

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2024

10 AM



SAINT MARTIN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
Annapolis, Maryland

PRELUDE

Bach: Organ Prelude in F, BWV 556

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

ELW 618



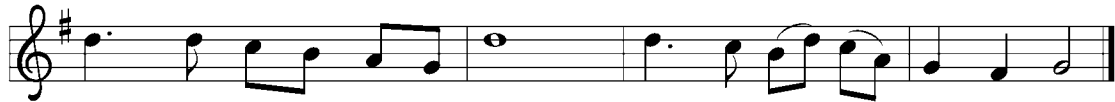
1 Guide me ev - er, great Re - deem-er, pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun-tain where the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but you are might - y; hold me
wa - ters flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
fears sub - side; death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, land me



with your pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer, strong de - liv - 'rer,
safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs and prais - es, songs and prais - es



feed me now and ev - er - more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
shield me with your might-y arm, shield me with your might-y arm.
I will raise for - ev - er - more, I will raise for - ev - er - more.

Text: William Williams, 1717-1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722-1796, alt.
Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873-1932

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well - being of the church of God,



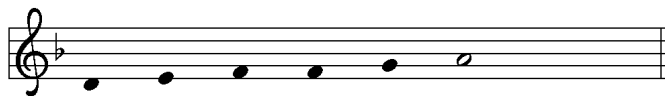
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this ho - ly house, and for all who of - fer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, heavenly Father, in the waters of the flood you saved the chosen, and in the wilderness of temptation you protected your Son from sin. Renew us in the gift of baptism. May your holy angels be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

INSTALLATION OF CHURCH COUNCIL AND CALL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

FIRST READING

Genesis 9:8-17

⁸God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹“As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, ¹⁰and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. ¹¹I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” ¹²God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” ¹⁷God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM

Psalms 25:1-10

Read in unison

- ¹To you, O LORD,
I lift up my soul.
²My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
³Let none who look to you be put to shame;
rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.
⁴Show me your ways, O LORD,
and teach me your paths.
⁵Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.
⁶Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.
⁷Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;
remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
⁸You are gracious and upright, O LORD;
therefore you teach sinners in your way.
⁹You lead the lowly in justice
and teach the lowly your way.
¹⁰All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast love and faithfulness
to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

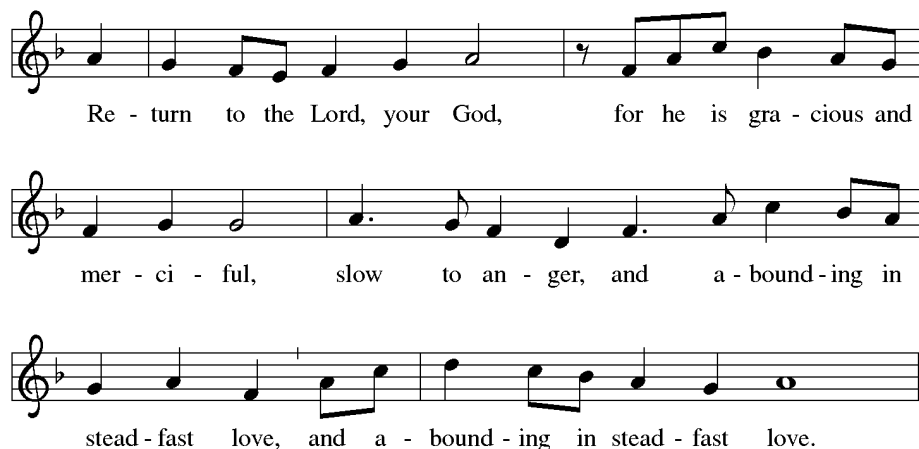
SECOND READING

1 Peter 3:18-22

¹⁸Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. ²¹And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 1:9-15

The Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ according to Mark, the first chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." ¹²And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. ¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

