

The Martin & Shelbyville CONNECTION

Newsletter for Martin & Shelbyville UMC

May 19th, 2023 – Volume 3, Number 10

“Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors.”

In Case You are Wondering:

May 7th, 2023
Offering:

Shelbyville UMC:

General Collection: \$915.07
Missions Fund: \$30.00
Food Pantry: \$30.00

Martin UMC:

General Collection: \$1,565.00

Attendance:

Shelbyville UMC:

Worship: 32

Martin UMC:

Worship: 39

May 14th, 2023
Offering:

Shelbyville UMC:

General Collection: \$1,403.94
Golden Cross Sunday: \$90.00

Martin UMC:

General Collection: \$1,208.00
Building Fund: \$10.00
Golden Cross Sunday: \$216.00
Food Pantry: \$350.00

Attendance:

Shelbyville UMC:

Worship: 31

Martin UMC:

Worship: 42

Worship

Martin UMC – 9:30 a.m.
Shelbyville UMC – 11:00 a.m.

The Connection -
Next issue

announcements/articles/
Testimonies are due

May 31st, 2023.

Email to:

martinshelbyvilleumcs@gmail.com

Money Talks

Spring has sprung! Summer is right around the corner. Summer vacations and BBQ's will start happening. I hope that you will still schedule worship into our calendars! We have a lot of good things happening this summer!

In June we will be starting a series that is based on the book *Money Talks* by Roz and Callie Picardo. The first week of this series will be Sunday, June 11, 2023.

In *Money Talks*, Roz and Callie Picardo share their hope that in listening to God speak, He will direct our steps in all areas- from earning and saving to spending and giving. That's why this book was written. Greed, materialism, debt, and consumerism have a hold on so many hearts, and we want to see people set free to worship God alone. It's nearly impossible to avoid the use of money in our culture, but it is possible to seek God first in all areas of our life and put money in its proper place: simply a tool used to give God the glory.

We are all aware that money talks...I am hoping that this sermon series will help us hear God better...because God speaks louder than money if we are listening. So often we get caught up in chasing money.

Sometimes we think that money and “stuff” is the most important thing. Money will never fill the void in our hearts that God can fill. Wanting, getting, buying more stuff is like a disease...What if we can cure that by putting God first? What if there is a way to make the handling of money more of an opportunity to worship and give God glory?

I think that this book and this sermon series will be a way for us to put God's voice first. If you are interested in ordering the book I found it on Amazon.

Blessings, Pastor Maggie

Office Hours:

Closed Monday, Tuesday thru Friday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Did you know that you can give thru our website? Go to martinumc.org or shelbyvilleumc.org for more information.

Knit, Pray & Crochet

Thursday, June 1st & June 15th at 10:00 a.m.

Join us for fellowship, and to knit, crochet, & pray.

Want to learn? Come and learn how to make a prayer shawl or lap blanket.

Jacob Wheeler is Graduating!

**Please join us at Jacob
Wheeler's Graduation Open
House**

**Saturday, June 10th at 2:00 p.m.
At our Home - 187 13th Street,
Plainwell**

Food Pantry Month of May Canned Goods

Ladies Fellowship

**Would you like to host ladies
fellowship in June? Please
contact Jessica Cole**

Prayer Concerns:

Email martinshelbyvilleumcs@gmail.com
to update or to add!

Updated May 17, 2023

- Raina Oldebeken - Cancer
- Molly Mentzer - Cancer
- Jeff Oldebeken - Health
- Online Ministry
- Those battling active addiction and those in recovery.
- Youth Ministries
- Victims of gun violence & their families
- Kenny Martin - Cancer Diagnosis
- Helene Todd - Cancer Diagnosis
- Tracy Buskirk - Health
- Darren Mulder - Health
- Emma - Leukemia
- Deb Rambadt - Health
- Chip Brenner - Health
- Raymond Brenner - Health
- Delores Hall - Heart issues
- Ronda Kelly - Recovering/Rehab for broken leg.
- Tim Hayes - Health
- Ronada (Anita's sister) - health
- Justin Buskirk - Leukemia Diagnosis
- Dina Goodrich - health
- Tim Hoyle - Knee Surgery
- The Family of Joe McWilliams - Joe passed away on May 3, 2023
- Family of Jean Gill - Jean passed away on April 22, 2023
- Courtney Griffin - Back surgery, May 10
- Nancy Nicolai - Receiving a pace maker
- Don Darrow - health
- The Family of Rich Risner - Rich passed away on May 12, 2023
- The Family of Gary Melvin - Gary passed away on May 7, 2023
- Liz Harris - health
- The Family of Mark Elkins - Mark passed away on May 11, 2023
- Doris Brown - recovering from knee surgery
- Courtney - recovering from surgery
- Heather & Jason Arnsmann - welcomed new baby Owen
- Jeff Anderson - procedure
- The Family of Eddie Straub - Eddie passed away on May 12, 2023

Martin Community MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Monday, May 29
- DOWNTOWN MARTIN -

Line up at High School 9:30am

*Parade begins
at 10:00am*

Bike decorating contest!

