

◆ THE MISSION ◆

ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS

JUNE, 2004

"The Purpose of St. Martin-in-the-Fields Episcopal Church is to help people be transformed, gifted, called, equipped and sent into ministry by Christ in the context of a caring community of celebration."

From Mother Marilyn

Dear Friends,

Summer is upon us! Grass is growing (and we are so grateful to all who are mowing it at St. Martin), flowers are blooming, and trees are providing shade again. When my children were young, summer also meant a complete change from winter schedules and activities. Now there wasn't much schedule – it was time for swimming and playing and fun. Summer still means change for most of us, St. Martin included. We are moving to one 9:30 service beginning with Pentecost (May 30) and ending with Rally Sunday and Ministries Fair on September 12.

This is a great opportunity to meet people who usually attend the other service, and perhaps more important, an opportunity to grow together toward the goals the Vestry and I believe God is putting on our hearts.

One of the tasks the Bishop has given us is to set one or two goals for the time period while I am your priest-in-charge. This will help us focus on things that will draw us together and also help us move forward. In our May meetings, the Vestry prayed about and spent time together discerning what these goals should be. While we believe our purpose statement should remain the same, all of us felt, in one way or another, that what is most important right now is to strengthen our community. The specific "attainable" and "measurable" aspects of this are still in discussion, and every Vestry member and I would love to hear your ideas before our June 1st meeting.

Three areas we agreed could help strengthen us were fellowship events, spiritual growth activities, and varieties of small groups available to everyone.

We are especially aware of the need to do a better job of integrating newcomers as well.

Church community is in many ways like an extended family – loving and caring for one another, sharing joys and sorrows. It is also a place of communion, participating together in our faith and worship, finding holy space together. Church is koinonia – fellowship – being together and doing things together. All of these areas are places of opportunity for strengthening.

When something disrupts community, as we have experienced this year, it takes time to heal and time to know where God is leading us now. It takes time to know who we are now. It takes time and conversation and prayer. With the goal of strengthening our community, we can begin to find the answers to some of these concerns, and I hope, each of us can begin to know what God is calling us to do as part of those answers, whether it be to mow the lawn, make a pot of coffee, join the choir, teach Sunday school, make a phone call, say a prayer, give a hug, pull a weed, commit to an hour of study a week. And so much more I'm sure you can think of!

This is only a beginning – you'll be hearing much more about this as the year goes on, so that we can all be part of the planning and participating. Most of all, we are grateful to God for God's faithfulness to us, for God's grace, for God's presence among us.

May God bless you this summer and draw you ever closer to his heart.

In Christ's love,

Mother Marilyn+

Vestry Meeting Highlights

Tuesday, May 4, 2004

Members in attendance: Mike Blaser, Kathy Christy, Alan Engels, Missi Kern, Cynthia Obermeyer, Jane Owens, Bruce Raymond, Georgia Reissig, Sue Richardson, Bryan Schallanberger, Marilyn Schneider. Guest: Lee Christy.

Sue Richardson presented a devotional by Frederick and Mary Ann Brussat entitled "Resurrection as a Spiritual Practice." Mother Marilyn then opened the meeting with a brief prayer. The minutes of the April 6, 2004 meeting were affirmed as previously approved by email.

Mike presented the financial statements for the April 2004 with comparisons to the previous year. There was discussion about how to handle the Justin Gentry Memorial Fund. Mike and Georgia will look into this and report back at the next meeting.

After an extensive discussion of the advantages and disadvantages of moving to a single summer service, the Vestry agreed to a change in schedule for the period beginning on Pentecost (May 30th) through Labor Day Weekend (September 5). The single service will begin at 9:30 AM.

Bruce presented a flowchart that explained the consensus process. The Vestry then spent time in discussion of the Vestry policies and procedures that were suggested at the Vestry Retreat in early March.

Jane announced that 64 shirts were sold, for a net profit of about \$207.

Bruce, Mike, Marilyn and Alan will review the legal aspects of the Diocesan contract required for Marilyn's appointment as priest-in-charge. Two goals are required to be included in the contract. The Vestry must select these goals for the Parish to accomplish. By May 11th, Bruce will locate and publish to the Vestry the list of goals created by the Search Committee. Also by May 11th, each Vestry member will post to the Vestry email list two ideas for goals. Bruce will compile the list for discussion at a special work session to be held on Tuesday, May 18th at 6:30 PM.

Marilyn announced that Dawn Koltiska has (again) donated money to purchase a picnic table for the outdoor shelter. A table and a matching trash container have been ordered.

