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| March 15th, 2020 | | |
| Martini Lutheran Church  333 East Moeller Road  New Haven, IN 46774 | Office Phone: (260) 749-0014  E-mail: martinichurchoffice@gmail.com  Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00 am- Noon |

**Happy Birthday:**   **Praye****r Families:**

*Jackson Barger – March 18 G. Johnson Family*

*Patryk Johnson – March 18 S. Johnson Family*

*Cassandra Scheid – March 19 Koskee Family*

*Aiden White – March 20*

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*New haven Food Bank: The New Haven food bank is currently in need of additional donations of canned fruit.*

*We are blessed to have Erica Ernest as part of our CLS faculty and are excited to celebrate her 25thanniversary in the teaching ministry! We are celebrating on Thursday, March 19, with an evening concert by Jennie Williamson of Arison records. The concert is a free event and will begin at 6pm in the main gym with a cake reception to follow. Pizza will be served at 5:15 for a quick meal before the concert.  This is going to be a great evening where we can give thanks to God for Mrs. Ernest's service, and both children and adults will be encouraged by Jennie Williamson's music. Please make plans to attend!*

***Central Lutheran School and Preschool Upcoming Events:***

***Fame Festival*** at the Grand Wayne Center on March 14th from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and the 15th from Noon to 5 p.m.

***Family Fun Night*** with NERF inspired games located in BOTH Central Lutheran Gyms. Come out and have some family fun March 21st from 5:00pm-8:00PM

***Central Open House***- March 21st from Noon – 2:00pm

***Preschool Muffins with Moms*** March 23rd and 24th from 7:45-10:00am

***SPRING BREAK*** starts on March 28th and the kids return to school on April 6th

PRAISE BAND: The Elders of Martini are looking into the possibility of starting a praise band. A lot of things would need to be considered before it could happen. However, we would like to know if you or someone you know would have the ability and maybe willing to be part of the band. If you can play drums, play a guitar, a keyboard, be a vocalist, or perhaps know something about operating a sound system, contact Pastor or one of the Elders. The Elders hope this can become a reality. Elders are: Steve Rohlf, Steve Poor and Randy Lafrentz.

**VBS at Martini Lutheran Church** **June 22-26  6:00 - 8:00 pm** The theme for Martini's 2020 Vacation Bible School is "Rainforest Explorers."  Through four Bible stories, we will learn that Jesus leads the way to the treasure of eternal life with Him!  Jesus is the guide who can keep us on the right path throughout our lives and He will never leave us!  During the week, we will share Jesus' love with the children through these Bible stories, along with songs, crafts and games. We need your help to make this happen!  Would you please prayerfully consider being part of our VBS team? We need a Story Teller, Craft Leader, Games Leader, as well as Group Leaders. We are also in need of someone to take over planning and serving the suppers before VBS, if we are to continue to have them. Please let one of us know if you are willing to commit to this important ministry to the families of our community. In Christ, Alyssa Bienz 260-409-8832 and Shelia Berning   260-755-8041

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| *Our Activity for Church* | |
| Last Sunday  March 8th, 2020 | Heritage: 25  Contemporary: 33  Wednesday Night: 53  General: $1520  Plate: $173  Total CLS since 8/4: $7615  CLS: $ 100  We will start ONLY updating the budget numbers on the Last Sunday of every month until further notice:  ***$4298.23*** ***behind*** *the amount needed for the*  *“budget number” as of 02/23/2020* |

**We Remember Those Convalescing at Home or Care Facilities:**

**Mrs. Lois Schaper**, Fort Wayne

**Mrs. Priscilla Rebber**, New Haven

**Mrs. Elvera Bienz**, Decatur

**Jerome and Harriet Fuhrman**, New Haven

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| ***We Pray For Our Military Personnel***  Please remember in your prayers our military personnel – both members of Martini and the family of Martini members:  *Payton Lafrentz*, nephew of Randy and Laverne Lafrentz  *Stan Grodrian,* nephew of Sharon Steinbacher  *August Farmer*, nephew of Randy and Laverne Lafrentz |

**2020 dates to remember:**

Council: April 14th

Voters: April 19th

VBS: June 22nd-26th

Hog Roast: September 26th

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***Stewardship Chat: When money realizes that it is in good hands, it wants to stay and multiply in those hands.***

***Kids Club News***

Martini Kids club is currently sending out 2020 registration forms. We do have a waiting list, if you have any questions or would like your child(ren) to be added to the list, please call Jasmen at 749-0014.