



## **St. Matthew Lutheran Church**

### *The Fifth Sunday of Pentecost*

#### *Service of Word and Sacrament*

**July 14, 2019**

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9:15 a.m. Sunday School (Sept.-May)

9:30 a.m. Worship

## Large Print Bulletins are available the Usher's.

**To all, welcome in Jesus' name!** May your presence in the Lord's house this day afford you God's peace in the coming week. We ask that all present sign our Friendship Sheet. After you add your name to the sheet, please pass it toward the center aisle. Then return it to the outside aisle so that you become familiar with our family in Christ. These sheets help our pastor and congregation with our ministry. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to join us here at St. Matthew to worship and serve Christ together!

**All who** believe in Christ's presence in the Sacrament are invited to come to the Lord's table to share the grace of God through the bread and wine.

**Christ calls the children to come to him!** We invite all children to worship with their parents. **Children's bulletins and worship bags** are available for our younger members. Ask an usher. Should you have need of the nursery for your child (under 5 years of age), it is located upstairs.

**Today's Altar Flowers** are placed to the Glory of God by Joey and Lori Tremmel in honor of our children and in memory of our loved ones.

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*Prayer throughout the week:*

Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths.

*Psalm 25:1-10*

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### **This Week at St. Matthew . . .**

- Today - Social following worship today  
- **August Article Messenger Deadline**
- Sun.-Fri. - Pastor is at Sequanota. In case of emergency call the church office  
793-2413 or 814-629-6627 (camp Office)
- Tuesday - TABS Study, (not meeting this day)
- Thursday - Food Pantry, Allegheny St. 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. & 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.
- Sunday - **Youth Led Sunday**  
- Holy Communion 9:30 a.m.

<p><b>Wonder Wednesday:</b> Volunteers are needed to bake or bring cookies to help round out the meal on July 24<sup>th</sup>. Please bring your baked cookies to the church kitchen by Tuesday afternoon (July 23<sup>rd</sup> by 3:00 p.m.).</p>
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AN \* INDICATES TO STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE.

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

### \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- Ⓟ Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. ☩ Amen
- Ⓟ Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor, let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin. (*silence is kept for reflection*) God of mercy,
- ☩ we confess that we have sinned against you, against one another, and against the earth entrusted to our care. We are worried and distracted by many things, and we fail to love you above all else. We store up treasures for ourselves and turn away from our neighbors in need. Forgive us, that we may live in the freedom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen
- Ⓟ When we were laid low by sin and guilt, God made us alive together with Christ, forgiving us † all our trespasses by taking our sins to the cross. For freedom Christ has set us free: Rejoice in this good news!

**\*GATHERING HYMN**

*God Is Here!*

ELW # 526



1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer  
2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long  
3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's  
4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of



praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure  
need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;  
flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,  
change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;



what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the  
here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es -  
Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants  
help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's



world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts  
ty of preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech,  
of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore  
ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;



wait the com - ing of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.  
here, in new - ness and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.  
what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.  
we, who can - not live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

**\*GREETING**

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C** **And also with you.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

*This Is the Feast*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

☞ The Lord be with you. ☪ **And also with you.**

☞ *Let us pray...* O Lord God, your mercy delights us, and the world longs for your loving care. Hear the cries of everyone in need, and turn our hearts to love our neighbors with the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. ☪ **Amen**

## CHILDREN'S TIME

### FIRST LESSON 2 Kings 5:1-14

<sup>1</sup>Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. <sup>2</sup>Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. <sup>3</sup>She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." <sup>4</sup>So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. <sup>5</sup>And the king of Aram said, "Go then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel."

He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. <sup>6</sup>He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy." <sup>7</sup>When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

<sup>8</sup>But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." <sup>9</sup>So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. <sup>10</sup>Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." <sup>11</sup>But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! <sup>12</sup>Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. <sup>13</sup>But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" <sup>14</sup>So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

☞ The word of the Lord. ☪ *Thanks be to God.*

**PSALM 25:1-10** *(To be read responsively.)*

<sup>1</sup>To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

<sup>2</sup>**My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame, or let my enemies triumph over me.**

<sup>3</sup>Let none who look to you be put to shame; rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

<sup>4</sup>**Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths.**

<sup>5</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.

<sup>6</sup>**Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.**

<sup>7</sup>Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

<sup>8</sup>**You are gracious and upright, O LORD; therefore you teach sinners in your way.**

<sup>9</sup>You lead the lowly in justice and teach the lowly your way.

