

# ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



APRIL 6, 2025  
10:30AM IN THE CHURCH



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

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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.

## ST. MATTHEW'S EVENTS

### Worship Schedule and St. Matthew's Events

<i>Sundays</i>	<b>Sunday Forum led by Whayne, 9:15 - 10:15am in the Parlor</b>
<i>Apr 13</i>	<b>Palm Sunday</b> – 8am gather outside of the chapel (inside of the chapel if weather is poor); 10:30am gather outside of the sanctuary (inside of the assembly room if weather is poor). <b>Bring Bells &amp; Noisemakers!</b>
<i>Apr 17</i>	<b>Maundy Thursday Liturgy, 7:30pm in the Church</b>
<i>Apr 18</i>	<b>Good Friday Worship, 7:30pm in the Church</b>
<i>Apr 19</i>	<b>The Great Vigil of Easter, 7pm at St. Mark's Episcopal Church</b>
<i>Apr 20</i>	<b>Easter Eucharist with Sermon, 8am in the Chapel</b> <b>Easter Eucharist with Choir, 10:30am in the Church</b>
<i>Apr 30</i>	<b>How 'Bout Them Apples, 7pm at Steve and Charlotte's home</b>

## Welcome to St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

Welcome! If you would like to become a registered parishioner or are just updating your information, please complete as much information as possible. Completed forms may be returned to the Parish Office, placed in the offering plate or mailed to the office. You may also fill out this form online by scanning the QR Code below.

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# 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 the wine made holy.

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## † THE WORD OF GOD †

*All stand as able as the Choir sings*

### THE OPENING CANTICLE:

#### Canticle 16 The Song of Zechariah

*Samuel Sebastian Wesley*

*Luke 1:68-79*

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel;  
for he has come to his people and set them free.

He has raised up for us a mighty savior,  
born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old  
that he would save us from our enemies,  
and from the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers  
and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham:  
to set us free from the hand of our enemies, free to worship him without fear,  
holy and righteous in his sight  
all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called prophet of the Most High,  
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,  
to give his people knowledge of salvation  
by forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God,  
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,  
to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death,  
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

*All remain standing as the acolytes and clergy enter in silent procession*

## THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

*Celebrant* Blessed be the God of our salvation:

*People* **Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**

*The people kneel as able, and a period of silent reflection is observed.*

*Celebrant* Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel:

The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these."

*Mark 12:29-31*

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All* **God of all mercy,**

**we confess that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.**

**We have denied your goodness in each other,  
in ourselves,**

**and in the world you have created.**

**We repent of the evil that enslaves us,  
the evil we have done,**

**and the evil done on our behalf.**

**Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy.

*People* **Christ, have mercy.**

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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 ISAIAH (43:16-21)

Thus says the LORD,  
    who makes a way in the sea,  
    a path in the mighty waters,  
who brings out chariot and horse,  
    army and warrior;  
they lie down, they cannot rise,  
    they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:  
Do not remember the former things,  
    or consider the things of old.  
I am about to do a new thing;  
    now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?  
I will make a way in the wilderness  
    and rivers in the desert.  
The wild animals will honor me,  
    the jackals and the ostriches;  
for I give water in the wilderness,  
    rivers in the desert,  
to give drink to my chosen people,  
    the people whom I formed for myself  
so that they might declare my praise.

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

*People*   **Thanks be to God.**

## THE PSALM 126 *In convertendo*

*The congregation joins the choir in the refrain.*

*Antiphon*



**Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.**

- <sup>1</sup> When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, \*  
    then were we like those who dream.
- <sup>2</sup> Then was our mouth filled with laughter, \*  
    and our tongue with shouts of joy.
- <sup>3</sup> Then they said among the nations, \*  
    "The LORD has done great things for them."

*(Continued on the next page)*

*Antiphon*



Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.

<sup>4</sup> The LORD has done great things for us, \*  
and we are glad indeed.

**REFRAIN**

<sup>5</sup> Restore our fortunes, O LORD, \*  
like the watercourses of the Negev.

<sup>6</sup> Those who sowed with tears \*  
will reap with songs of joy.

<sup>7</sup> Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, \*  
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves. **REFRAIN**

### **A READING FROM PAUL'S LETTER TO THE PHILIPPIANS (3:4b-14)**

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

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

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

All stand, as able, and sing together.

