Day of Pentecost June 8, 2025

9:30 a.m. Worship

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!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen. C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

P: In the name of \pm the One who was, who is, and who is to come. C: Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism. Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

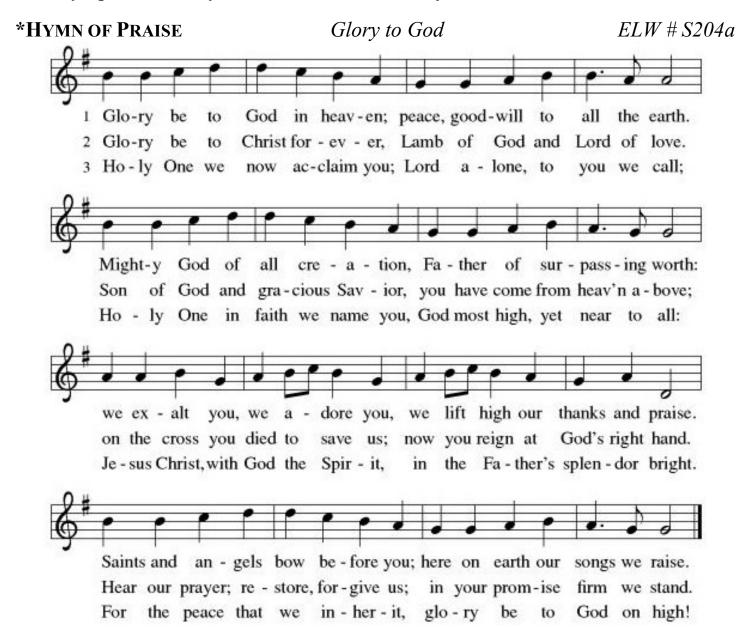
P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One. C: Amen.

*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.



*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray ... God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C: Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 11:1-9

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ² And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³ And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." ⁵ The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶ And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." ⁸ So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹ Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:24-34, 35b (read responsively)

- ²⁴ How manifold are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- ²⁵ Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.
- ²⁶ There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.
- ²⁷ All of them look to you to give them their food in due season
- ²⁸ You give it to them; they [|]gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- ²⁹ When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
- ³⁰ You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.
- 31 May the glory of the Lord endure forever;O Lord, rejoice in all your works.
- ³² You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.
- ³³ I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

³⁴ May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the Lord.

35b Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Acts 2:1-21

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with -in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

*Gospel: John 14:8-17 [25-27]

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁸ Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

¹⁵ "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor

knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. [25 "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. 26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY
*HYMN OF THE DAY

troubled, and do not let them be afraid."]

Spirit of Gentleness

Pastor Traci ELW # 396

*NICENE CREED

- P: Let us confess our faith through the words of the Nicene Creed.
- C: 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 and the Son,* 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.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- A: God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.
- A: We pray for the church. Continue to inspire our sharing of the gospel and equip us to tear down the barriers we have erected. Make our welcome expansive, intentional, and open to loving challenge. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

- A: We pray for creation. Allow fire to burn safely in habitats where it's needed and quench flames when they threaten to run wild. Protect forests, prairies, and grasslands from destruction by natural forces or human misdeeds. Safeguard firefighters and rescuers in their dangerous work. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for courts and legislatures. Write your commandments on our hearts, and inspire all who govern to lead with love over retribution. Unite judges, lawyers, and systems of justice in a desire for reconciliation. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for the sick in body, mind, or spirit. Lift up all who have been bowed low by circumstances or internal strife. Bring to wholeness those who cry out to you in need. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for this congregation. Raise up in us a deep desire to live out our baptismal promises and to support those of all ages in our shared journey of faith. Hear us, O God C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We offer thanks for the faithful departed who now rest in you. Let their lives encourage our own daily living. Console us with the promise of eternal life. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- P: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. C: Amen.

*THE PEACE

P: The peace of the LORD be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Please share the peace with those around you using a greeting that is comfortable for both you and them.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

An offering plate is located near the entrance to the nave; we offer thanks for the abundance God has first shown us:

A: Let us pray... Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

C: Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PROPER PREFACE

P: 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. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.

You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations.

You rescued Israel, your chosen people.

Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

- P: Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.
- C: Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

*LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- C: 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, forever and ever. Amen



*Invitation

P: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life. C: Thanks be to God.



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*BLESSING

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

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray... Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. C: Amen.

*BENEDICTION

P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. C: Amen.



- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford. you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin-dle hope with - in. to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



Come, stream of end-less flow-ing, and res-cue us from death; Come, fire of glo-ry gra-cious, bless all who trust in you; for vi-sion we im-plore you, for wis-dom's pure de-light;



come, wind of spring-time blow - ing, and warm us by your breath. un - dy - ing flame te - na - cious, burn in your church a - new. in prayer we come be - fore you to wait up - on your light.

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*DISMISSAL

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P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*POSTLUDE

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Today's Altar Flowers are placed to the Glory of God in memory of Sheldon O. Smith from Linda Smith and family.

Prayers are needed for our homebound: Mary Jane Allision, Fred Brandenburg, Linda Claar, Mary Creps, Gerry Girolami, Betty Helsel, Allen Heltzel, Ann & Larry Irvin, Ruth Johnson, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Jean Stonerook, Pat & Robert Winston.

So we can give special attention to those with pressing needs, names were removed at the end of the month. Please let the office know if a name should be added to the prayer list for an extended period of time.

Prayer Concerns: Greta Buchart, Doug Bush, Dr. Ramon Burket, Terry Creek, Mary Farabaugh, Marilyn Horton, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Kristen Malloy, Elaine Ormsby, John Russell, Dan Sinal, Zachary Tremmel, Pat Winston and for our **Missionaries: Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings.**

Away at School: Max Baker, Christopher Bush, Olivia Day, Jeff Hoenstine, Lacey Ripka.

Those Serving in our Armed Forces: Bradley Buchart, Melody Estep, Colin Guyer, Nathan Smith (Germany).

Serving God and Us

Our Ministers - the People of St. Matthew

Our Pastor - Rev. Traci Marriott

Our Organists – Mary Nelson, DeAnna Cree

Our Missionary Family – Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings

Our Administrative Assistant – Jen Ripka

Our Assistant Administrative Assistant – Laura Orczeck

Our Sexton – Phil Claar

Our Assisting Minister – Greg Haffling

Our Lectors - Norah and Stacy Kuster

Our Usher – Dennis Smith

Our Altar Guild -Jean Sinal

Our Audio/Video Tech - Camden Kuster

Our Offering Counters – Jim Barley, Beth Garner

Second Quarter Ventures in Faith to "Youth & Camping"

This Week at St. Matthew:

814-793-2413: Office Hours

Pastor Traci – Wed. 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Jen (Summer Hours) – Mon. and Wed. 8:00-10:30 a.m.

Tues., Thurs., and Fri. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

This Week Events

Today – Day of Pentecost

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

Monday – Worship & Music Meeting 6:00 p.m., Zoom

Tuesday – Council Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room/Zoom Wednesday – Mending Ministry 2:00-4:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Endowment Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room

Sunday – The Holy Trinity

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.



Summer Office Hours

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 8:30 - 10:30
TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY 9 - NOON
OR BY APPOINTMENT



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Wednesday, June 11th 2PM to 4PM



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115 E Penn Street (Maple Street Parking Lot)



Our Senior Neighbors Are Invited To A Young at Heart Luncheon



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Held at St. Matthew Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

115 East Penn Street

Martinsburg, PA

Please RSVP to the Church Office

(814-793-2413) by July 7th

Theme is "Christmas in July" *Postcard invitations are located in the Narthex for distribution



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- Self-care
- Food & Health
- Arts & Media
- Environment
- Music & Dance
- Spiritual Life

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Martinsburg Food Pantry

The Food Pantry will be open for food distribution on Thursdays, June 5 and June 19 from 9:00 to 11:00a.m.

Those helping will be 3 or 4 people from St. John's UCC besides the regular volunteers to distribute food.

Following are the most needed items for June: Juice, Cereal, Pasta or Rice Sides, Scalloped Potatoes, Hamburger Helper.

Many thanks for the Food items, Paper products and Monetary gifts!

Linda K. Smith



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The first expected issue to be mailed is Summer 2025. We will keep you updated.



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When: Tuesday, June 24, 2025

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- 3 God of earth quake, God of thun der, shake us loose from
- 4 God of pas sion, God un sleep ing, stir in us love's



cost de - scend! pur - pose, purge! leth - ar - gy! rest - less - ness!

Drive from shel tered com - fort; us out Through your church, Bod - y, Christ's liv ing Break chains the of sin sun - der. a Where the peo ple cry in an - guish,



past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser-vice, let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice, for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us; may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



there with Christ to bear the cross, kin - dle us to speak your truth, make us one in Christ our Lord, claim us for your king-dom's work, there with Christ to bear the cross! kin - dle us to speak your truth! make us one in Christ our Lord! claim us for your king-dom's work!

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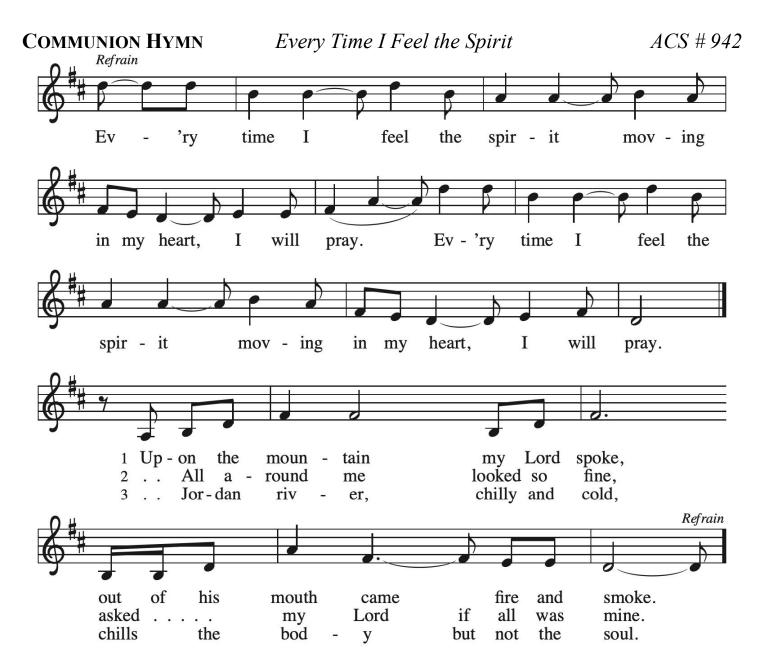
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- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford. you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin-dle hope with - in. to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



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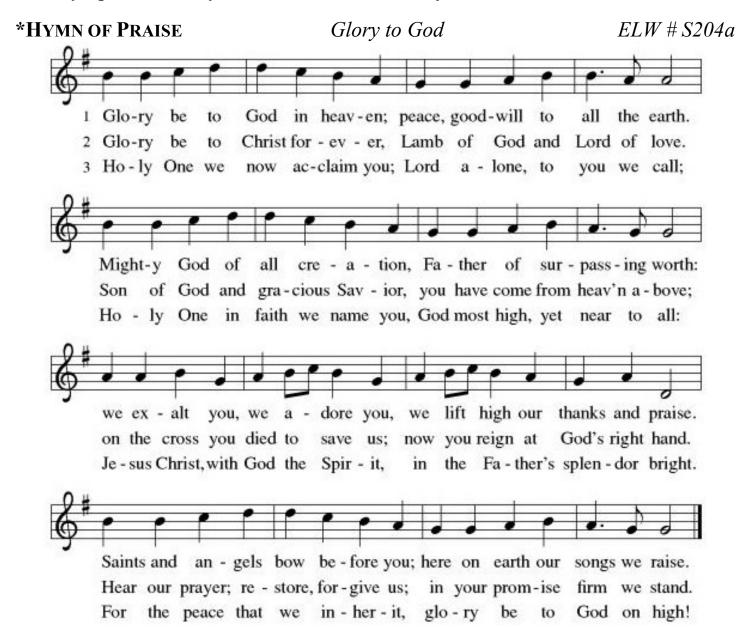
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P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One. C: Amen.

*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.



*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray ... God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C: Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 11:1-9

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ² And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³ And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." ⁵ The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶ And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." ⁸ So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹ Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:24-34, 35b (read responsively)

- ²⁴ How manifold are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- ²⁵ Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.
- ²⁶ There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.
- ²⁷ All of them look to you to give them their food in due season
- ²⁸ You give it to them; they [|]gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- ²⁹ When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
- ³⁰ You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.
- May the glory of the Lord endure forever;O Lord, rejoice in all your works.
- ³² You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.
- ³³ I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

³⁴ May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the Lord.

35b Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Acts 2:1-21

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with -in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

*Gospel: John 14:8-17 [25-27]

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁸ Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

¹⁵ "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor

knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. [25 "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. 26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY
*HYMN OF THE DAY

troubled, and do not let them be afraid."]

Spirit of Gentleness

Pastor Traci ELW # 396

*NICENE CREED

- P: Let us confess our faith through the words of the Nicene Creed.
- C: 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 and the Son,* 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.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- A: God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.
- A: We pray for the church. Continue to inspire our sharing of the gospel and equip us to tear down the barriers we have erected. Make our welcome expansive, intentional, and open to loving challenge. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

- A: We pray for creation. Allow fire to burn safely in habitats where it's needed and quench flames when they threaten to run wild. Protect forests, prairies, and grasslands from destruction by natural forces or human misdeeds. Safeguard firefighters and rescuers in their dangerous work. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for courts and legislatures. Write your commandments on our hearts, and inspire all who govern to lead with love over retribution. Unite judges, lawyers, and systems of justice in a desire for reconciliation. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for the sick in body, mind, or spirit. Lift up all who have been bowed low by circumstances or internal strife. Bring to wholeness those who cry out to you in need. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for this congregation. Raise up in us a deep desire to live out our baptismal promises and to support those of all ages in our shared journey of faith. Hear us, O God C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We offer thanks for the faithful departed who now rest in you. Let their lives encourage our own daily living. Console us with the promise of eternal life. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- P: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. C: Amen.

*THE PEACE

P: The peace of the LORD be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Please share the peace with those around you using a greeting that is comfortable for both you and them.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

An offering plate is located near the entrance to the nave; we offer thanks for the abundance God has first shown us:

A: Let us pray... Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

C: Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PROPER PREFACE

P: 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. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.

You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations.

You rescued Israel, your chosen people.

Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

- P: Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.
- C: Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

*LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- C: 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, forever and ever. Amen



*Invitation

P: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life. C: Thanks be to God.



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*BLESSING

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

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray... Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. C: Amen.

*BENEDICTION

P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. C: Amen.



- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford. you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin-dle hope with - in. to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



Come, stream of end-less flow-ing, and res-cue us from death; Come, fire of glo-ry gra-cious, bless all who trust in you; for vi-sion we im-plore you, for wis-dom's pure de-light;



come, wind of spring-time blow - ing, and warm us by your breath. un - dy - ing flame te - na - cious, burn in your church a - new. in prayer we come be - fore you to wait up - on your light.

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*DISMISSAL

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen! C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*POSTLUDE

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Today's Altar Flowers are placed to the Glory of God in memory of Sheldon O. Smith from Linda Smith and family.

Prayers are needed for our homebound: Mary Jane Allision, Fred Brandenburg, Linda Claar, Mary Creps, Gerry Girolami, Betty Helsel, Allen Heltzel, Ann & Larry Irvin, Ruth Johnson, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Jean Stonerook, Pat & Robert Winston.

So we can give special attention to those with pressing needs, names were removed at the end of the month. Please let the office know if a name should be added to the prayer list for an extended period of time.

Prayer Concerns: Greta Buchart, Doug Bush, Dr. Ramon Burket, Terry Creek, Mary Farabaugh, Marilyn Horton, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Kristen Malloy, Elaine Ormsby, John Russell, Dan Sinal, Zachary Tremmel, Pat Winston and for our **Missionaries: Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings.**

Away at School: Max Baker, Christopher Bush, Olivia Day, Jeff Hoenstine, Lacey Ripka.

Those Serving in our Armed Forces: Bradley Buchart, Melody Estep, Colin Guyer, Nathan Smith (Germany).

Serving God and Us

Our Ministers - the People of St. Matthew

Our Pastor - Rev. Traci Marriott

Our Organists – Mary Nelson, DeAnna Cree

Our Missionary Family – Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings

Our Administrative Assistant – Jen Ripka

Our Assistant Administrative Assistant – Laura Orczeck

Our Sexton – Phil Claar

Our Assisting Minister – Greg Haffling

Our Lectors - Norah and Stacy Kuster

Our Usher – Dennis Smith

Our Altar Guild -Jean Sinal

Our Audio/Video Tech - Camden Kuster

Our Offering Counters – Jim Barley, Beth Garner

Second Quarter Ventures in Faith to "Youth & Camping"

This Week at St. Matthew:

814-793-2413: Office Hours

Pastor Traci – Wed. 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Jen (Summer Hours) – Mon. and Wed. 8:00-10:30 a.m.

Tues., Thurs., and Fri. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

This Week Events

Today – Day of Pentecost

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

Monday – Worship & Music Meeting 6:00 p.m., Zoom

Tuesday – Council Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room/Zoom Wednesday – Mending Ministry 2:00-4:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Endowment Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room

Sunday – The Holy Trinity

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.



Summer Office Hours

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 8:30 - 10:30
TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY 9 - NOON
OR BY APPOINTMENT



Community Mending Ministry at St. Matthew



Bring laundered clothes that need mending to work on yourself or get help from our sewers.

Materials, machines, & expertise provided.

And we'll have snacks!