<sup>10</sup>**All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast love and faithfulness to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.**

**SECOND LESSON** *Colossians 1:1-14*

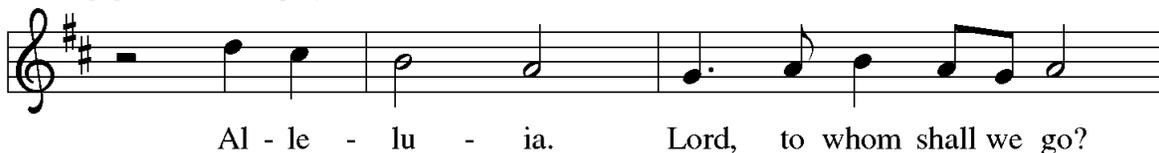
<sup>1</sup>Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, <sup>2</sup>To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

<sup>3</sup>In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>4</sup>for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, <sup>5</sup>because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel <sup>6</sup>that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. <sup>7</sup>This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, <sup>8</sup>and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

<sup>9</sup>For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, <sup>10</sup>so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. <sup>11</sup>May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully <sup>12</sup>giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. <sup>13</sup>He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, <sup>14</sup>in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

☐ The word of the Lord. ☑ *Thanks be to God.*

## \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter.

**G** Glory to you, O Lord.

**Gospel Reading** *Luke 10:25-37*

<sup>25</sup>Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>26</sup>He said to him, “What is written in the law? What do you read there?” <sup>27</sup>He answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.” <sup>28</sup>And he said to him, “You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.”

<sup>29</sup>But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” <sup>30</sup>Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. <sup>31</sup>Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. <sup>32</sup>So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. <sup>33</sup>But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. <sup>34</sup>He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. <sup>35</sup>The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, ‘Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.’ <sup>36</sup>Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?” <sup>37</sup>He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

**P** The Gospel of the Lord. **G** *Praise to you, O Christ.*

**SERMON**

*Pastor Traci*



1 *Cuan-do* el po - bre na - da tie - ne y aún re - par - te,  
 1 When the poor ones, who have noth - ing, still are giv - ing;  
 2 When com - pas - sion gives the suf - f'ring con - so - la - tion;  
 3 When our spir - its, like a chal - ice, brim with glad - ness;  
 4 When the good - ness poured from heav - en fills our dwell - ings;



*cuan - do* al - guien pa - sa sed y a - gua nos da,  
 when the thirst - y pass the cup, wa - ter to share;  
 when ex - pect - ing brings to birth hope that was lost;  
 when our voic - es, full and clear, sing out the truth;  
 when the na - tions work to change war in - to peace;



*cuan-do* el dé - bil a su her - ma - no for - ta - le - ce:  
 when the wound - ed of - fer oth - ers strength and heal - ing;  
 when we choose love, not the ha - tred all a - round us;  
 when our long - ings, free from en - vy, seek the hum - ble:  
 when the strang - er is ac - cept - ed as our neigh - bor:

*Refrain / Estribillo*



*Va Dios* mis - mo en nues - tro mis - mo ca - mi - nar;  
 We see God, here by our side, walk - ing our way;



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 we see God, here by our side, walk - ing our way.

\*CREED

**P** Let us confess our faith through the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**C** I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

## \*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- A** Joining our voices with God's people around the world, let us offer our prayers for those in need.
- A** For the church, steadfast and faithful in its mission to proclaim redemption through Christ Jesus; for all ministers of the gospel who proclaim that the word is near, let us pray. **G Have mercy, O God.**
- A** For areas affected by drought or storms; for livestock and fields; for ranchers and farmers; and for all stewards of the earth, that as God's goodness is revealed in creation, we act with justice toward all creatures, let us pray. **G Have mercy, O God.**
- A** For lawyers and advocates; for local, regional, and national governments; and for peace throughout the world, that God send gracious and upright leaders to govern with mercy and truth, let us pray. **G Have mercy, O God.**
- A** For those who feel ashamed; for those who find it difficult to trust; for the bereaved and sick, and all those whose troubles lie heavy on our hearts, that God provide compassionate and loving caregivers to all who suffer, let us pray. **G Have mercy, O God.**
- A** For the members of the body of Christ in this place; for those who do good works in our midst; for those who are visiting and those who are absent, that the Holy Spirit guide all the journeys of our lives, let us pray. **G Have mercy, O God.**
- A** For the staff, campers, and volunteers at Sequanota and all outdoor ministry sites, that time apart would help them re-connect to creation, community, and You, O Christ, let us pray. **G Have mercy, O God.**
- A** For all the churches of the Allegheny Synod. We particularly pray today for the assembly **St. Luke Lutheran, Centre Hall, PA**, Lord, in your mercy, **G hear our prayer.**
- A** For our ancestors who have inspired us by their lives of faith, that thankful for their witness, we can confidently proclaim our salvation, let us pray. **G Have mercy, O God.**
- P** Merciful God, you hear the prayers of your people even before they are spoken. We commend these and all our prayers to you, trusting in your abundant mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **G Amen**

