



st.martin's united church

Our Core Purpose: To nurture Christian faith, purpose and joy  
An Affirming Congregation of the United Church of Canada  
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# MESSENGER

**May 13, 2018**

## Seventh Sunday of Easter

THIS NEWSLETTER CAN BE VIEWED  
AT THE ST MARTIN'S WEBSITE: [www.stmartinsuc.com](http://www.stmartinsuc.com)

### Thank You To The Following People For Their Participation

#### Readers

9:30 a.m. – Bunny Pfeifer  
11:00 a.m. – Lisa Labrecque

#### Greeters

9:30 a.m. – Kay and Marvin Nicklin  
11:00 a.m. – Marion & Fred Silzer

### Happening This Week

#### Sunday, May 13

**Worship 9:30 & 11:00**

Birthday Party (San) 1:30 p.m.

SAI 2:00 P.M.

#### Monday, May 14

Supper Club (Lg) 1:30 a.m.

HappyFeet (San) 5:00 p.m.

Taiko (Lg) 6:30 p.m.

S&F (LL) 7:00 p.m.

AA (LL) 8:30 p.m.

#### Tuesday, May 15

Miriam Unit (Lg) 7:00 p.m.

Contemporary Choir (San) 7:15 p.m.

AA (LL) 7:30 p.m.

#### Wednesday, May 16

SCCW (Lg) 9:00 a.m.

Lay Pastoral Visiting (Ch) 9:00 a.m.

Friendship Unit (Lg) 1:30 p.m.

Prairie Songstress (Ch) 4:00 p.m.

Band Together (San) 7:15 p.m.

NA (LL) 8:00 p.m.

#### Thursday, May 17

Prayer Shawl (San) 6:00 P.M.

Yoga (Lg) 7:00 p.m.

Sanctuary Choir (Ch) 7:00 p.m.

AA (LL) 7:00 p.m.

#### Friday, May 18

Yoga (Lg) 4:00 p.m.

Taiko (Lg) 6:30 p.m.

#### Saturday, May 19

Indian Dance (LL) 9:30 a.m.

#### Sunday, May 20

**Worship 9:30 Only**

Memorial (San) 1:00 p/m.

SAI 2:00 P.M

**ONE SERVICE OF  
WORSHIP  
Begins May 20th at  
9:30 am**

#### May Office Hours

For the month of May, Brandy's  
office hours will be Monday to  
Friday 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.



We are delighted to announce that, following a congregational meeting held for that purpose on April 15, 2018, St. Martin's new Minister III is the Right Reverend Jordan Cantwell, current moderator

of the United Church of Canada. Jordan will join us at St. Martin's on November 12, 2018 after a short sabbatical following the end of her term as Moderator. The Ministry & Personnel Committee are working on a solution for short term coverage of that position from July to November 2018. ~Joint Search Committee



### The St. Martin's United Church CONTEMPORARY SINGERS presents

#### "ASSORTED FLAVOURS 8"

Dessert Concert

With Special Guests: Aliah Nelson,  
Bobby Williston, Jennifer  
Duggleby

**Tuesday May 29, 2018**

St. Martins United Church

Dessert 6:15 p.m.

Concert 7:00 p.m.

Tickets \$15.00

Tickets available at the church  
office 306-343-7101 or from any  
Chorus member.

Proceeds to Contemporary Singers  
Music Fund.

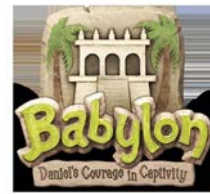
**Hope to see you there!!**

#### Summer Food Drive

Help the Outreach Committee stock the shelves at the Food Bank this summer! Every 3<sup>rd</sup> summer for 3 months we are asking you to fill up a bag with non-perishable items and place it in our Food Bank bin by the front coat rack. June 17<sup>th</sup>, July 15<sup>th</sup>, and August 19<sup>th</sup>! Your help is greatly needed and appreciated!

### Retiring Offering

Last weekend we collected \$571.85 for the Food Bank and Learning Centre. To date we have collected \$2947.81! Thank you for your support St. Martin's.



Registration is now open for Babylon – Daniel's Courage in Captivity! This year's Vacation Bible School takes place from August 20

to August 24 at St. Martin's United Church and is based on the story of Daniel, who lived out his faith in the foreign land of Babylon! Your child will join a group of about 5 other children with a group leader to hear Daniel tell his story, create crafts, play games and sing some exciting songs! The VBS is from 9am to 4pm at St. Martin's United Church (2617 Clarence Avenue South), with a mid-morning and afternoon snack provided. For children aged 4 to 10. Please share this opportunity with your friends and family.

### Summer Musicians Needed

Summertime is upon us and as our regular musicians take a well-deserved break we are in need of musicians for our summer services beginning June 3rd. If you can offer your talents over the summer months please sign up on the fireplace or speak directly to Keith.



Due the elimination of the provincially funded Spiritual Care Departments, it is increasingly difficult

to identify parishioners in the hospital. If you, or someone you know, will be hospitalized and if you would appreciate a supportive visit from the ministry staff, please contact the church office. The staff will do our best to provide follow-up care when requested.

## Spiritual Conversations

A final round of “Spiritual Conversations” is being offered on upcoming Wednesdays (morning and evening). The topic for these conversations is discussion about “spiritual disciplines” – simple practices to increase life and spirituality such as practicing generosity or singing from our souls. You are most welcome to join us for the four week series at the time listed below. Please email Brian at [brian@stmartinsuc.com](mailto:brian@stmartinsuc.com) if you are interested.