Wednesday, June 11th 2PM to 4PM



St. Matthew Lutheran Martinsburg Fellowship Hall
115 E Penn Street (Maple Street Parking Lot)



Our Senior Neighbors Are Invited To A Young at Heart Luncheon



Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at 12:00 PM

Held at St. Matthew Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

115 East Penn Street

Martinsburg, PA

Please RSVP to the Church Office

(814-793-2413) by July 7th

Theme is "Christmas in July" *Postcard invitations are located in the Narthex for distribution



Weekend Themes

- Self-care
- Food & Health
- Arts & Media
- Environment
- Music & Dance
- Spiritual Life

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Martinsburg Food Pantry

The Food Pantry will be open for food distribution on Thursdays, June 5 and June 19 from 9:00 to 11:00a.m.

Those helping will be 3 or 4 people from St. John's UCC besides the regular volunteers to distribute food.

Following are the most needed items for June: Juice, Cereal, Pasta or Rice Sides, Scalloped Potatoes, Hamburger Helper.

Many thanks for the Food items, Paper products and Monetary gifts!

Linda K. Smith



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The first expected issue to be mailed is Summer 2025. We will keep you updated.



You're invited to a Life Line Screening event!

Where: St Matthew Lutheran Church 115 E Penn St Martinsburg, PA 16662

When: Tuesday, June 24, 2025

June is Men's Health Month



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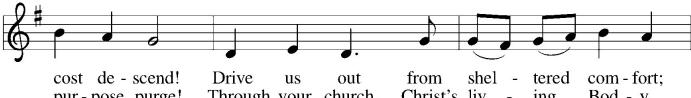
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Those with abnormal results should discuss possible next steps with their family healthcare provider and ensure they understand the risk and benefits of any additional testing or procedures.



- 1 God of tem pest, God of whirl-wind, as on Pen te 2 God of blaz ing, God of burn ing, all that blocks your
- earth -3 God of quake, God of thun - der, shake loose from us God of sion, God sleep - ing. stir in love's pas un us



Through your church, Bod - y, Christ's liv pur - pose, purge! ing leth - ar - gy! Break chains the of sin sun - der. a rest - less - ness! Where the peo ple cry in an - guish,



past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser-vice, let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice, for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us; may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



there with Christ to bear the cross, kin - dle us to speak your truth, make us one in Christ our Lord, claim us for your king-dom's work,

there with Christ to bear the cross! kin - dle us to speak your truth! make us one in Christ our Lord! claim us for your king-dom's work!

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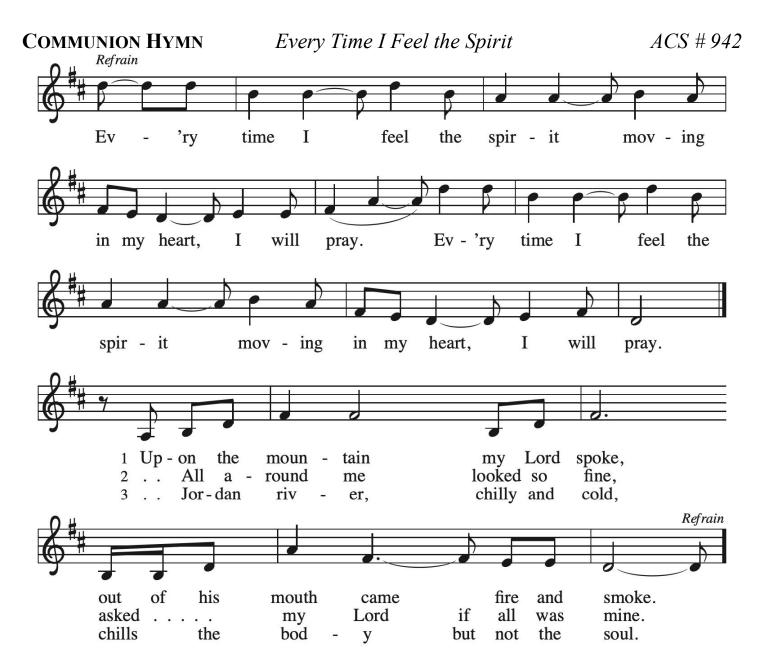
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- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford. you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin-dle hope with - in. to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



Come, stream of end-less flow-ing, and res-cue us from death; Come, fire of glo-ry gra-cious, bless all who trust in you; for vi-sion we im-plore you, for wis-dom's pure de-light;



come, wind of spring-time blow - ing, and warm us by your breath. un - dy - ing flame te - na - cious, burn in your church a - new. in prayer we come be - fore you to wait up - on your light.

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Day of Pentecost June 8, 2025

9:30 a.m. Worship

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!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen. C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

P: In the name of \pm the One who was, who is, and who is to come. C: Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism. Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

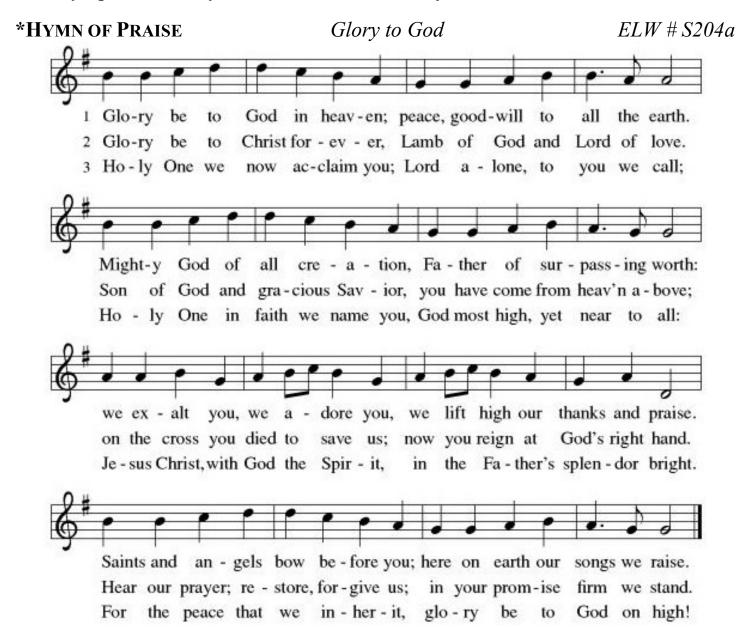
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P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One. C: Amen.

*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.



*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray ... God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C: Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 11:1-9

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ² And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³ And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." ⁵ The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶ And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." ⁸ So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹ Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:24-34, 35b (read responsively)

- ²⁴ How manifold are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- ²⁵ Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.
- ²⁶ There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.
- ²⁷ All of them look to you to give them their food in due season
- ²⁸ You give it to them; they [|]gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- ²⁹ When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
- ³⁰ You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.
- May the glory of the Lord endure forever;O Lord, rejoice in all your works.
- ³² You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.
- ³³ I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

³⁴ May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the Lord.

35b Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Acts 2:1-21

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with -in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

*Gospel: John 14:8-17 [25-27]

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁸ Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

¹⁵ "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor

knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. [25 "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. 26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY
*HYMN OF THE DAY

troubled, and do not let them be afraid."]

Spirit of Gentleness

Pastor Traci ELW # 396

*NICENE CREED

- P: Let us confess our faith through the words of the Nicene Creed.
- C: 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 and the Son,* 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.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- A: God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.
- A: We pray for the church. Continue to inspire our sharing of the gospel and equip us to tear down the barriers we have erected. Make our welcome expansive, intentional, and open to loving challenge. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

- A: We pray for creation. Allow fire to burn safely in habitats where it's needed and quench flames when they threaten to run wild. Protect forests, prairies, and grasslands from destruction by natural forces or human misdeeds. Safeguard firefighters and rescuers in their dangerous work. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for courts and legislatures. Write your commandments on our hearts, and inspire all who govern to lead with love over retribution. Unite judges, lawyers, and systems of justice in a desire for reconciliation. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for the sick in body, mind, or spirit. Lift up all who have been bowed low by circumstances or internal strife. Bring to wholeness those who cry out to you in need. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for this congregation. Raise up in us a deep desire to live out our baptismal promises and to support those of all ages in our shared journey of faith. Hear us, O God C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We offer thanks for the faithful departed who now rest in you. Let their lives encourage our own daily living. Console us with the promise of eternal life. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- P: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. C: Amen.

*THE PEACE

P: The peace of the LORD be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Please share the peace with those around you using a greeting that is comfortable for both you and them.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

An offering plate is located near the entrance to the nave; we offer thanks for the abundance God has first shown us:

A: Let us pray... Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

C: Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PROPER PREFACE

P: 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. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.

You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations.

You rescued Israel, your chosen people.

Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

- P: Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.
- C: Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

*LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- C: 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, forever and ever. Amen



*Invitation

P: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life. C: Thanks be to God.



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*BLESSING

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

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray... Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. C: Amen.

*BENEDICTION

P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. C: Amen.



- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford. you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin-dle hope with - in. to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



Come, stream of end-less flow-ing, and res-cue us from death; Come, fire of glo-ry gra-cious, bless all who trust in you; for vi-sion we im-plore you, for wis-dom's pure de-light;



come, wind of spring-time blow - ing, and warm us by your breath. un - dy - ing flame te - na - cious, burn in your church a - new. in prayer we come be - fore you to wait up - on your light.

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*DISMISSAL

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen! C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*POSTLUDE

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Today's Altar Flowers are placed to the Glory of God in memory of Sheldon O. Smith from Linda Smith and family.

Prayers are needed for our homebound: Mary Jane Allision, Fred Brandenburg, Linda Claar, Mary Creps, Gerry Girolami, Betty Helsel, Allen Heltzel, Ann & Larry Irvin, Ruth Johnson, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Jean Stonerook, Pat & Robert Winston.

So we can give special attention to those with pressing needs, names were removed at the end of the month. Please let the office know if a name should be added to the prayer list for an extended period of time.

Prayer Concerns: Greta Buchart, Doug Bush, Dr. Ramon Burket, Terry Creek, Mary Farabaugh, Marilyn Horton, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Kristen Malloy, Elaine Ormsby, John Russell, Dan Sinal, Zachary Tremmel, Pat Winston and for our **Missionaries: Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings.**

Away at School: Max Baker, Christopher Bush, Olivia Day, Jeff Hoenstine, Lacey Ripka.

Those Serving in our Armed Forces: Bradley Buchart, Melody Estep, Colin Guyer, Nathan Smith (Germany).

Serving God and Us

Our Ministers - the People of St. Matthew

Our Pastor - Rev. Traci Marriott

Our Organists – Mary Nelson, DeAnna Cree

Our Missionary Family – Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings

Our Administrative Assistant – Jen Ripka

Our Assistant Administrative Assistant – Laura Orczeck

Our Sexton – Phil Claar

Our Assisting Minister – Greg Haffling

Our Lectors - Norah and Stacy Kuster

Our Usher – Dennis Smith

Our Altar Guild -Jean Sinal

Our Audio/Video Tech - Camden Kuster

Our Offering Counters – Jim Barley, Beth Garner

Second Quarter Ventures in Faith to "Youth & Camping"

This Week at St. Matthew:

814-793-2413: Office Hours

Pastor Traci – Wed. 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Jen (Summer Hours) – Mon. and Wed. 8:00-10:30 a.m.

Tues., Thurs., and Fri. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

This Week Events

Today – Day of Pentecost

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

Monday – Worship & Music Meeting 6:00 p.m., Zoom

Tuesday – Council Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room/Zoom Wednesday – Mending Ministry 2:00-4:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Endowment Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room

Sunday – The Holy Trinity

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.



Summer Office Hours

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 8:30 - 10:30
TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY 9 - NOON
OR BY APPOINTMENT



Community Mending Ministry at St. Matthew



Bring laundered clothes that need mending to work on yourself or get help from our sewers.

Materials, machines, & expertise provided.

And we'll have snacks!

Wednesday, June 11th 2PM to 4PM



St. Matthew Lutheran Martinsburg Fellowship Hall
115 E Penn Street (Maple Street Parking Lot)



Our Senior Neighbors Are Invited To A Young at Heart Luncheon



Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at 12:00 PM

Held at St. Matthew Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

115 East Penn Street

Martinsburg, PA

Please RSVP to the Church Office

(814-793-2413) by July 7th

Theme is "Christmas in July" *Postcard invitations are located in the Narthex for distribution



Weekend Themes

- Self-care
- Food & Health
- Arts & Media
- Environment
- Music & Dance
- Spiritual Life

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Martinsburg Food Pantry

The Food Pantry will be open for food distribution on Thursdays, June 5 and June 19 from 9:00 to 11:00a.m.

Those helping will be 3 or 4 people from St. John's UCC besides the regular volunteers to distribute food.

Following are the most needed items for June: Juice, Cereal, Pasta or Rice Sides, Scalloped Potatoes, Hamburger Helper.

Many thanks for the Food items, Paper products and Monetary gifts!

Linda K. Smith



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You can sign up today on the sign-up sheet on the Narthex bulletin board or call the church office to let us know you would like to subscribe to the magazine.

The first expected issue to be mailed is Summer 2025. We will keep you updated.



You're invited to a Life Line Screening event!

Where: St Matthew Lutheran Church 115 E Penn St Martinsburg, PA 16662

When: Tuesday, June 24, 2025

June is Men's Health Month



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- God of God whirl - wind, of as Pen - te tem pest, on God of 2 blaz God of burn - ing. all blocks ing, that your
- 3 God of earth quake, God of thun der, shake us loose from
- 4 God of pas sion, God un sleep ing, stir in us love's



cost de - scend! pur - pose, purge! leth - ar - gy! rest - less - ness!

Drive from shel tered com - fort; us out Through your church, Bod - y, Christ's liv ing Break chains the of sin sun - der. a Where the peo ple cry in an - guish,



past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser-vice, let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice, for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us; may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



there with Christ to bear the cross, kin - dle us to speak your truth, make us one in Christ our Lord, claim us for your king-dom's work, there with Christ to bear the cross! kin - dle us to speak your truth! make us one in Christ our Lord! claim us for your king-dom's work!

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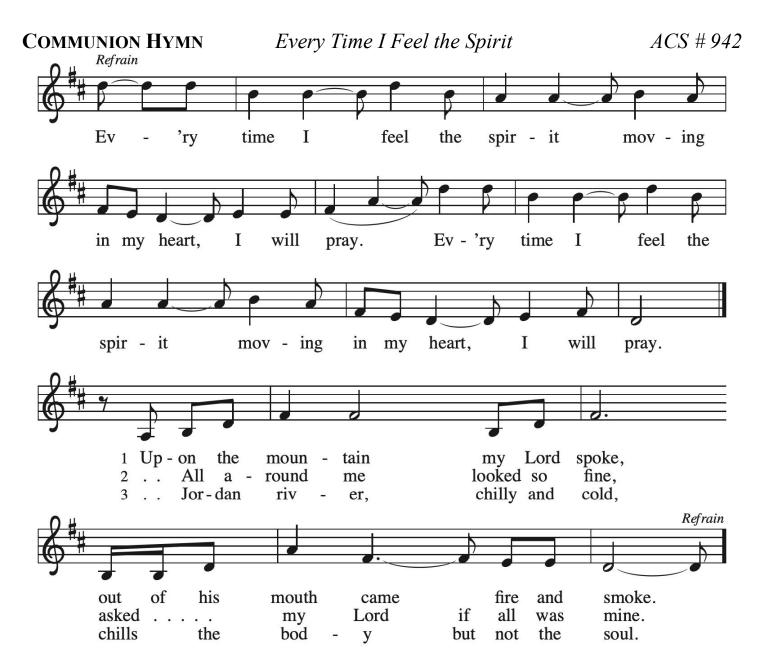
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- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford. you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin-dle hope with - in. to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



Come, stream of end-less flow-ing, and res-cue us from death; Come, fire of glo-ry gra-cious, bless all who trust in you; for vi-sion we im-plore you, for wis-dom's pure de-light;



come, wind of spring-time blow - ing, and warm us by your breath. un - dy - ing flame te - na - cious, burn in your church a - new. in prayer we come be - fore you to wait up - on your light.

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Day of Pentecost June 8, 2025

9:30 a.m. Worship

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!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen. C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

P: In the name of \pm the One who was, who is, and who is to come. C: Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism. Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

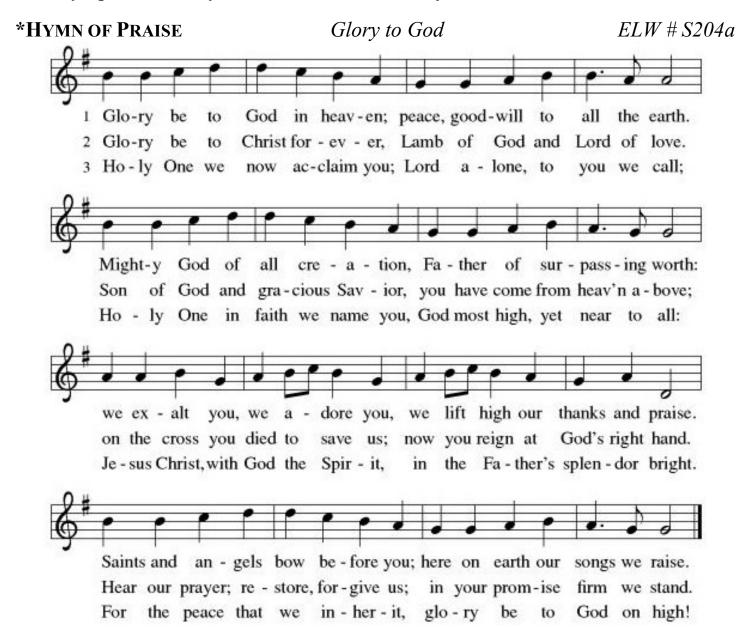
P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One. C: Amen.

*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.



