

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

Wednesday, September 24
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost & Rural Life Sunday

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: 594, 826 (521, 619), 886

Sermon Theme: “A New Day”

Old Testament Reading: Joel 2:28-32
Epistle Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:17-21
Holy Gospel: Luke 10:1-11

**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: We give thanks to God with Mark and Debbie Behnke as they celebrate 52 years of marriage on September 22. May the Lord continue to bless their union with love, faith, and joy. Sponsorship for the Bulletin in full or in part is \$30.00. Available dates: Nov. 2, 16; Dec. 7, 21, 24, 28.

THE RADIO BROADCAST: We give thanks to God with Mark and Debbie Behnke as they celebrate 52 years of marriage on September 22. May the Lord continue to bless their union with love, faith, and joy. Sponsorship for the Radio Broadcast, in full or in part, is \$110.00. Available dates: Nov. 16; Dec. 7, 14, 21, 24-6:30, 28.

HOSPITALIZED, SICK, FEELING DOWN, OR WELCOMING A BABY?

If you or a loved one would like a pastoral visit or even just a prayer over the phone, please have a family member contact:

- **Church Office:** 715-823-6538 ext. 2110
- **Pastor Jason:** 608-228-4134
- **Pastor Hayden:** 248-254-2306

Our pastors would be honored to spend time with you in prayer and encouragement.
Please note: due to HIPAA laws, hospitals do not notify the church when members are admitted.

Members: If you know of someone who is hospitalized, feeling unwell, or has welcomed a new baby, please call the church office so the pastors can reach out.

Prayers for Hospitalized or Recuperating: Virginia Federwitz, Clarence Fenner, Terry Flattley, Milo Holth, Walter House, Beth Karlson, Merry Korth, Duaine Kussmann, Wendy Perry, Matt Reimer, Jeff Schneider, Diann Schroeder, Elverna Schwenke, Marilyn Siebert, Jerald Schoenike, Willy Stefonek, Jim Strommen, Jenni Yaeger.

Worship Servant Helpers						
	Wed.	Sun.	Sun.	Wed.	Sun.	Sun.
Date	Sept. 24 @6:30pm	Sept. 28 @8am	Sept. 28 @10am	Oct. 1 @6:30pm	Oct. 5 @8am	Oct. 5 @10am
Elder on Duty	Randy Wedde	NO CHURCH SERVICE	All Elders	Klint Barkow	Andy Eberhardt	Carl Aschliman
Ushers	Hopp		Elders	Barkow	Pringnitz	Aschliman
Comm. Assist.	Need a Servant		Rural Life Sunday	Need a Servant	John Justman	
Altar Guild	Meta Krueger & Marcy Riemer			Rosie Schroeder, Tammy Behnke, Shelly Maas	Kathy Pfalz	
Power Point Presenter	LeAnn Hopp			Heather Barkow	Emily Ferg	Sue Aschliman
Acolytes	Corbyn Hagberg			Kameron Kersten	Brogan Birling	Lawson Kriewaldt
Bulletin Assem.	Carol Steenbock			Nancy Koeppen		
Fellowship					Men's Club	

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARTIN

Sat.	Sept. 27	RURAL LIFE CELEBRATION at Glendale Farms Country Music by Night Shift ~ 7:00-11:00 pm
Sun.	Sept. 28	RURAL LIFE CELEBRATION at Glendale Farms Polka church service ~ 10:00 am Activities and dancing ~ 11:00 am to 5:00 pm
Tues.	Sept. 30	Tuesday Bible Study ~ 10:30 am Volleyball game home vs. Sacred Heart, Shawano, 4:00 pm Parent Night; game order GC, GB, GA
Wed.	Oct. 1	Chapel ~ 8:05 am – all are welcome to attend SOJ rehearsal ~ 4:00 pm School Board Meeting ~ 4:30 pm PS Gr. 6-8 Confirmation ~ 5:00 pm Worship Choir rehearsal ~ 5:15 pm Mandatory Winter Sports Meeting (basketball & cheer) ~ 5:30 pm Gr. 9-12 Youth Group ~ 6:00 pm DS3C ~ 6:30 pm
Thurs.	Oct. 2	Quilting Bee ~ 8:30 am Small Group Bible Study ~ 10:30 am Ladies Aide ~ 2:00 pm Volleyball game at St. James, Shawano ~ 4:00 pm New Member Class ~ 6:30 pm
Fri.	Oct. 3	No School ~ Teacher In-service
Sun.	Oct. 5	DS3C ~ 8:00 am Fellowship-Men’s Club Bible Study ~ 9:10 am Sunday School ~ 9:10 am SOJ, Team D ~ 10:00 am

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.

