ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Celebrating Indigenous Peoples' Day OCTOBER 13, 2024 10:30AM IN THE CHURCH



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
 - o Air purifiers continuously clean the air.
 - o 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

October 14	Indigenous Peoples' Day 10am - 5pm at the Michell Museum
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October 18	Quinn Brann's Junior Recital 7:30pm at Rudolph Ganz Memorial Hall
October 20	St. Matthew's Movie Group 4pm at St. Matt's
October 29	Stitcher's Group 7:30pm in the Library
October 31	Trick-or-Treating 4:00 – 6:00pm at St. Matt's

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.

THE PRELUDE

Joshua fit the battle of Jericho Quinn Brann, piano arr. Mark Hayes

THE WORD OF GOD

All stand, as able.

THE OPENING HYMN Hymnal 1982 #385 Many and great, o God are Thy works

Repeat both verses twice

Dakota Indian Chant

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.

Celebrant Creator, you made all people of every land. It is our responsibility to give thanks and respect to those who first occupied this land we are upon. We give thanks to the people of the Council of Three Fires: the Ojibwe, Potawatomi, and Odawa nations, the first people of this land. We offer our respect to those ancestors who may be interred in this land. We are also thankful for the gifts of the People of the land. Creator let us be of Good Mind to reconcile the mistreatment of this land and to those who have been displaced. With thankful and respectful hearts we pray in Your name, Your son the Peacemaker and the Sacred Spirit.

People Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

(Source: The Disciples Prayer Book, The Indigenous Theological Training Institute)

The Celebrant says to the people

Celebrant God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray, saying together

People Creator, we give you thanks for all that you are

and all that you bring to us within your creation.

In Jesus, you placed the Gospel in the Center of the Sacred Circle through which all creation is related. You show us the way to live a generous and compassionate life.

Give us your strength to live together with respect and commitment as we grow in your spirit,

for you are God, now and forever.

Amen.

The people sit.

A READING FROM THE PROPHET AMOS (5:6-7, 10-15)

Seek the LORD and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground!

They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

Therefore, because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain,

you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them;

you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine.

For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins—

you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate.

Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time.

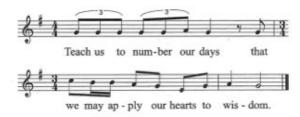
Seek good and not evil, that you may live;

and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said.

Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. *People* **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 90:12-17 Domine, refugium



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- ¹² So teach us to number our days * that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.
- ¹³ Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? * be gracious to your servants.
- ¹⁴ Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; * so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.
- ¹⁵ Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us * and the years in which we suffered adversity.

Refrain

- ¹⁶ Show your servants your works * and your splendor to their children.
- ¹⁷ May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; * prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.

Refrain

A READING FROM THE LETTER TO THE HEBREWS (4:12-16).

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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

People Thanks be to God.

All stand, as able.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN Hymnal 1982 #671 Amazing Grace New Britain Verses 1-3 before the reading. The congregation hums verses 2 and 3.

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MARK (10:17-31). People Glory to you, O Christ.

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother." He said to him, Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible." Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

The Gospel of our Savior.

Praise to you, O Christ.

People

After a brief time of silent reflection, all are asked to stand as able and say the following Creed, written by a Native American and is shared with you with their permission. You are invited to say and listen to the words as they have been offered.

NATIVE AMERICAN CREED

(Written by the Rev. Roger Scott)

People I believe in God, Creator of our unique native languages, Who gifted us this identity as a distinct people through our native tongues, so that our native spiritual leaders could relay God's love

so that our native spiritual leaders could relay God's love to our native people who could not understand that foreign tongue called English.

I believe in Jesus Christ, our relative, Who talked of us when he said, "I have other sheep out there, besides those I have here."

I believe in Jesus Christ who knew the pain of our native people who were forced from their homeland and had no place to lay their head.

I believe in Jesus Christ as our Chief Cornerstone as we begin to build a new generation of native spiritual leaders. I believe in Jesus Christ who does not say "goodbye" in any language, but says "I will come again."

I believe in the Holy Spirit as tongues of fire lighting upon our native people to witness to their people and to the world, through the native song and dance. I believe in the Holy Spirit as our guide and the driving force for our native people to do a new thing as we walk a new journey, toward perfection for all humankind.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Gracious God, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

People That we all may be one.

Leader Grant that our wardens and vestry, other St. Matthew's leaders, and every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons, especially for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Sean, our Presiding Bishop-elect; for Paula, our Bishop; Whayne, our Priest-in-Charge; and for Terri, our Deacon;

People That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world, especially for Joseph, our President; J.B., our governor; Daniel, our mayor; for the leaders of our neighboring communities, and for all those in uniform, risking their lives daily on our behalf;

People That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

We pray for equal opportunity and equal treatment under the law for all people; and for the will to enact common sense gun control laws. Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake, that we may be agents of God's kingdom, offering radical welcome and committed to dismantling systems of injustice;

People That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, we pray especially for Ann, Bob, Sue, Becky, Cathy, 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.