**THE SEQUENCE HYMN** *Hymnal 1982 #474* When I survey the wondrous cross *Rockingham*  
Verses 1, 3 & 4

1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross where the young  
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the  
3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet sor - row and  
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were an

Prince of Glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I  
cross of Christ, my God: all the vain things that  
love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and  
of - fering far too small; love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.  
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.  
sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?  
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

**THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN (12:1-8).**

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

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

The Gospel of our Savior.

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

## THE SERMON

*The Rt. Rev. Whayne Hougland, Jr, Priest-in-Charge*

*After a time of silent reflection, the people are invited to stand, as able, and together say*

### 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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.

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,

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who 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

*Leader* In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy".

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, for Paula, our own Bishop, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* For those in positions of public trust, especially Daniel, our mayor; J.B., our governor, and Donald, our President, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* For all who live and work in this community, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* For this congregation for those who are present, and for those who are absent, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* For our enemies and those who wish us harm, and for all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* For those on our parish prayer list, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* For all who have died in the communion of your Church, especially Bill Hertel, brother of Karen Hertel, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed St. Matthew, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

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

*Celebrant* For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*Presider* The peace of Christ be always with you.

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

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

## THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*I want Jesus to walk with me*

Milburn Price

Jack Ellis, bass-baritone

I want Jesus to walk with me; I want Jesus to walk with me; All along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me. In my trials, Lord, walk with me; In my trials, Lord, walk with me; When my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me. In my troubles, Lord, walk with me; In my troubles, Lord, walk with me; When my head is bowed in sorrow, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

## THE OFFERTORY HYMN *Hymnal 1982 #398* I sing the almighty power of God *Forest Green*

1 I sing the al-might - y power of God, that made the moun-tains rise,  
2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food;  
3 There's not a plant or flower be - low, but makes thy glo - ries known;

that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the lof - ty skies.  
he formed the crea-tures with his Word, and then pro-nounced them good.  
and clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, by or - der from thy throne;

I sing the wis - dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day;  
Lord, how thy won - ders are dis - played, wher - e'er I turn my eye,  
while all that bor - rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,

the moon shines full at his com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.  
if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!  
and ev - ery-where that I could be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

*The people stand as able.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP PRAYER I

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

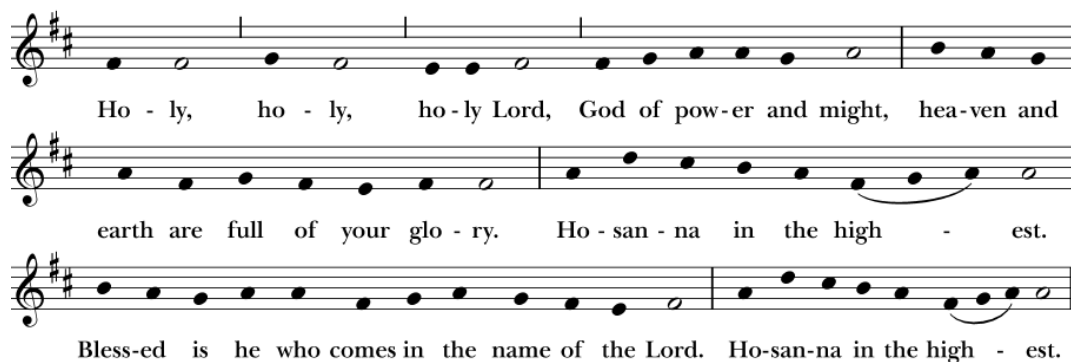
*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to God.

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

*Celebrant* It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:



*The people stand or kneel as able.*

*Celebrant* Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

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On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

*Celebrant* Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with St. Matthew, and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

*People* **AMEN.**

*Celebrant* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*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* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

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

THE COMMUNION HYMN LEVAS #165 I'm pressing on the upward way Charles H. Gabriel

1. I'm press - ing on the up - ward way, New heights I'm  
4. I want to scale the ut - most height, And catch a

1. gain - ing ev - ery day; Still pray - ing as I on - ward bound,  
4. gleam of glo - ry bright; But still I'll pray till heav'n I've found,

1. "Lord, plant my feet on high - er ground."  
4. "Lord, lead me on the high - er ground." Lord, lift me

up, and let me stand By faith, on heav - en's ta - ble - land; A high - er

plane than I have found, Lord, plant my feet on high - er ground.