ATTENDANCE & OFFERING INFORMATION

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
Worship- Wednesday & Sunday	313	327
Communion- Wednesday & Sunday	141	149
General Offering Weekly:	\$11,085.00	
General Offering Budget Weekly:	\$13,077.00	

COMMUNITY EVENTS: Please check out the bulletin outside the church/school office for flyers on upcoming events in the community.

SHEEPSHEAD CARD PARTY - First one of the year will be on Sunday, October 12, 2025 at Wolf River Lutheran High School, Shawano, from 1:00-3:30 p.m. \$3.00 per person. Everyone is welcome! There will be food provided. Mark your calendar!

AS WE GATHER ~

We pray that God’s kingdom would come, that He would come to us now through His Word and through others as we share the Good News. We gladly say, “I am baptized,” as we recognize our special status as children of God and share the Good News with others. Today we are looking at one another, fellow children of God, as we convey our confession of Christ among fellow believers. One way we do so is with the Apostles’ Creed, which summarizes the faith into which we are baptized. We ask God to use us and His entire family to spread the Good News of all that He has done for us and for all people.

Introit for the Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost ~ *Psalm 103:20–22*

Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless his holy name!
Bless the LORD, O you his angels,
you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of his word!
Bless the LORD, all his hosts,
his ministers, who do his will!
Bless the LORD, all his works, in all places of his dominion.
Bless the LORD, O my soul!
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 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost~

Heavenly Father, You have brought us all into Your family through Baptism. Grant us grace to share the gifts You have given to strengthen one another in the faith that has been transmitted to us through the centuries; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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:

Aaron Pingel
Arlyn Pingel, Jeffrey
Emilie Pingel
Lauren Pingel, Liam
Marlyn & Merry Pingel



Stewardship Ministry ~ Amos 6:1a – “Woe to those who are at ease in Zion.” The Book of Amos is a warning to God’s people who have been given great material wealth. As Jesus Himself mentions, material blessings can turn into temptations — chiefly the temptation to think of ourselves as self-sufficient and independent. What does Amos suggest as a way to combat this temptation? First, faith in the Lord and dependence upon Him! And if our faith is right, we will want to follow the rest of Amos’ instructions — to bless the poor with our alms and to make sure the Lord’s House is properly cared for. In other words, we are called to align our actions with God’s priorities and put others ahead of ourselves.

Life Thoughts in the Church Year ~ Abortion and physician-assisted suicide find their primary motivation in protecting leisure and luxury. The prophet Amos proclaims woe to such priorities (Amos 6:1), and the Apostle Paul warns Timothy that they invite evils (1 Timothy 6:10). Instead, we get to remind one another to “take hold of that which is truly life” (1 Timothy 6:19), namely the Savior and the neighbor right in front of us (Luke 16:20-22).

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES:

- **Sunday Morning Bible Study:** weekly on Sundays in the Chapel, 9:10 am
- **Tuesday Morning Bible Study:** Pastor Hayden will be leading a new weekly Bible Study at 10:30am-11:30am on Tuesdays in the chapel. It is open to both men and women.
- **Women’s Bible Study:** will be held on the 2nd & 4th Mondays of the month.
- **Men’s Bible Study:** will be held on the 4th Monday of the month.
- **Thursday Small Group Bible Study:** will begin on **Thursday, October 2, at 10:30 a.m. in the Chapel.** The group will continue to meet on Thursdays and will be led by Pastor Jason.
- **Small Groups~starting up!** If you are already in a small group, your leader will be contacting you on a starting date. If you would like to start a new group or are interested in joining a group, please contact the church office or Pastor Jason and they will get you connected! God Bless!!

SCRIP is available to purchase Monday-Friday before school and between church services on Sundays. Email your order to scrip@stmhc.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.

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.

Important Cemetery Reminders: Just a reminder that spring and summer decorations need to be taken down by October 15th. Fall and winter decorations may go up November 1st and be taken down by April 15th. Please remember these important dates and share them with relatives. Thanks to those who removed their items on time; the caretakers really appreciated it! When you’re choosing your decorations, please be advised that the Cemetery Board and caretakers will not be responsible if glass and other similar items are broken.

