

ST. MARTIN LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL
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OUR MISSION: PREACHING, TEACHING AND REACHING WITH GOD'S WORD!

Wednesday, October 15 & Sunday, October 19, 2025

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to St. Martin Lutheran Church ~ Record of Attendance: Please legibly write all of the names who are attending (including any children) in the attendance pads at the end of the pews every time you worship and for communion registration. This information is needed for the yearly district reports.

Visiting or Interested in becoming a Member? Please write your home address, email and phone number in the attendance pad. Thank you for visiting our church.

COMMUNION STATEMENT: *This morning, St. Martin joyfully celebrates the Lord's Supper. We do this in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith (Matt. 26:26-28, Mark 14:22-24, Luke 22:19-20, 1 Corinthians 11:23-25). Because great harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29) can come to those who do not believe, those who doubt the Lord's presence in this holy meal, or do not wish to repent of all sins, we ask that you first speak to Pastor Jason or Pastor Hayden if you have questions or are not a member of a Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregation. Thank you! We are offering gluten-free wafers available upon request.*

Wed. @ 6:30 pm

Liturgy: DS3 – communion, page 184
Hymns: 686, 722, (869,628,623), 924

Sun. @ 8:00 am

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Hymns: 686, 722, (869,628,623), 924

Sun. @ 10:00 am

Liturgy: SOJ, Team A – no communion
Hymns: printed on the screens

Sermon Theme: “Wrestling with God”
Text: Genesis 32:22-30

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 32:22-30
Epistle Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5
Holy Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

**All church services
are fully printed on
the screens.**

PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS: Please call Kathy Roth Pfalz at 715-863-1340.
If you would like to be included in the prayer in church, please contact the main office or one of the Pastors with your request.

THE BULLETIN: The bulletin is sponsored by Shannon & Emily Ferg in celebration of their 8th Wedding Anniversary. Sponsorship for the Bulletin in full or in part is \$30.00. Available dates: Dec. 7, 21, 24, 28.

THE RADIO BROADCAST: The radio broadcast is sponsored by Shannon & Emily Ferg in celebration of their 8th Wedding Anniversary. Sponsorship for the Radio Broadcast, in full or in part, is \$110.00. Available dates: Dec. 7, 14, 21, 24-4:00, 24-6:30, 28.

THE RADIO BROADCAST FOR CHRISTMAS: We are blessed to once again share the Good News of our Savior's birth through the radio. Our **Christmas Eve** and **Christmas Day** services will be broadcast so that those unable to attend in person may still worship with us. We are seeking a couple of **sponsors** to help cover the cost of the additional broadcasts this year.

Broadcast Schedule

Wednesday, December 24, 2025 – Christmas Eve

- 2:00 pm – Traditional with Communion – **92.3 FM WJMQ (Sponsored)**
- 4:00 pm – Contemporary with Communion – **92.3 FM WJMQ**
- 6:30 pm – Candlelight with Communion – **94.9 FM & AM 1380 WOTE**

Thursday, December 25, 2025 – Christmas Day

- 9:00 am – Traditional with Communion – **94.9 FM & AM 1380 WOTE (Sponsored)**

If you would like to sponsor one of the remaining services, please contact the church office.
Thank you for helping us share the joy of Christmas with our community!

Worship Servant Helpers						
	Wed.	Sun.	Sun.	Wed.	Sun.	Sun.
Date	Oct. 15 @6:30pm	Oct. 19 @8am	Oct. 19 @10am	Oct. 22 @6:30pm	Oct. 26 @8am	Oct. 26 @10am
Elder on Duty	Klint Barkow	Scott Behnke	Duane Reetz	Randy Wedde	Blair Sawall	Randy Steenbock
Ushers	Christopherson	Donaldson	Czarnecki	Hopp	Wisnfske	A.Pingel
Comm. Assist.	Terry Hanson	Larry Mehlberg		Terry Hanson	John Justman	Randy Wedde
Altar Guild	Rosie Schroeder, Tammy Behnke, Shelly Maas	Meta Krueger & Marcy Riemer		Carla Wengelski	Meta Krueger & Marcy Riemer	Linda Wagner
Power Point Presenter	Donna Krueger	Cora Lang	Kathy Sawall	LeAnn Hopp	Emily Ferg	Jenni Yaeger
Acolytes	Jena Steinke	Oliver Martin	Erin Hagman	Hailey Moder	Barrett Prickette	Halley Higgins
Bulletin Assem.	Kathy Sasse			Beth Klotzbuecher		
Fellowship		Ladies Aid			Teachers	