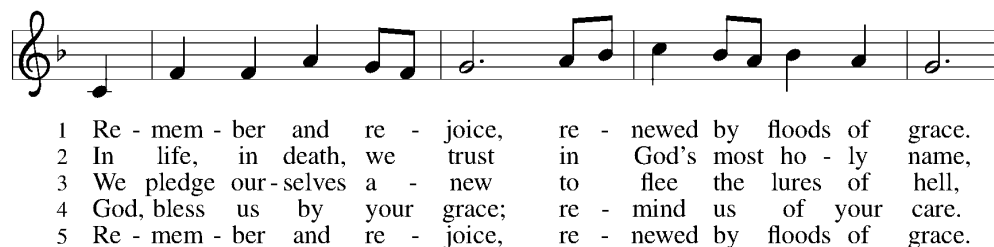
THE HOMILY

Pastor Dave

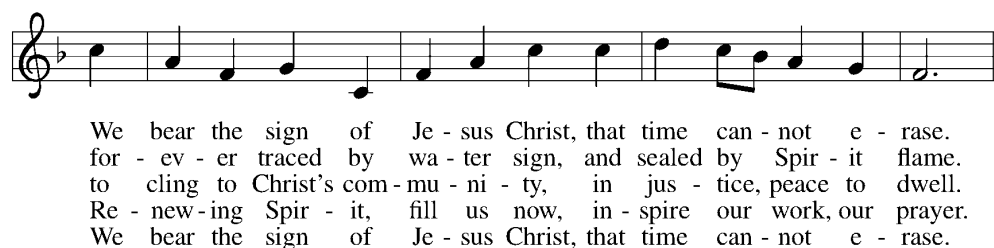
HYMN OF THE DAY

Remember and Rejoice

ELW 454



1 Re - mem - ber and re - joice, re - newed by floods of grace.
2 In life, in death, we trust in God's most ho - ly name,
3 We pledge our - selves a - new to flee the lures of hell,
4 God, bless us by your grace; re - mind us of your care.
5 Re - mem - ber and re - joice, re - newed by floods of grace.



We bear the sign of Je - sus Christ, that time can - not e - rase.
for - ev - er traced by wa - ter sign, and sealed by Spir - it flame.
to cling to Christ's com - mu - ni - ty, in jus - tice, peace to dwell.
Re - new - ing Spir - it, fill us now, in - spire our work, our prayer.
We bear the sign of Je - sus Christ, that time can - not e - rase.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH (Congregation Responds ...Your mercy is great.)

SHARING OF THE PEACE

THE OFFERING

We thank you for your generosity and support! We are blessed to return thanks to God through our offerings to support the work of the Church in the world. Ushers will bring the plates to those worshipping in person this day. For those worshipping online you may give electronically or by way of US Mail. Your gifts enable our day to day operational budget, our missions, and the care of those in need.

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM

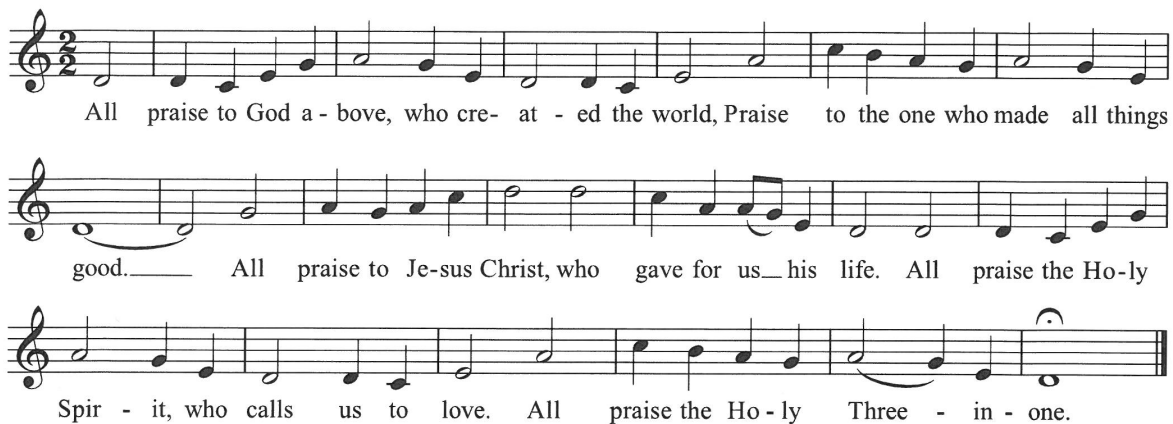
"Kum Ba Yah"

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

The Doxology

Text: Rob Passow

Tune: WONDROUS LOVE



All praise to God a - bove, who cre - at - ed the world, Praise to the one who made all things
good. All praise to Je - sus Christ, who gave for us his life. All praise the Ho - ly
Spir - it, who calls us to love. All praise the Ho - ly Three - in - one.

