

## Social or Group Opportunities

### Loss Support

fourth Wednesday of each month  
1:30 - 3:00PM

### Wisdom Conversation: A Study in Spirituality

fourth Thursday of each month  
1:00-2:30 PM

### Community Café

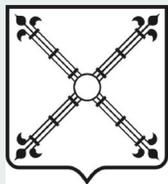
first Thursday fall & spring months  
1:00-3:00 PM

### Women 's Book/Bible Study

Friday mornings  
10:00 - 11:00 AM

### Men 's Book/Bible Study

2nd & 4th Tuesdays  
7:00 - 8:00 PM



**The Rev. Catherine Boyd,  
Rector**

**The Rev. Lisa Green,  
Associate Rector**

**Martha Caruso,  
Pastoral Care Coordinator**

Please contact Martha Caruso if you would like more information about this ministry, or if you're interested in becoming a volunteer.

**St. Martin's  
Episcopal Church  
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Emergency Pastoral Care phone:  
757-784-8881

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## Pastoral Care St. Martin's Episcopal Church



### THE MISSION OF ST. MARTIN'S

We are called to be disciples of Jesus Christ, ministering to all, thereby proclaiming God's love. We strive, both individually and together, to experience a deeper relationship with God, and, in changing times, to extend Christ's unchanging ministry to one another, our community, our nation and the world.

## Pastoral Care at St. Martin's

As a faith family we strive to support each other through times of joy and sorrow, sickness and health, youth and aging. How do we do this?

### Celebrating the sacraments

Both in church or in a person's home if they are unable to attend due to illness or disability.

### Praying together in thanksgiving or supplication

During our service in the prayers of the people, or in the hospital, home, or off-site facilities

### Sharing important information about community resources

By telephone, on our web page, in person, such as economic help, or continuing care options

### Support through end of life planning

Referrals and celebration planning, as well as visitation and communion during illness

### Social involvement opportunities

Loss support group, Community Café, Wisdom Conversations group, Bible and book studies, etc.

## Hospital Visits

When parishioners are sick and/or hospitalized, Pastoral Care at St. Martin's, **once informed**, will be happy to make provisions for a scheduled visit. You may request a pre-surgery visit, time spent with family during surgery, and/or a post surgery visit. In case of an extended stay, a member of the pastoral care team is available to bring communion or simply be a spiritual presence. To receive a visit, contact the office or clergy directly; do not presume that others will notify us for you.

## Prayer Lists

The parish prayer list is updated weekly and includes a section for both parishioners and friends and loved ones of parishioners. To include a name please call the office or email [office@stmartinswmbg.org](mailto:office@stmartinswmbg.org). Yellow prayer request cards can be found in the pews. If you would like to receive confidential prayers, contact Martha Caruso or the clergy directly.

## Home Visits

The pastoral care team is trained and licensed as Eucharistic Visitors and would be happy to bring the sacrament of Holy Communion to those who are homebound or in residential facilities. Please call or email your request.

## Other Prayerful Supports:

Reconciliation of a Penitent, House Blessing, Thanksgiving for the birth of a child, and pastoral counseling are also available upon request.

## How to Request Support:

Any parishioner may call at any time day or night, seven days a week, in the event of a pastoral crisis such as a death in the family, serious illness, serious accident, or other pastoral emergencies. (757) 784-8881.

If possible, a priest should be called whenever a person is near death in order to administer Anointing and pray with the family, if so desired. Please call the pastoral care coordinator, or the office (757)229-1111 ext. 115

- When someone is ill or hospitalized
- When someone is experiencing distress and needs pastoral care.
- When someone wants to discuss spiritual or theological matters.
- When someone wishes to talk to gain spiritual comfort

**Any parishioner may call the church office in order to set up an appointment for a non-crisis visitation.**