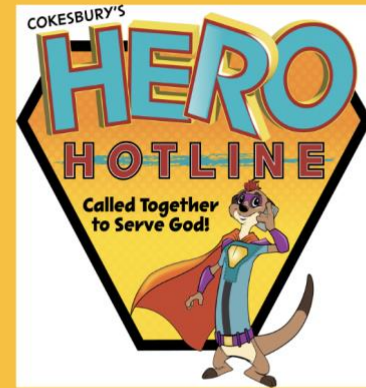
*Ceremony will
follow the parade
at Geib Memorial Park.*

Participants wanted

Call for more info 672-7777



SAVE THE DATE!



**Martin United Methodist
Church**

**Vacation Bible School
July 31 - August 4, 2023
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

Important Dates

Food Pantry Items for May – Canned Goods

- May 21st – Graduation Sunday
- May 28th – Pentecost Sunday
- June 1st - Knit, Pray & Crochet – Martin 10:00 a.m.
- June 1st - June 4th – Pastor Maggie will be at Annual Conference
- June 7th & June 14th – Membership class at 7:00 p.m. MUMC
- June 11th – Youth Group Grades 6-12 @ Martin 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
- June 15th - - Knit, Pray & Crochet – Martin 10:00 a.m.
- June 17th – Community Breakfast Martin Fellowship Hall 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
- July 31st – Aug 4th - VBS – Martin

CEREAL DRIVE

May 1st, 2023, kicks off the 8th Annual Cereal Drive of the Allegan County Food Pantry Collaborative (ACFPC), a program of the Allegan County Community Foundation. Many local businesses, churches and schools help to collect cereal for the month of May to ensure our students and families in need have resources throughout the summer months. Because hunger doesn't take a summer vacation....

Food
Pantry
Collaborative

DONATE CEREAL HERE
MAY 1 - 31

Because hunger doesn't take a summer vacation!
Donate online at www.alleganfoundation.org or scan the QR code
or text CEREAL to 44-321 or mail a donation to:
ACFC 112 Locust Street, Allegan MI 49010

We can maximize your dollars through bulk purchasing!



Martin Area:

**Clipper Cafe
JC Wheeler Library
Lil Clipper Daycare
Martin Reformed Church
Martin Shelbyville UMC Pantry
Martin UMC**

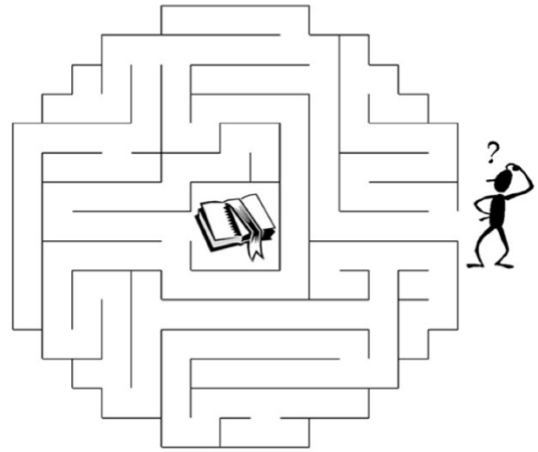
Martin & Shelbyville UMC Youth Group

UPCOMING DATES:
No Youth Group in May!
See you all in June!

6:00 P.M.
AT MARTIN
UMC

Liturgists Needed!

Maze



Many Parts, One Body

Find the word in the puzzle.
Words can go in any direction.
Words can share letters as they cross over each other.

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- Baptism
- Body
- Brain
- Ears
- Eyes
- Feet
- Hands
- Head
- Knees
- Nose
- Spirit
- Toes

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

MARTIN United Methodist Church

June 17, 2023

8:00 A.M. TO 10:00 A.M.

ALL DONATIONS TO MARTIN/SHELBYVILLE UMC FOOD PANTRY

969 E. ALLEGAN STREET, MARTIN, MI, 49070

WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU!!

