

St. Martin United Church of Christ
Sunday, July 2, 2017
Rev. Terry Minchow-Proffitt, Interim Pastor
Dean Emmert, Music Director

**If able, please stand*

Prelude

***Call to Worship**

ONE: We do not always understand what God is asking of us.

MANY: **We meet God in surprising ways, in ways we do not expect.**

ONE: Keep us open, Lord. May we be led to discover you anew.

MANY: **Amen.**

***Hymn of Adoration “We are God’s People” #547**

Call to Confession

How costly is our broken relationship with God! The price of sin is a spiritless life, which is no life at all. Where are joy, peace, or lasting love to be found, except in the One who creates peace and joy, who sent Jesus Christ, the beloved Son, to save us from our sin? Let us confess, repent, and trust God to forgive us our sin.

Unison Prayer of Confession

O God, we confess that we have failed many tests of our faith. We have allowed sin to run our lives, to shape how we act toward others, and to strain our relationship with you. In your great mercy, forgive us. Change even our bodies from implements of destruction to instruments of your peace; for the sake of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

God can be trusted to provide for our weakness. Jesus Christ gave himself for our salvation. All who are united to Christ in his death are united to Christ in his resurrection. Our end is eternal life. I declare to you, in Jesus Christ your sins are forgiven.

Greetings and Announcements

Expressions of Gratitude

***Sharing of the Peace**

Children's Time **“Jesus Loves Me”**

Prayer Hymn **“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”** **#473**

Prayer of the People

Pastor: Lord in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayers.

The Lord's Prayer **(Debtors)**

Worshiping the Lord with Tithes and Offerings

*** Offering Response** **“Doxology”**

***Offertory Prayer**

The Written Word:

Matthew 10: 40-42

‘Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.’

Spoken Word **“Whoever Welcomes. . .Whoever Gives”**

Silent Reflection

Recall a time in your life when you received hospitality. How was God present in this experience? As you have received hospitality, so may you offer it to another. May God open your heart and soul to his possibility. Amen.

Communion Hymn **“Will You Let Me Be Your Servant** **#391**

Celebration of the Lord's Supper (See Insert)

The center two rings are grape juice. The outer ring is wine.
We will eat the bread together, then the drinking of the cup.

***Departing Hymn "They'll Know We Are Christians" #595**

***Blessing**

Benediction "Threefold Amen"

Postlude

In our Thoughts and Prayers –Homebound: Virginia Ahlvers and Hazel Rose; Health issues: Mary Ann Potthoff, Sheila Zagari, Judy Cope, Ruth Hart, Dee St. Clair, Curtis Israel

	LEADERS TODAY 9:30 am	
Ushers:	Dale Rose	Fred Dishner
	Kathleen Dishner	
Reader: Grace Self	Greeter: Fred Dishner	
Nursery: Sandy Neralich	Children's Church: Lexi	
Worship Attendance for June 25: 66		

The URL of the St. Martin's Website is <http://www.stmartin-ucc-hr.50webs.com>

(Churchline and Bulletins are available for viewing/download in PDF format.)
If you have a question or suggestion for Council, please leave a note in the suggestion box located in the narthex.

ACCOMPANIST OPENING

We're currently searching for a pianist or organist to play for our worship service and help with the choir. If you know of anyone with those skills, please talk to the Personnel Committee or Grace Self.

THIS WEEK: July 2– July 8

Today	9:30AM	Worship with Communion Children's Church
Next Sunday	8:30AM	Fellowship Hour
	9:30AM	Worship & Children Church

SANCTUARY FLOWERS- In Honor of Don & Grace Self's anniversary.

BULLETINS Sponsored by Harry & Clare Grupe.

THE FLOWERS in front of the lectern are from the funeral of Bruce Pangburn.

ADOPT-A-YOUTH- To help fund Canoe Camp in July at Shannondale. start thinking of jobs you would pay a youth to do. Contact Liz for more information.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY begins today.. We collect food and other items for Feed My People during the month of July. A flyer is available that lists suggested items. Place the items on the table by the elevator.

THANK YOU to Esther McNamee, Fred Dishner, Suzanne Cavagna and anyone else that was involved in providing and framing the WAVES poster in recognition of my service during World War II. I truly appreciate your thoughtfulness.
Syble Self

A WISH LIST for Preschool needs/wants is posted on bulletin board. All contributions will be appreciated. Thank you to all those who have already contributed.

REMINDER: We still need memorabilia from any of our church family veterans for the display in the Fellowship Hall.

IF YOU NEED TO CONTACT Pastor Terry: 314-304-6818; email: thechickentrain@gmail.com

NURSERY - Nursery is now available for children to go to immediately following children's time.

DONATION – You can donate to the church on our website <http://stmartin-ucc-hr.50webs.com> through the Paypal program. Click on “donation” tab and make your contribution to the current, or memorial, fund.

SCHNUCK'S SCRIPTS- cards are available on the window sill` in the narthex. St. Martin receives 1-3% profit from this fundraising effort.

SHOP N' SAVE- scripts are available from Ginger. St. Martin receives 5% profit from this fundraising effort.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY-Patty Sherrill (7/4)

ANNIVERSARIES – Don & Grace Self (7/6)