

The Churchline

A Christ-centered Family Church Growing Forward Together

St. Martin United Church of Christ - P.O. Box 1037, 3229 High Ridge Blvd. - High Ridge, MO 63049

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February, 2017-

Scripture Readers

9:30 AM

2-5	Cheryl Patton
2-12	Fred Dishner
2-19	Donna Goede
2-26	Don Self

Fellowship Hour

8:30-9:20

2-5	Johnny & Bert
2-12	Craig & Glinda
2-19	Shirley & Donna
2-26	Don & Grace

3-5	Sandy
3-12	Ginger & Sandy
3-19	Lynn/Bev/Jane
3-26	Johnny & Bert

ADDRESS & PHONE CHANGES

We would like to request that if you have a new mailing address, home phone number or cell phone number or email address, please let the church office know so that we might keep our records current. Your assistance in this is very much appreciated. Joan

Greeter Schedule For Worship Service

2-5	Fred Dishner
2-12	Dee St. Clair
2-19	Sandy Neralich
2-26	Don Self

USHER 9:30 AM SCHEDULE

2-5	Dale Rose	Fred Dishner
2-12	Marie Gates	
2-19	Jim Bauer	Clardean Schmieder
2-26	Gary Malone	Shirley Ogden
	Richard Small	Nancy Huck

FEBRUARY Bring-A-Meal
Spaghetti sauce w/meat
Spaghetti, green beans
Peaches
Toilet tissue

FEBRUARY Anniversaries

08 David & Dee St. Clair

Thanks to the people who fold the Churchline in January. They are: Billie, Beverly, Carol.

Our Church Mission:

To be responsible and caring in reaching out to all people so that everyone may experience the unconditional love and grace of Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

Aluminum Cans

Please continue to bring your empty cans to the church-rinsed hopefully! Every little bit helps! Don't forget also to bring your newspapers, junk mail and magazines. Please do not add aluminum pie tins or foil to the cans since the center does not accept them, Thanks to everyone for remembering to bring cans to the container in the Fellowship Hall.



01 Alberta Lewellen
06 Heather Gander
06 Don Self
09 Virginia Ahlvers
12 Erich Ellerman, Jr
15 Clare Grupe
17 Liz Downer
23 Hanna Friebel
29 Angela Gamewell



WOMENS FELLOWSHIP

Now that we have all “survived” the holidays and taken a month off to recuperate—it’s time to get busy! The first meeting of the new year will be Thursday, February 2. The meeting starts at 7 p.m. Come with all your new ideas for improving our role in the church. Bring a friend!!

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The men of the church met for breakfast on the first Saturday of the month. We had a nourishing breakfast and discussed the upcoming projects for this year. With the weather doing its thing, the walks in front of the church will be in place as soon as the day and night warm up. We need to touch up paint in hallways and bathrooms upstairs. We need to finish banisters going up to sanctuary. A special thanks goes to Dale Rose and John Cole for removing the old sinks and replacing them with new ones in the bathrooms upstairs.
God Bless You. Fred

Please Remember These People in Prayer:

Karen Boemler, Virginia Ahlvers, Mary Ann Potthoff, Barbara Eckhardt, Sheila Zagarri, Judy Cope, Rita Watterson, Della Lang, Bill Dautenhahn, Maxine Hoyne, and Ruth Hart. If you know someone who needs to be added or removed from our prayer list, please contact the church office.

COUNCIL NEWS

We have begun a new year for our church following the annual congregational meeting held yesterday. The officers of the Church Council did not change:

President: Donna Goede 314-623-4026

VP: Dale Rose

Recording Sect.: Shirley Miller

Financial Secretary: Esther McNamee

Treasurer: Ginger Washington

We will be discussing goals for 2017 and beginning to discuss ways to celebrate our church's 150th anniversary, coming in 2018--we would appreciate all interested in helping to plan this big event and would welcome any ideas!

Our church budget for the year was approved and there was discussion about fund raising. While the consensus was that our fund raising efforts also help us to have presence in our community and in many ways are like homecoming for many, there were many who would like to see more dedicated giving from our congregation to the church each week. I encourage all to look at your personal life, lean on the scripture and God's teachings and do what your heart tells you to do about the finance of the church. We are a team and we are a family of God.

We are also looking for those who might be interested in serving on the search committee for the new pastor. It will be a long process and a pretty big time commitment but we truly want a good representation of our congregation--older, younger, new members, those who have been with the church a long time, those who work and those retired. Please consider and pray about this and if you feel you could be a part of this selection process, please contact a council member. We are hoping to have a committee of seven members in place very soon.

In God's Love,

Donna Goede, President



Bible Readings *for the Month*

2-5	Isa 58:1-9 PS 112:1-9	I Cor 2:1-12 Matt 5:13-20
2-12	Deut 30:15-20 PS 119:1-8	I Cor 3:1-9 Matt 5:21-37
2-19	Lev 19:1-2, 9-18 PS 119:33-40	I Cor 3:10-11, 16-23 Matt 5:38-48
2-26	Ex 24:12-18 PS 2	2 Pet 1:16-21 Matt 17:1-9

ST. MARTIN PRESCHOOL

Our preschool is ready to open and we have started the enrolling process for this spring and for next fall's classes. We need all to spread the word to friends and family. We hope to start Tues/Thursday class on Jan. 31--we just need a few more children!

Please remember to tell all about the Parent's Day out on Wednesdays--starting on Feb. 1 and on every Wed. Parents can drop off children at 8 a.m. or later and can have the day to do errands, make appointments, etc. knowing their child is in a nurturing, Christian environment...no need to register, cost is only \$25 per day!

Finally, thank you to the generosity of a couple people in our church who gave to have our playground fencing done! It is so appreciated and your support of this project means so much!

Donna

CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

While the grownups discussed church business at the annual congregation meeting in the fellowship hall, the youth group was busy in room 102 with their 2nd Annual Blanket Drive project. Jessie, Veronica, and Rebecca made two blankets for lucky recipients at Feed My People. During the month of January, the youth group and SSK collect new and gently used blankets to be delivered to Feed My People in High Ridge. A cozy blanket is exactly what everyone needs on a cold, winter's day. Thank you to everyone who participated in our blanket drive.



HOMEBOUND NEWS

We missed the visit to St. Martin's homebound ladies in January but will hopefully do it this month, depending on getting an interim pastor. But in the meantime, we will continue to keep in touch with them. Happy Birthday wishes from the Care Pastors were sent to Hazel Rose January 18 and Virginia Ahlvers will turn 99 in February. A special visit is being planned..

Blessed New Year to All,
The Care Pastors

If you take pictures of events at St Martin please send them to the St Martin email so they can be shared.

February 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Women's Fellowship 7:00 p.m.	3	4 9am Men's Fellowship
5 8:30 Fellowship Hour 9:30 Worship & Children's Church	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 8:30 Fellowship Hour 9:30 Worship & Children's Church	13 Stewardship Mtg. 7:00 PM	14 Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.	15	16	17	18
19 8:30 Fellowship Hour 9:30 Worship & Children's Church	20 Churchline Articles are due	21	22 9:00 AM Fold Churchline	23	24	25
26 8:30 Fellowship Hour 9:30 Worship & Children's Church	27	28 7pm Worship Mtg				

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