*After all who desire communion or a blessing have received, all stand, as able.*

**THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*People* God of abundance,  
you have fed us  
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;  
you have united us with Christ and one another;  
and you have made us one with all your people  
in heaven and on earth.  
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,  
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world  
and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen

**THE BLESSING**

*Celebrant* Look with compassion, O Lord, upon this your people; that, rightly observing this holy season, they may learn to know you more fully, and to serve you with a more perfect will; through Christ our Lord.

*People* Amen.

All stand to sing.

THE CLOSING HYMN *Hymnal 1982 #675* Take up your cross, the Savior said *Bourbon*

Verses 1-3 & 5



1 Take up your cross, the Sa - vior said, if  
2 Take up your cross, let not its weight fill  
3 Take up your cross, heed not the shame, and  
4 Take up your cross, then, in his strength, and  
5 Take up your cross, and fol - low Christ, nor

1 you would my dis - ci - ple be; take up your cross with  
2 your weak spi - rit with a - larm; his strength shall bear your  
3 let your fool - ish heart be still; the Lord for you ac -  
4 calm - ly ev - ery dan - ger brave: it guides you to a -  
5 think till death to lay it down; for on - ly those who

1 will - ing heart, and hum - bly fol - low af - ter me.  
2 spi - rit up, and brace your heart, and nerve your arm.  
3 cept - ed death up - on a cross, on Cal - vary's hill.  
4 bun - dant life and leads to vic - tory o'er the grave.  
5 bear the cross may hope to wear the glo - rious crown.

THE DISMISSAL

*Deacon:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## Leading Worship This Morning