*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray ... God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C: Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 11:1-9

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ² And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³ And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." ⁵ The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶ And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." ⁸ So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹ Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:24-34, 35b (read responsively)

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- ²⁷ All of them look to you to give them their food in due season
- ²⁸ You give it to them; they [|]gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- ²⁹ When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
- ³⁰ You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.
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⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with -in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

*Gospel: John 14:8-17 [25-27]

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁸ Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

¹⁵ "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor

knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. [25 "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. 26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY
*HYMN OF THE DAY

troubled, and do not let them be afraid."]

Spirit of Gentleness

Pastor Traci ELW # 396

*NICENE CREED

- P: Let us confess our faith through the words of the Nicene Creed.
- C: 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 and the Son,* 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.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- A: God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.
- A: We pray for the church. Continue to inspire our sharing of the gospel and equip us to tear down the barriers we have erected. Make our welcome expansive, intentional, and open to loving challenge. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

- A: We pray for creation. Allow fire to burn safely in habitats where it's needed and quench flames when they threaten to run wild. Protect forests, prairies, and grasslands from destruction by natural forces or human misdeeds. Safeguard firefighters and rescuers in their dangerous work. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for courts and legislatures. Write your commandments on our hearts, and inspire all who govern to lead with love over retribution. Unite judges, lawyers, and systems of justice in a desire for reconciliation. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for the sick in body, mind, or spirit. Lift up all who have been bowed low by circumstances or internal strife. Bring to wholeness those who cry out to you in need. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for this congregation. Raise up in us a deep desire to live out our baptismal promises and to support those of all ages in our shared journey of faith. Hear us, O God C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We offer thanks for the faithful departed who now rest in you. Let their lives encourage our own daily living. Console us with the promise of eternal life. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- P: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. C: Amen.

*THE PEACE

P: The peace of the LORD be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Please share the peace with those around you using a greeting that is comfortable for both you and them.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

An offering plate is located near the entrance to the nave; we offer thanks for the abundance God has first shown us:

A: Let us pray... Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

C: Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PROPER PREFACE

P: 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. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.

You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations.

You rescued Israel, your chosen people.

Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

- P: Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.
- C: Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

*LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- C: 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, forever and ever. Amen



*Invitation

P: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life. C: Thanks be to God.



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*BLESSING

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

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray... Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. C: Amen.

*BENEDICTION

P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. C: Amen.



- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford. you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin-dle hope with - in. to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



Come, stream of end-less flow-ing, and res-cue us from death; Come, fire of glo-ry gra-cious, bless all who trust in you; for vi-sion we im-plore you, for wis-dom's pure de-light;



come, wind of spring-time blow - ing, and warm us by your breath. un - dy - ing flame te - na - cious, burn in your church a - new. in prayer we come be - fore you to wait up - on your light.

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*DISMISSAL

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen! C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*POSTLUDE

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Today's Altar Flowers are placed to the Glory of God in memory of Sheldon O. Smith from Linda Smith and family.

Prayers are needed for our homebound: Mary Jane Allision, Fred Brandenburg, Linda Claar, Mary Creps, Gerry Girolami, Betty Helsel, Allen Heltzel, Ann & Larry Irvin, Ruth Johnson, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Jean Stonerook, Pat & Robert Winston.

So we can give special attention to those with pressing needs, names were removed at the end of the month. Please let the office know if a name should be added to the prayer list for an extended period of time.

Prayer Concerns: Greta Buchart, Doug Bush, Dr. Ramon Burket, Terry Creek, Mary Farabaugh, Marilyn Horton, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Kristen Malloy, Elaine Ormsby, John Russell, Dan Sinal, Zachary Tremmel, Pat Winston and for our **Missionaries: Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings.**

Away at School: Max Baker, Christopher Bush, Olivia Day, Jeff Hoenstine, Lacey Ripka.

Those Serving in our Armed Forces: Bradley Buchart, Melody Estep, Colin Guyer, Nathan Smith (Germany).

Serving God and Us

Our Ministers - the People of St. Matthew

Our Pastor - Rev. Traci Marriott

Our Organists – Mary Nelson, DeAnna Cree

Our Missionary Family – Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings

Our Administrative Assistant – Jen Ripka

Our Assistant Administrative Assistant – Laura Orczeck

Our Sexton – Phil Claar

Our Assisting Minister – Greg Haffling

Our Lectors - Norah and Stacy Kuster

Our Usher – Dennis Smith

Our Altar Guild -Jean Sinal

Our Audio/Video Tech - Camden Kuster

Our Offering Counters – Jim Barley, Beth Garner

Second Quarter Ventures in Faith to "Youth & Camping"

This Week at St. Matthew:

814-793-2413: Office Hours

Pastor Traci – Wed. 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Jen (Summer Hours) – Mon. and Wed. 8:00-10:30 a.m.

Tues., Thurs., and Fri. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

This Week Events

Today – Day of Pentecost

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

Monday – Worship & Music Meeting 6:00 p.m., Zoom

Tuesday – Council Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room/Zoom Wednesday – Mending Ministry 2:00-4:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Endowment Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room

Sunday – The Holy Trinity

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.



Summer Office Hours

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 8:30 - 10:30
TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY 9 - NOON
OR BY APPOINTMENT



Community Mending Ministry at St. Matthew



Bring laundered clothes that need mending to work on yourself or get help from our sewers.

Materials, machines, & expertise provided.

And we'll have snacks!

Wednesday, June 11th 2PM to 4PM



St. Matthew Lutheran Martinsburg Fellowship Hall
115 E Penn Street (Maple Street Parking Lot)



Our Senior Neighbors Are Invited To A Young at Heart Luncheon



Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at 12:00 PM

Held at St. Matthew Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

115 East Penn Street

Martinsburg, PA

Please RSVP to the Church Office

(814-793-2413) by July 7th

Theme is "Christmas in July" *Postcard invitations are located in the Narthex for distribution



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- Food & Health
- Arts & Media
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Martinsburg Food Pantry

The Food Pantry will be open for food distribution on Thursdays, June 5 and June 19 from 9:00 to 11:00a.m.

Those helping will be 3 or 4 people from St. John's UCC besides the regular volunteers to distribute food.

Following are the most needed items for June: Juice, Cereal, Pasta or Rice Sides, Scalloped Potatoes, Hamburger Helper.

Many thanks for the Food items, Paper products and Monetary gifts!

Linda K. Smith



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When: Tuesday, June 24, 2025

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- God of God whirl - wind, of as Pen - te tem pest, on God of 2 blaz God of burn - ing. all blocks ing, that your
- 3 God of earth quake, God of thun der, shake us loose from
- 4 God of pas sion, God un sleep ing, stir in us love's



cost de - scend! pur - pose, purge! leth - ar - gy! rest - less - ness!

Drive from shel tered com - fort; us out Through your church, Bod - y, Christ's liv ing Break chains the of sin sun - der. a Where the peo ple cry in an - guish,



past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser-vice, let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice, for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us; may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



there with Christ to bear the cross, kin - dle us to speak your truth, make us one in Christ our Lord, claim us for your king-dom's work, there with Christ to bear the cross! kin - dle us to speak your truth! make us one in Christ our Lord! claim us for your king-dom's work!

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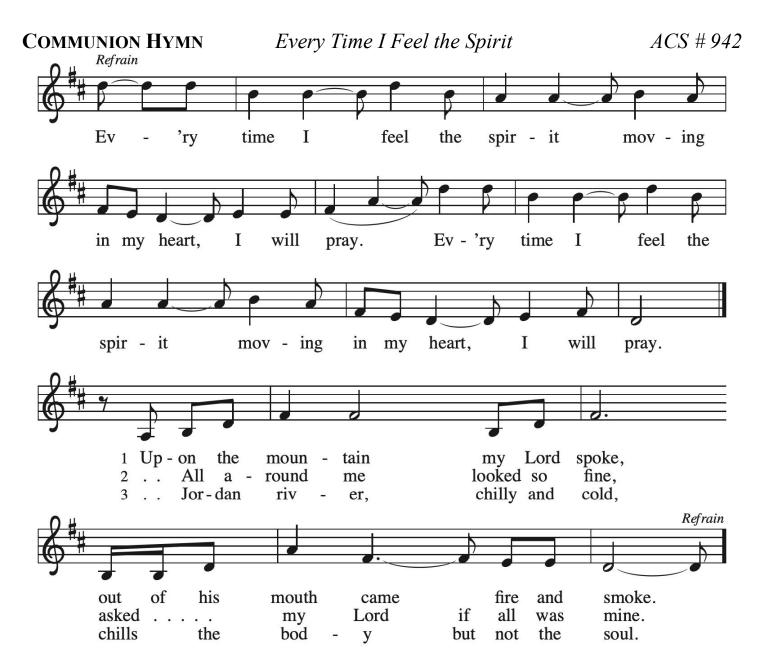
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- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford. you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin-dle hope with - in. to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



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Day of Pentecost June 8, 2025

9:30 a.m. Worship

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!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen. C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

P: In the name of \pm the One who was, who is, and who is to come. C: Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism. Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

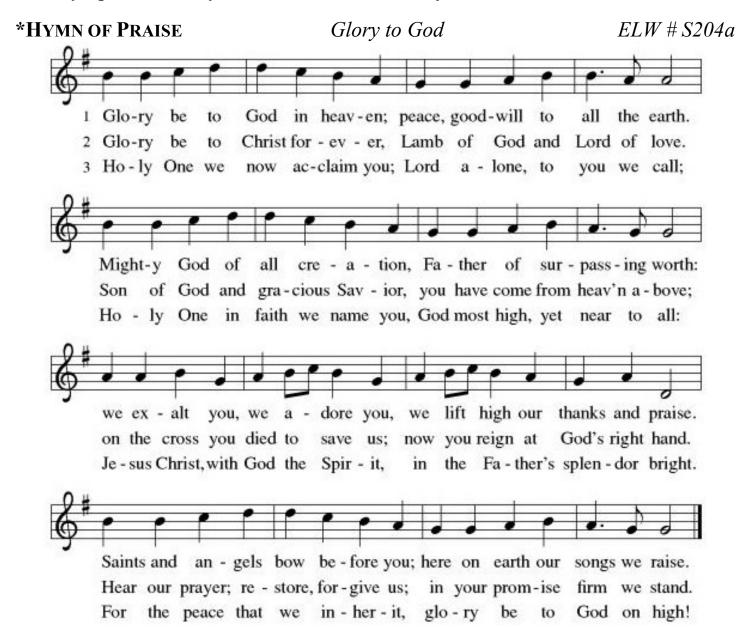
P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One. C: Amen.

*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.



*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray ... God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C: Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 11:1-9

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ² And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³ And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." ⁵ The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶ And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." ⁸ So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹ Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

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⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

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¹⁷ 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with -in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

*Gospel: John 14:8-17 [25-27]

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁸ Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

¹⁵ "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor

knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. [25 "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. 26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY
*HYMN OF THE DAY

troubled, and do not let them be afraid."]

Spirit of Gentleness

Pastor Traci ELW # 396

*NICENE CREED

- P: Let us confess our faith through the words of the Nicene Creed.
- C: 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 and the Son,* 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.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- A: God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.
- A: We pray for the church. Continue to inspire our sharing of the gospel and equip us to tear down the barriers we have erected. Make our welcome expansive, intentional, and open to loving challenge. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

- A: We pray for creation. Allow fire to burn safely in habitats where it's needed and quench flames when they threaten to run wild. Protect forests, prairies, and grasslands from destruction by natural forces or human misdeeds. Safeguard firefighters and rescuers in their dangerous work. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for courts and legislatures. Write your commandments on our hearts, and inspire all who govern to lead with love over retribution. Unite judges, lawyers, and systems of justice in a desire for reconciliation. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for the sick in body, mind, or spirit. Lift up all who have been bowed low by circumstances or internal strife. Bring to wholeness those who cry out to you in need. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for this congregation. Raise up in us a deep desire to live out our baptismal promises and to support those of all ages in our shared journey of faith. Hear us, O God C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We offer thanks for the faithful departed who now rest in you. Let their lives encourage our own daily living. Console us with the promise of eternal life. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- P: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. C: Amen.

*THE PEACE

P: The peace of the LORD be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Please share the peace with those around you using a greeting that is comfortable for both you and them.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

An offering plate is located near the entrance to the nave; we offer thanks for the abundance God has first shown us:

A: Let us pray... Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

C: Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PROPER PREFACE

P: 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. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.

You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations.

You rescued Israel, your chosen people.

Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

- P: Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.
- C: Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

*LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- C: 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, forever and ever. Amen



*Invitation

P: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life. C: Thanks be to God.



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*BLESSING

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

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray... Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. C: Amen.

*BENEDICTION

P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. C: Amen.



- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford. you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin-dle hope with - in. to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



Come, stream of end-less flow-ing, and res-cue us from death; Come, fire of glo-ry gra-cious, bless all who trust in you; for vi-sion we im-plore you, for wis-dom's pure de-light;



come, wind of spring-time blow - ing, and warm us by your breath. un - dy - ing flame te - na - cious, burn in your church a - new. in prayer we come be - fore you to wait up - on your light.

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*DISMISSAL

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen! C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*POSTLUDE

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Today's Altar Flowers are placed to the Glory of God in memory of Sheldon O. Smith from Linda Smith and family.

Prayers are needed for our homebound: Mary Jane Allision, Fred Brandenburg, Linda Claar, Mary Creps, Gerry Girolami, Betty Helsel, Allen Heltzel, Ann & Larry Irvin, Ruth Johnson, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Jean Stonerook, Pat & Robert Winston.

So we can give special attention to those with pressing needs, names were removed at the end of the month. Please let the office know if a name should be added to the prayer list for an extended period of time.

Prayer Concerns: Greta Buchart, Doug Bush, Dr. Ramon Burket, Terry Creek, Mary Farabaugh, Marilyn Horton, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Kristen Malloy, Elaine Ormsby, John Russell, Dan Sinal, Zachary Tremmel, Pat Winston and for our **Missionaries: Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings.**

Away at School: Max Baker, Christopher Bush, Olivia Day, Jeff Hoenstine, Lacey Ripka.

Those Serving in our Armed Forces: Bradley Buchart, Melody Estep, Colin Guyer, Nathan Smith (Germany).

Serving God and Us

Our Ministers - the People of St. Matthew

Our Pastor - Rev. Traci Marriott

Our Organists – Mary Nelson, DeAnna Cree

Our Missionary Family – Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings

Our Administrative Assistant – Jen Ripka

Our Assistant Administrative Assistant – Laura Orczeck

Our Sexton – Phil Claar

Our Assisting Minister – Greg Haffling

Our Lectors - Norah and Stacy Kuster

Our Usher – Dennis Smith

Our Altar Guild -Jean Sinal

Our Audio/Video Tech - Camden Kuster

Our Offering Counters – Jim Barley, Beth Garner

Second Quarter Ventures in Faith to "Youth & Camping"

This Week at St. Matthew:

814-793-2413: Office Hours

Pastor Traci – Wed. 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Jen (Summer Hours) – Mon. and Wed. 8:00-10:30 a.m.

Tues., Thurs., and Fri. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

This Week Events

Today – Day of Pentecost

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

Monday – Worship & Music Meeting 6:00 p.m., Zoom

Tuesday – Council Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room/Zoom Wednesday – Mending Ministry 2:00-4:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Endowment Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room

Sunday – The Holy Trinity

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.



Summer Office Hours

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 8:30 - 10:30
TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY 9 - NOON
OR BY APPOINTMENT



Community Mending Ministry at St. Matthew



Bring laundered clothes that need mending to work on yourself or get help from our sewers.

Materials, machines, & expertise provided.

And we'll have snacks!

Wednesday, June 11th 2PM to 4PM



St. Matthew Lutheran Martinsburg Fellowship Hall
115 E Penn Street (Maple Street Parking Lot)



Our Senior Neighbors Are Invited To A Young at Heart Luncheon



Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at 12:00 PM

Held at St. Matthew Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

115 East Penn Street

Martinsburg, PA

Please RSVP to the Church Office

(814-793-2413) by July 7th

Theme is "Christmas in July" *Postcard invitations are located in the Narthex for distribution



Weekend Themes

- Self-care
- Food & Health
- Arts & Media
- Environment
- Music & Dance
- Spiritual Life

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Martinsburg Food Pantry

The Food Pantry will be open for food distribution on Thursdays, June 5 and June 19 from 9:00 to 11:00a.m.

Those helping will be 3 or 4 people from St. John's UCC besides the regular volunteers to distribute food.

Following are the most needed items for June: Juice, Cereal, Pasta or Rice Sides, Scalloped Potatoes, Hamburger Helper.

Many thanks for the Food items, Paper products and Monetary gifts!

Linda K. Smith



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You can sign up today on the sign-up sheet on the Narthex bulletin board or call the church office to let us know you would like to subscribe to the magazine.

The first expected issue to be mailed is Summer 2025. We will keep you updated.



You're invited to a Life Line Screening event!

Where: St Matthew Lutheran Church 115 E Penn St Martinsburg, PA 16662

When: Tuesday, June 24, 2025

June is Men's Health Month



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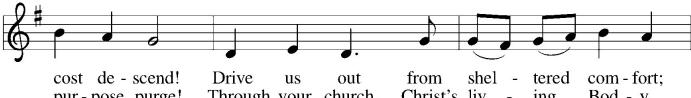
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These tests cannot detect all risk factors for all conditions, such as and including the presence of coronary artery disease.

Those with abnormal results should discuss possible next steps with their family healthcare provider and ensure they understand the risk and benefits of any additional testing or procedures.