The meeting adjourned with a prayer at 9:20 PM. A work session will be held on Tuesday, May 18th at 6:30 PM. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, June 1st at 7 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jane Owens, Clerk

*Many thanks to the Koltiska family for donating the picnic table
and matching wooden trash receptacle to be placed under
the shelter by the playground.*



Beginning Sunday, May 30, 2004
 One Holy Eucharist service at 9:30 AM
 This schedule will continue through
 September 12, 2004

OUR PASTOR
will be away
from: June 6
to: June 20




**A Ride-on Lawn Mower
 Has been purchased for St. Martin.**

**Contributions are welcome to help
 Defray the cost. The Vestry has led by
 generously providing partial payment.
 Won't you help?**

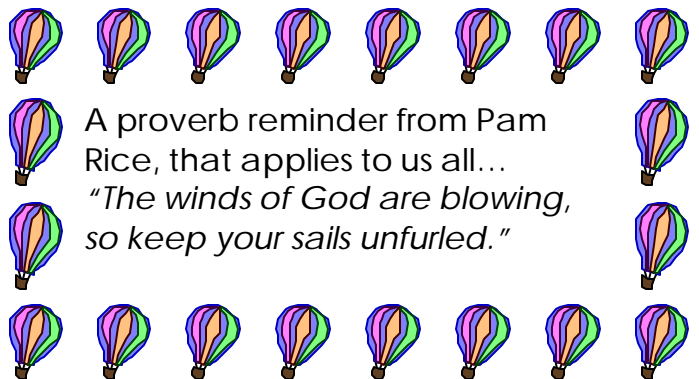
**Also — Volunteers are needed to help when
 mowing is scheduled & other Campus work.
 See or call Alan Engels to find
 out how you can help! !**



Youth Ministry "HELP!" Meeting

It is time to take a look at the coming year. We need your input into the future of Youth Ministry at St. Martin. Please plan to attend the "HELP!" meeting on Sunday June 13th, immediately following the service. This meeting will be the first to determine if we have a Youth Ministry for 6th - 12th grade up and running in the fall.

This meeting is for all youth, parents, and other interested parish members. If you are interested in taking an active role as a leader, musician, behind the scenes "go fer", this is the meeting to attend. If you are interested, but can't attend (or have questions), please contact Bruce or Michelle Raymond at 303-363-7531 or bmasns@fidele.net.

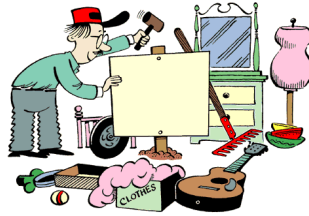


A proverb reminder from Pam Rice, that applies to us all...
*"The winds of God are blowing,
 so keep your sails unfurled."*

Please Note—New Address
 And Phone number

Fred & Martha Libby
 303-695-5603
 2589 S. Eagle Cir.
 Aurora, CO 80014

**4th ANNUAL
ST. MARTIN
YARD SALE !**



When: Saturday, June 12 *
Time: 9 AM to 3 PM
Where: St. Martin Lawn area

* Rain date: Saturday, June 19

Who can participate? Anyone who attends St. Martin can set up a seller table — all we ask is that you donate 10% of your gross sales to St. Martin. Items will be accepted starting Friday evening, June 11th, or after 8:00 Saturday morning.

How to participate? In the Narthex is a sign-up sheet with additional information for sellers. Tables and chairs will be provided. For you buyers, just come and find those bargains you cannot do without!! ? ? ? If you are unable to work the sale, but have goods to donate, or if you don't have anything to sell, but would like to help with the sale, or you have a truck available to pick up donated items, please call the yard sale coordinators: Georgia Reissig at 303-690-0390, or Randy Hoidahl at 303-690-7376.

Who Benefits?

- You — because you dispose of unwanted or space-taking items
- The buyer — by getting items at reduced prices
- Credit towards payment of the ride-on lawn mower & other grounds' needs
- The children of St. Martin, who benefit because the proceeds go to the Danny Shewey Memorial Youth Scholarship Fund (which provides camp scholarships to our St. Martin children and youth).

Why Confirmation Camp!?

Learn and Experience Jesus!
 Know why you believe what you believe!
 Understand our Anglican Heritage!
 Apply your Faith to your Everyday Life!

When: July 4—10, 2004
 Where: Camp I lium
 Cost: \$245 for the whole week!

Includes the Tower Climb & Fireworks in the BOOM town of Telluride!!
 Fulfills the requirements for Confirmation in your parish.

Contact Camp Office: psalm103@fone.net for Registration Forms. Questions? Ask Fr. Stace Tafoya at 303-321-0813 or stacetafoya@yahoo.com



Come to Narnia!

Camp I lium will once again be transformed into Narnia this summer for campers entering 2nd, 3rd, or 4th grade!

This year the adventure will be from The Silver Chair, a C.S. Lewis Christian children's book from his Chronicles of Narnia series.

This story teaches about how to handle the "Giants", "Bullies", temptations and fears in our lives and the importance of obedience and listening to God.

When: August 1—7, 2004
 Where: Camp I lium
 Cost: \$200 for the whole week!

Contact Camp Office: psalm103@fone.net for Registration Forms.

