a special place. Many, many people have blessed us with their energy, creativity, time and labor. The Parish Life Commission has been involved in numerous things in the last year - many intended to be intergenerational - they include Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, Family Club Bingo, Parish Picnics, summer BBQs, movie night, taco bar, homeless shelter, super bowl party, holiday sharing, family campout, mom's playgroup and Saturday morning breakfasts. If you enjoy gathering people together, please contact Cindy Rott at cmrott@aol.com to become more involved with your parish.

Cindy Rott

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

The Order of the Daughters of the King was founded in 1885 for women of the Episcopal Church. The focus of the Order is prayer, service, and personal evangelism. There are over 22,000 Daughters in the U.S. and around the world. The Order is a caring community of women who support each other in our faith journey, and who work to strengthen our parishes. The regional Annapolis chapter currently includes members from St. Margaret's, St. Philip's and St. Martin's in-the-Field. We said farewell to our long time chaplain the Rev. Angela Shepherd as she moved on to a new position in the diocese. Our new chaplain will be the Rev. Doris Buchanan Johnson, Rector of St. Martin's in-the-Field. We attended the 2010 spring and fall assemblies where Daughters from across the diocese came together for prayer, study and fellowship. We attended a retreat led by the Sisters of St. Teresa at their center in Rising Sun MD. We helped St. Luke's church with setting up and running their fall flea market and St. Martin's with preparation for their Christmas Bazaar. Our chapter continues to meet monthly to pray, plan service projects in the community and in our churches and to pursue spiritual study. For more information, contact Pam Roth at rothsbythebay@verizon.net, or call her at 410-353-6774

Sarah Saxe, St. Martin's Coordinator
Pamela Roth, Chapter President

WORSHIP AT ST. MARTIN'S

Sundays

7:45AM Rite I Eucharist

Quiet, spoken service with homily

9:00AM Rite II Eucharist

A congenial service with sermon & children's homilies. Blend of music with old favorites and familiar Episcopal hymnody

10:15AM Education Hour

Sunday School for all ages, 3 thru adults
Coffee Hour for all, especially newcomers

11:15AM Rite II Eucharist

A formal service with sermon and music & anthems in the best of the English musical tradition.

Coming in March:

Contemporary Worship

9AM 2nd & 4th Sundays

Coming in April

[RE] DISCOVER

5pm 1st & 3rd Sundays

Weekdays

Noonday Prayer - Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday and Friday

Day School Services

Wednesdays Pre-School Chapel, 9:20am
Elementary Chapel, 12:50pm
Holy Eucharist, 1:35pm

Holy Baptism

Baptisms are scheduled four times a year:

Nov 6, 2011	All Saints'	7:45, 9 & 11:15 services
Jan 8, 2012	Epiphany	7:45, 9 & 11:15 services
Apr 23, 2011	Easter Vigil	7 pm service
June 12, 2011	Pentecost	7:45, 9 & 11:15 services

The Baptism class and rehearsal for parents and Godparents are at 10 am the Saturday before each scheduled date.

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TREASURER'S REPORT JAN 1 - DEC 1, 2010

Good Tidings from St. Martin's-in-the-Field Episcopal Church, Severna Park, Maryland

St. Martin's Balance Sheet	End 2010	Start 2010
Cash Assets	277,731	358,824
PNC bank accounts	125,162	230,963
Merrill Lynch	152,569	127,861
Investment Assets	54,214	53,784
Diocese of Md Endowment	14,214	13,784
Long-term note receivable	40,000	40,000
Original Building	1,840,005	0
Leasehold Improvements	201,587	0
Organ	396,294	0
Furniture & Fixtures	34,688	0
Office Equipment	2,696	0
Accum. Depr.-Buildings	-1,133,359	0
Accum- Depr. Leasehold	-30,727	0
Accum. Depr. Organ	-86,194	0
Accum.-Furn & Fix	-8,652	0
Accum-Office Equip.	-1,797	0
TOTAL ASSETS	1,546,487	412,607
Unrestricted Funds	44,680	69,233
General fund (operating budget)	44,680	69,233
Permanently Restricted Funds	14,214	13,784
St. Martin's Endowment	14,214	13,784
Temporarily Restricted Funds	273,051	329,590
Infrastructure Funds	114,103	109,497
Rectory	8,220	8,220
Kitchen upgrade	0	0
Mildred Rund	2,557	2,557
Thacker cap rep reserve.	70,340	65,859
Valerie Cullinane memorial	6,016	6,016
Norma Greene memorial	20,494	20,494
Landscaping	347	348
Memorial garden	6,127	6,003
Outreach Funds	19,451	19,714
Outreach restricted	6,615	6,271
Winter shelter	24	1,071
Holiday sharing	1,467	2,345
M. Matcher Haiti fund	3,030	6,811
Janice Price (Nutrition fund)	916	0
Haiti School Building Fund	5,221	0
Habitat for Humanity	2,176	3,216