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARTIN

Sun.	Oct. 19	DS3C ~ 8:00 am Fellowship ~ Ladies Aid Quarterly Voters Meeting ~ 9:00 am No Bible Study Sunday School ~ 9:10 am SOJ, Team A ~ 10:00 am; Gr. 5-8 sings
Tues.	Oct. 21	Memorial Trust Meeting ~ 8:00 am Nursing Home Communion – The Pines ~ 9:30 am Greentree ~ 10:15 am Kindred Hearts ~ 11:00 am Tuesday Morning Bible Study ~ 10:30 am Evangelism Meeting ~ 4:30 pm Council ~ 6:30 pm
Wed.	Oct. 22	Chapel ~ 8:05 am; all are welcome to attend Shepherd Leaders Meeting ~ 9:30 am SOJ rehearsal ~ 4:00 pm Worship Choir rehearsal ~ 5:15 pm Gr. 6-8 Youth Group ~ 6:00 pm DS3C ~ 6:30 pm
Thurs.	Oct. 23	Quilting Bee ~ 8:30 am Small Group Bible Study ~10:30 am at St. Martin Parent/Teacher Conferences ~ 4:00 – 7:00 pm New Member Class ~ 6:30 pm
Fri.	Oct. 24	No School ~ Parent/Teacher Conferences ~ 8:00 - Noon
Sun.	Oct. 26	REFORMATION DS3C ~ 8:00 am; Gr. 1-8 sings Fellowship ~ Teachers Bible Study ~ 9:10 am Sunday School ~ 9:10 am SOJC, Team B ~ 10:00 am; Gr. 1-8 sings

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS NEEDED: St. Martin Lutheran School is looking for substitute teachers for Preschool through Grade 8. If you would like to be put on our substitute teacher list, please contact Mrs. Emily Ferg, Principal, 715-823-6538 ext. 2113.

CLINTONVILLE FOOD PANTRY & COMPASSIONATE CONNECTIONS CENTER donations needed for the month of October ~ cereal and soup. Bring your donation to church with you and put it in the basket at the back of church or in the new white cabinet by the office doors.

<u>ATTENDANCE & OFFERING INFORMATION</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
Worship- Wednesday & Sunday	306	335
Communion- Wednesday	102	120
General Offering Weekly:	\$16,408.25	
General Offering Budget Weekly:	\$13,077.00	

AS WE GATHER ~

From an early age, many of us learned that persistent pestering is rude, as parents make this clear to children who repeatedly ask for the same things over and over. We are thankful that our heavenly Father never grows weary of our asking Him for what we need, no matter how repetitive our requests may be. As we see in Jacob’s persistent proclamation, “I will not let You go unless You bless me” (Genesis 32:26), in Paul’s exhortation to continually persist in what we have learned and believed (2 Timothy 3:14), and in Jesus’ parable of the persistent widow (Luke 18:1–8), we know we can bring all things to our heavenly Father persistently in prayer, trusting through it all that His will would be done.

Prayers for Hospitalized or Recuperating: Virginia Federwitz, Clarence Fenner, Terry Flattley, Milo Holth, Walter House, Merry Korth, Duaine Kussmann, Wendy Perry, Matt Reimer, Jeff Schneider, Diann Schroeder, Marilyn Siebert, Jerald Schoenike, Susan Slye, Jenni Yaeger.

Introit for the Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost ~ Psalm 74:18–19, 21, 20a, 22a

Remember your congregation, which you have purchased of old,
which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your heritage!
Remember this, O LORD, how the enemy scoffs,
and a foolish people reviles your name.
Do not deliver the soul of your dove to the wild beasts;
do not forget the life of your poor forever.
Let not the downtrodden turn back in shame;
let the poor and needy praise your name.
Have regard for the covenant;
arise, O God, defend your cause.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Prayer of the Day for the Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost~

O Lord, almighty and everlasting God, You have commanded us to pray and have promised to hear us. Mercifully grant that Your Holy Spirit may direct and govern our hearts in all things that we may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT HOSTESS SIGN-UP

Advent by Candlelight will be held on Saturday, December 6th from 10:30-12:30. If you are interested in being a Table Hostess this year, there will be a sign-up sheet in the office. Deadline to sign-up will be Monday, November 3rd. If you have any questions, please contact; Tammy Behnke 715-460-4139, Rosie Schroeder 715-460-0446 or Shelly Maas 715-250-0445.

FROM THE BOARD OF EVANGELISM: The Bible tells us that we are to pray for all people (Timothy 2:1) and that we are our brother's keepers. We encourage each of you to include five households selected each week in your prayers. This week:

Della Prah
Sam & Patricia Prah, Madalyn
Aaron & Cassandra Pranke, Evan, Jasmine
Robert Prellwitz
Dennis Prey



Stewardship Ministry ~ Genesis 32:26 – “Then he said, ‘Let me go, for the day has broken.’ But Jacob said, ‘I will not let you go unless you bless me.’” The great Lutheran musician J.S. Bach composed a beautiful motet using this verse. It is the cry of true faith, much the same as Peter’s words: “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life” (John 6:68). True faith clings to the Lord no matter the struggle, no matter the “hard sayings” that the Lord speaks. True faith knows that God means to bless us always.

Life Thoughts in the Church Year ~ The world has always been filled with people who have turned away from the truth of God’s Word and are not willing to endure sound doctrine (2 Timothy 4:3-4), especially regarding the sanctity of human life. Knowing that we can’t force people to believe God’s Word and value God’s precious gift of life, we “lift up our eyes to the hills,” trusting that “... our help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth” (Psalm 121:1-2). For we trust that God alone has the power to change hearts, and He does so through the Gospel of Jesus Christ, which is able to make us wise unto salvation (2 Timothy 3:15).

