

WELCOME

If you are a visitor or newcomer, our first hope is that you will experience God's love and care. Our second hope is that you will also experience our love and care. Some of us are shy and quiet. Others of us are bold and outgoing. Yet, in all our ways we want to say: "YOU ARE WELCOME!"

OUR OFFERING

Offering gifts to God's service is an integral part of our worship. Many people at St. Martin's have chosen to make their offering by post-dated cheque or PAR. Others prefer weekly offering envelopes. Visitors and guest should not feel obligated to share in our offering, but may do so using the envelope in the back of the hymn book.

MUSIC

At St. Martin's we are richly blessed by many fine musicians. We encourage you to acknowledge their contributions to worship through silence, or when impelled by the Spirit, through applause.

OUR CHURCH LEADERSHIP TEAM

Bob McPherson - Chair of the Board
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Cara Wilson & Tara Gallant - Handbell Choir
Pat Sonntag & Erin Tempel - Contemporary Singers
Alayna Moxness – 9:30 am Pianist
Betty Lou Curtis & Mars Zhao - Sanctuary Choir
Lori Cline Flath – Band Together
Andrea Pittman & Donna Thiessen – Little Voices United



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Vision: To be a thriving, welcoming faith community that makes the example of Christ relevant to our living.

Seventh Sunday of Easter, May 28, 2017, 9:30 a.m.

Theme Song "This Little Light of Mine" SA 76

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. (x3)

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine ...

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine ...

Words of Welcome

Welcoming the Light of Christ

Invitation to Worship

Spring is sprung, the grass is riz,

I wonder where my Jesus is.

Have no fear, be of good cheer,

for Jesus is among us here.

The Spirit blows, the Maker makes,

And we thank God, for all our sakes.

Gathering Prayer

God beyond us, God beside us, God within us, we pray that, by your presence with us in this time of worship, we may receive your blessing, and by your Spirit, be equipped to live as your children throughout the joys and challenges of this coming week. Amen.

Sharing the Peace

Lifting our Voices in Song

“I Can Feel You Near Me, God” MV 48

Story Time with Michael and Keith

Children and Youth are Invited Downstairs

Lifting our Voices in Song

“In the Bulb There Is a Flower” VU 703

Prayer of Reconciliation

Loving God, we are made in your image, male and female alike, yet we have not always lived as if we represent your presence here on Earth. Fill us again, we pray, with your Spirit, so that our lives may truly reflect your image, in Jesus’ name and for his sake. Amen.

Lifting our Voices in Song

“God of the Sparrow” VU 229

Community News

Praying for Others and Ourselves & The Prayer of Jesus

Minute for Mission

Offering Our Gifts

Offering Song “Ev’ry Day” MV 185

Ev’ry day is a day of thanksgiving.

God, you’ve been so good to me.

Ev’ry day you’re blessing me.

Ev’ry day is a day of thanksgiving.

I will glorify you, O my God, today!

Listening for God’s Word: Jeremiah 18:1-11

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: ‘Come, go down to the potter’s house, and there I will let you hear my words.’ So I went down to the potter’s house, and there he was working at his wheel.

The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter’s hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

Then the word of the Lord came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter’s hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

Contemporary Singers

“Mary, Don’t You Weep”

Response to the Reading

Lifting our Voices in Song

“Praise God for This Holy Ground” MV 42

Words of Blessing

Sung Blessing “This Joy I Have” SA 73

This joy I have, the world didn’t give it to me. (x3)
The world didn’t give it, and the world can’t take it away.

(Sung twice)