

# ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



DECEMBER 1, 2024  
10:30AM IN THE CHURCH



*Welcoming all in community;  
Joyfully doing God's work  
in the world.*

## ST. MATTHEW'S LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church sits on the traditional homelands of the people of the Council of Three Fires: the Ojibwe, Potawatomi, and Odawa nations. This land was also a place of travel and trade to many other tribes, including the Menominee, Ho-Chunk, and Miami tribes. These Native Peoples were forced off their lands with the Second Treaty of Prairie du Chien in 1829. After a series of land transfers, St. Matthew's acquired its current site within this territory in 1906. Today, Cook County is home to tens of thousands of Native Americans from many tribes. We acknowledge and respect our Indigenous neighbors, as we strive to be good stewards of this Native land.

## HEALTH & SAFETY GUIDELINES

Our Covid protocols have eased, but we continue to be proactive to protect the health and well-being of the entire community, especially the most vulnerable. Therefore, we ask that everyone respect our protocols:

- Vaccines are recommended when gathering with others.
- Masks are optional in the building and at our services. Please respect the choices others make in this regard.
- In our worship spaces
  - Air purifiers continuously clean the air.
  - Before services begin, whenever possible, we open the windows and run fans, to generate movement of the air.
- Medical grade N95 masks are available upon request from our ushers.
- At Communion
  - Before beginning the Eucharistic Prayer, the clergy sanitize their hands.
  - Wine at communion: Communion ministers stand off to the side offering a chalice and a bowl for intinction. We ask you receive the wine either by intinction (dipping the wafer into the wine) using the bowl, by drinking from the chalice, or to forgo the wine. Please do not use the chalice for intinction.
- Please follow any further communion guidelines as given.

## ST. MATTHEW'S NEWS & EVENTS

<i>Sundays</i>	<b>Sunday Forum led by Whayne 9:15 - 10:15am</b> in the Parlor
<i>December 8</i>	<b>Lessons &amp; Carols</b> 10:30am service in Church. Brunch to follow.
<i>December 8</i>	<b>St. Matt's Movie Group</b> 3pm at St. Matt's
<i>December 24</i>	<b><u>Christmas Eve:</u></b> 4:00pm Family Service, Brown Bag Pageant 10:30pm St. Matthew's Choir Prelude of Christmas Music 11:00pm Christmas Eve, Festival Holy Eucharist with Music
<i>December 25</i>	<b><u>Christmas Day</u></b> Said Service of Holy Eucharist, 10:00am

# WELCOME TO ST. MATTHEW'S

Whoever you are and wherever you find yourself in your journey of faith,  
you are welcome at God's table to receive the bread and wine made holy.

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## THE PRELUDE

The King rides in  
Quinn Brann, *organ*

arr. Lani Smith

*The congregation stands as able as a handbell is rung.*

## THE TRISAGION

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im -  
mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us. Ho - ly God,  
Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy  
up - on us. Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,  
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

*Celebrant* People of God: awake!  
The day is coming soon when you shall see God face to face.  
Remember the ways and the works of God.  
God calls you out of darkness to walk in the light of his coming.  
You are God's children.

*People* **Lord, make us one as we walk with Christ today and for ever. Amen.**

## THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

*Celebrant* People of God: be glad!  
Your God delights in you,  
giving you joy for sadness and turning the dark to light.  
Be strong in hope therefore;  
for your God comes to save.  
You are God's children.

*People* **Lord, make us one in the love of Christ  
today and for ever. Amen.**

*One candle on the Advent Wreath is lit.*

Creator God,  
 you call us to repent of our sins:  
 soften our proud and stubborn hearts.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Celebrant Lord Jesus,  
 you declared the forgiveness of God:  
 teach us to forgive one another.  
 Christ, have mercy.

People **Christ, have mercy.**

Celebrant Holy Spirit,  
 you search our hearts and show us the truth:  
 direct us in your way of righteousness.

Lord, have mercy.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

All stand, as able.