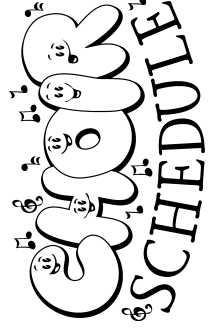


June Ministry Schedule — Single 9:30 am Service

	Torch Bearer	Crucifer	Chalice Minister	Lector	Intercessor	Greeter	Usher
Jun-06-2004 9:30 am	Brandon Kern Sarah Raymond	Dalton London	Jay Johnson Martha Libby	Mary London	Missi Kern	Bill Eldred	Tracy Eldred Bill Eldred
Jun-13-2004 9:30 am	Rachael Obermeyer Jordan Cunningham	Jordan Hendrickson Michael Shepard	Milt Cowan Jeff Caruso	Missi Kern	Jo Cunningham	Randy Hoidahl	John & Jo Cunningham
Jun-20-2004 9:30 am	Natalie Graeber Caitlin Shepard	Michael Shepard	Bryan Shallenberger Mike Shallenberger	Bruce Raymond	Randy Hoidahl	Jo Cunningham	Alyssa Shallenberger Ann Shallenberger
Jun-27-2004 9:30 am	Dalton London Cody Wynecott	Kim London	Mary London Pam Rice	Martha Libby	Chuck Tice	Jay Johnson	Milt Cowan Tom Keables
Jul-04-2004 9:30 am	Tyler Eldred Becca Richardson	Nate Raymond	Marilyn Macdonald Tom Rothgeb	Marilyn Macdonald	Sharon Hoidahl	Bill Eldred	Kira Gilbert Sue Gilbert

	Altar Guild	Flowers	CCRV	LEM	M&Ms	Teller
Jun-06-2004	Cynthia Obermeyer Be Martin	Sharon Hoidahl	Tom Keables	Jay Johnson	Jo Cunningham	Michelle Raymond Sue Richardson
Jun-13-2004	Patty Juhl Ann Shallenberger	Cindy Johnson	Marilyn Macdonald	Tom Keables	Joni Graeber	Sue Richardson Cynthia Obermeyer
Jun-20-2004	Judy Tice Susan Shepard	Judy Tice	Mary Louise Gradwohl	Marilyn Macdonald	Randy Hoidahl	Cynthia Obermeyer Kathy Christy
Jun-27-2004	Beverly Cowen Cindy Johnson	Cindy Johnson	Jay Johnson	Mary Louise Gradwohl	Jo Cunningham	Kathy Christy Georgia Reissig
Jul-04-2004	Cynthia Obermeyer Ann Shallenberger	Sharon Hoidahl	Tom Keables	Jay Johnson	Joni Graeber	Georgia Reissig Missi Kern

Reminder:
Choir Practice will be at 8:30 a.m.
during the summer months until
9/1/04



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Activities and Events for June, 2004

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June Birthdays

Alan Engels	4
Marilyn Schneider	12
Jay Skinner	19
John Shepard	20
Vincent Graeber	20
Susan Gilbert	21
Pam Rice	24

Mistaken I.D.

An honest man was being tailgated by a stressed-out woman on a busy boulevard. Suddenly, the light turned yellow, just in front of him.

He did the right thing, stopping at the crosswalk, even though he could have beaten the red light by accelerating through the intersection.

The tailgating woman hit the roof, and the horn, screaming in frustration as she missed her chance to get through the intersection with him.

As she was still in mid-rant, she heard a tap on her window and looked up into the face of a very serious police officer. The officer ordered her to exit her car with her hands up. He took her to the police station where she was searched, fingerprinted, photographed, and placed in a cell.

After a couple of hours, a policeman approached the cell and opened the door. She was escorted back to the booking desk where the arresting officer was waiting with her personal effects. He said, "I'm very sorry for this mistake.

You see, I pulled up behind your car while you were blowing your horn, flipping the guy off in front of you, and cussing a blue streak at him.

I noticed the 'Choose Life' license plate holder, the 'What Would Jesus Do' bumper sticker, the 'Follow Me to Sunday School' bumper sticker, and the chrome-plated Christian fish emblem on the trunk. Naturally, I assumed you had stolen the car."

June Anniversaries

Charles & Judy Tice	3
Bill & Marilyn Schneider	8
Rick & Laura Whipp	15
Cal & Vicki Hosman	24



"I can't eat Quaker Oats. I'm a Baptist."
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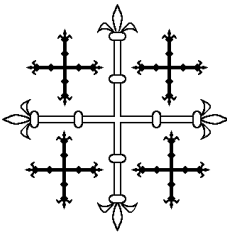
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Bruce Raymond, Sr. Warden
Alan Engels, Jr. Warden
Mike Blaser, Treasurer
Kathy Christy
Missi Kern
Cynthia Obermeyer
Jane Owens
Georgia Reissig
Sue Richardson
Bryan Shallanberger

St. Martin Staff:

Priest-in-Charge,
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8:30 & 10:45 AM
Christian Education
9:45 AM

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