## \*PEACE

- P** The peace of Christ be with you always. **G And also with you.**

## OFFERING

*An offering is received.*

## INSTRUMENTAL OFFERTORY

### \*OFFERTORY

### *Let the Vineyards*



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that



we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of



all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble



with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

### \*OFFERTORY PRAYER

**A** *Let us pray...* Blessed are you, O God, for the greening earth given for all, for the talents we are given to share, and for this bread and wine. Transform us to be the body of Christ, that, feasting on this food and drink, our lives may reflect your generosity; through Christ our Lord. **G Amen**

## \*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. Each staff contains a melody line with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.', 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.', 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.', and 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.'

☐ It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
heav'n 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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Ⓟ Holy God, our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer, in the harmonious world of your creation the plants and animals, the seas and stars were whole and well in your praise. When sin had scarred the world, you sent your Son to heal our ills and to form us again into one.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his acts of healing his body given up, and his victory over death, we await that day when all the peoples of the earth will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.

Send your Spirit upon us and this meal: as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread, so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth, that all may be fed with the Bread of life, your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. 🎵 Amen

**\*LORD'S PRAYER** (*contemporary*)

Ⓟ Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

🎵 **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

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

## \*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

**P** God invites you to this table of bounty. Come, the banquet is ready. **C** **Thanks be to God.**

### COMMUNION HYMN

### *We Come to the Hungry Feast*

...ELW # 479



1 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a word of peace.  
2 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a world re - leased  
3 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry that the hun - ger cease,



To hun - gry hearts un - sat - is - fied the love of God is  
from hun - gry folk of ev - 'ry kind, the poor in bod - y,  
and know - ing, though we eat our fill, the hun - ger will stay



not de - nied. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.  
poor in mind. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.  
with us; still we come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

## \*THE POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

**P** May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **C** **Amen**

## \*POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

**A** *Let us pray...* O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord.

**C** **Amen**

## \*BENEDICTION

**P** Live your lives in Christ, rooted and built up in him, and abound in thanksgiving: and the blessing of the holy Trinity, † one God, be upon you and remain with you forever. **C** **Amen**

**\*SENDING SONG**

*Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

ELW # 547



1 Sent forth by God's bless - ing, our true faith con - fess - ing,  
2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er - liv - ing,



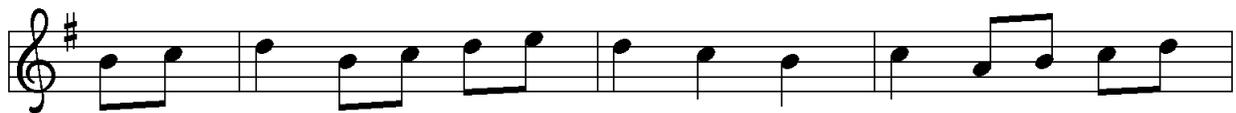
the peo - ple of God from this dwell - ing take leave.  
the tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face—



The sup - per is end - ed. Oh, now be ex - tend - ed  
our faith ev - er shar - ing, in love ev - er car - ing,



the fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.  
em - brac - ing God's chil - dren, the whole hu - man race.



The seed of Christ's teach - ing, re - cep - tive souls  
With your feast you feed us, with your light now



reach - ing, shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.  
lead us; u - nite us as one in this life that we share.



Your grace shall in - cite us, your love shall u - nite us  
Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks - giv - ing



to work for your king - dom and an - swer your call.  
give hon - or to Christ and his name that we bear.