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

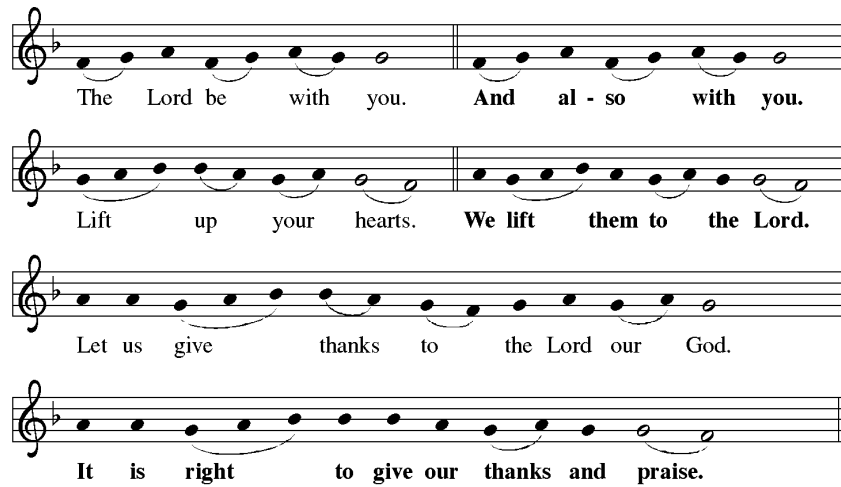
As we prepare to come to the table of grace, we remember that all of us have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. We stand in need of grace. So, we pray that God will forgive us, turn us from our sin, and grant us new life to grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.** Let us confess together. Gracious God,

have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may follow and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Let us celebrate the victory of our Lord and join in the Great Thanksgiving to Him...

▪ SERVICE OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST ▪

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right and salutary...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

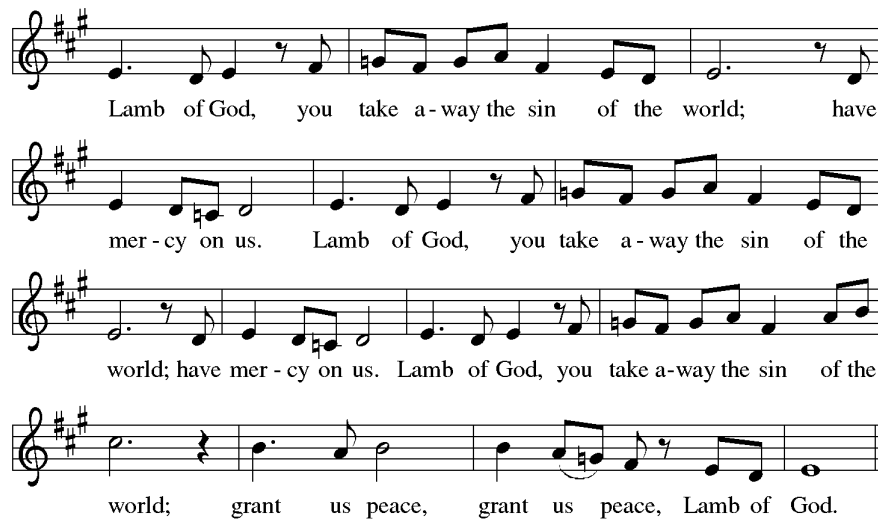
THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

About Communion— At the Lord's Table we share in the gift of Jesus' body and blood. Please bring an empty glass from the head of the aisle to receive wine from a pouring cup. Grape juice is available in the pre-filled glasses near the empty ones. If you need a gluten-free option for bread, please indicate that to the person with bread. Peel away communion kits are also available for any who so desire. Blessings will be given to those not yet communing.

THE AGNUS DEI



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

COMMUNION HYMN

Jesus Still Lead On

ELW 624



1 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; and, al-though the
2 If the way be drear, if the foe be near, let no faith - less
3 When we seek re - lief from a long - felt grief, when temp - ta - tions
4 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; heav'n - ly lead - er,
way be cheer - less, we will fol - low, calm and fear - less;
fears o'er-take us, let not faith and hope for - sake us;
come al - lur - ing make us pa - tient and en - dur - ing;
still di - rect us, still sup - port, con - sole, pro - tect us,
guide us by your hand to the prom - ised land.
safe - ly past the foe to our home we go.
show us that bright shore where we weep no more.
till we safe - ly stand in the prom - ised land.