Church Group Funds	37,885	34,230
ECW	21,250	14,549
Men of St. Martin's	1,024	1,972
Altar guild	5,328	4,593
Music	5,088	3,374
Youth	6,172	9,742
Treasury Funds	101,610	166,149
Prepaid pledges	0	53,268
Pass-through accounts	3,961	3,307
Jim Walton pension	0	1,502
Rector sabbatical	2,500	2,500
Youth pilgrimage	11,040	4,236
Reserve	101,336	101,336
Capital Improvements Fund balance	0	0
Depreciation Account Fund balance	1,214,541	0
TOTAL FUNDS	1,546,487	412,607

General Fund Accounts	2010	2010	2009	2008
(Operating Budget)	Budget	Actual	Actual	Actual
Income				
Individual & Organization giving	556,200	595,452	606,200	606,600
Other income	17,000	26,644	17,900	15,600
TOTAL INCOME	573,200	622,096	624,100	622,200
Operating Expense				
Clergy	184,500	196,086	191,800	176,700
Non-clergy	189,300	192,336	178,700	178,200
Administrative	30,700	36,565	29,200	37,300
Maintenance	33,500	34,668	49,700	73,000
Utilities	45,000	41,823	43,200	45,800
Diocesan Pledge	77,500	77,901	76,100	73,300
Miscellaneous	101,900	109,863	28,000	23,700
Total Operating Expense	584,900	611,340	596,700	608,000
Commission Expense				
Outreach/mission	15,000	12,475	13,100	14,900
Children's ministries	2,500	3,248	2,300	3,400
Stewardship	2,000	678	2,000	100
Hospitality & evangelism	2,000	1,958	2,600	1,100
Worship	7,000	7,859	6,100	7,700
Adult spiritual formation	1,000	512	500	700
Youth	4,500	3,963	1,600	15,100
Pastoral care	600	1,876	0	300
Parish life	1,200	761	800	1,600
Total Commissions Expense	35,800	33,332	29,000	44,900
TOTAL EXPENSE	620,700	644,671	625,700	652,900
Surplus / (Deficit)	(47,500)	(22,575)	(1,600)	(30,700)

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.

February Events and Meetings

2/2-23	Wednesdays Together continue
2/5	Rite-13 Rehearsal and Dinner
2/6	Youth Sunday & Rite-13 Liturgy
2/12	Men's Retreat at Claggett
2/20	Contemporary Worship Service 9am Family Bingo Night
2/26	Katie Fritz Memorial Gospel Concert
2/27	Annual Meeting & All Parish Luncheon

Weekly Events/Meetings

Sundays	Ballroom Dance Lessons, 4pm Men's Bible Study, 7:30pm
Tuesdays	ECW, 10am
Thursdays	Shepherd Group, 4:30pm Women's Cursillo prayer group, 6pm

Every Month (all 7pm unless otherwise noted)

1 st Mon	- Building and Grounds Meeting
1 st Tues	- Youth Leaders*
1 st Thurs	- Outreach & Mission & Haiti Partnership Commission
2 nd Tues	- Adult Formation Commission
3 rd Wed	- Vestry *
3 rd Fri	- Cursillo Ultreya
4 th Tues	- Commission Council

* call the office for information

Music Ministry Rehearsal Schedule

Handbells	- Tues, 8pm
Children's Music	- Wed, 4:15pm
Recorders	- Thurs, 10:30
Parish Choir	- Thurs, 7pm

Calendar Scheduling

If you are scheduling a St. Martin's meeting or event, please contact Jessie Syms to have it added to the parish master calendar.

This also includes all meetings or events which will be off-site events.

Jessie can be reached in the office at 410-647-6248 or jsyms@stmartinsinthefield.org.



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Jessie Syms, *parish administrator*

The Rev. Mimi Mathews, *comptroller*

Bev Mannion, *communications coordinator*

Doug Blake, *sexton*

Sharon Holsclaw, *head of the day school*

Anne Andrews, *head of the middle school*



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.