*QUIET DEVOTION WITH THE CARILLON*

**\*DISMISSAL**

**P** Go in peace. Christ is sending you. **G** **Thanks be to God.**

**\*POSTLUDE**

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**DRIVERS ARE NEEDED**

If you have extra time on Sunday to give a ride to someone or extra space in your vehicle.

Please call the Church Office (814-793-2413) and volunteer to drive someone to church on Sunday mornings.

**Prayers are needed for our homebound:** Shirley Acker, Verna Blough, Fred Brandenburg, Clyde Claycomb, Doris Henderson, Gene Henry, Jere Hess, Gerald Hoover, Betty Kaurudar, Betty Jane Moore, Nancy Myers, Miriam Royer, Gerry Showalter, Dan Sinal, Don Smith, Joy Williams and for our **Missionaries: Rev. Lesley Hand, On Eagle's Wings, Elizabeth Hendrickson.**

**Prayer Concerns:** Pastor Denise Arpino, Dwight Ciccotelli, Betty Jo Collard, Greg Comer, Gladys Eastep, Brian Fleck, Dan Hershberger, Marilyn Horton, Darren Kreutzer, Vanessa Lance, Kristen Malloy, Bill Marriott, Ryder McDermitt, Betty McDowell, Jeff McFarland, Kay McGraw, Chuck Nelson, Deb Peters, Paul Ruth, Ginny Sell, Barbara Smith, Margie Smith, Dr. Darwin Stapleton, Luther Steele, Dave Stern, Diane Stewart, Cindy Thomas, Juli Wert, Carol Weyandt, Pete Williams, Robert Winston, Ken Wyland, Jody Zelanko.



**Community Meals**

The meals are offered monthly **free** of charge. The annual calendar meal menu is posted on the Narthex bulletin board. There is a donation jar if you wish to support the Community Meal Ministry. They appreciate your presence and hope that the meal and the fellowship you encounter is as much a blessing to you as it is to them. The meal is offered by St. John's UCC, 117 E Julian Street. The meals are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday from 4:00-6:00 p.m. The meal on July 18<sup>th</sup> will be "Hot dogs, Pasta Salad, Baked Beans and Cookies".

## Keeping TABS with Pastor Traci: Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study

Join Pastor Traci for a discussion of the lectionary texts for each upcoming Sunday. Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study (TABS) will be held at 3:00 p.m. in the Window Room. In July we will meet, on the following Tuesdays: July 23,30.

### Sunday Lectionary Readings for the Month

*Taken from Sundays and Seasons.*

Sunday	Readings
07/21/19	Amos 8:1-12; Psalm 15; Colossians 1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42
07/28/19	Hosea 1:2-10; Psalm 138; Colossians 2:6-15 (16-19); Luke 11:1-13
08/04/19	Hosea 11:1-11; Psalm 49:1-12; Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21
08/11/19	Isaiah 1:1, 10-20; Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23; Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16; 12:32-40
08/18/19	Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 82; Hebrews 11:29—12:2; Luke 12:49-56

### Ways to Support St. Matthew

**Giving Online:** St. Matthew is excited to announce that you can now manage your giving online! Giving online is easy and allows you to set up automatic recurring contributions and view your complete online giving history from anywhere you have access to the Internet. Simply follow these easy steps:

- 1) Visit the church website at “[www.stmatthewlc.com](http://www.stmatthewlc.com)”
- 2) Click on the “**Give**” button, (on the top white banner)
- 3) Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring contributions.

#### **BarCode Offerings:**

- 1) Visit “**Play Store on your mobile device**”
- 2) Find QR Code (this app is free)
- 3) Click on the “**Install**” the app
- 4) Open the app on your device
- 5) Scan the BarCode: (follow the prompts)
  - a) in the bulletin
  - b) in the Messenger
  - c) on the church website: [www.stmatthewlc.com](http://www.stmatthewlc.com)



## Transformational Ministry

Each month and on a daily basis, we ask you to join us in prayer. Our July special prayer request is:

*We pray all will have a safe and restful summer whether vacationing or relaxing at home for a few days. May we be mindful of the true meaning of our summer holidays. There were those who sacrificed lives to protect our ideals, those who deliberated over 200 years ago to give us a constitution which endures today and those who fought for fair labor practices which is one of the strengths of our democracy. Amen*

Please join us in daily prayer as we lift these concerns to the Lord.



### St. Matthew's Website [www.stmatthewLC.com](http://www.stmatthewLC.com)

Have you checked out the website lately?