Portal of Prayers: come out in January, April, July, and October. Recently we noticed there were only a few left over. If you find that your preferred size is gone, please contact the church office. We can adjust our numbers the following quarter in order to accommodate your needs. Sizes available – pocket, digest and large prints.

Our first communion hymn today, "Christ, the Lord of Hosts, Unshaken," may be unfamiliar to you. This hymn was written to celebrate the remembrance of St. Michael and All Angels, and the great battle in heaven between Satan and his evil angels and St. Michael and the angels of the Lord. The end of our Gospel reading from tonight is part of the readings for that day (Luke 10:17-20). So how did St. Michael and the Lord’s angels battle Satan and his demonic forces? With supernatural fireballs and weapons of mass destruction? No. Michael and the angels used the very same weapon the Lord has given to us: the Lord’s Word and the name of God that was given to us in our Baptisms. In Jude 9, as Michael battled Satan, he said, “The Lord rebuke you.” When Satan was cast down out of heaven, Rev. 12:11 says, “They have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony.” Satan and his evil angels are defeated not with the sword or battle tactics as we understand war strategy, but they are defeated by the blood of Jesus and His Word.

YOUTH GROUP NEWS: Please meet in the Youth Room on 2nd floor.

- Wed. Oct. 1 ~ Gr. 9-12, 6:00 pm
- Wed. Oct. 8 ~ Gr. 6-8, 6:00 pm
- Wed. Oct. 15 ~ Gr. 9-12, 6:00 pm
- Wed. Oct. 22 ~ Gr. 6-8, 6:00 pm
- Wed. Oct. 29 ~ Gr. 9-12, 6:00 pm

**Due to lack of vendors,
Youth Craft Fair for this
fall has been cancelled.**

St. Martin Road Rally 2025: It’s Back!!!! St. Martin Road Rally will be on Saturday, October 11th, at 7:00 p.m. This event is open to anyone age 16 and over (your team needs to have at least one person with a valid Driver's License). Invite your family, friends and neighbors for an evening of fun and fellowship. Get your team of 4 to 6 players together!! Entry fee is \$5.00 per team, which pays for prizes and refreshments following the Rally. Mark your calendar and plan on joining us for a great time!!!! Suggested items to bring: flashlight, batteries, church directory, pens or pencils and a great attitude!

What is a Road Rally? A Road Rally is where you are given clues to different businesses, landmarks, or people that are within a 5-mile radius of Clintonville. You will have 90 minutes to drive around and get as many clues as you can. The team with the most clues wins a super special prize!! We guarantee you will have a driving good time!!!!

Bring this form and your payment to the office by Wed., Oct. 8th.
If you have any questions, please contact Heather Barkow 715-460-6069

Team Members' Names and Phone Numbers

SPECIAL READINGS FOR THIS WEEK:

OLD TESTAMENT READING ~ Joel 2:28–32

²⁸ “And it shall come to pass afterward,
that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh;
your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
your old men shall dream dreams,
and your young men shall see visions.

²⁹ Even on the male and female servants
in those days I will pour out my Spirit.

³⁰ “And I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire
and columns of smoke. ³¹ The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to
blood, before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. ³² And it shall
come to pass that everyone who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved.
For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the
LORD has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the LORD calls.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE ~ 2 Corinthians 5:17–21

¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed
away; behold, the new has come. ¹⁸ All this is from God, who through Christ
reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹ that is, in
Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses
against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰ Therefore,
we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore
you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹ For our sake he made him to be
sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of
God.

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HOLY GOSPEL ~ Luke 10:1–20

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹ After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of
him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go.

² And he said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few.

Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his
harvest. ³ Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of
wolves. ⁴ Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on
the road. ⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace be to this house!’ ⁶ And if
a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to
you. ⁷ And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for
the laborer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. ⁸ Whenever
you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. ⁹ Heal the
sick in it and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ ¹⁰ But
whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and
say, ¹¹ ‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet we wipe off against
you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.’ ¹² I tell
you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town.

¹³ “Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works
done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long
ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. ¹⁴ But it will be more bearable in the
judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you. ¹⁵ And you, Capernaum, will you be
exalted to heaven? You shall be brought down to Hades.

¹⁶ “The one who hears you hears me, and the one who rejects you rejects me,
and the one who rejects me rejects him who sent me.”

¹⁷ The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons are
subject to us in your name!” ¹⁸ And he said to them, “I saw Satan fall like
lightning from heaven. ¹⁹ Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents
and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you.
²⁰ Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but
rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.