- 1 God of tem pest, God of whirl-wind, as on Pen te 2 God of blaz ing, God of burn ing, all that blocks your
- earth -3 God of quake, God of thun - der, shake loose from us God of sion, God sleep - ing. stir in love's pas un us



Through your church, Bod - y, Christ's liv pur - pose, purge! ing leth - ar - gy! Break chains the of sin sun - der. a rest - less - ness! Where the peo ple cry in an - guish,



past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser-vice, let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice, for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us; may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



there with Christ to bear the cross, kin - dle us to speak your truth, make us one in Christ our Lord, claim us for your king-dom's work,

there with Christ to bear the cross! kin - dle us to speak your truth! make us one in Christ our Lord! claim us for your king-dom's work!

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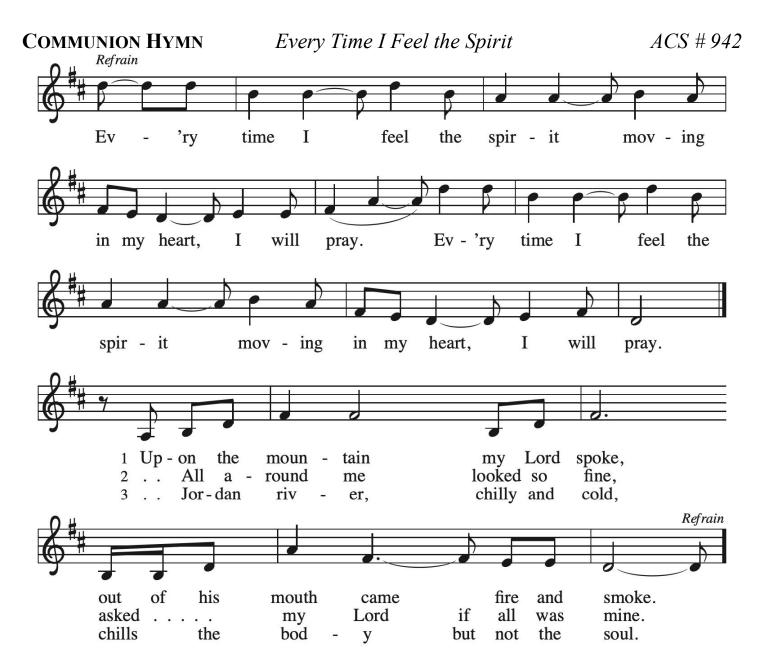
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- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford. you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin-dle hope with - in. to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



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Day of Pentecost June 8, 2025

9:30 a.m. Worship

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!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen. C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

P: In the name of \pm the One who was, who is, and who is to come. C: Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism. Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

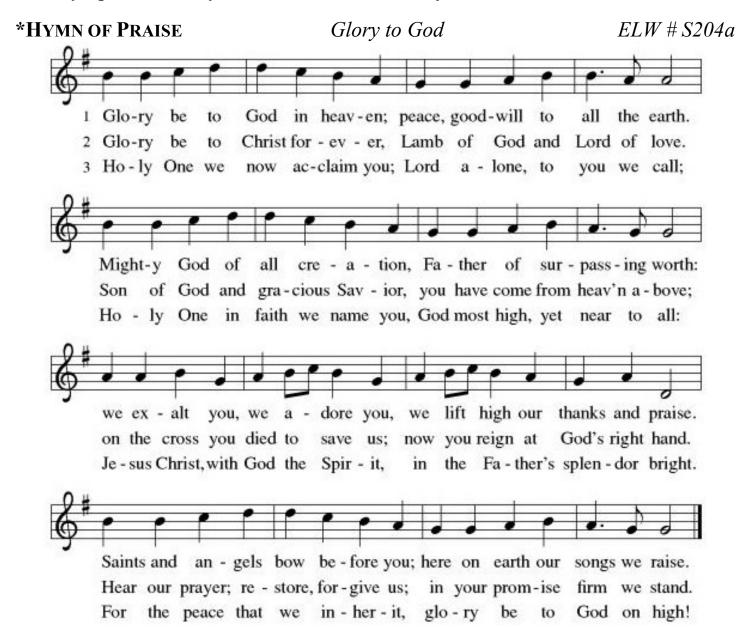
P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One. C: Amen.

*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.



*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray ... God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C: Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 11:1-9

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ² And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³ And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." ⁵ The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶ And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." ⁸ So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹ Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:24-34, 35b (read responsively)

- ²⁴ How manifold are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- ²⁵ Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.
- ²⁶ There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.
- ²⁷ All of them look to you to give them their food in due season
- ²⁸ You give it to them; they [|]gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- ²⁹ When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
- ³⁰ You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.
- May the glory of the Lord endure forever;O Lord, rejoice in all your works.
- ³² You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.
- ³³ I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

³⁴ May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the Lord.

35b Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah!

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¹⁷ 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with -in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

*Gospel: John 14:8-17 [25-27]

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁸ Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

¹⁵ "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor

knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. [25 "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. 26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY
*HYMN OF THE DAY

troubled, and do not let them be afraid."]

Spirit of Gentleness

Pastor Traci ELW # 396

*NICENE CREED

- P: Let us confess our faith through the words of the Nicene Creed.
- C: 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 and the Son,* 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.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- A: God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.
- A: We pray for the church. Continue to inspire our sharing of the gospel and equip us to tear down the barriers we have erected. Make our welcome expansive, intentional, and open to loving challenge. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

- A: We pray for creation. Allow fire to burn safely in habitats where it's needed and quench flames when they threaten to run wild. Protect forests, prairies, and grasslands from destruction by natural forces or human misdeeds. Safeguard firefighters and rescuers in their dangerous work. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for courts and legislatures. Write your commandments on our hearts, and inspire all who govern to lead with love over retribution. Unite judges, lawyers, and systems of justice in a desire for reconciliation. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for the sick in body, mind, or spirit. Lift up all who have been bowed low by circumstances or internal strife. Bring to wholeness those who cry out to you in need. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for this congregation. Raise up in us a deep desire to live out our baptismal promises and to support those of all ages in our shared journey of faith. Hear us, O God C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We offer thanks for the faithful departed who now rest in you. Let their lives encourage our own daily living. Console us with the promise of eternal life. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- P: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. C: Amen.

*THE PEACE

P: The peace of the LORD be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Please share the peace with those around you using a greeting that is comfortable for both you and them.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

An offering plate is located near the entrance to the nave; we offer thanks for the abundance God has first shown us:

A: Let us pray... Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

C: Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PROPER PREFACE

P: 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. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.

You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations.

You rescued Israel, your chosen people.

Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

- P: Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.
- C: Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

*LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- C: 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, forever and ever. Amen



*Invitation

P: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life. C: Thanks be to God.



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*BLESSING

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

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray... Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. C: Amen.

*BENEDICTION

P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. C: Amen.



- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford. you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin-dle hope with - in. to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



Come, stream of end-less flow-ing, and res-cue us from death; Come, fire of glo-ry gra-cious, bless all who trust in you; for vi-sion we im-plore you, for wis-dom's pure de-light;



come, wind of spring-time blow - ing, and warm us by your breath. un - dy - ing flame te - na - cious, burn in your church a - new. in prayer we come be - fore you to wait up - on your light.

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*DISMISSAL

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen! C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*POSTLUDE

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Today's Altar Flowers are placed to the Glory of God in memory of Sheldon O. Smith from Linda Smith and family.

Prayers are needed for our homebound: Mary Jane Allision, Fred Brandenburg, Linda Claar, Mary Creps, Gerry Girolami, Betty Helsel, Allen Heltzel, Ann & Larry Irvin, Ruth Johnson, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Jean Stonerook, Pat & Robert Winston.

So we can give special attention to those with pressing needs, names were removed at the end of the month. Please let the office know if a name should be added to the prayer list for an extended period of time.

Prayer Concerns: Greta Buchart, Doug Bush, Dr. Ramon Burket, Terry Creek, Mary Farabaugh, Marilyn Horton, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Kristen Malloy, Elaine Ormsby, John Russell, Dan Sinal, Zachary Tremmel, Pat Winston and for our **Missionaries: Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings.**

Away at School: Max Baker, Christopher Bush, Olivia Day, Jeff Hoenstine, Lacey Ripka.

Those Serving in our Armed Forces: Bradley Buchart, Melody Estep, Colin Guyer, Nathan Smith (Germany).

Serving God and Us

Our Ministers - the People of St. Matthew

Our Pastor - Rev. Traci Marriott

Our Organists – Mary Nelson, DeAnna Cree

Our Missionary Family – Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings

Our Administrative Assistant – Jen Ripka

Our Assistant Administrative Assistant – Laura Orczeck

Our Sexton – Phil Claar

Our Assisting Minister – Greg Haffling

Our Lectors - Norah and Stacy Kuster

Our Usher – Dennis Smith

Our Altar Guild -Jean Sinal

Our Audio/Video Tech - Camden Kuster

Our Offering Counters – Jim Barley, Beth Garner

Second Quarter Ventures in Faith to "Youth & Camping"

This Week at St. Matthew:

814-793-2413: Office Hours

Pastor Traci – Wed. 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Jen (Summer Hours) – Mon. and Wed. 8:00-10:30 a.m.

Tues., Thurs., and Fri. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

This Week Events

Today – Day of Pentecost

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

Monday – Worship & Music Meeting 6:00 p.m., Zoom

Tuesday – Council Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room/Zoom Wednesday – Mending Ministry 2:00-4:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Endowment Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room

Sunday – The Holy Trinity

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.



Summer Office Hours

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 8:30 - 10:30
TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY 9 - NOON
OR BY APPOINTMENT



Community Mending Ministry at St. Matthew



Bring laundered clothes that need mending to work on yourself or get help from our sewers.

Materials, machines, & expertise provided.

And we'll have snacks!

Wednesday, June 11th 2PM to 4PM



St. Matthew Lutheran Martinsburg Fellowship Hall
115 E Penn Street (Maple Street Parking Lot)



Our Senior Neighbors Are Invited To A Young at Heart Luncheon



Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at 12:00 PM

Held at St. Matthew Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

115 East Penn Street

Martinsburg, PA

Please RSVP to the Church Office

(814-793-2413) by July 7th

Theme is "Christmas in July" *Postcard invitations are located in the Narthex for distribution



Weekend Themes

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- Food & Health
- Arts & Media
- Environment
- Music & Dance
- Spiritual Life

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Martinsburg Food Pantry

The Food Pantry will be open for food distribution on Thursdays, June 5 and June 19 from 9:00 to 11:00a.m.

Those helping will be 3 or 4 people from St. John's UCC besides the regular volunteers to distribute food.

Following are the most needed items for June: Juice, Cereal, Pasta or Rice Sides, Scalloped Potatoes, Hamburger Helper.

Many thanks for the Food items, Paper products and Monetary gifts!

Linda K. Smith



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You can sign up today on the sign-up sheet on the Narthex bulletin board or call the church office to let us know you would like to subscribe to the magazine.

The first expected issue to be mailed is Summer 2025. We will keep you updated.



You're invited to a Life Line Screening event!

Where: St Matthew Lutheran Church 115 E Penn St Martinsburg, PA 16662

When: Tuesday, June 24, 2025

June is Men's Health Month



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- God of God whirl - wind, of as Pen - te tem pest, on God of 2 blaz God of burn - ing. all blocks ing, that your
- 3 God of earth quake, God of thun der, shake us loose from
- 4 God of pas sion, God un sleep ing, stir in us love's



cost de - scend! pur - pose, purge! leth - ar - gy! rest - less - ness!

Drive from shel tered com - fort; us out Through your church, Bod - y, Christ's liv ing Break chains the of sin sun - der. a Where the peo ple cry in an - guish,



past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser-vice, let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice, for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us; may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



there with Christ to bear the cross, kin - dle us to speak your truth, make us one in Christ our Lord, claim us for your king-dom's work, there with Christ to bear the cross! kin - dle us to speak your truth! make us one in Christ our Lord! claim us for your king-dom's work!

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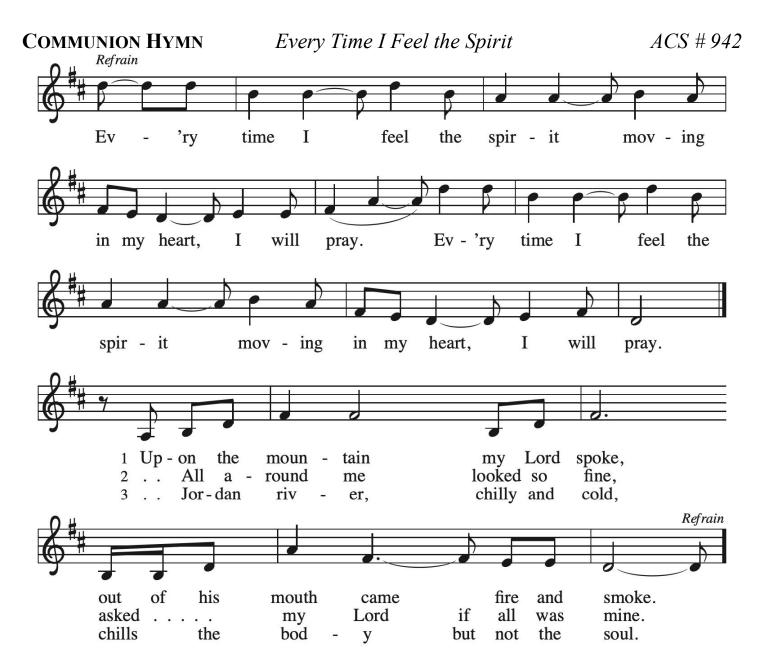
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- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



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Day of Pentecost June 8, 2025

9:30 a.m. Worship

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!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen. C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

P: In the name of \pm the One who was, who is, and who is to come. C: Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism. Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

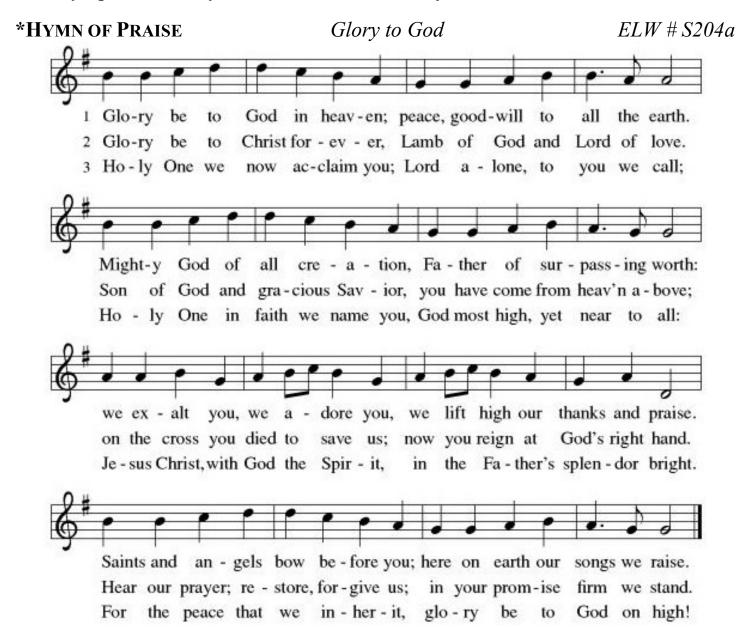
P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One. C: Amen.

*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.



*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray ... God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C: Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 11:1-9

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ² And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³ And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." ⁵ The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶ And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." ⁸ So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹ Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:24-34, 35b (read responsively)

- ²⁴ How manifold are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- ²⁵ Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.
- ²⁶ There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.
- ²⁷ All of them look to you to give them their food in due season
- ²⁸ You give it to them; they [|]gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- ²⁹ When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
- ³⁰ You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.
- 31 May the glory of the Lord endure forever;O Lord, rejoice in all your works.
- ³² You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.
- ³³ I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

³⁴ May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the Lord.

35b Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Acts 2:1-21

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

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²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with -in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

*Gospel: John 14:8-17 [25-27]

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁸ Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

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knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. [25 "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. 26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY
*HYMN OF THE DAY

troubled, and do not let them be afraid."]

Spirit of Gentleness

Pastor Traci ELW # 396

*NICENE CREED

- P: Let us confess our faith through the words of the Nicene Creed.
- C: 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 and the Son,* 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.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- A: God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.
- A: We pray for the church. Continue to inspire our sharing of the gospel and equip us to tear down the barriers we have erected. Make our welcome expansive, intentional, and open to loving challenge. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

- A: We pray for creation. Allow fire to burn safely in habitats where it's needed and quench flames when they threaten to run wild. Protect forests, prairies, and grasslands from destruction by natural forces or human misdeeds. Safeguard firefighters and rescuers in their dangerous work. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for courts and legislatures. Write your commandments on our hearts, and inspire all who govern to lead with love over retribution. Unite judges, lawyers, and systems of justice in a desire for reconciliation. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for the sick in body, mind, or spirit. Lift up all who have been bowed low by circumstances or internal strife. Bring to wholeness those who cry out to you in need. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for this congregation. Raise up in us a deep desire to live out our baptismal promises and to support those of all ages in our shared journey of faith. Hear us, O God C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We offer thanks for the faithful departed who now rest in you. Let their lives encourage our own daily living. Console us with the promise of eternal life. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- P: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. C: Amen.

*THE PEACE

P: The peace of the LORD be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Please share the peace with those around you using a greeting that is comfortable for both you and them.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

An offering plate is located near the entrance to the nave; we offer thanks for the abundance God has first shown us:

A: Let us pray... Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

C: Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PROPER PREFACE

P: 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. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.

You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations.

You rescued Israel, your chosen people.

Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

- P: Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.
- C: Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

*LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- C: 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, forever and ever. Amen



*Invitation

P: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life. C: Thanks be to God.



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*BLESSING

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

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray... Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. C: Amen.

*BENEDICTION

P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. C: Amen.



- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford. you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin-dle hope with - in. to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



Come, stream of end-less flow-ing, and res-cue us from death; Come, fire of glo-ry gra-cious, bless all who trust in you; for vi-sion we im-plore you, for wis-dom's pure de-light;



come, wind of spring-time blow - ing, and warm us by your breath. un - dy - ing flame te - na - cious, burn in your church a - new. in prayer we come be - fore you to wait up - on your light.