QUARTERLY VOTERS MEETING AGENDA: Sunday, October 19, 2025, 9:10 A.M.

Tentative agenda as of September 26, 2025

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- ❖ Opening Devotion
- ❖ Approve minutes from the July 20th Voters Meeting
- ❖ Treasurer’s Report as of September 30th, 2025
- ❖ Generis Proposal
- ❖ Survey results from the Town Hall meetings and possible next steps.
- ❖ Slate of candidates for each board (incumbents appointed/elected to commence Jan. 1st, 2026)
- ❖ Comments from Pastor Zobel, Pastor Lukas and Principal Ferg
- ❖ Comments from Vice-president Steve Conradt
- ❖ President’s Report
- ❖ Adjourn
- ❖ Close with Martin Luther’s Morning Prayer



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: We are starting the process to look for a Kindergarten teacher for the 2026-2027 school year. Mrs. Wartick will be retiring after this school year. If you know of anyone interested, please let them know or have them reach out to Emily Ferg. 715-823-6538 x2113 or eferg@stmlc.org.

ALTAR GUILD: If you are looking for a way to quietly serve at church but have limited time, Altar Guild is for you. We are looking for new members to join the Altar Guild, since some members have retired. The main function of the Altar Guild is to set up and take down the communion service. Please prayerfully consider serving! Please contact Linda Wagner at 715-823-2016 with any questions or would like to help out.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD AT ST. MARTIN

It’s time to pack shoeboxes for **Operation Christmas Child!** Each box is filled with toys, school supplies, and hygiene items—often the first gift a child has ever received—and delivered by volunteers who also share the gospel of Jesus.

Shoeboxes are available in the **narthex and office hallway** beginning in October. **Anyone can participate**—individuals, families, students, or groups. Fill your box with fun toys (soccer balls, dolls, cars), school supplies, and hygiene items. Suggested gift lists are included inside the boxes. Please include **\$10 for shipping** with each box or give a donation if you cannot pack a box.

Each child not only receives a gift but also a book about Jesus in their language and an invitation to The Greatest Journey discipleship program. At the end, they are given a **New Testament Bible** to share with family and friends.

Deadline to return boxes: Sunday, Nov. 9/ **Blessing of the Shoeboxes:** Wed., Nov. 12
Questions? Contact the office or Sarah Graper, Karen Habeck, Linda Kirchner, Lisa Papendorf or Julia Steinke.



SCRIP is available to purchase Monday-Friday before school and between church services on Sundays. Email your order to scrip@stmlc.org and it will be ready to pick up in 48 hours. Orders can also be placed online at www.raiseright.com, a one-time enrollment code is required. Any questions, please call Tammy Higgins (715)250-2290.

Wolf River Lutheran High School News:

- **FAIR PARKING** - Wolf River received a check in the amount of 24,880.00 from the Shawano County Fair for the 2025 fair parking and ticket sales worked by MANY volunteers Aug. 28 - Sept. 1. THANK YOU SO MUCH to all of the VOLUNTEERS!!
- **WR AUCTION** - Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 15th for our annual auction! Tickets are available in the office \$45/person, \$320/table of 8 or online <https://wrlhs.org/wolf-river-annual-auction>. Prices go up Nov. 1st. See flyer



Nathan & Sarah Federwitz

Nathan and Sarah are currently receiving missionary training with Lutheran Bible Translators. Nathan will complete his flight training with JAARS in Waxhaw, NC, to serve as a missionary pilot in Papua New Guinea.

Nathan grew up in Papua New Guinea, where his parents served as missionaries. He graduated from Concordia University Wisconsin with a Bachelor's in Missions and a Director of Church Ministries certification. He received his aviation maintenance certification and commercial pilot's license from the School of Missionary Aviation Technology.

Sarah grew up in a multi-cultural context as the daughter of a Lutheran Army Chaplain. She graduated from Concordia University Wisconsin with a Bachelor's in Theology. In 2023, she completed her deaconess studies at Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

[LBT.org/nsfederwitz](https://lbt.org/nsfederwitz)

Next week Nathan and Sarah Federwitz will be sharing a presentation with us during the adult Bible class. The Federwitzes serve with Lutheran Bible Translators. Sarah is a deaconess and Nathan is a pilot. Nathan is currently receiving advanced missionary pilot training to be able to support the work of Bible Translation through aviation. Next week during the Adult Bible Class they will share about their training and goal of serving in Papua New Guinea.

On October 26th, Nathan and Sarah Federwitz are coming to St. Martin Lutheran Church & School. The Federwitzes serve with Lutheran Bible Translators. Prior to joining Lutheran Bible Translators in August 2023, Nathan completed coursework at School of Missionary Aviation Technology, receiving a maintenance certification as well as a commercial pilot license. Sarah recently completed deaconess training through Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne. Nathan and Sarah are currently in a training and support-raising phase of missionary service in anticipation of serving in Papua New Guinea starting in 2026. Nathan and Sarah will be giving a presentation at the 9:15 AM adult Bible Study. Please note that there will be a Free Will Offering to help the Federwitzes with their expenses.