Text: Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700–1760; tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1813–1897, alt.
Music: SEELENBRÄUTIGAM, Adam Drese, 1620–1701

COMMUNION MUSIC "Let us Break Bread Together" Scarlatti: Keyboard Sonata in D Minor, K. 9

BLESSING AND BENEDICTION



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
 2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
 3 Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged—take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge—take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; oh, what need - less pain we bear—
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - row share?
 Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
 Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness—take it to the Lord in prayer.
 In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so - lace there.

Text: Joseph Scriven, 1820–1886
 Music: CONVERSE, Charles C. Converse, 1832–1918

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share your bread.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Fugue in C Minor, BWV 582

JOIN US FOR A

Party with a Purpose

AN EVENING WITH LIVE MUSIC AND DANCING TO
BENEFIT THE ANNAPOLIS LIGHT HOUSE

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7-10 PM

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1120 SPAROAD, ANNAPOLIS

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Light appetizers and wine/beer/soft drinks included

Cocktail attire suggested

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St. Martin's Lutheran School Invites you
to the Annual

Bulldog
 Bash

Saturday Feb 24th 6-10PM

Please join us for fun and fellowship with our adult only school and church community. Enjoy delicious Mexican food, margaritas, wine and beer while partaking in exciting silent and live auctions of GREAT items. This year's theme is Around the World!

This is an annual event so whether this is a recurring event or your first time, we look forward to welcoming you and enjoying the evening together. Please visit our website at stmartinsonline.org or use the QR code to purchase your tickets!

We're inviting sponsorships that will directly benefit the school. Please visit the website for details or kindly see Amy Stensland in the narthex after each church service or contact her at amyestensland@gmail.com.



Serving in Worship Today	
Preacher & Celebrant	Pastor Dave Oravec
Director of Music Ministry	Junghoon Park
Media Technician	Sara Wetz
Assisting Minister	Mel Tuckfield
Communion Assistants	Judy Houston
	Bob Drumm
Lector	Kim Rosekrans
Ushers	Glenn & Martha Hollenbeck
	John Knupp
Communion Cleanup	Molly Michaelson
	Cathy & Dick Jones
	Alan Bitonti

Opportunities This Week

Monday, February 19, 2024
**Presidents Day*- Church Office Closed*

Wednesday, February 21, 2024
7:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast (Double T)
7:00 pm Lenten Service (Sanctuary)

Thursday, February 22, 2024
11:30 am Mid-day Bible Study (Double T)

Sunday, February 25, 2024
8:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)
10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)
3:00 pm Concert - Junghoon Park & Ayanna Freelon (Sanctuary)

Today we install our 2024 Church Council and also our Call Committee:

Council members: Molly Michaelson (president), Rosa Ruhf (vice president), Sara Wetz (secretary), Chris Converse, Steve Raabe, Dona Rudderow Sturn, Mark Sindt, Jack Shenk, Michael Walsh, Dave Mattingley (treasurer), Eva Coale (financial secretary)

Call Committee members: Kim Rosekrans, Mel Tuckfield, Jessica Roberts, Kelly Shenk, Tori Johnson, Grant Searfoss

We give thanks to God for all of these faithful servants and pray for them in their ministry among us!



We will worship this Wednesday at 7 pm in the sanctuary. Our Lenten theme will focus on the disciplines of faith wherein we are grounded in God's love!

OUR NEW CHURCH APP IS HERE!

Download Today!

KEY FEATURES

- Recorded Worship
- Prayer Wall
- Upcoming Events
- The Bible, Pictures and so much more.....

On Sunday, February 25th at 3 PM, our very own Director of Music Ministry, Junghoon Park and Ayanna Freelon, Soprano, will be presenting a spiritual and song concert here at St. Martin's

- All are welcome!

The Thursday Morning Ladies Bible Study group has taken the challenge to help our neighbors at the Lighthouse Shelter, after storms last month damaged and closed the shelter.

Partnering with Thrivent, we have set up a fund to help restore this facility and its services. Today I invite you to join us. As you are able, please send your contribution to St. Martin's and label it for the **Lighthouse Shelter Crisis Repair Fund**.

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