**THE OPENING HYMN** *Hymnal 1982 #57* Lo! He comes, with clouds ascending  
 Verses 1, 2 & 4

*Helmsley*

1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for  
 2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in  
 3 Those dear tok - ens of his pas - sion still his  
 4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on

our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand  
 dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at  
 daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less  
 thinc c - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the

saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his  
 nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the  
 ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship -  
 power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine

train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,  
 crs; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,  
 own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.  
 deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.  
 with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

# THE WORD OF GOD

## THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

*People* **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

*The Celebrant may say*

## THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

*Celebrant* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray,

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

*The people sit.*

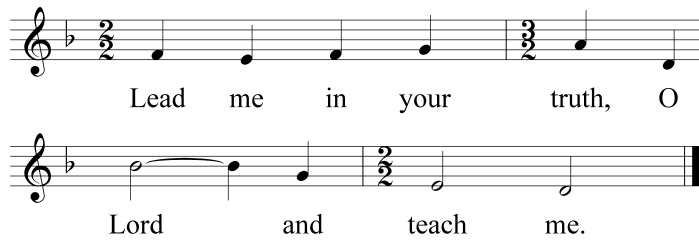
## A READING FROM THE PROPHET JEREMIAH (33:14-16)

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 25:1-9 *Ad te, Domine, levavi* Congregation is welcome to join in on the refrain.



<sup>1</sup> To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;  
my God, I put my trust in you; \*  
let me not be humiliated,  
nor let my enemies triumph over me.

<sup>2</sup> Let none who look to you be put to shame; \*  
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

*Refrain*

<sup>3</sup> Show me your ways, O LORD, \*  
and teach me your paths.

<sup>4</sup> Lead me in your truth and teach me, \*  
for you are the God of my salvation;  
in you have I trusted all the day long.

*Refrain*

<sup>5</sup> Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, \*  
for they are from everlasting.

<sup>6</sup> Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; \*  
remember me according to your love  
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

*Refrain*

<sup>7</sup> Gracious and upright is the LORD; \*  
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

<sup>8</sup> He guides the humble in doing right \*  
and teaches his way to the lowly.

<sup>9</sup> All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness \*  
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

*Refrain*

A READING FROM PAUL'S FIRST LETTER TO THE THESSALONIANS (3:9-13).

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand, as able.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN *Hymnal 1982 #H76* On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry *Winchester New*

Verses 1 - 3

1 On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry an -  
 2 Then cleansed be ev - ery breast from sin; make  
 3 For thou art our sal - va - tion, Lord, our  
 4 To heal the sick stretch out thine hand, and  
 5 All praise, e - ter - nal Son, to thee, whose

1 noun - ces that the Lord is nigh; a - wake and heark - en,  
 2 straight the way for God with - in, and let each heart pre -  
 3 re - fuge, and our great re - ward; with - out thy grace we  
 4 bid the fall - en sin - ner stand; shine forth, and let thy  
 5 ad - vent doth thy peo - ple free; whom with the Fa - ther

1 for he brings glad tid - ings of the King of kings.  
 2 pare a home where such a might - y guest may come.  
 3 waste a - way like flowers that with - er and de - cay.  
 4 light re - store earth's own true love - li - ness once more.  
 5 we a - dore and Ho - ly Spi - rit ev - er - more.

Words: Charles Coffin (1676-1749); tr. Charles Wintfred Douglas (1867-1944), after John Chandler (1806-1876); alt. Music: *Winchester New*, melody from *Musicalishes Hand-Buch*, 1690; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889), alt.

## THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO LUKE (21:25-36).

*People* **Glory to you, O Christ.**

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

The Gospel of our Savior.

*People* **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## THE SERMON

*The Rt. Rev. Wayne Hougland, Jr., Priest in Charge*

## THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.



On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: FORM I

*Leader* With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to God, saying "God, have mercy."  
For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls,  
let us pray to God.

*People* **God, have mercy.**

*Leader* For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, for the ecumenical relationships between the churches in full Communion with the Episcopal Church: the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Church of North India; Church of South India; Church of Pakistan; Church of Bangladesh; the Old Catholic Churches; the Philippine Independent Church; the Mar Thoma Syrian Church of Malabar; and the Moravian Church in America, Northern and Southern Provinces.

*People* **God, have mercy.**

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and for his recovery; Paula, our Bishop; for our own clergy and those at St. Andrew's Pentecost, and for all the clergy and for all the people, let us pray to God.

**God, have mercy.**

For Joseph, our President, for the leaders of the nations, for all in authority, and for those in uniform, risking their lives daily on our behalf, let us pray to God.