People That they may be delivered from any distress.

Leader Give to the departed eternal rest.

People Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; People May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Leader Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Members of the congregation are encouraged to offer their intercessions, either silently or aloud.

Celebrant O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

People Amen.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Deacon Let us now remember our sins.

Silence

People O Great Spirit, God of every people and every tribe, we come to you as your many children, to ask for your forgiveness and guidance. Forgive us for the colonialism that stains our past, the ignorance that allowed us to think that we could claim another's home for our own.

Heal us of this history.

Remind us that none of us were discovered since none of us were lost, but that we are all gathered within the sacred circle of your community.

Guide us through your wisdom to restore the truth of our heritage. Help us to confront the racism that divides us as we confess the pain it has caused to the human family.

Celebrant The circle of love is repeatedly broken because of the sin of exclusion. We create separate circles: the inner circle and the outer circle, the circle of power and the circle of despair, the circle of privilege and the circle of deprivation.

People Forgive us our sins, as we forgive all who have sinned against us.

Celebrant The circle of love is broken whenever there is alienation, whenever there is misunderstanding, whenever there is insensitivity and hardening of the heart.

People Forgive us our sins, as we forgive all who have sinned against us.

Celebrant The circle of love is broken whenever we cannot see eye to eye, whenever we cannot link hand to hand, whenever we cannot live heart to heart and affirm our differences.

People Forgive us our sins, as we forgive all who have sinned against us. Call us to kinship. Mend the hoop of our hearts and let us live in justice and peace, respecting the dignity of every person, tribe, language and nation.

Celebrant Creator, you bent the earth like a bow until it was one, round, shining planet. At your word the land was drawn into mountains and deserts, forests, and plains; the waters were gathered together into rivers, lakes and seas. The circle of your creation has been broken time and again by greed and violence and many lives have been shattered. Renew the circle of the earth and turn the hearts of all your people to one another; that they and all the earth may live, and be drawn toward you and through the power of your son, Jesus Christ, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit now and always.

Celebrant May God, our Creator 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.

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The Peace of the Lord be always with you

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People greet each other in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The people stand.

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Eatnemen Vuelie

Frode Fjellheim / arr. Emily Crocker

THE OFFERTORY HYMN VF #52 Come, Great Creator, come

Carol Gallagher

The congregation joins in on the chorus.

Come, Great Creator! Come, Come to this sacred place! Come, and be with us!

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The people stand.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

(© The Rev. Canon Debbie Royals, Pascua Yaqui)

Celebrant Creator God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let your hearts sing.

We lift our voices in preparation for this ceremony.

Let us give our thanks to the Creator.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant From the place of the rising sun in the East to the South where the warm winds

blow, from the West where soft rain comes and to the coldness of the North we unite with all creation from the four directions to join our voices in songs of thanksgiving and praise for the gift your Son, Jesus Christ, our Elder Brother. With hearts lifted, we join with our ancestors who taught us to pray as they have prayed since the beginning of time.

The people stand or kneel, as able.

Celebrant O Great Spirit, Our Creator, you gave us the gift of ceremony, you taught us that everything is sacred and you asked us to walk with you on a path towards peace and love. Just as in generations past, like our grandfathers and grandmothers, we come humbly with arms outstretched to honor you and all that you have created for all of creation. Together with all creation we live, interdependently and marveling that when we do, creation serves as its best reflection of the awesome wonder that you are in our eyes.

You have always cared for us, even when it seemed that there was no way to save our misuse of creation and mistreatment of each other. Many years ago, you came to us as a human being so that we might understand you in a way that would help us find the path you had intended for us.

Our Elder Brother, Jesus, as he was called came into creation in the same way that all humanity is born because people had turned away from you and no longer loved each other, bringing death and destruction to all. Sharing our living and dying, our Elder Brother Jesus opened our eyes and our hearts to understand that we are all relatives and that you, our Creator, are love us all.

Jesus lived in a good way. He rejected no one, fed the hungry, gave water to the thirsty and broke down the barriers that had been erected between race, class and sex. But, he paid a price for his loving ways. When it was his time, he stretched out his arms upon the cross and died. In this sacrifice our Elder Brother Jesus united us in all that is beauty, with all that has been and all that will ever be.

On the night before he died, he gave us another ceremony. He gathered those who had been closest to him for a meal. During the meal our Elder Brother Jesus took bread, gave thanks to you, blessed it, broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper our Elder Brother Jesus took the cup of wine, gave thanks to you, blessed it, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant of my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

We found it hard to understand these words and actions, but we followed the path celebrating this ceremony from that time until now. Through our experiences then we proclaim this mystery of our faith:

All Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Celebrant In this ceremony that our Elder Brother Jesus gave us, we have experienced a transformation of our spirits. We have been brought into the death of Jesus and raised into his resurrection, and we eat and drink with Him in His new life. We have noticed that when we come together for this ceremony, we all leave nurtured and nourished no matter how lost we feel and no matter how hungry we have been.

