March 7, 2021

MARTIN LUTHER CHAPEL

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If only there were evil people somewhere, insidiously committing evil deeds,

and it were necessary only to separate them from the rest of us and destroy them.

But the line dividing good and evil

cuts through the heart of every human being.

And who is willing to destroy a piece of his own heart?"

Alexandr Solzhenitsyn

CHAPEL CHATTER

Christ - Students - Community Coming Together

Sunday Worship Services begin at 10:30 AM and 7 PM
Morning Worship will be live streamed via YouTube

PLEASE SIGN IN With our building being open to the public, we have begun a new sign-in process for our in-person visitors. This is to help our cleaning staff know what's been used, as well as for contact tracing, if need be. Please sign in at the prayer desk if you stop in.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Please call or email our office if you'd like to purchase a $35 floral arrangement in memory of or in honor of a loved one.

EASTER IS COMING - MAKE A PLAN TO WORSHIP



Join us on Easter, April 4, 2021, to celebrate our Risen Lord, Jesus Christ. There will be three worship services, and as always, we will livestream our 10:30 AM service via YouTube for everyone at home.

8:00 AM Worship: This service will be outdoors on the lawn, weather permitting. There will be portions of the service to sing together. Masks and social distancing will be required. Chairs and space under awnings will be available, but feel free to bring your own.

10:30 AM Worship: This service will be held in the sanctuary and livestreamed via YouTube. Portions of this service will be prerecorded, and there will be silent reflection for hymns in lieu of singing.

7:00 PM Worship: This service will be held in the sanctuary. There will be live instrumental music to listen to, and it will not be recorded. As always, all are welcome!

THE HEARTS OF STEPHEN MINISTRY

"My experience with Stephen Ministry…"
A testimony from a Martin Luther Chapel Stephen Leader:

Stephen Ministry is about expressing God's love to others through nonjudgmental care, knowing with confidence that God provides His cure. Stephen Ministry has helped me make sense of the things that have happened in my life and has allowed me to give back to others as has been so richly given to me. It is an honor to serve in this way and to be invited to accompany a person on the journey they are experiencing.



Krista Haven

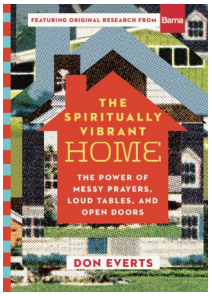
HOLY WEEK AND EASTER MUSIC



Last chance to sign up! Would you like to play an instrumental piece or sing for our Holy Week services? Please write Yatidi at : **Xmasmusicmlc@gmail.com**
Thank you for sharing your musical gifts!.

ST. LUKE COAT DRIVE Martin Luther Chapel is collecting coats for Christ Campus - St. Luke's annual coat drive. Please consider donating new or gently used coats to this great cause. We will have a coat rack set up near the alter beginning March 21st, through March 28th, PRIOR TO PALM SUNDAY WORSHIP. As Jesus returned to Jerusalem, onlookers greeted him by laying their coats down for him. We will have a laying down of donated coats as a part of Palm Sunday Worship. Contact the Chapel Office for more information.

THE SPIRITUALLY VIBRANT HOME *The Power of Messy Prayers, Loud Tables, and Open Doors*
What do spiritually vibrant households look like? And can households armed with that knowledge strive to become more spiritually vibrant?
The Thursday evening Family and Children's ministry Bible study will be working through this book, based on research done by the Barna Group in cooperation with Lutheran Hour Ministries. ***This study will begin this Thursday, March 4th at 8:30 PM, online.***
Because the Biblical idea of a 'household' is much more expansive than simply 'parents and children', people from all sorts of home settings are invited to participate. Books are available from the church office; contact Pastor Curt to get a copy (they are free).
Also, if you are interested in learning more about the research itself, a monograph entitled "Households of Faith" is also available (just ask PC).



This Week at Martin Luther Chapel

SUNDAY— 3/7
8:45 am Staff Prayer
10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)
7:00 pm Worship (Sanctuary)

MONDAY— 3/8
10:45 am Prayers for Ministry
3:15 pm Student Leaders Meeting

TUESDAY— 3/9
7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Training

WEDNESDAY— 3/10
7:00 pm Student-Led Bible Study (Zoom)

THURSDAY— 3/11
7:00 pm 20's and 30's Bible Study (Zoom)
8:30 pm Children and Family Bible Study

SUNDAY— 3/14
8:45 am Staff Prayer
10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)
7:00 pm Worship (Sanctuary)

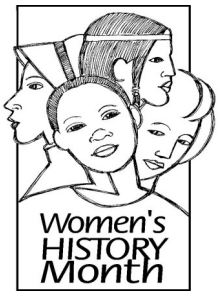


NEW CONFIRMATION CLASS
We are organizing a new Confirmation Class for interested students. Confirmation is a two year process that helps student become familiar with the Bible and basic Christian doctrine. Students in grades 5/6 and up are paired with a mentor who will work with them throughout the confirmation process. Specific plans are still getting worked out, but classes will most likely be online (or a hybrid) for the next few months. If you are interested, contact Dian Silvey or Pastor Curt.



"It's titled 'Call for Volunteers.'"

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH March is Women's History Month! The Library of Congress, National Archives and Records Administration, National Endowment for the Humanities, National Gallery of Art, National Park Service, Smithsonian Institution and United States Holocaust Memorial Museum join in commemorating and encouraging the study, observance and celebration of the vital role of women in American history. For more information, visit: **https://womenshistorymonth.gov/**



And Still, I Rise

You may write me down in history
With your bitter, twisted lies,
You may trod me in the very dirt
But still, like dust, I'll rise.

Does my sassiness upset you?
Why are you beset with gloom?
'Cause I walk like I've got oil wells
Pumping in my living room.
Just like moons and like suns,
With the certainty of tides,
Just like hopes springing high,
Still I'll rise.

Maya Angelou

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Read the rest of this poem at: **https://poets.org/poem/still-i-rise**



SAVE THE DATE

June 13, 2021
7:30 p.m. Eastern

Join the entire English District online for
THY STRONG WORD VIRTUAL GALA
to recognize and support the work of ministries and missions receiving assistance from our district Endowment Fund.