**God, have mercy.**

*Leader* For the cities and towns of Evanston, Skokie, and Wilmette, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to God.

*People* **God, have mercy.**

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to God.

**God, have mercy.**

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to God.

**God, have mercy.**

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air, let us pray to God.

**God, have mercy.**

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, especially for Beth, Brad, Ann, Bob, Sue, Becky, Audrey, Ramona, Harriet, Paige, Kate, Benjamin, Cobe, Bob, Ralph, Betty, Jessica, Maeve, Fame, John, Cathy, Donna, Carol, Will, Chuck, and for the Congolese family we've been matched with in partnership with RefugeeOne and for those we name in aloud or in our hearts.

*The leader pauses as the people offer the names of those in need.*

*Leader* For all of these, let us pray to God.

*People* **God, have mercy.**

*Leader* For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to God.

*People* **God, have mercy.**

*Leader* For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, let us pray to God.

*People* **God, have mercy.**

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to God.  
**God, have mercy.**

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to God.

**God, have mercy.**

*Leader* In the communion of Mary, Matthew, and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to our God.

*People* **To you, O God.**

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

*Celebrant* God has promised forgiveness to all who truly repent,  
turn to Christ in faith and are themselves forgiving.

In silence we call to mind our sins.

*The people kneel or stand in silence, contemplating how we have neglected to love God and our neighbors.*

Let us confess our sins.

*People* **Merciful God,  
we have sinned in what we have thought and said,  
in the wrong we have done and in the good we have not done.  
We have sinned in ignorance; we have sinned in weakness;  
we have sinned through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you.  
Forgive us, for our Savior Christ's sake,  
and renew our lives to the glory of your name. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Through the cross of Christ, God have mercy on you, pardon you and set you free.  
Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal.

*People* **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*Presider* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

The ministers and people greet each other in the name of the Lord.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The people stand.

### THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Keep your lamps trimmed and burning* arr. by Lloyd Larson

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning the time is drawing nigh. Children don't grow weary, for the time is drawing nigh. Darker midnight lies before us. the time is drawing nigh. See the Morning Star arising, the time is drawing nigh. Children don't grow weary, for the time is drawing nigh. Now our night will soon be over, the time is drawing nigh. Keep your lamps trimmed and burning the time is drawing nigh.

### THE OFFERTORY HYMN *Hymnal 1982 #H59* Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding

Merton

*Verses 1, 2 & 5*

*Descant*

2 Wak-ened by the sol- emn warn- ing, from earth's bond-age let us rise;  
5 Hon- or, glo- ry, might, and bless- ing to the Fa- ther and the Son,

2 Christ, our sun, all sloth dis- pel- ling, shines up- on the morn- ing skies.  
5 with the ev- er- last- ing Spi- rit while un- end- ing a- ges run.

1 "Cast a- way the works of dark-ness, O ye child- ren of the day."  
2 Christ, our sun, all sloth dis- pel- ling, shines up- on the morn- ing skies.  
3 let us haste, with tears of sor- row, one and all to be for- given;  
4 may he with his mer- cy shield us, and with words of love draw near.  
5 with the ev- er- last- ing Spi- rit while un- end- ing a- ges run.

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in Jesus of everlasting life; that when Jesus shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow - er and might, — hea - ven and earth are full of your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high -  
est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*Celebrant* Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Child, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread; and after giving thanks to you, Jesus broke it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and after giving thanks, Jesus gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People* **Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

*Celebrant* We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with Matthew and all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through our Savior Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.

*Celebrant and People* **AMEN.**

*Celebrant* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

*Celebrant and People* **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the  
world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sins of the world:  
grant us peace.

*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him on your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

**THE COMMUNION ANTHEM** *Lo, how a rose e'er blooming* M. Praetorius / arr. David Wilcocks

Lo, how a rose e'er blooming, From tender stem hath sprung. Of Jesse's lineage coming, As men of old have sung; It came, a flow'ret bright, Amid the cold of winter, When half spent was the night. Isaiah 'twas foretold it, The Rose I have in mind, With Mary we behold it, The virgin mother kind; To show God's love aright, She bore to men a Savior, When half spent was the night. O Flower, whose fragrance tender With sweetness fills the air, Dispel with glorious splendour The darkness everywhere; True man, yet very God, From Sin and death now save us, And share our every load.