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*DISMISSAL

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen! C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*POSTLUDE

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Today's Altar Flowers are placed to the Glory of God in memory of Sheldon O. Smith from Linda Smith and family.

Prayers are needed for our homebound: Mary Jane Allision, Fred Brandenburg, Linda Claar, Mary Creps, Gerry Girolami, Betty Helsel, Allen Heltzel, Ann & Larry Irvin, Ruth Johnson, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Jean Stonerook, Pat & Robert Winston.

So we can give special attention to those with pressing needs, names were removed at the end of the month. Please let the office know if a name should be added to the prayer list for an extended period of time.

Prayer Concerns: Greta Buchart, Doug Bush, Dr. Ramon Burket, Terry Creek, Mary Farabaugh, Marilyn Horton, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Kristen Malloy, Elaine Ormsby, John Russell, Dan Sinal, Zachary Tremmel, Pat Winston and for our **Missionaries: Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings.**

Away at School: Max Baker, Christopher Bush, Olivia Day, Jeff Hoenstine, Lacey Ripka.

Those Serving in our Armed Forces: Bradley Buchart, Melody Estep, Colin Guyer, Nathan Smith (Germany).

Serving God and Us

Our Ministers - the People of St. Matthew

Our Pastor - Rev. Traci Marriott

Our Organists – Mary Nelson, DeAnna Cree

Our Missionary Family – Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings

Our Administrative Assistant – Jen Ripka

Our Assistant Administrative Assistant – Laura Orczeck

Our Sexton – Phil Claar

Our Assisting Minister – Greg Haffling

Our Lectors - Norah and Stacy Kuster

Our Usher – Dennis Smith

Our Altar Guild -Jean Sinal

Our Audio/Video Tech - Camden Kuster

Our Offering Counters – Jim Barley, Beth Garner

Second Quarter Ventures in Faith to "Youth & Camping"

This Week at St. Matthew:

814-793-2413: Office Hours

Pastor Traci – Wed. 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Jen (Summer Hours) – Mon. and Wed. 8:00-10:30 a.m.

Tues., Thurs., and Fri. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

This Week Events

Today – Day of Pentecost

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

Monday – Worship & Music Meeting 6:00 p.m., Zoom

Tuesday – Council Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room/Zoom Wednesday – Mending Ministry 2:00-4:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Endowment Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room

Sunday – The Holy Trinity

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.



Summer Office Hours

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 8:30 - 10:30
TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY 9 - NOON
OR BY APPOINTMENT



Community Mending Ministry at St. Matthew



Bring laundered clothes that need mending to work on yourself or get help from our sewers.

Materials, machines, & expertise provided.

And we'll have snacks!

Wednesday, June 11th 2PM to 4PM



St. Matthew Lutheran Martinsburg Fellowship Hall
115 E Penn Street (Maple Street Parking Lot)



Our Senior Neighbors Are Invited To A Young at Heart Luncheon



Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at 12:00 PM

Held at St. Matthew Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

115 East Penn Street

Martinsburg, PA

Please RSVP to the Church Office

(814-793-2413) by July 7th

Theme is "Christmas in July" *Postcard invitations are located in the Narthex for distribution



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- Food & Health
- Arts & Media
- Environment
- Music & Dance
- Spiritual Life

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Martinsburg Food Pantry

The Food Pantry will be open for food distribution on Thursdays, June 5 and June 19 from 9:00 to 11:00a.m.

Those helping will be 3 or 4 people from St. John's UCC besides the regular volunteers to distribute food.

Following are the most needed items for June: Juice, Cereal, Pasta or Rice Sides, Scalloped Potatoes, Hamburger Helper.

Many thanks for the Food items, Paper products and Monetary gifts!

Linda K. Smith



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The first expected issue to be mailed is Summer 2025. We will keep you updated.



You're invited to a Life Line Screening event!

Where: St Matthew Lutheran Church 115 E Penn St Martinsburg, PA 16662

When: Tuesday, June 24, 2025

June is Men's Health Month



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- God of God whirl - wind, of as Pen - te tem pest, on God of 2 blaz God of burn - ing. all blocks ing, that your
- 3 God of earth quake, God of thun der, shake us loose from
- 4 God of pas sion, God un sleep ing, stir in us love's



cost de - scend! pur - pose, purge! leth - ar - gy! rest - less - ness!

Drive from shel tered com - fort; us out Through your church, Bod - y, Christ's liv ing Break chains the of sin sun - der. a Where the peo ple cry in an - guish,



past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser-vice, let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice, for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us; may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



there with Christ to bear the cross, kin - dle us to speak your truth, make us one in Christ our Lord, claim us for your king-dom's work, there with Christ to bear the cross! kin - dle us to speak your truth! make us one in Christ our Lord! claim us for your king-dom's work!

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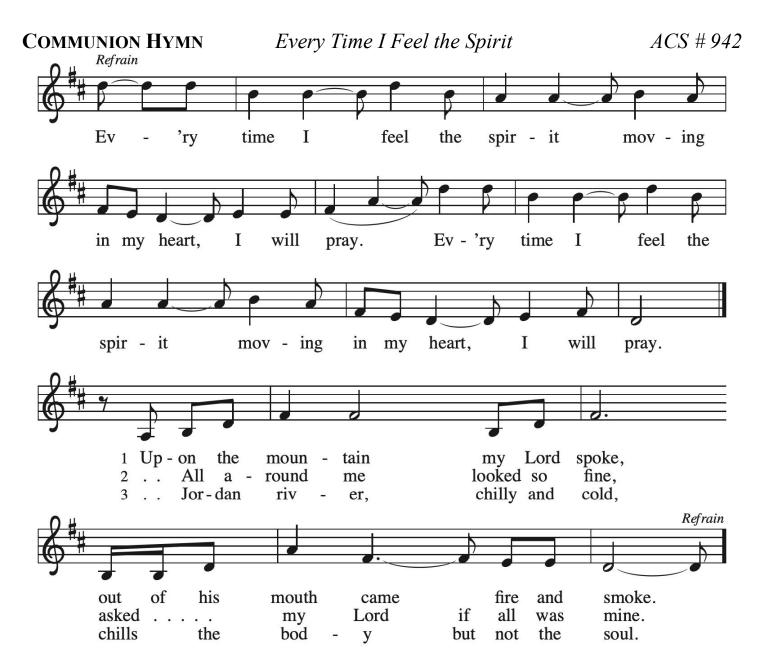
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- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford. you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin-dle hope with - in. to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



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Day of Pentecost June 8, 2025

9:30 a.m. Worship

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!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen. C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

P: In the name of \pm the One who was, who is, and who is to come. C: Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism. Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

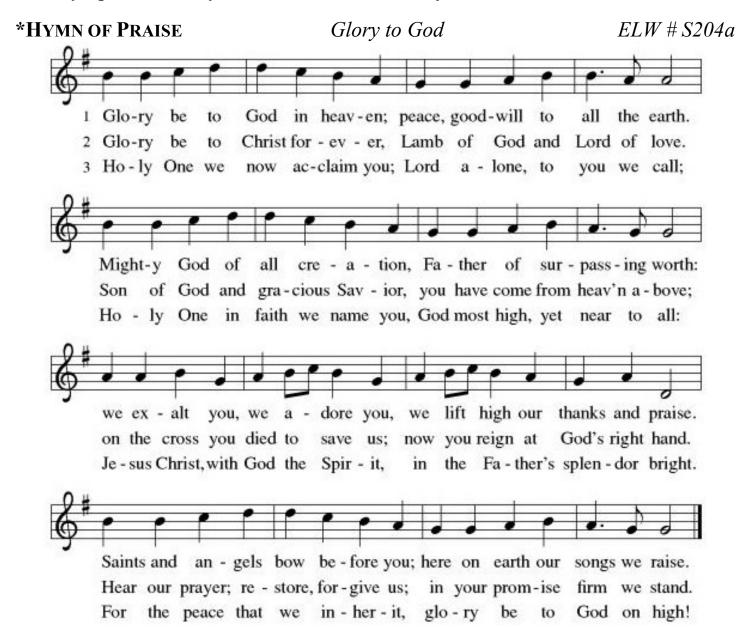
P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One. C: Amen.

*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.



*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray ... God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C: Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 11:1-9

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ² And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³ And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." ⁵ The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶ And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." ⁸ So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹ Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:24-34, 35b (read responsively)

- ²⁴ How manifold are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- ²⁵ Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.
- ²⁶ There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.
- ²⁷ All of them look to you to give them their food in due season
- ²⁸ You give it to them; they [|]gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- ²⁹ When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
- ³⁰ You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.
- May the glory of the Lord endure forever;O Lord, rejoice in all your works.
- ³² You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.
- ³³ I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

³⁴ May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the Lord.

35b Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Acts 2:1-21

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

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¹⁵ "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor

knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. [25 "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. 26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY
*HYMN OF THE DAY

troubled, and do not let them be afraid."]

Spirit of Gentleness

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*NICENE CREED

- P: Let us confess our faith through the words of the Nicene Creed.
- C: 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 and the Son,* 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.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- A: God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.
- A: We pray for the church. Continue to inspire our sharing of the gospel and equip us to tear down the barriers we have erected. Make our welcome expansive, intentional, and open to loving challenge. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

- A: We pray for creation. Allow fire to burn safely in habitats where it's needed and quench flames when they threaten to run wild. Protect forests, prairies, and grasslands from destruction by natural forces or human misdeeds. Safeguard firefighters and rescuers in their dangerous work. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for courts and legislatures. Write your commandments on our hearts, and inspire all who govern to lead with love over retribution. Unite judges, lawyers, and systems of justice in a desire for reconciliation. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for the sick in body, mind, or spirit. Lift up all who have been bowed low by circumstances or internal strife. Bring to wholeness those who cry out to you in need. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for this congregation. Raise up in us a deep desire to live out our baptismal promises and to support those of all ages in our shared journey of faith. Hear us, O God C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We offer thanks for the faithful departed who now rest in you. Let their lives encourage our own daily living. Console us with the promise of eternal life. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- P: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. C: Amen.

*THE PEACE

P: The peace of the LORD be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Please share the peace with those around you using a greeting that is comfortable for both you and them.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

An offering plate is located near the entrance to the nave; we offer thanks for the abundance God has first shown us:

A: Let us pray... Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

C: Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PROPER PREFACE

P: 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. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.

You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations.

You rescued Israel, your chosen people.

Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

- P: Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.
- C: Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

*LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- C: 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, forever and ever. Amen



*Invitation

P: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life. C: Thanks be to God.



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*BLESSING

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

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray... Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. C: Amen.

*BENEDICTION

P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. C: Amen.



- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford. you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin-dle hope with - in. to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



Come, stream of end-less flow-ing, and res-cue us from death; Come, fire of glo-ry gra-cious, bless all who trust in you; for vi-sion we im-plore you, for wis-dom's pure de-light;



come, wind of spring-time blow - ing, and warm us by your breath. un - dy - ing flame te - na - cious, burn in your church a - new. in prayer we come be - fore you to wait up - on your light.

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*DISMISSAL

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen! C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*POSTLUDE

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Today's Altar Flowers are placed to the Glory of God in memory of Sheldon O. Smith from Linda Smith and family.

Prayers are needed for our homebound: Mary Jane Allision, Fred Brandenburg, Linda Claar, Mary Creps, Gerry Girolami, Betty Helsel, Allen Heltzel, Ann & Larry Irvin, Ruth Johnson, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Jean Stonerook, Pat & Robert Winston.

So we can give special attention to those with pressing needs, names were removed at the end of the month. Please let the office know if a name should be added to the prayer list for an extended period of time.

Prayer Concerns: Greta Buchart, Doug Bush, Dr. Ramon Burket, Terry Creek, Mary Farabaugh, Marilyn Horton, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Kristen Malloy, Elaine Ormsby, John Russell, Dan Sinal, Zachary Tremmel, Pat Winston and for our **Missionaries: Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings.**

Away at School: Max Baker, Christopher Bush, Olivia Day, Jeff Hoenstine, Lacey Ripka.

Those Serving in our Armed Forces: Bradley Buchart, Melody Estep, Colin Guyer, Nathan Smith (Germany).

Serving God and Us

Our Ministers - the People of St. Matthew

Our Pastor - Rev. Traci Marriott

Our Organists – Mary Nelson, DeAnna Cree

Our Missionary Family – Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings

Our Administrative Assistant – Jen Ripka

Our Assistant Administrative Assistant – Laura Orczeck

Our Sexton – Phil Claar

Our Assisting Minister – Greg Haffling

Our Lectors - Norah and Stacy Kuster

Our Usher – Dennis Smith

Our Altar Guild -Jean Sinal

Our Audio/Video Tech - Camden Kuster

Our Offering Counters – Jim Barley, Beth Garner

Second Quarter Ventures in Faith to "Youth & Camping"

This Week at St. Matthew:

814-793-2413: Office Hours

Pastor Traci – Wed. 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Jen (Summer Hours) – Mon. and Wed. 8:00-10:30 a.m.

Tues., Thurs., and Fri. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

This Week Events

Today – Day of Pentecost

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

Monday – Worship & Music Meeting 6:00 p.m., Zoom

Tuesday – Council Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room/Zoom Wednesday – Mending Ministry 2:00-4:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Endowment Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room

Sunday – The Holy Trinity

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.



Summer Office Hours

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 8:30 - 10:30
TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY 9 - NOON
OR BY APPOINTMENT



Community Mending Ministry at St. Matthew



Bring laundered clothes that need mending to work on yourself or get help from our sewers.

Materials, machines, & expertise provided.

And we'll have snacks!

Wednesday, June 11th 2PM to 4PM



St. Matthew Lutheran Martinsburg Fellowship Hall
115 E Penn Street (Maple Street Parking Lot)



Our Senior Neighbors Are Invited To A Young at Heart Luncheon



Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at 12:00 PM

Held at St. Matthew Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

115 East Penn Street

Martinsburg, PA

Please RSVP to the Church Office

(814-793-2413) by July 7th

Theme is "Christmas in July" *Postcard invitations are located in the Narthex for distribution



Weekend Themes

- Self-care
- Food & Health
- Arts & Media
- Environment
- Music & Dance
- Spiritual Life

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Martinsburg Food Pantry

The Food Pantry will be open for food distribution on Thursdays, June 5 and June 19 from 9:00 to 11:00a.m.

Those helping will be 3 or 4 people from St. John's UCC besides the regular volunteers to distribute food.

Following are the most needed items for June: Juice, Cereal, Pasta or Rice Sides, Scalloped Potatoes, Hamburger Helper.

Many thanks for the Food items, Paper products and Monetary gifts!

Linda K. Smith



Sign up for the print magazine

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The first expected issue to be mailed is Summer 2025. We will keep you updated.



You're invited to a Life Line Screening event!

Where: St Matthew Lutheran Church 115 E Penn St Martinsburg, PA 16662

When: Tuesday, June 24, 2025

June is Men's Health Month



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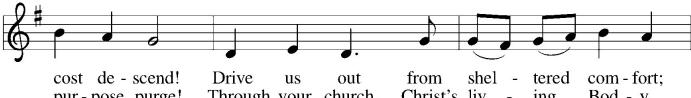
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These tests cannot detect all risk factors for all conditions, such as and including the presence of coronary artery disease.

Those with abnormal results should discuss possible next steps with their family healthcare provider and ensure they understand the risk and benefits of any additional testing or procedures.



- 1 God of tem pest, God of whirl-wind, as on Pen te 2 God of blaz ing, God of burn ing, all that blocks your
- earth -3 God of quake, God of thun - der, shake loose from us God of sion, God sleep - ing. stir in love's pas un us



Through your church, Bod - y, Christ's liv pur - pose, purge! ing leth - ar - gy! Break chains the of sin sun - der. a rest - less - ness! Where the peo ple cry in an - guish,



past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser-vice, let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice, for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us; may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



there with Christ to bear the cross, kin - dle us to speak your truth, make us one in Christ our Lord, claim us for your king-dom's work,

there with Christ to bear the cross! kin - dle us to speak your truth! make us one in Christ our Lord! claim us for your king-dom's work!

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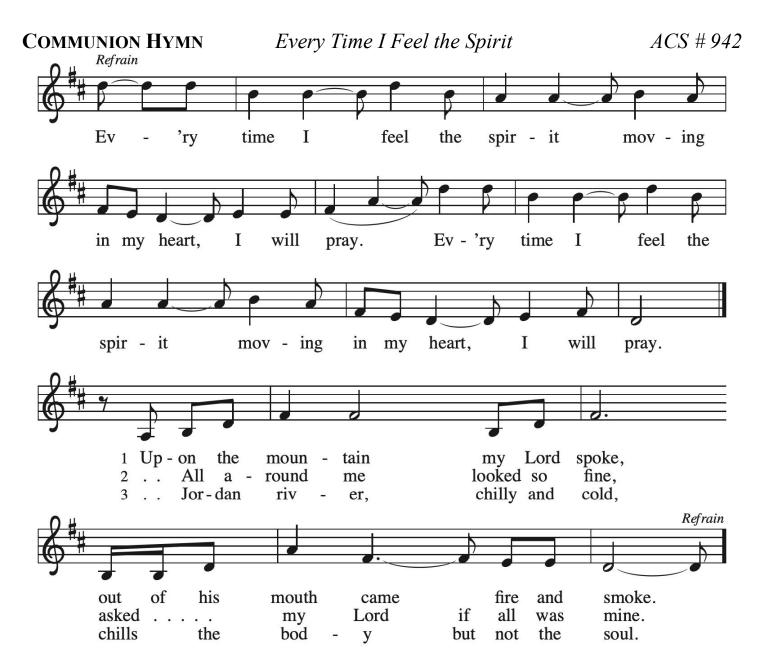
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- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford. you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin-dle hope with - in. to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



Come, stream of end-less flow-ing, and res-cue us from death; Come, fire of glo-ry gra-cious, bless all who trust in you; for vi-sion we im-plore you, for wis-dom's pure de-light;



come, wind of spring-time blow - ing, and warm us by your breath. un - dy - ing flame te - na - cious, burn in your church a - new. in prayer we come be - fore you to wait up - on your light.