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

*Deacon:* The Rev. Terri J. Morrissey

*Music Director:* Mark Crayton

*Greeter:* Ann Searles

*Lectors:* Don Churchill, Volunteer

*Prayer Leader:* Ann Searles

*Acolytes:* Bob Purse, Willow Myers,

Harper Olsen

*Chalice Bearers:* Don Churchill, Volunteer

*Bread Baker:* Volunteer

*Altar Guild:* Volunteers

*Green Team:* Volunteers

*Livestream:* Volunteer

## 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

\*Section Leader

\*\*Staff Singer

†Choral Assistant

### Bass

Terry Bucher\*

Steve Carr

Jack Ellis\*\*

Jake Engel

Louise Floyd\*



*St. Matthew's*

# **HOLY WEEK** **SCHEDULE**

**MAUNDY THURSDAY | APRIL 17**

**7:30PM HOLY EUCHARIST  
IN THE CHURCH**

**GOOD FRIDAY | APRIL 18**

**7:30PM GOOD FRIDAY LITURGY WITH SPECIAL MUSIC  
IN THE CHURCH**

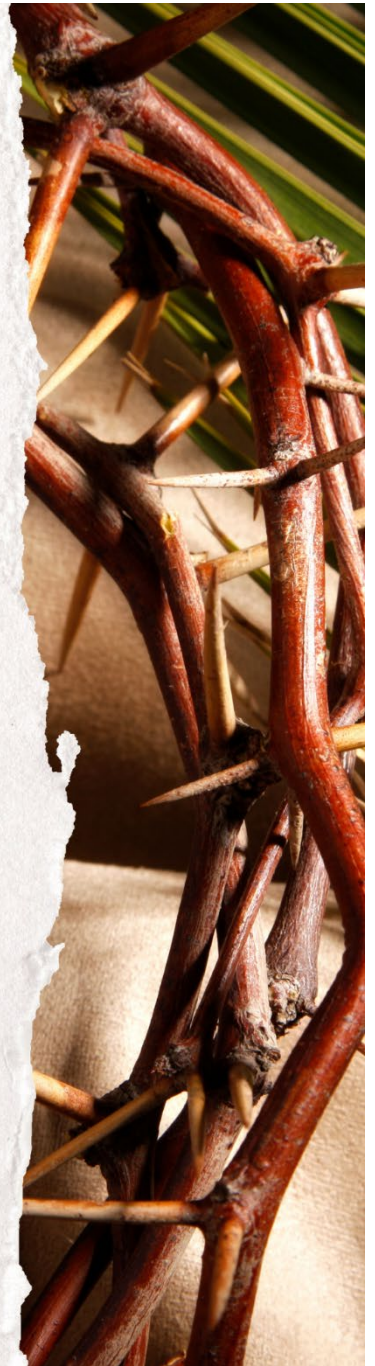
**HOLY SATURDAY | APRIL 19**

**7PM SOLEMN EASTER VIGIL  
AT ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

**EASTER SUNDAY | APRIL 20**

**8:00AM HOLY EUCHARIST WITH SERMON  
IN THE CHAPEL**

**10:30AM FESTAL EUCHARIST WITH SPECIAL MUSIC  
IN THE CHURCH**



# Easter Music & Flowers

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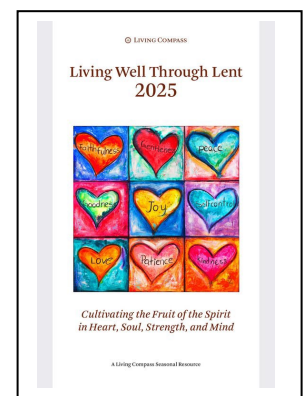


**As our journey through Lent begins**, please take some time to consider participating in Lent Madness and taking on the joyful practice of learning from the saints. Lent Madness is modeled on bracket-style sports competition (March Madness), and its bracket includes a round of 32 saints culminating in The Golden Halo. In past years, Lent Madness provided a printed version of their Saintly Scorecard, however, this year it will be digital. To download a printable bracket, go to [lentmadness.org](http://lentmadness.org) and click on the 3 lines in the top right corner. You can also find other Lent Madness resources there. Subscribe to Lent Madness to receive updates and voting links. Questions? Contact Deacon Terri at [terri@stmatthewsevanston.org](mailto:terri@stmatthewsevanston.org).



**Available Now - Living Well Through Lent 2025: Cultivating the Fruit of the Spirit in Heart, Soul, Strength and Mind**, is daily devotional that provides a foundation for seeking a deeper experience of Lent, an experience that will help prepare us for the true meaning of Easter.

The devotional includes reflections from: The Rev. Dr. Scott Stoner and featuring reflections from eight guest writers: The Rev. Molly Bosscher, Robbin Brent, The Rev. Canon Randy K. Callender, The Rt. Rev. Brian Lee Cole, The Rt. Rev. Shannon Rogers Duckworth, The Rev. Jenifer Gamber, The Rev. Gary B. Manning and The Rev. Abigail W. Moon.



You can find copies of the devotional in the back of church, the chapel and outside the office.

## St. Mark's and St. Matthew's Collaboration

In the past, St. Mark's and St. Matthew's have searched for ways to collaborate on spreading the gospel and have developed several joint opportunities such as "Confirm Not Conform," Beachapalooza, the Wednesday Lunch Ministry and the combined Christmas Day service. Clergy and lay leaders from both churches are continuing to look for ways to coordinate efforts and are meeting from time to time for that purpose. We want to leverage the knowledge and experience of the congregations in support of that effort. If you discern an opportunity for the churches to combine forces, we invite you to let your clergy and wardens know. Thanks so much.

## St. Andrew's and St. Matthew's Partnership

The partnership team of St. Andrew's Pentecost and St. Matthews plans to host a meeting to update our congregations on the status of threats taking place in our community to immigrants. On Sunday, May 4 at 1:30 P.M. the Rev. Canon Sandra Castillo will speak to our combined groups at St. Andrew's Pentecost about the ongoing threat and to offer a training on "Know Your Rights". Please mark your calendar for this important event.



### Where to Take Styrofoam for Recycling

Most recycling facilities can't process it, and the city's recycling program doesn't accept it. But now we have a convenient way to avoid sending polystyrene foam (commonly called styrofoam) to the landfill or worse, with the risk of negative environmental effects. Styrofoam packaging materials, takeout containers, cups, and other items can be dropped off at First United Methodist Church of Evanston from 10 AM until noon on the third Saturday of every month. The next drop-off date is this Saturday, April 19. Volunteers will be present to help unload items in front of the 516 Church Street entrance.