Times:

Session A: May 16, 23 & 30; June 6 at 10:30 to noon

Session B: May 23 & 30; June 6 & 13 at 7:00 to 8:30

### **St. Martin's needs your help!!**

Please prayerfully consider filling one of the following much needed roles in the life and work of our church. Job Postings are located on the Job Jar bulletin board on the north wall of the Sanctuary. New postings in the St. Martin's Job Jar for this week are:

- **Men's Night Co-ordinator:** we are looking for an individual to co-ordinate a monthly Men's Night. In the past, this has been held in a restaurant or pub but we are open to new approaches. Position is required for September 2018. Please see Keith for further details.
- **Ministry by Phone Coordinator:** we are looking for an individual to share leadership with our current coordinator Jana Eibich. This ministry occurs twice a year fall and spring for a short time period. Position is required immediately. Please see Keith for further details.

\*\* If you are taking a job posting out of the job jar, please provide signed posting to Keith when completed or be in contact with him about a completion date. To speak to Keith directly, email at [keith@stmartinsuc.com](mailto:keith@stmartinsuc.com); or call 306-343-7101

The congratulations of the congregation are extended to Claire and Alice Youngs on the celebration of their 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

Sympathies of the congregation are extended to: Delores Weightman and her family upon the death of her husband Marty; and to the family of Eleanor Dodd upon her recent passing.

## Steps on the Journey to Reconciliation

(a weekly guide to personal examination of Reconciliation)

**Understanding what Reconciliation Means to Us**

**Please find below a list of some Reconciliation themed films, provided to us from the Yorkton film festival.**

- **Aboriginal** – 4 hours, 37 minutes, 23 seconds. Sponsored by the Painted Hand Community Development Corporation Disc 1:
- **Extraordinary Canadians: Lois Riel and Gabriel Dumont**– 21m 47s  
Louis Riel shaped this country. But the myth of Riel and his fight for the Métis people would never have existed had it not been for his partner in arms, Gabriel Dumont. For one tumultuous year, Riel and Dumont fought a historic yet doomed battle, one that serves as a tragic reminder of what can go wrong when a government ignores the rights of its citizens. Award-winning novelist Joseph Boyden brings his unique perspective to this great Canadian story.
- **Little Folk of the Arctic** – 3m 10s  
In the folklore of most cultures around the world there are stories of magical little folk. The Arctic is no exception. These beings always try to avoid human encounters, but over the years Inuit hunters and shaman have gathered stories and experiences to help us understand these small inhabitants.
- **The Ogress of the Gravelbank** – 2m 29s  
Inuit oral history is filled with strange beings and supernatural creatures. One of these feared land spirits is the Ogress of the Gravelbank. This cruel being was known to lure children into her lair and trap them there. All that perish in that cave remain there as spirits and animated corpses.
- **The Owl and the Lemming** – 3m 33s  
Inuit oral history is filled with many folktales, legends, and myths. In this traditional story, a young owl catches a lemming to eat. Inuit stories are often instructive, and with this fable, children quickly learn the value of being clever and humble, and why pride and arrogance are to be avoided.
- **Journeys to Adäka** – 56m  
Journeys to Adäka is the story of indigenous artists from the Yukon who look to the past for strength to overcome a legacy of hurt, and in the process are becoming cultural giants and leaders. This one-hour documentary follows seven Yukon First Nation performers and artists in the months leading to Adäka Cultural Festival in Whitehorse, Yukon. This documentary was produced in association with Yukon First Nations

Culture and Tourism Association. Disc 2: The Right to be Safe – 22m  
n Canada, Aboriginal women are at the highest risk for violence as a group. This video illustrates the truth: violence is NEVER your fault. Follow the stories of three courageous women who overcame traumatic family violence and are inspiring others to do the same. This video also features an interview with Pam Palmater and a powerful poem by Helen Knott. Music by A Tribe Called Red.

- **Colonization Road** – 48m 33s  
In towns throughout Ontario, there are startling reminders of the colonization of Indigenous territories and the displacement of First Nations people. Anishinaabe comedian and activist Ryan McMahon takes us to his hometown of Fort Frances and down its main drag, which is called Colonization Road. Similar streets have similar names in towns and cities across the province, direct reminders of the Public Lands Act of 1853 and its severe impact on First Nations, their treaties and their land in the name of “Canadian settlement.” On his journey through Ontario, McMahon explores the history of these roads, meets with settlers in solidarity and raises significant questions about “reconciliation” and what it means to “decolonize.”
- **Stolen** – 8m 22s  
14 year old Shayna runs away from her group home and into the truck of a dangerous man. As a result, she becomes one of Canada's 1200+ Missing and Murdered Indigenous women
- **Edna's Bloodline** – 58m 30s  
An Inuit and a Swede, both descendants of arctic explorer Petter Norberg, embark on a quest to learn about Petter's life in the Canadian north and to trace his last journey up the Coppermine River, from Kugluktuk to the Bloody Falls where he mysteriously disappeared decades ago.

## **SAVE THE DATE**

Saskatoon Pride Festival Events  
June 2-25, 2018  
Event schedule coming soon!



## Psalm 1:2-3

But whose delight is in the law of the Lord, & who meditates on his law

day & night.

That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither—whatever they do prospers.