Let us Pray

**Eternal God, heavenly Creator, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**THE BLESSING**

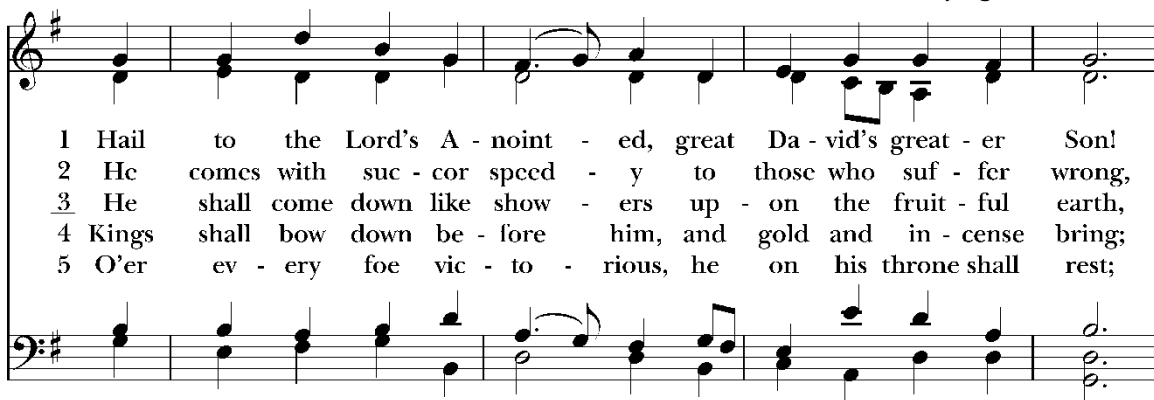
*Celebrant* May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you  
and scatter the darkness from before your path;  
and the blessing of God Almighty,  
the Creator, the Savior, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you, and remain with you always.

*People* **Amen.**

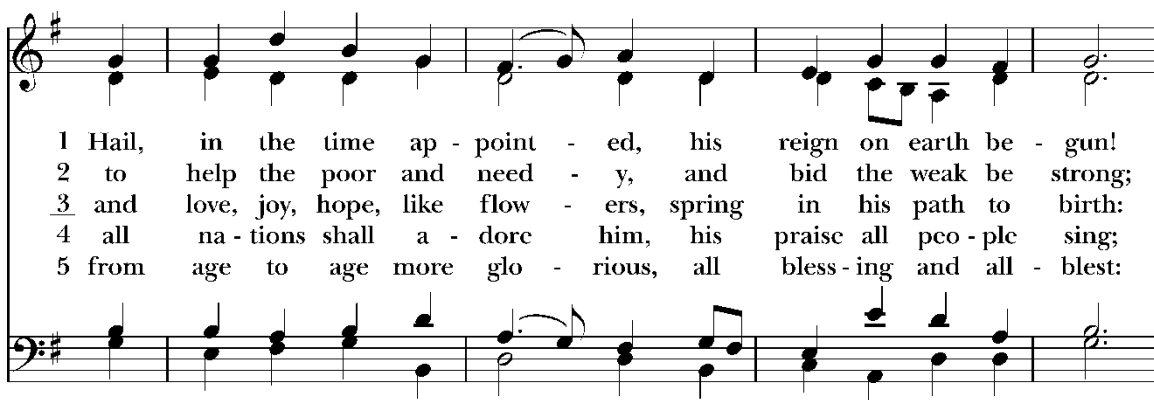
THE CLOSING HYMN *Hymnal 1982 #616* Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Verses 1 - 3

*Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*



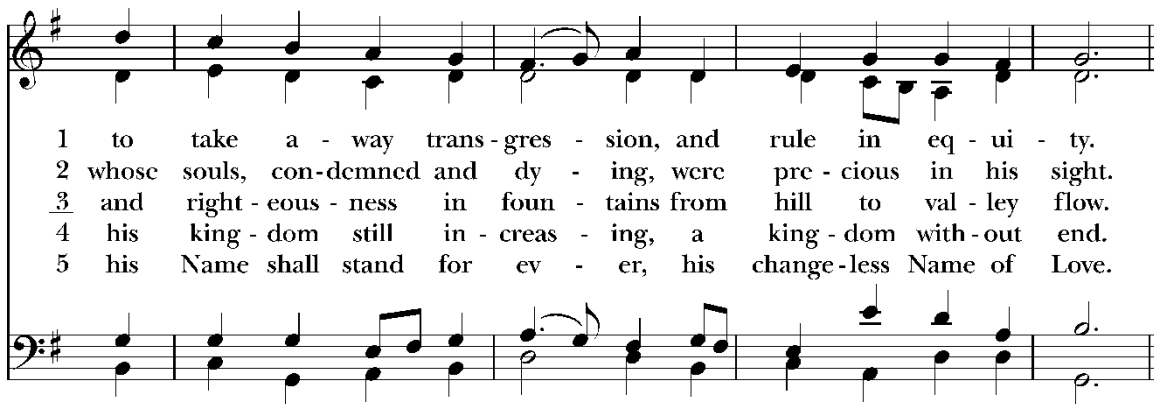
1 Hail to the Lord's A - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son!  
 2 He comes with suc - cor speed - y to those who suf - fer wrong,  
 3 He shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth,  
 4 Kings shall bow down be - fore him, and gold and in - cense bring;  
 5 O'er ev - ery foe vic - to - rious, he on his throne shall rest;



1 Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, his reign on earth be - gun!  
 2 to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong;  
 3 and love, joy, hope, like flow - ers, spring in his path to birth:  
 4 all na - tions shall a - dore him, his praise all peo - ple sing;  
 5 from age to age more glo - rious, all bless - ing and all - blest:



1 He comes to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive free;  
 2 to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to light,  
 3 be - fore him on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald, go;  
 4 to him shall prayer un - ceas - ing and dai - ly vows a - scend;  
 5 the tide of time shall nev - er his cov - e - nant re - move;



1 to take a - way trans - gres - sion, and rule in eq - ui - ty.  
 2 whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, were pre - cious in his sight.  
 3 and right - eous - ness in foun - tains from hill to val - ley flow.  
 4 his king - dom still in - creas - ing, a king - dom with - out end.  
 5 his Name shall stand for ev - er, his change - less Name of Love.

Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854); para. of Psalm 72. Music: *Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*, German folk song; adapt. and harm. *A Student's Hymnal*, 1923, after Henry Walford Davies (1869-1941).

## THE DISMISSAL

*Deacon* Let us go forth into the world,  
rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## THE POSTLUDE

Since Jesus came into my heart  
Quinn Brann, *piano*

arr. Mark Hayes

## Leading Our Worship This Morning

*Celebrant:* The Rt. Rev. Wayne Houglund, Jr

*Deacon:* The Rev. Terri J. Morrissey

*Music Director:* Mark Crayton

*Greeter:* Volunteer

*Lectors:* Larkin Myers

*Prayer Leader:* Volunteer

*Chalice Bearers:* Mary Clark, Volunteer

*Acolytes:* Bob Purse, Willow Myers, Roxanne Myers,  
Harper Olsen

*Bread Baker:* Kelsey Davies

*Altar Guild:* Volunteers

*Green Team:* Volunteer

*Livestream:* Diane Senechal

## The Choir of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

Mark Crayton, Music Director  
Quinn Brann, Organist/Pianist

### Soprano

Monique Austin  
Charlotte Bishop  
Ginger Carr  
Alice Dolan  
Rachel Handrick\*  
Kunying Li  
Katilynn Meine\*  
Kaylie O'Dell\*\*

### Alto

Bernadette Brockman  
Nancy Churchill  
Emily Scharf\*  
Angela Torres-Kutkuhn\*†

### Tenor

Riley Brown\*\*  
Michael Kirby\*  
Francis Lynch  
Karlos Piñero-Mercado\*  
Peter Lorenzo

### Bass

Terry Bucher\*  
Steve Carr  
Jack Ellis\*\*  
Jake Engel  
Louise Floyd\*

\*Section Leader

\*\*Staff Singer

†Choral Assistant





## Antiracism Learning Help the homeless on December 4

Shop at 10,000 Villages on Dec. 4 and 15% of your purchase will be donated to Interfaith Action of Evanston. Hours are 5-8 p.m. at 1509 Chicago Ave. in downtown Evanston. Why is this an antiracism concern? Interfaith Action works to help the homeless, who are disproportionately people of color. See this article (<https://shorturl.at/JLBRn>) for more information. Thank you!