### How to Eat and Drink Fewer Microplastics

(Condensed from the Washington Post, March 4, 2025)

#### Drink Tap Water

Drinking bottled water could be introducing you to thousands of microscopic pieces of plastic. In fact, bottled water is the biggest pathway to microplastic exposure. Switching from bottled water to filtered tap water has the potential to reduce microplastic intake. Microplastics can also be found in tap water, but in smaller amounts. Most people in the United States don't need to drink bottled water. Tap water is safer and more regulated. And, of course, it saves all those plastic bottles.

## Antiracism Learning

**Diocese protesting Trump on April 5:** Interested in showing your objection to the current federal administration? Join the diocesan delegation at the Hands Off! protest on Saturday, April 4, noon-2 p.m. at Daley Plaza (50 W. Washington St., Chicago). Meet Rev. Sandra Castillo and the group by the Picasso sculpture. Visit <https://www.mobilize.us/indivisiblechicago/event/760254/> for more info and to sign up.

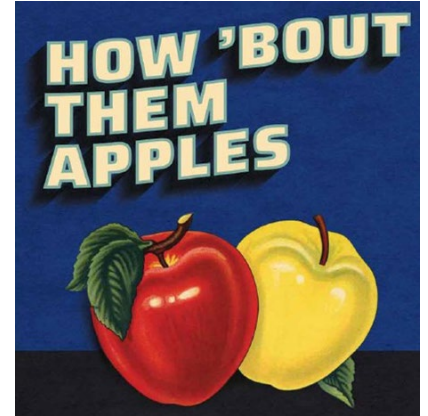
**Event highlight / When Divas Meet:** Learn about great Black women in music and hear some of their work on March 28 at the DuSable Black History Museum and Education Center, 740 E. 56<sup>th</sup> Place, Chicago; 5:30 for VIP reception, 7 p.m. for concert; purchase tickets here: <https://dusablemuseum.org/event/when-divas-meet/>.

## How 'Bout Them Apples...

Wednesday, April 30, 2025

7pm at Steve and Charlotte's Home

We're resurrecting an apple-based fund-raiser at Steve and Charlotte's home. At 7 p.m., we will host a Calvados and apple brandy tasting. Calvados will date to a 1987 vintage from France to Steve's own "living cask" of local apple brandy with a blend of 2021, '21, '23, '24 and 25. As an aperitif, these samplings will be complemented by a charcuterie board. Seating is limited to the first eight to sign up with a \$50 contribution to St. Matthew's. Call or text Steve at 847-867-1123.



## 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 email Deacon Terri at [terri@stmatthewsevanston.com](mailto:terri@stmatthewsevanston.com) if you are interested.

## 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 at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f054eacaa22a1f85-wednesday#/>. If you have any questions, please feel free to email Kati Olsen at [kati2219@gmail.com](mailto:kati2219@gmail.com).

# NOTES:

# 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:** Iglesia Anglicana de Chile.

**In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** *Congregations in the Elgin Deanery:*

St. Simon in Arlington Heights; St. Michael in Barrington; St. Mark in Barrington Hills; St. Martin in Des Plaines; *Companion Dioceses of SE Mexico and Renk:* San Andrés in Veracruz; St. Michael in Paloch.

**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 March:** Mark Austin, Phillip Castillo, Judith Creech, Andrew Davies, Patty Dreibelbis, Drew Kelly, Andrew McDermott, Daniel Meyer, Chris Motogawa, Grace Motogawa, Joyce Weber and Allison Zidek.

**We pray for all those who celebrate anniversaries in March.**

**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:** Cobe Layag, 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:** Dorothy Wyandt, Nicholas Churchill, Jeremy Herschaft, Tobin Hudgins, Kaden Brown, Larry Anderson, 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, Bob Teska, Ralph Motogawa, Jessica Mueller, Maeve Shampine, John Wagner, Cathy Fiala, Donna Wagner, Carol Wagner, Will Widmer 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, especially Bill Hertel,** brother of Karen Hertel.

## 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 149<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Parish on January 26, 2025

**St. Matthew's Vestry**

Stephen Carr, *Senior Warden*

Tim Patenode, *Junior Warden*

William Widmer, Kelsey Davies, Jim Kelly (2026)

Dudley Conley, Larkin Myers (2027)

Roberta Buchanan, Karen Hertel, David Parks (2028)

*Clerk of the Vestry*, Larkin Myers (2028)

Christopher Motogawa, *Treasurer* (2026)

**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 22, 2025

Delegates: Mary Clark, Ann Searles, Julia Green

**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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