We also offer our gifts in return just as our elders and ancestors teach us. It is through this sharing of what we have to give that we have found strength beyond imagining.

So, now once again, we humbly call upon your Spirit, we cry for a vision. Feed us, quench our thirst, make these simple elements from your creation to be Christ's body and Christ's blood. We cry for the vision that will help us be your holy people in all that we do, in all that we see, in all that we hear, in all that we breathe and in all that we speak.

Celebrant Come Creator Spirit. Come now and be for us the holy food and drink that your people cry out for in this ceremony.

Surrounded now by our ancestor spirits, the spirits of those who have led saintly lives, and all your saints and angels, we celebrate with all of creation – the two legged, the four legged, the winged, those that crawl and those that swim, those that give shade and those that offer us pleasing aromas – for together we see the awesome nature of all creation, the need to be one family living in relationship, interdependently and yet as one. May we be this unity and live as relatives to all.

Through Jesus the Christ and with Jesus the Christ and in Jesus the Christ, made possible by your Holy Spirit, we join with you our God and Creator as a community of relatives.

All Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant As our Brother Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People O Great Spirit, Creator of the universe,

You are our Shepherd Chief in the most high place.

Whose home is everywhere, even beyond the stars and moon.

Whatever you want done,

let it also be done everywhere.

Give us your gift of bread day by day.

Forgive us our wrongs

as we forgive those who wrong us.

Take us away from wrong doings.

Free us from all evil.

For everything belongs to you.

Let your power and glory shine forever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE AGNUS DEI LEVAS #269

Lamb of God

Lena McLin

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

Creator, open our hearts arr. Andrew Birling
Text by Alycia Longriver Davis of the Micmac Tribe

Creator, open our hearts to peace and healing between all people. Creator, open our hearts to provide and protect for all children of the earth. Creator, open our hearts to respect for the earth, and all the gifts of earth. Creator, open our hearts to end exclusion, violence, and fear among all. Thank you for the gifts of this day and every day.

After all have received communion or a blessing, all stand.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

People We thank you Creator God for feeding us, nurturing us and reminding us that you are ever present, our Companion.

As we leave this Sacred Circle, may we carry away the memory of this time together so that we may continue in the risen life of Christ, the one who comes that all people might live with dignity and in peace. Amen.

THE BLESSING

(Blessing attributed to The Rt. Rev. John Shelby Spong)

Celebrant Send us anywhere you would have us go, only go there with us.

Place upon us any burden you desire, only stand by us to sustain us.

Break any tie that binds us, except the tie that binds us to you.

And the blessing of God; the Creator, who made and knows us;

the Savior, who redeems and befriends us;

and the Spirit, who enlightens and sustains us,

be with you this day and always.

People Amen.

THE CLOSING HYMN Hymnal 1982 #460

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Hyfrydol

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go now into the four Sacred Directions, the east, south, west, and north.

Go into your communities, into unknown lands and places.

Go where God's name is well known and where it has yet to be known.

Go to those who welcome you and those who reject you.

Go and share the Gospel with all who will hear.

People Thanks be to God.

THE POSTLUDE

O worship the king Quinn Brann, organ arr. Lani Smith

Leading Our Worship This Morning

Celebrant: The Rt. Rev. Whayne Hougland, Jr.

Preacher: The Rev. Terri J. Morrissey Music Director: Mark Crayton

Greeter: Curt Nilsson

Lectors: Don Churchill, Francis Lynch

Prayer Leader: Mary Jo Deysach

Chalice Bearers: Mary Jo Deysach, Don Churchill

Acolytes: Bob Purse, Harper Olsen

Bread Baker: The Rev. Terri J. Morrissey

Altar Guild: Volunteers Green Team: Anne Branning

Livestream: Volunteer

The Choir of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

Mark Crayton, Music Director Quinn Brann, Organist/Pianist

Alto Bernadette Brockman Nancy Churchill Olvia Grocott Emily Scharf* Angela Torres-Kutkuhn*†

T. Truong

Tenor Riley Brown** Michael Kirby* Francis Lynch

Karlos Piñero-Mercado*

Bass Terry Bucher* Steve Carr

Jack Ellis** Jake Engel Louise Floyd*

**Staff Singer

[†]Choral Assistant

*Section Leader



St. Matt's Movie Group

The St. Matthew's Movie Group will discuss the movie Sing Sing on Sunday, October 20, 4pm at St. Matthew's Church.