## JOIN US FOR A **SHOPPING BENEFIT**



THAT SUPPORTS FAIR TRADE & YOUR LOCAL NONPROFIT!

Shop ethical gifts, clothing, accessories, housewares, food and more crafted by global fair trade artisans and 15% of your purchase will be donated to:



Interfaith Action of Evanston

When:  
**Weds, December 4**  
05:00 - 08:00 PM

Where:  
**Ten Thousand Villages**  
**1509 Chicago Ave**  
now in Downtown Evanston



15%  
of event sales  
will be  
donated

Can't Make the Event?

For Two Days ~ Dec 5-6  
You can shop online at [villagesevanston.com](http://villagesevanston.com) (or in-store) and mention Interfaith Action of Evanston at checkout

Questions?  
Call the store  
847.733.8258

# St. Matt's Movie Group

























## December 8, 3:00pm

The December movie will be "Bonhoeffer". It is playing at AMC theaters. We will be meeting at St. Matthew's on Sunday, December 8 at 3 p.m. Connie and Dudley Conley are hosting. Please RSVP at 847-869-9662 or [conniedconley@gmail.com](mailto:conniedconley@gmail.com).



Confused about what can or cannot be recycled? Learn more with The Green Team's new series - Recycle 101. Our next category is:

### Miscellaneous

 <b>Aerosol Cans</b>	 <b>Landfill</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spray Paint, Bug Spray, etc.</li> <li>• If not empty, do not place it in recycling</li> </ul>	 <b>Paint Cans (empty)</b>	 <b>Recycling</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Empty and Clean</li> <li>• Do Not Bag</li> </ul>
 <b>Aerosol Cans (empty)</b>	 <b>Recycling</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spray Paint, Bug Spray, etc.</li> <li>• Needs to be empty</li> <li>• Do Not Bag</li> </ul>	 <b>Paint Cans (full)</b>	 <b>Landfill</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kitty litter or some solidifier should be placed into cans; once the can is solid dispose of in the garbage</li> </ul>
 <b>Rechargeable Batteries</b>	 <b>Drop-Off</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Common Recycling Contaminant!</b></li> <li>• Rechargeable Batteries are fire hazards</li> <li>• Include Lithium, Nickel Cadmium, etc.</li> <li>• Take them to recyclers (Check <a href="#">SWANCC</a>)</li> </ul>	 <b>Plastic Toys</b>	 <b>Landfill</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consider donating or recycling with <a href="#">Simple Recycling!</a></li> </ul>
 <b>Alkaline Batteries</b>	 <b>Landfill</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Take them to recyclers (Check <a href="#">SWANCC</a>)</li> <li>• Acceptable to go to landfill</li> </ul>	 <b>Textiles</b>	 <b>Landfill</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clothing, Linens, Shoes, etc.</li> <li>• Common Recycling Contaminant!</li> <li>• Consider donating or recycling with <a href="#">Simple Recycling!</a></li> </ul>
 <b>Ceramics</b>	 <b>Landfill</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consider donating or recycling with <a href="#">Simple Recycling!</a></li> </ul>	 <b>Plant Pots</b>	 <b>Landfill</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Black plastic is not accepted in the recycling program</li> </ul>
 <b>Electronics</b>	 <b>Drop-Off</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Computers, Televisions, phones, etc.</li> <li>• Take them to recyclers (Check <a href="#">SWANCC</a>)</li> <li>• Or bring them to <a href="#">Evanston Recycles Day!</a></li> </ul>	 <b>Holiday Lights</b>	 <b>Drop-Off</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Common Recycling Contaminant!</li> <li>• Save until <a href="#">Holiday Lights Recycling Drop-off</a> is available</li> <li>• Take them to recyclers (Check <a href="#">SWANCC</a>)</li> </ul>

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

You are encouraged to include these names in your daily prayers.

During Sunday worship, you are encouraged to offer silently or aloud your prayers to God. If you wish to add a name to the prayer list, email [info@stmatthewsevanston.org](mailto:info@stmatthewsevanston.org). Names are listed for 4 weeks.

