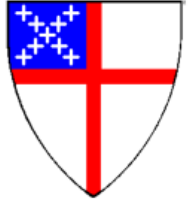




The Cloak #
Love God, Love Your Neighbor.
Change the World.



November 2025

Greetings,

Our Autumn schedule has been busy so far. At Second Table in September, we had a brief discussion about politics and religion, Ann Chambers spoke to us about how she selects hymns for worship, and Deacon Mark Kowalski talked about the diaconate.

A Confirmation/Enquirers' Class was held on Tuesday evenings in September. We shared our faith stories and learned a lot about the Bible, the Book of Common Prayer, and the Episcopal Church.

Sadly, in October we said good-bye to our cherished friend, Juanita Thomas. Juanita had been a valued member of the choir and Vestry. She sings with the angels now.

During the joys and sorrows of worshipping together we continued to pray for each other, the church, and the world.

Through it all, we remain blessed, but we know that God has more for us to accomplish. We are entrusted with time, talent, and treasure to do the work we have been given to do. We model Jesus' ministry to the world with our ministries to the community when we use our talents for God's work. Please prayerfully consider how best to help the church. Keep our South Omaha community and all our immigrant neighbors in your prayers.

On **November 2nd**, we'll celebrate All Saints' Day, when we remember before God the faithful departed members of our church, family, and friends. Please provide the names of the faithful departed that you wish us to pray for—and bring their pictures for the All-Saints' shrine.

Love God, love your neighbor, change the world,

Mother Kim

Prayer Requests * Prayer Chain

The Prayer List will be sent electronically weekly, along with an electronic copy of the bulletin and weekly notices. If you have new names to add, please notify Deacon Mark Kowalski at kowalskimjk@gmail.com or Mtr. Kim Roberts at bkeroberts@msn.com, or call the church phone at 402-733-8815. On Sundays, if you have someone for the Prayers of the People, please let Deacon Mark know before the service begins.

St. Mart's News and Announcements



All are welcome. All worshipping at St. Martin of Tours who seek God and are drawn to Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion at God's table. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please fold your arms across your chest.

The **Vestry** of St. Martin of Tours will meet on **Sunday, November 23rd following** Second Table.



Please know that Mother Kim or Deacon Mark will never text or email you asking for “a favor” or “gift cards”! These are scammers posing as church leaders, and unfortunately, they are very common. If you receive a text, block the number. If it's an email, please report it as a scam You can usually spot it by checking the phone number or the full email address. If you are ever in doubt, please contact Mtr. Kim.



STEWARDSHIP: Our 2026 Stewardship Drive began on **October 5th and will wrap up on November 2nd**. Pledging is the indispensable foundation of the annual Church operations, as pledges represent about 80% of church income. Any pledge—big or small—helps us plan for the coming year. Your pledge is essential to ensure that St. Martin's continues to thrive and to serve our community in South Omaha. Please prayerfully consider making a pledge or increasing your pledge over last year's.



DIA DE LOS MUERTOS—ALL SAINTS DAY: This year, All Saints Day falls on **Saturday, November 1st**. The church will be open from **9:30 am-12 noon** for anyone wishing to stop in to pray. During the celebration of All Souls'/All Saints Day on **Sunday, November 2nd** we will remember the faithful departed.

If you wish to have someone remembered, please **fill out the available form**. Please include the first name (last name optional) of the person. Be sure it is legible.

All Saints' Day will be observed on **Sunday, November 2nd**. **Please bring your pictures for the shrine (ofrenda) by November 1st**.



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Remember to “Fall Back” on **Sunday, November 2nd**.

We'll finally get that hour of sleep back that we lost in the spring.



EVENING PRAYER---ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

Tuesday November 11th is the day of our Patronal Feast—a day to honor St. Martin of Tours. A special Evensong will be held at **6:30 pm**. The story of a soldier who converted to Christianity and became a conscientious objector is an inspiring and dramatic tale. May St. Martin continue to inspire us.

ALTAR GUILD MEETING

There will be a short Altar Guild annual meeting on **Sunday, November 16th** following Second Table. The Altar Guild works quietly and efficiently behind the scenes. They make our worship shine with beauty and meaning. A photo for our web page will be taken—so fix your hair.



THE FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

The Feast of Christ the King emphasizes the true kingship of our Lord Jesus Christ. The observance falls on **Sunday, November 23rd** this year. The feast day was first observed after the upheavals of World War I and marks the end of the liturgical year.



ADVENT

Advent is a season observed as a time of waiting and preparation for both the celebration of Jesus' birth at Christmas and the return of Christ at the Second Coming. It begins on the fourth Sunday before Christmas. Advent is the beginning of the liturgical year. This year Advent begins on **Sunday,**

November 30th.

History Cabinet

The Advent/Christmas cabinet theme is “**All about Angels**”. Judy, Jimmy, and Jen are seeking help with collecting angels for the display. Please bring an angel—no bigger than 12 inches—to share. Include your name with it so they can be returned to the rightful owners.

Thank you

St. Martin of Tours church has had a busy and productive year so far—thanks to all of you. We continue to provide the Episcopal presence in South Omaha. But of course, we can always do more. Please consider inviting a friend to worship with us. Please prayerfully consider your pledge to St. Martins and what it means to do God's work in this community. Most especially, thank you for your faithful witness.

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