Hosts: Rick & Julie Worden

Synopsis of Sing Sing: Divine G, imprisoned at Sing Sing for a crime he didn't commit, finds purpose by acting in a theater group alongside other incarcerated men in this story of resilience, humanity, and the transformative power of art.

Where to Watch: Amazon Prime Video, Apple TV, Hulu, & Netflix. RSVP to Julie Worden: <u>julie.worden509@gmail.com</u> or (425) 518-1151



St. Matt's Stitcher's Group

Tuesday, October 29, 7:30pm in the Library This group is for all stitchers (even for just plain mending) ... or plain just chatting. For questions, contact Ginger Carr at v-carr@northwestern.edu.



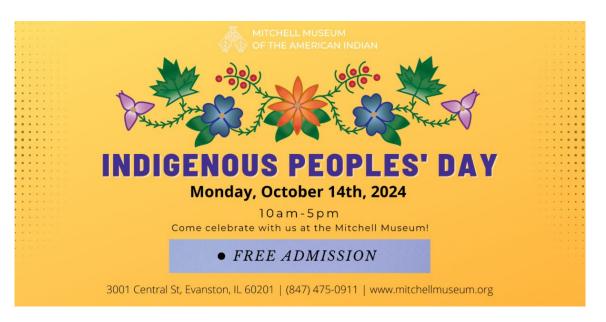
Wednesday Lunch Volunteer Opportunity

Are you available on any given Wednesday between 10am and 12:30pm? We need 6 individuals to sign up for food preparation, service, and cleanup from 10am to 12:30pm every Wednesday. In addition, we need two doorkeepers, one upstairs and one downstairs from 11am to 12:30pm. We use Signup Genius for scheduling, which can be found by scanning the QR code. If you have any questions, please feel free to email Kati Olsen at kati2219@gmail.com.



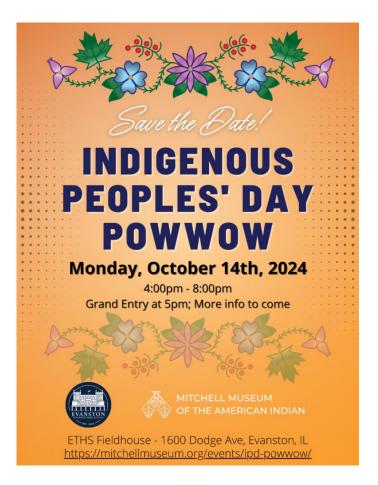
Bread Bakers Needed

Looking for a fun way to get involved at St. Matt's? We are looking for bread bakers to bake homemade bread used for communion! Please contact the parish office at info@stmatthewsevanston.org if you are interested.



Indigenous Peoples' Day honors the culture and history of Native people past, present, and future. Join us at the Mitchell Museum to celebrate the diversity and vibrancy of Indigenous cultures with FREE admission to the museum all day. Bring your friends and your family to enrich your understanding of Indigenous histories and cultures and enjoy guided craft activities.

https://mitchellmuseum.org/events/ipd2024/



Save the Date! Join us on October 14, at Evanston Township High School for the Mitchell Museum of the American Indian's first-ever community powwow. The Indigenous Peoples Day Powwow is free and is open to the public. This historic community event celebrates our forthcoming rebranding and honors the achievements of Illinois's Native community, including the state-wide inclusion of Indigenous histories in public schools and the establishment of the state's first Indian Reservation for the Prairie Band of Potawatomi Nation.

Contact Joseph

- <u>jgackstetter@mitchellmuseum.org</u> for sponsorship and Josee
- <u>jstarr@mitchellmuseum.org</u> for vendor opportunities. <u>Vendor Form Here</u>

https://mitchellmuseum.org/events/ipdpowwow/



YOU ARE INVITED TO

Quinn Brann's Junior Recitat

OCTOBER

FRIDAY

18

7:30PM

FEATURING SHO ROASH, FLUTE

RUDOLPH GANZ MEMORIAL HALL 430 S. MICHIGAN AVE, ROOM 745 FREE; NO RESERVATION REQUIRED

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. 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: The Episcopal Church in the Philippines.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Diocesan Task Forces, Committees, and Ministries And for our Companion Dioceses of SE Mexico and the Diocese of 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 October: Harriet Brandt, Anthony Burt, Chris Dakich, Catharine Hamrick, Erik Long, Diane Teska, Robert Teska, Ginny Voedisch, Penny Whiteside, Rick Worden.

We pray for all those who celebrate anniversaries in October: Cynthia & Damon Doucet.

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, Molly Robinson, 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: Ann Wilson Wesley, Bob Baker, Sue Zundel, Becky Wilson, Cathy Conley Schlitz, 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 148th 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 187th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Chicago

ONLINE - All Day, Saturday, November 23, 2024

To be determined.

Clergy and St. Matthew's Staff

The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry, 27th Presiding Bishop, The Episcopal Church
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