The Prayer List is prayed for weekly by the St. Matthew's Prayer Group.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

**In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** Intercessions and thanksgivings are offered today for the lay members and leaders of our Diocese: governing bodies and committees of our congregations. *And for leaders in our Companion Dioceses of SE Mexico and Renk*

**For the congregation at St. Matthew's** as we embrace our mission to be welcoming all in community; joyfully doing God's work in the world: welcoming our neighbors near and far.

**We pray for all those who celebrate birthdays in December:** Anne Branning, George Darrell, David Frederickson, Kristin Jacobsen, John Lloyd-Still, David Senechal.

**We pray for all those who celebrate anniversaries in December:** Connie & Dudley Conley, Kate & Gregg Lauderbaugh, Judy Royal & Tim Patenode and Diane & David Senechal.

**We pray for equal opportunity and equal treatment under the law for all people;** that we may be agents of God's kingdom, dismantling systems of injustice wherever and whenever we can, and for the will to enact common sense gun control laws.

**We pray for those in uniform, risking their lives daily on our behalf:** Jeremy Garrett, Aaron Grant, Thomas Greenwich, Lee Henderson, Tyler Howland, Peter Marks, Ian McGuffin, Joseph Sanford, Emma Seckinger, Thomas Garbee, and the members of our city's fire and police departments, and for their families.

**We pray for those who suffer in mind, body, or spirit or who have asked for our prayers:** Beth Swigart, Brad Swigart, Ann Wilson Wesley, Bob Baker, Sue Zundel, Becky Wilson, Audrey Reynolds, Ramona Frederickson, Harriet Brandt, Paige D, Kate Martin, Benjamin Ticobay, Cobe Layag, Bob Teska, Ralph Motogawa, Betty Stafford, Jessica Mueller, Maeve Shampine, Fame Brooks, John Wagner, Cathy Fiala, Donna Wagner, Carol Wagner, Will Widmer, Chuck, and for the Congolese family we've been matched with in partnership with RefugeeOne.

**We pray for all in need:** those struggling with the Coronavirus, all victims of this pandemic, organ donors and those awaiting transplant, the lonely and isolated, our nation, especially those oppressed by our current systems, those protesting racial injustice, all elected officials seeking to lead communities in this challenging time, the unemployed and under-employed.

**We pray for those suffering** from acts of violence – including warfare, gun violence and sexual violence – as well as from natural disasters, and their aftermaths.

**We pray for all who have died.**

### ABOUT THIS MORNING'S SERVICE

While the shape and format of our service is from the 1979 *Book of Common Prayer* (revisions authorized by the Episcopal Church, March 17, 2020), St. Matthew's strives to offer worship that is relevant, inclusive, and hospitable: worship which is in keeping with our mission to be "welcoming all in community; joyfully doing God's work in the world." Therefore, we draw upon a variety of authorized sources, adapting them as necessary.

In today's service, the Opening Acclamation comes from "Text of Expansive Language Liturgies – from Resolution 2018-D078- updated 09-02–2019" and the introductions to prayers and responses and the Peace come from *Enriching Our Worship I*. The Collect of the Day comes from a collection of prayers written to match the lessons appointed in the Revised Common Lectionary: *Prayers for an Inclusive Church* by Steven Shakespeare. Scripture readings follow the Revised Common Lectionary using the *New Revised Standard Version* of the Bible.

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St. Matthew's lay leaders duly elected and appointed at  
The 148<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Parish on January 28, 2024

### **St. Matthew's Vestry**

Christopher Motogawa, *Senior Warden*  
Stephen Carr, *Junior Warden*

Curtis Nilsson, William Widmer, Deborah Williams (2025)  
Kelsey Davies, Jim Kelly (2026)  
Dudley Conley, Larkin Myers, Tim Patenode (2027)  
*Clerk of the Vestry*, Tim Patenode

Christopher Motogawa and Rick Worden, *Co-Treasurer* (2025)

### **Trustees of St. Matthew's Endowment**

Don Churchill (2025) Mary Clark (2025) Ann Searles (2026)

### **St. Matthew's Lay Delegation to the 187<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Diocese of Chicago**

ONLINE - All Day, Saturday, November 23, 2024  
Delegates: Stephen Carr, Ann Searles, William Widmer

### **Clergy and St. Matthew's Staff**

The Most Rev. Sean Rowe, 28<sup>th</sup> *Presiding Bishop*, *The Episcopal Church*  
The Rt. Rev. Paula E. Clark, *Thirteenth Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago*  
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