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Day of Pentecost June 8, 2025

9:30 a.m. Worship

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!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen. C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

P: In the name of \pm the One who was, who is, and who is to come. C: Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism. Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

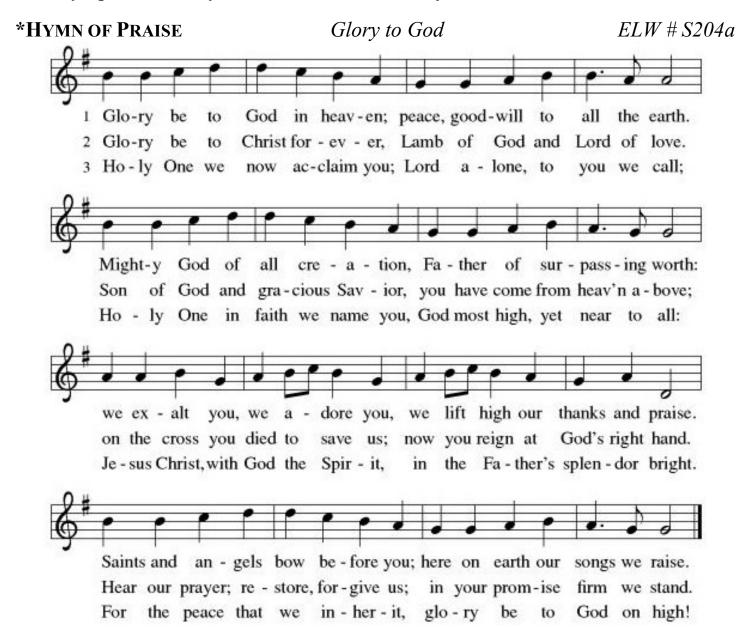
P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One. C: Amen.

*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.



*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray ... God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C: Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 11:1-9

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ² And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³ And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." ⁵ The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶ And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." ⁸ So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹ Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:24-34, 35b (read responsively)

- ²⁴ How manifold are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- ²⁵ Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.
- ²⁶ There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.
- ²⁷ All of them look to you to give them their food in due season
- ²⁸ You give it to them; they [|]gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- ²⁹ When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
- ³⁰ You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.
- May the glory of the Lord endure forever;O Lord, rejoice in all your works.
- ³² You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.
- ³³ I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

³⁴ May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the Lord.

35b Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Acts 2:1-21

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with -in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

*Gospel: John 14:8-17 [25-27]

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁸ Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

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knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. [25 "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. 26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY
*HYMN OF THE DAY

troubled, and do not let them be afraid."]

Spirit of Gentleness

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*NICENE CREED

- P: Let us confess our faith through the words of the Nicene Creed.
- C: 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 and the Son,* 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.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- A: God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.
- A: We pray for the church. Continue to inspire our sharing of the gospel and equip us to tear down the barriers we have erected. Make our welcome expansive, intentional, and open to loving challenge. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

- A: We pray for creation. Allow fire to burn safely in habitats where it's needed and quench flames when they threaten to run wild. Protect forests, prairies, and grasslands from destruction by natural forces or human misdeeds. Safeguard firefighters and rescuers in their dangerous work. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for courts and legislatures. Write your commandments on our hearts, and inspire all who govern to lead with love over retribution. Unite judges, lawyers, and systems of justice in a desire for reconciliation. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for the sick in body, mind, or spirit. Lift up all who have been bowed low by circumstances or internal strife. Bring to wholeness those who cry out to you in need. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for this congregation. Raise up in us a deep desire to live out our baptismal promises and to support those of all ages in our shared journey of faith. Hear us, O God C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We offer thanks for the faithful departed who now rest in you. Let their lives encourage our own daily living. Console us with the promise of eternal life. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- P: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. C: Amen.

*THE PEACE

P: The peace of the LORD be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Please share the peace with those around you using a greeting that is comfortable for both you and them.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

An offering plate is located near the entrance to the nave; we offer thanks for the abundance God has first shown us:

A: Let us pray... Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

C: Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PROPER PREFACE

P: 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. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.

You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations.

You rescued Israel, your chosen people.

Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

- P: Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.
- C: Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

*LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- C: 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, forever and ever. Amen



*Invitation

P: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life. C: Thanks be to God.



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*BLESSING

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

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray... Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. C: Amen.

*BENEDICTION

P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. C: Amen.



- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford. you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin-dle hope with - in. to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



Come, stream of end-less flow-ing, and res-cue us from death; Come, fire of glo-ry gra-cious, bless all who trust in you; for vi-sion we im-plore you, for wis-dom's pure de-light;



come, wind of spring-time blow - ing, and warm us by your breath. un - dy - ing flame te - na - cious, burn in your church a - new. in prayer we come be - fore you to wait up - on your light.

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*DISMISSAL

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen! C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*POSTLUDE

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Today's Altar Flowers are placed to the Glory of God in memory of Sheldon O. Smith from Linda Smith and family.

Prayers are needed for our homebound: Mary Jane Allision, Fred Brandenburg, Linda Claar, Mary Creps, Gerry Girolami, Betty Helsel, Allen Heltzel, Ann & Larry Irvin, Ruth Johnson, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Jean Stonerook, Pat & Robert Winston.

So we can give special attention to those with pressing needs, names were removed at the end of the month. Please let the office know if a name should be added to the prayer list for an extended period of time.

Prayer Concerns: Greta Buchart, Doug Bush, Dr. Ramon Burket, Terry Creek, Mary Farabaugh, Marilyn Horton, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Kristen Malloy, Elaine Ormsby, John Russell, Dan Sinal, Zachary Tremmel, Pat Winston and for our **Missionaries: Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings.**

Away at School: Max Baker, Christopher Bush, Olivia Day, Jeff Hoenstine, Lacey Ripka.

Those Serving in our Armed Forces: Bradley Buchart, Melody Estep, Colin Guyer, Nathan Smith (Germany).

Serving God and Us

Our Ministers - the People of St. Matthew

Our Pastor - Rev. Traci Marriott

Our Organists – Mary Nelson, DeAnna Cree

Our Missionary Family – Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings

Our Administrative Assistant – Jen Ripka

Our Assistant Administrative Assistant – Laura Orczeck

Our Sexton – Phil Claar

Our Assisting Minister – Greg Haffling

Our Lectors - Norah and Stacy Kuster

Our Usher – Dennis Smith

Our Altar Guild -Jean Sinal

Our Audio/Video Tech - Camden Kuster

Our Offering Counters – Jim Barley, Beth Garner

Second Quarter Ventures in Faith to "Youth & Camping"

This Week at St. Matthew:

814-793-2413: Office Hours

Pastor Traci – Wed. 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Jen (Summer Hours) – Mon. and Wed. 8:00-10:30 a.m.

Tues., Thurs., and Fri. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

This Week Events

Today – Day of Pentecost

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

Monday – Worship & Music Meeting 6:00 p.m., Zoom

Tuesday – Council Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room/Zoom Wednesday – Mending Ministry 2:00-4:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Endowment Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room

Sunday – The Holy Trinity

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.



Summer Office Hours

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 8:30 - 10:30
TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY 9 - NOON
OR BY APPOINTMENT



Community Mending Ministry at St. Matthew



Bring laundered clothes that need mending to work on yourself or get help from our sewers.

Materials, machines, & expertise provided.

And we'll have snacks!

Wednesday, June 11th 2PM to 4PM



St. Matthew Lutheran Martinsburg Fellowship Hall
115 E Penn Street (Maple Street Parking Lot)



Our Senior Neighbors Are Invited To A Young at Heart Luncheon



Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at 12:00 PM

Held at St. Matthew Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

115 East Penn Street

Martinsburg, PA

Please RSVP to the Church Office

(814-793-2413) by July 7th

Theme is "Christmas in July" *Postcard invitations are located in the Narthex for distribution



Weekend Themes

- Self-care
- Food & Health
- Arts & Media
- Environment
- Music & Dance
- Spiritual Life

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Martinsburg Food Pantry

The Food Pantry will be open for food distribution on Thursdays, June 5 and June 19 from 9:00 to 11:00a.m.

Those helping will be 3 or 4 people from St. John's UCC besides the regular volunteers to distribute food.

Following are the most needed items for June: Juice, Cereal, Pasta or Rice Sides, Scalloped Potatoes, Hamburger Helper.

Many thanks for the Food items, Paper products and Monetary gifts!

Linda K. Smith



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The first expected issue to be mailed is Summer 2025. We will keep you updated.



You're invited to a Life Line Screening event!

Where: St Matthew Lutheran Church 115 E Penn St Martinsburg, PA 16662

When: Tuesday, June 24, 2025

June is Men's Health Month



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- God of God whirl - wind, of as Pen - te tem pest, on God of 2 blaz God of burn - ing. all blocks ing, that your
- 3 God of earth quake, God of thun der, shake us loose from
- 4 God of pas sion, God un sleep ing, stir in us love's



cost de - scend! pur - pose, purge! leth - ar - gy! rest - less - ness!

Drive from shel tered com - fort; us out Through your church, Bod - y, Christ's liv ing Break chains the of sin sun - der. a Where the peo ple cry in an - guish,



past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser-vice, let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice, for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us; may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



there with Christ to bear the cross, kin - dle us to speak your truth, make us one in Christ our Lord, claim us for your king-dom's work, there with Christ to bear the cross! kin - dle us to speak your truth! make us one in Christ our Lord! claim us for your king-dom's work!

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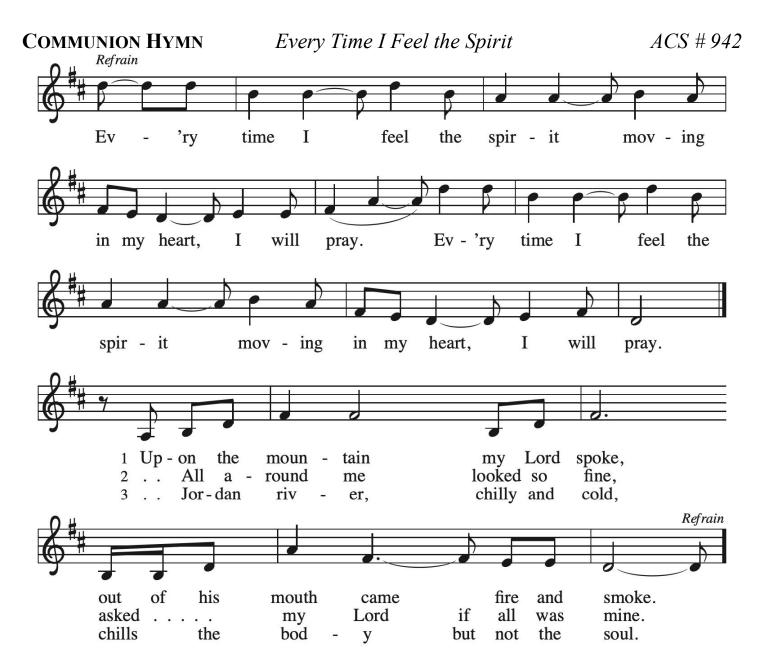
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- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



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Day of Pentecost June 8, 2025

9:30 a.m. Worship

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!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen. C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

P: In the name of \pm the One who was, who is, and who is to come. C: Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism. Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

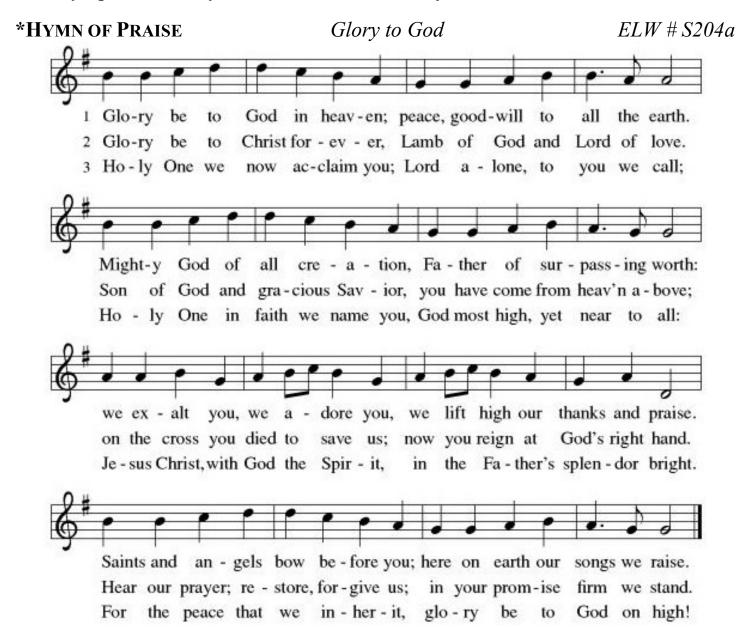
P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One. C: Amen.

*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.



*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray ... God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C: Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 11:1-9

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ² And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³ And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." ⁵ The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶ And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." ⁸ So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹ Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:24-34, 35b (read responsively)

- ²⁴ How manifold are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- ²⁵ Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.
- ²⁶ There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.
- ²⁷ All of them look to you to give them their food in due season
- ²⁸ You give it to them; they [|]gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- ²⁹ When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
- ³⁰ You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.
- 31 May the glory of the Lord endure forever;O Lord, rejoice in all your works.
- ³² You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.
- ³³ I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

³⁴ May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the Lord.

35b Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Acts 2:1-21

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with -in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

*Gospel: John 14:8-17 [25-27]

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

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troubled, and do not let them be afraid."]

Spirit of Gentleness

Pastor Traci ELW # 396

*NICENE CREED

- P: Let us confess our faith through the words of the Nicene Creed.
- C: 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 and the Son,* 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.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- A: God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.
- A: We pray for the church. Continue to inspire our sharing of the gospel and equip us to tear down the barriers we have erected. Make our welcome expansive, intentional, and open to loving challenge. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

- A: We pray for creation. Allow fire to burn safely in habitats where it's needed and quench flames when they threaten to run wild. Protect forests, prairies, and grasslands from destruction by natural forces or human misdeeds. Safeguard firefighters and rescuers in their dangerous work. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for courts and legislatures. Write your commandments on our hearts, and inspire all who govern to lead with love over retribution. Unite judges, lawyers, and systems of justice in a desire for reconciliation. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for the sick in body, mind, or spirit. Lift up all who have been bowed low by circumstances or internal strife. Bring to wholeness those who cry out to you in need. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for this congregation. Raise up in us a deep desire to live out our baptismal promises and to support those of all ages in our shared journey of faith. Hear us, O God C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We offer thanks for the faithful departed who now rest in you. Let their lives encourage our own daily living. Console us with the promise of eternal life. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- P: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. C: Amen.

*THE PEACE

P: The peace of the LORD be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Please share the peace with those around you using a greeting that is comfortable for both you and them.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

An offering plate is located near the entrance to the nave; we offer thanks for the abundance God has first shown us:

A: Let us pray... Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

C: Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PROPER PREFACE

P: 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. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.

You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations.

You rescued Israel, your chosen people.

Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

- P: Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.
- C: Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

*LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- C: 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, forever and ever. Amen



*Invitation

P: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life. C: Thanks be to God.



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*BLESSING

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

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray... Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. C: Amen.

*BENEDICTION

P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. C: Amen.



- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford. you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin-dle hope with - in. to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



Come, stream of end-less flow-ing, and res-cue us from death; Come, fire of glo-ry gra-cious, bless all who trust in you; for vi-sion we im-plore you, for wis-dom's pure de-light;



come, wind of spring-time blow - ing, and warm us by your breath. un - dy - ing flame te - na - cious, burn in your church a - new. in prayer we come be - fore you to wait up - on your light.

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*DISMISSAL

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen! C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*POSTLUDE

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Today's Altar Flowers are placed to the Glory of God in memory of Sheldon O. Smith from Linda Smith and family.

Prayers are needed for our homebound: Mary Jane Allision, Fred Brandenburg, Linda Claar, Mary Creps, Gerry Girolami, Betty Helsel, Allen Heltzel, Ann & Larry Irvin, Ruth Johnson, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Jean Stonerook, Pat & Robert Winston.

So we can give special attention to those with pressing needs, names were removed at the end of the month. Please let the office know if a name should be added to the prayer list for an extended period of time.

Prayer Concerns: Greta Buchart, Doug Bush, Dr. Ramon Burket, Terry Creek, Mary Farabaugh, Marilyn Horton, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Kristen Malloy, Elaine Ormsby, John Russell, Dan Sinal, Zachary Tremmel, Pat Winston and for our **Missionaries: Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings.**

Away at School: Max Baker, Christopher Bush, Olivia Day, Jeff Hoenstine, Lacey Ripka.

Those Serving in our Armed Forces: Bradley Buchart, Melody Estep, Colin Guyer, Nathan Smith (Germany).

Serving God and Us

Our Ministers - the People of St. Matthew

Our Pastor - Rev. Traci Marriott

Our Organists – Mary Nelson, DeAnna Cree

Our Missionary Family – Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings

Our Administrative Assistant – Jen Ripka

Our Assistant Administrative Assistant – Laura Orczeck

Our Sexton – Phil Claar

Our Assisting Minister – Greg Haffling

Our Lectors - Norah and Stacy Kuster

Our Usher – Dennis Smith

Our Altar Guild -Jean Sinal

Our Audio/Video Tech - Camden Kuster

Our Offering Counters – Jim Barley, Beth Garner

Second Quarter Ventures in Faith to "Youth & Camping"

This Week at St. Matthew:

814-793-2413: Office Hours

Pastor Traci – Wed. 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Jen (Summer Hours) – Mon. and Wed. 8:00-10:30 a.m.