- ❖ You can find a monthly calendar of events
- ❖ Weekly copies of the Sunday Bulletin
- ❖ Monthly copies of "The Messenger"
- ❖ Links to ELCA important sites
  - ❖ Online giving options
  - ❖ And so much more

We also are on Facebook:

[www.facebook.com/stmatthewlc](http://www.facebook.com/stmatthewlc)

### Martinsburg Food Pantry

The Food Pantry will be open for distribution of food on Thursday, July 18 from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. and in the evening on by appointment only from 5:00–6:00 p.m.



Those helping to distribute food will be from the Brethren in Christ Church besides the regular volunteers.

Following are items most needed for June: **Cereal, Fruit Cocktail, Ravioli, Pancake Mix, Syrup and Paper Towels.** Garden Produce on days that the Food Pantry is open are also appreciated. Thank you!

### **Serving God and Us Today**

Our Ministers - the People of St. Matthew  
Our Pastor – Rev. Traci Marriott Bowman  
Our Organist – Dr. Nina Tedeschi  
Our Missionary Families – On Eagle’s Wings, Elizabeth Hendrickson and Kenya  
Our Administrative Assistant – Lori Tremmel  
Our Assistant Administrative Assistant– Laura Orczeck  
Our Sexton – Bill Brown  
Our Acolyte – Mace Baker  
Our Lay Servers – Les Loomis, Stanley Smith  
Our Assisting Minister – Les Loomis  
Our Ushers – Dennis Smith, A J Hoenstine, Melissa Fetzer, Michael Tremmel  
Our Lector – Carla Brumbaugh  
Our Greeters – Ruth Marshall  
Our Audio/Video Tech – Shawn Orczeck  
Our Offering Counters – Dennis & Margie Smith  
July’s Altar Guild – Jean Sinal, Laura Orczeck

Third Quarter Ventures in Faith to “*OEW & Missionaries*”

### **Serving God and Us Next Sunday, July 21, 2019**

Our Acolyte – Jay Hoenstine  
Our Lay Servers – Max Baker, Mace Baker  
Our Assisting Minister – Max Baker  
Our Ushers – Youth  
Our Lectors – Olivia Day, TBD  
Our Greeters – Youth  
Our Audio/Video Tech – Alex Snyder  
Our Offering Counters – Dennis & Margie Smith  
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Martinsburg Ministerium is hosting a **FREE Pool Party**

Hershberger Memorial Pool

**Thursday, August 8, 2019**

7-9 p.m. All are invited!

Children **MUST** be accompanied by an Adult.

**St. Matthew is collecting 100 individually wrapped bags of chips for this event. PINK Collection box is in the Fellowship Hall.**

St Matthew's

# WONDER WEDNESDAYS



Join us for

**CRAFTS—LUNCH—STORY—SONGS**

St. Matthew Lutheran Church—115 E Penn St. Martinsburg

Wednesdays: July 24, & August 14\*

11:00 AM — 1:00 PM

For Area Youth, Kids under 5yrs w/Parent or Guardian



—FREE for ALL—



RSVP to Church Office Appreciated: 814-793-2413

\*August 14th, Picnic Lunch & Activities at Morrison's Cove Park

## WHERE CAN I FIND CERTAIN ITEMS???

Pew Envelopes – Wood Table in Fellowship Hall

ELW Hymnals – Wood Table in Fellowship Hall

Food Pantry – basket is under Wood Table in Fellowship Hall

## **SAVE THE DATE!**

Young at Heart Dinner  
Tuesday, September 24, 2019  
12:00 p.m.

St. Matthew Fellowship Hall



## **St. Matthew Lutheran Church Worship & Picnic**

**Sunday, August 11, 2019**

**11:00 a.m. at Ed Kreider's Farm**

Meat and Beverage will be provided. Please bring a covered dish to share. Table service and lawn chair will also be needed. Come join us for an afternoon of good food and fellowship.

**All are welcome**

**Reservations are not required**, but would give us some idea of how many to expect. Please return this form in the offering plate by **Sunday, August 4, 2019**.

**Directions:** From Martinsburg, take 164 East to Fredericksburg. Turn **left** on Clover Creek road and follow for 2¾ miles to Kreider Lane on the right.

## **St. Matthew Lutheran Church Picnic**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Adults:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Children under 10:**

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Place in offering basket or in secretaries' mailbox.

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!**