Tues., Thurs., and Fri. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

This Week Events

Today – Day of Pentecost

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

Monday – Worship & Music Meeting 6:00 p.m., Zoom

Tuesday – Council Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room/Zoom Wednesday – Mending Ministry 2:00-4:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Endowment Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room

Sunday – The Holy Trinity

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.



Summer Office Hours

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 8:30 - 10:30
TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY 9 - NOON
OR BY APPOINTMENT



Community Mending Ministry at St. Matthew



Bring laundered clothes that need mending to work on yourself or get help from our sewers.

Materials, machines, & expertise provided.

And we'll have snacks!

Wednesday, June 11th 2PM to 4PM



St. Matthew Lutheran Martinsburg Fellowship Hall
115 E Penn Street (Maple Street Parking Lot)



Our Senior Neighbors Are Invited To A Young at Heart Luncheon



Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at 12:00 PM

Held at St. Matthew Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

115 East Penn Street

Martinsburg, PA

Please RSVP to the Church Office

(814-793-2413) by July 7th

Theme is "Christmas in July" *Postcard invitations are located in the Narthex for distribution



Weekend Themes

- Self-care
- Food & Health
- Arts & Media
- Environment
- Music & Dance
- Spiritual Life

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Martinsburg Food Pantry

The Food Pantry will be open for food distribution on Thursdays, June 5 and June 19 from 9:00 to 11:00a.m.

Those helping will be 3 or 4 people from St. John's UCC besides the regular volunteers to distribute food.

Following are the most needed items for June: Juice, Cereal, Pasta or Rice Sides, Scalloped Potatoes, Hamburger Helper.

Many thanks for the Food items, Paper products and Monetary gifts!

Linda K. Smith



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You can sign up today on the sign-up sheet on the Narthex bulletin board or call the church office to let us know you would like to subscribe to the magazine.

The first expected issue to be mailed is Summer 2025. We will keep you updated.



You're invited to a Life Line Screening event!

Where: St Matthew Lutheran Church 115 E Penn St Martinsburg, PA 16662

When: Tuesday, June 24, 2025

June is Men's Health Month



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- God of God whirl - wind, of as Pen - te tem pest, on God of 2 blaz God of burn - ing. all blocks ing, that your
- 3 God of earth quake, God of thun der, shake us loose from
- 4 God of pas sion, God un sleep ing, stir in us love's



cost de - scend! pur - pose, purge! leth - ar - gy! rest - less - ness!

Drive from shel tered com - fort; us out Through your church, Bod - y, Christ's liv ing Break chains the of sin sun - der. a Where the peo ple cry in an - guish,



past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser-vice, let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice, for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us; may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



there with Christ to bear the cross, kin - dle us to speak your truth, make us one in Christ our Lord, claim us for your king-dom's work, there with Christ to bear the cross! kin - dle us to speak your truth! make us one in Christ our Lord! claim us for your king-dom's work!

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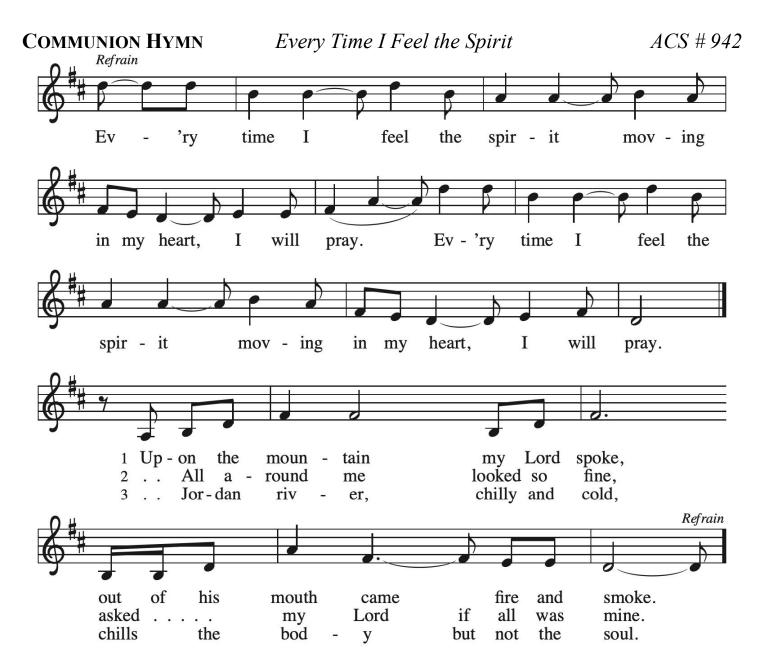
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- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford. you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin-dle hope with - in. to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



Come, stream of end-less flow-ing, and res-cue us from death; Come, fire of glo-ry gra-cious, bless all who trust in you; for vi-sion we im-plore you, for wis-dom's pure de-light;



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Day of Pentecost June 8, 2025

9:30 a.m. Worship

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!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen. C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

P: In the name of \pm the One who was, who is, and who is to come. C: Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism. Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

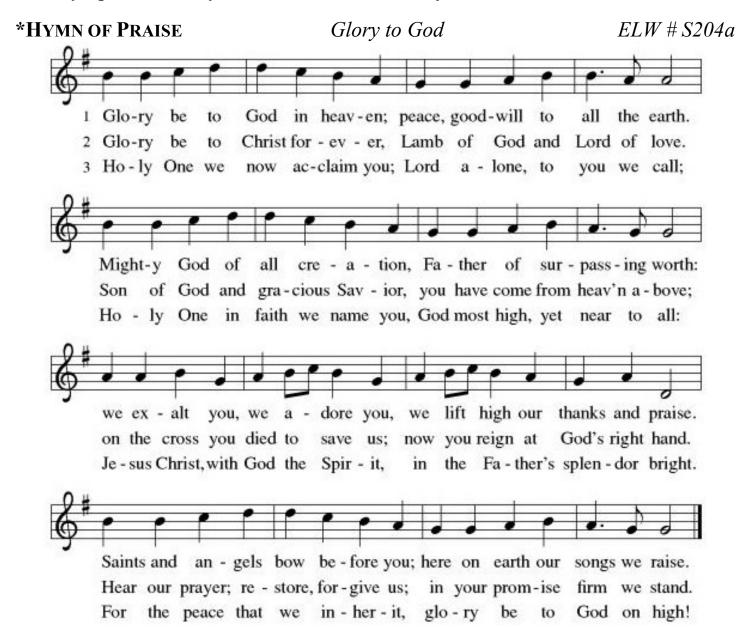
P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One. C: Amen.

*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.



*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray ... God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C: Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 11:1-9

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ² And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³ And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." ⁵ The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶ And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." ⁸ So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹ Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:24-34, 35b (read responsively)

- ²⁴ How manifold are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- ²⁵ Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.
- ²⁶ There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.
- ²⁷ All of them look to you to give them their food in due season
- ²⁸ You give it to them; they [|]gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- ²⁹ When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
- ³⁰ You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.
- May the glory of the Lord endure forever;O Lord, rejoice in all your works.
- ³² You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.
- ³³ I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

³⁴ May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the Lord.

35b Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Acts 2:1-21

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with -in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

*Gospel: John 14:8-17 [25-27]

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁸ Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

¹⁵ "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor

knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. [25 "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. 26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY
*HYMN OF THE DAY

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- A: We pray for creation. Allow fire to burn safely in habitats where it's needed and quench flames when they threaten to run wild. Protect forests, prairies, and grasslands from destruction by natural forces or human misdeeds. Safeguard firefighters and rescuers in their dangerous work. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for courts and legislatures. Write your commandments on our hearts, and inspire all who govern to lead with love over retribution. Unite judges, lawyers, and systems of justice in a desire for reconciliation. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for the sick in body, mind, or spirit. Lift up all who have been bowed low by circumstances or internal strife. Bring to wholeness those who cry out to you in need. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for this congregation. Raise up in us a deep desire to live out our baptismal promises and to support those of all ages in our shared journey of faith. Hear us, O God C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We offer thanks for the faithful departed who now rest in you. Let their lives encourage our own daily living. Console us with the promise of eternal life. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- P: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. C: Amen.

*THE PEACE

P: The peace of the LORD be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Please share the peace with those around you using a greeting that is comfortable for both you and them.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

An offering plate is located near the entrance to the nave; we offer thanks for the abundance God has first shown us:

A: Let us pray... Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

C: Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PROPER PREFACE

P: 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. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.

You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations.

You rescued Israel, your chosen people.

Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

- P: Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.
- C: Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

*LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- C: 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, forever and ever. Amen



*Invitation

P: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life. C: Thanks be to God.



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*BLESSING

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

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray... Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. C: Amen.

*BENEDICTION

P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. C: Amen.



- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



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Come, stream of end-less flow-ing, and res-cue us from death; Come, fire of glo-ry gra-cious, bless all who trust in you; for vi-sion we im-plore you, for wis-dom's pure de-light;



come, wind of spring-time blow - ing, and warm us by your breath. un - dy - ing flame te - na - cious, burn in your church a - new. in prayer we come be - fore you to wait up - on your light.

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*DISMISSAL

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen! C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*POSTLUDE

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Today's Altar Flowers are placed to the Glory of God in memory of Sheldon O. Smith from Linda Smith and family.

Prayers are needed for our homebound: Mary Jane Allision, Fred Brandenburg, Linda Claar, Mary Creps, Gerry Girolami, Betty Helsel, Allen Heltzel, Ann & Larry Irvin, Ruth Johnson, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Jean Stonerook, Pat & Robert Winston.

So we can give special attention to those with pressing needs, names were removed at the end of the month. Please let the office know if a name should be added to the prayer list for an extended period of time.

Prayer Concerns: Greta Buchart, Doug Bush, Dr. Ramon Burket, Terry Creek, Mary Farabaugh, Marilyn Horton, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Kristen Malloy, Elaine Ormsby, John Russell, Dan Sinal, Zachary Tremmel, Pat Winston and for our **Missionaries: Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings.**

Away at School: Max Baker, Christopher Bush, Olivia Day, Jeff Hoenstine, Lacey Ripka.

Those Serving in our Armed Forces: Bradley Buchart, Melody Estep, Colin Guyer, Nathan Smith (Germany).

Serving God and Us

Our Ministers - the People of St. Matthew

Our Pastor - Rev. Traci Marriott

Our Organists – Mary Nelson, DeAnna Cree

Our Missionary Family – Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings

Our Administrative Assistant – Jen Ripka

Our Assistant Administrative Assistant – Laura Orczeck

Our Sexton – Phil Claar

Our Assisting Minister – Greg Haffling

Our Lectors - Norah and Stacy Kuster

Our Usher – Dennis Smith

Our Altar Guild -Jean Sinal

Our Audio/Video Tech - Camden Kuster

Our Offering Counters – Jim Barley, Beth Garner

Second Quarter Ventures in Faith to "Youth & Camping"

This Week at St. Matthew:

814-793-2413: Office Hours

Pastor Traci – Wed. 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Jen (Summer Hours) – Mon. and Wed. 8:00-10:30 a.m.

Tues., Thurs., and Fri. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

This Week Events

Today – Day of Pentecost

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

Monday – Worship & Music Meeting 6:00 p.m., Zoom

Tuesday – Council Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room/Zoom Wednesday – Mending Ministry 2:00-4:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Endowment Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room

Sunday – The Holy Trinity

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.



Summer Office Hours

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 8:30 - 10:30
TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY 9 - NOON
OR BY APPOINTMENT



Community Mending Ministry at St. Matthew



Bring laundered clothes that need mending to work on yourself or get help from our sewers.

Materials, machines, & expertise provided.

And we'll have snacks!

Wednesday, June 11th 2PM to 4PM



St. Matthew Lutheran Martinsburg Fellowship Hall
115 E Penn Street (Maple Street Parking Lot)



Our Senior Neighbors Are Invited To A Young at Heart Luncheon



Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at 12:00 PM

Held at St. Matthew Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

115 East Penn Street

Martinsburg, PA

Please RSVP to the Church Office

(814-793-2413) by July 7th

Theme is "Christmas in July" *Postcard invitations are located in the Narthex for distribution



Weekend Themes

- Self-care
- Food & Health
- Arts & Media
- Environment
- Music & Dance
- Spiritual Life

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This event will have an open schedule allowing participants the freedom to pick what is right for them. It will include options for multiple workshops, open recreation & hiking, food and time to refresh yourself and the family.

Martinsburg Food Pantry

The Food Pantry will be open for food distribution on Thursdays, June 5 and June 19 from 9:00 to 11:00a.m.

Those helping will be 3 or 4 people from St. John's UCC besides the regular volunteers to distribute food.

Following are the most needed items for June: Juice, Cereal, Pasta or Rice Sides, Scalloped Potatoes, Hamburger Helper.

Many thanks for the Food items, Paper products and Monetary gifts!

Linda K. Smith



Sign up for the print magazine

We heard you—and listened. We have found a way to bring back the magazine's print publication in a quarterly fashion. Each issue (spring, summer, winter and fall) will feature the stories you know and love, along with updates on the church and your ELCA community.

You can sign up today on the sign-up sheet on the Narthex bulletin board or call the church office to let us know you would like to subscribe to the magazine.

The first expected issue to be mailed is Summer 2025. We will keep you updated.



You're invited to a Life Line Screening event!

Where: St Matthew Lutheran Church 115 E Penn St Martinsburg, PA 16662

When: Tuesday, June 24, 2025

June is Men's Health Month



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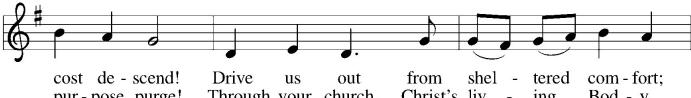
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These tests cannot detect all risk factors for all conditions, such as and including the presence of coronary artery disease.

Those with abnormal results should discuss possible next steps with their family healthcare provider and ensure they understand the risk and benefits of any additional testing or procedures.



- 1 God of tem pest, God of whirl-wind, as on Pen te 2 God of blaz ing, God of burn ing, all that blocks your
- earth -3 God of quake, God of thun - der, shake loose from us God of sion, God sleep - ing. stir in love's pas un us



Through your church, Bod - y, Christ's liv pur - pose, purge! ing leth - ar - gy! Break chains the of sin sun - der. a rest - less - ness! Where the peo ple cry in an - guish,



past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser-vice, let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice, for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us; may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



there with Christ to bear the cross, kin - dle us to speak your truth, make us one in Christ our Lord, claim us for your king-dom's work,

there with Christ to bear the cross! kin - dle us to speak your truth! make us one in Christ our Lord! claim us for your king-dom's work!

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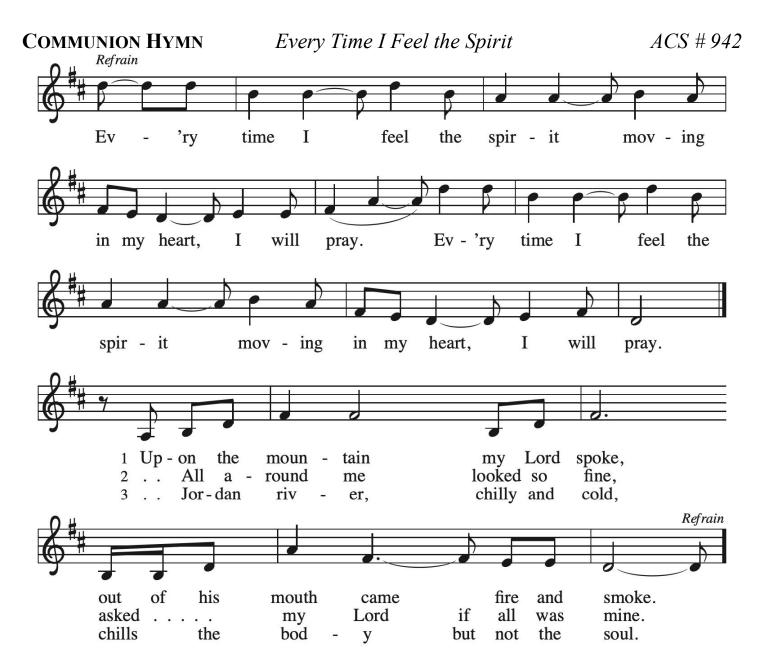
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- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



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Come, stream of end-less flow-ing, and res-cue us from death; Come, fire of glo-ry gra-cious, bless all who trust in you; for vi-sion we im-plore you, for wis-dom's pure de-light;



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Day of Pentecost June 8, 2025

9:30 a.m. Worship

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!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen. C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

P: In the name of \pm the One who was, who is, and who is to come. C: Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism. Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

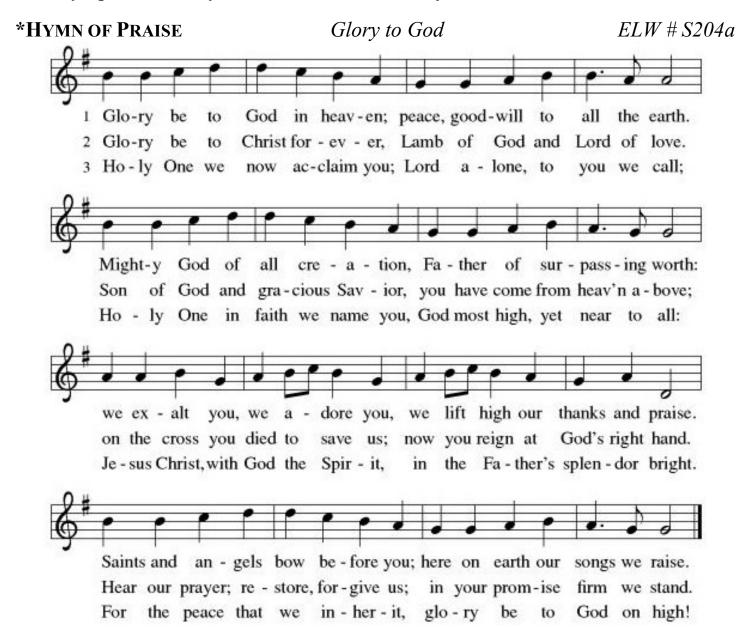
P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One. C: Amen.

*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.



*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray ... God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C: Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 11:1-9

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ² And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³ And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." ⁵ The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶ And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." ⁸ So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹ Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:24-34, 35b (read responsively)

- ²⁴ How manifold are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- ²⁵ Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.
- ²⁶ There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.
- ²⁷ All of them look to you to give them their food in due season
- ²⁸ You give it to them; they [|]gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- ²⁹ When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
- ³⁰ You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.
- May the glory of the Lord endure forever;O Lord, rejoice in all your works.
- ³² You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.
- ³³ I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

³⁴ May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the Lord.

35b Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Acts 2:1-21

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with -in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

*Gospel: John 14:8-17 [25-27]

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁸ Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

¹⁵ "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor

knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. [25 "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. 26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY
*HYMN OF THE DAY

troubled, and do not let them be afraid."]

Spirit of Gentleness

Pastor Traci ELW # 396

*NICENE CREED

- P: Let us confess our faith through the words of the Nicene Creed.
- C: 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 and the Son,* 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.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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- P: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. C: Amen.

*THE PEACE

P: The peace of the LORD be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Please share the peace with those around you using a greeting that is comfortable for both you and them.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

An offering plate is located near the entrance to the nave; we offer thanks for the abundance God has first shown us:

A: Let us pray... Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

C: Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PROPER PREFACE

P: 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. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.

You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations.

You rescued Israel, your chosen people.

Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

- P: Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.
- C: Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

*LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- C: 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, forever and ever. Amen



*Invitation

P: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life. C: Thanks be to God.



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*BLESSING

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

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray... Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. C: Amen.

*BENEDICTION

P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. C: Amen.



- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



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*DISMISSAL

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen! C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*POSTLUDE

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Today's Altar Flowers are placed to the Glory of God in memory of Sheldon O. Smith from Linda Smith and family.

Prayers are needed for our homebound: Mary Jane Allision, Fred Brandenburg, Linda Claar, Mary Creps, Gerry Girolami, Betty Helsel, Allen Heltzel, Ann & Larry Irvin, Ruth Johnson, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Jean Stonerook, Pat & Robert Winston.

So we can give special attention to those with pressing needs, names were removed at the end of the month. Please let the office know if a name should be added to the prayer list for an extended period of time.

Prayer Concerns: Greta Buchart, Doug Bush, Dr. Ramon Burket, Terry Creek, Mary Farabaugh, Marilyn Horton, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Kristen Malloy, Elaine Ormsby, John Russell, Dan Sinal, Zachary Tremmel, Pat Winston and for our **Missionaries: Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings.**

Away at School: Max Baker, Christopher Bush, Olivia Day, Jeff Hoenstine, Lacey Ripka.

Those Serving in our Armed Forces: Bradley Buchart, Melody Estep, Colin Guyer, Nathan Smith (Germany).

Serving God and Us

Our Ministers - the People of St. Matthew

Our Pastor - Rev. Traci Marriott

Our Organists – Mary Nelson, DeAnna Cree

Our Missionary Family – Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings

Our Administrative Assistant – Jen Ripka

Our Assistant Administrative Assistant – Laura Orczeck

Our Sexton – Phil Claar

Our Assisting Minister – Greg Haffling

Our Lectors - Norah and Stacy Kuster

Our Usher – Dennis Smith

Our Altar Guild -Jean Sinal

Our Audio/Video Tech - Camden Kuster

Our Offering Counters – Jim Barley, Beth Garner

Second Quarter Ventures in Faith to "Youth & Camping"

This Week at St. Matthew:

814-793-2413: Office Hours

Pastor Traci – Wed. 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Jen (Summer Hours) – Mon. and Wed. 8:00-10:30 a.m.

Tues., Thurs., and Fri. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

This Week Events

Today – Day of Pentecost

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

Monday – Worship & Music Meeting 6:00 p.m., Zoom

Tuesday – Council Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room/Zoom Wednesday – Mending Ministry 2:00-4:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Endowment Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room

Sunday – The Holy Trinity

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.



Summer Office Hours

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 8:30 - 10:30
TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY 9 - NOON
OR BY APPOINTMENT



Community Mending Ministry at St. Matthew



Bring laundered clothes that need mending to work on yourself or get help from our sewers.

Materials, machines, & expertise provided.

And we'll have snacks!

Wednesday, June 11th 2PM to 4PM



St. Matthew Lutheran Martinsburg Fellowship Hall
115 E Penn Street (Maple Street Parking Lot)



Our Senior Neighbors Are Invited To A Young at Heart Luncheon



Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at 12:00 PM

Held at St. Matthew Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

115 East Penn Street

Martinsburg, PA

Please RSVP to the Church Office

(814-793-2413) by July 7th

Theme is "Christmas in July" *Postcard invitations are located in the Narthex for distribution



Weekend Themes

- Self-care
- Food & Health
- Arts & Media
- Environment
- Music & Dance
- Spiritual Life

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Martinsburg Food Pantry

The Food Pantry will be open for food distribution on Thursdays, June 5 and June 19 from 9:00 to 11:00a.m.

Those helping will be 3 or 4 people from St. John's UCC besides the regular volunteers to distribute food.

Following are the most needed items for June: Juice, Cereal, Pasta or Rice Sides, Scalloped Potatoes, Hamburger Helper.

Many thanks for the Food items, Paper products and Monetary gifts!

Linda K. Smith



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You can sign up today on the sign-up sheet on the Narthex bulletin board or call the church office to let us know you would like to subscribe to the magazine.

The first expected issue to be mailed is Summer 2025. We will keep you updated.



You're invited to a Life Line Screening event!

Where: St Matthew Lutheran Church 115 E Penn St Martinsburg, PA 16662

When: Tuesday, June 24, 2025

June is Men's Health Month



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- God of God whirl - wind, of as Pen - te tem pest, on God of 2 blaz God of burn - ing. all blocks ing, that your
- 3 God of earth quake, God of thun der, shake us loose from
- 4 God of pas sion, God un sleep ing, stir in us love's



cost de - scend! pur - pose, purge! leth - ar - gy! rest - less - ness!

Drive from shel tered com - fort; us out Through your church, Bod - y, Christ's liv ing Break chains the of sin sun - der. a Where the peo ple cry in an - guish,



past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser-vice, let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice, for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us; may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



there with Christ to bear the cross, kin - dle us to speak your truth, make us one in Christ our Lord, claim us for your king-dom's work, there with Christ to bear the cross! kin - dle us to speak your truth! make us one in Christ our Lord! claim us for your king-dom's work!

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Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

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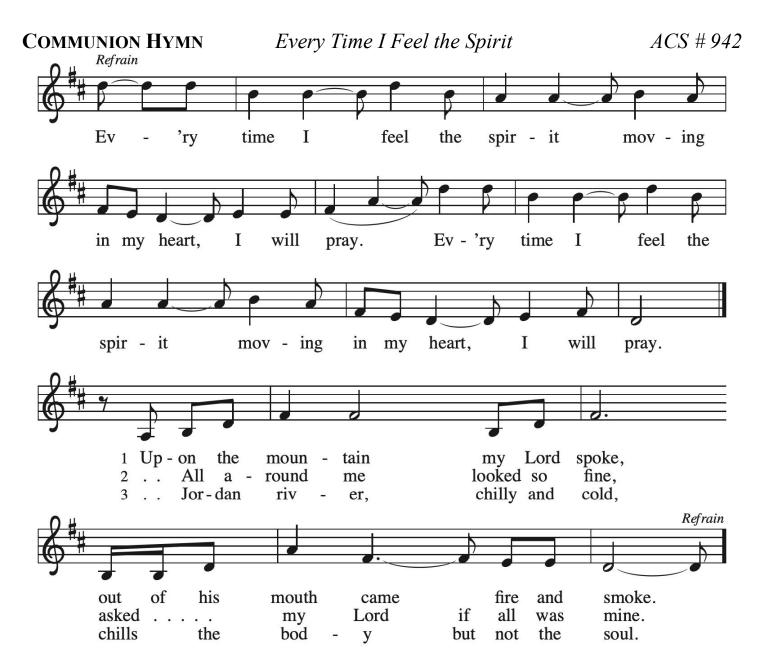
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- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



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Day of Pentecost June 8, 2025

9:30 a.m. Worship

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!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen. C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

P: In the name of \pm the One who was, who is, and who is to come. C: Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism. Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

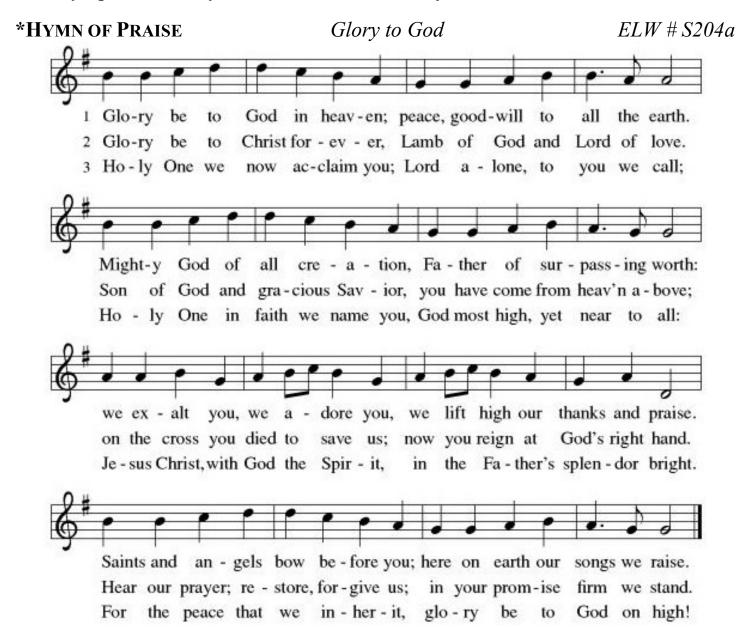
P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One. C: Amen.

*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.



*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray ... God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C: Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 11:1-9

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ² And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³ And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." ⁵ The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶ And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." ⁸ So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹ Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:24-34, 35b (read responsively)

- ²⁴ How manifold are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- ²⁵ Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.
- ²⁶ There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.
- ²⁷ All of them look to you to give them their food in due season
- ²⁸ You give it to them; they [|]gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- ²⁹ When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
- ³⁰ You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.
- 31 May the glory of the Lord endure forever;O Lord, rejoice in all your works.
- ³² You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.
- ³³ I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

³⁴ May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the Lord.

35b Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Acts 2:1-21

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with -in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

*Gospel: John 14:8-17 [25-27]

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁸ Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

¹⁵ "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor

knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. [25 "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. 26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY
*HYMN OF THE DAY

troubled, and do not let them be afraid."]

Spirit of Gentleness

Pastor Traci ELW # 396

*NICENE CREED

- P: Let us confess our faith through the words of the Nicene Creed.
- C: 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 and the Son,* 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.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- A: God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.
- A: We pray for the church. Continue to inspire our sharing of the gospel and equip us to tear down the barriers we have erected. Make our welcome expansive, intentional, and open to loving challenge. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

- A: We pray for creation. Allow fire to burn safely in habitats where it's needed and quench flames when they threaten to run wild. Protect forests, prairies, and grasslands from destruction by natural forces or human misdeeds. Safeguard firefighters and rescuers in their dangerous work. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for courts and legislatures. Write your commandments on our hearts, and inspire all who govern to lead with love over retribution. Unite judges, lawyers, and systems of justice in a desire for reconciliation. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for the sick in body, mind, or spirit. Lift up all who have been bowed low by circumstances or internal strife. Bring to wholeness those who cry out to you in need. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
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*PROPER PREFACE

P: 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. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.

You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations.

You rescued Israel, your chosen people.

Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

- P: Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.
- C: Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

*LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- C: 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, forever and ever. Amen



*Invitation

P: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life. C: Thanks be to God.



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*BLESSING

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

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray... Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. C: Amen.

*BENEDICTION

P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. C: Amen.



- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford. you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin-dle hope with - in. to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



Come, stream of end-less flow-ing, and res-cue us from death; Come, fire of glo-ry gra-cious, bless all who trust in you; for vi-sion we im-plore you, for wis-dom's pure de-light;



come, wind of spring-time blow - ing, and warm us by your breath. un - dy - ing flame te - na - cious, burn in your church a - new. in prayer we come be - fore you to wait up - on your light.

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*DISMISSAL

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen! C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*POSTLUDE

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Today's Altar Flowers are placed to the Glory of God in memory of Sheldon O. Smith from Linda Smith and family.

Prayers are needed for our homebound: Mary Jane Allision, Fred Brandenburg, Linda Claar, Mary Creps, Gerry Girolami, Betty Helsel, Allen Heltzel, Ann & Larry Irvin, Ruth Johnson, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Jean Stonerook, Pat & Robert Winston.

So we can give special attention to those with pressing needs, names were removed at the end of the month. Please let the office know if a name should be added to the prayer list for an extended period of time.

Prayer Concerns: Greta Buchart, Doug Bush, Dr. Ramon Burket, Terry Creek, Mary Farabaugh, Marilyn Horton, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Kristen Malloy, Elaine Ormsby, John Russell, Dan Sinal, Zachary Tremmel, Pat Winston and for our **Missionaries: Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings.**

Away at School: Max Baker, Christopher Bush, Olivia Day, Jeff Hoenstine, Lacey Ripka.

Those Serving in our Armed Forces: Bradley Buchart, Melody Estep, Colin Guyer, Nathan Smith (Germany).

Serving God and Us

Our Ministers - the People of St. Matthew

Our Pastor - Rev. Traci Marriott

Our Organists – Mary Nelson, DeAnna Cree

Our Missionary Family – Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings

Our Administrative Assistant – Jen Ripka

Our Assistant Administrative Assistant – Laura Orczeck

Our Sexton – Phil Claar

Our Assisting Minister – Greg Haffling

Our Lectors - Norah and Stacy Kuster

Our Usher – Dennis Smith

Our Altar Guild -Jean Sinal

Our Audio/Video Tech - Camden Kuster

Our Offering Counters – Jim Barley, Beth Garner

Second Quarter Ventures in Faith to "Youth & Camping"

This Week at St. Matthew:

814-793-2413: Office Hours

Pastor Traci – Wed. 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Jen (Summer Hours) – Mon. and Wed. 8:00-10:30 a.m.

Tues., Thurs., and Fri. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

This Week Events

Today – Day of Pentecost

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

Monday – Worship & Music Meeting 6:00 p.m., Zoom

Tuesday – Council Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room/Zoom Wednesday – Mending Ministry 2:00-4:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Endowment Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room

Sunday – The Holy Trinity

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.



Summer Office Hours

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 8:30 - 10:30
TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY 9 - NOON
OR BY APPOINTMENT



Community Mending Ministry at St. Matthew



Bring laundered clothes that need mending to work on yourself or get help from our sewers.

Materials, machines, & expertise provided.

And we'll have snacks!

Wednesday, June 11th 2PM to 4PM



St. Matthew Lutheran Martinsburg Fellowship Hall
115 E Penn Street (Maple Street Parking Lot)



Our Senior Neighbors Are Invited To A Young at Heart Luncheon



Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at 12:00 PM

Held at St. Matthew Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

115 East Penn Street

Martinsburg, PA

Please RSVP to the Church Office

(814-793-2413) by July 7th

Theme is "Christmas in July" *Postcard invitations are located in the Narthex for distribution



Weekend Themes

- Self-care
- Food & Health
- Arts & Media
- Environment
- Music & Dance
- Spiritual Life

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Martinsburg Food Pantry

The Food Pantry will be open for food distribution on Thursdays, June 5 and June 19 from 9:00 to 11:00a.m.

Those helping will be 3 or 4 people from St. John's UCC besides the regular volunteers to distribute food.

Following are the most needed items for June: Juice, Cereal, Pasta or Rice Sides, Scalloped Potatoes, Hamburger Helper.

Many thanks for the Food items, Paper products and Monetary gifts!

Linda K. Smith



Sign up for the print magazine

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You can sign up today on the sign-up sheet on the Narthex bulletin board or call the church office to let us know you would like to subscribe to the magazine.

The first expected issue to be mailed is Summer 2025. We will keep you updated.



You're invited to a Life Line Screening event!

Where: St Matthew Lutheran Church 115 E Penn St Martinsburg, PA 16662

When: Tuesday, June 24, 2025

June is Men's Health Month



Life Line Screening is the nation's leader in **Stroke and Cardiovascular Disease Risk** Screenings.

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- God of God whirl - wind, of as Pen - te tem pest, on God of 2 blaz God of burn - ing. all blocks ing, that your
- 3 God of earth quake, God of thun der, shake us loose from
- 4 God of pas sion, God un sleep ing, stir in us love's



cost de - scend! pur - pose, purge! leth - ar - gy! rest - less - ness!

Drive from shel tered com - fort; us out Through your church, Bod - y, Christ's liv ing Break chains the of sin sun - der. a Where the peo ple cry in an - guish,



past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser-vice, let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice, for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us; may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



there with Christ to bear the cross, kin - dle us to speak your truth, make us one in Christ our Lord, claim us for your king-dom's work, there with Christ to bear the cross! kin - dle us to speak your truth! make us one in Christ our Lord! claim us for your king-dom's work!

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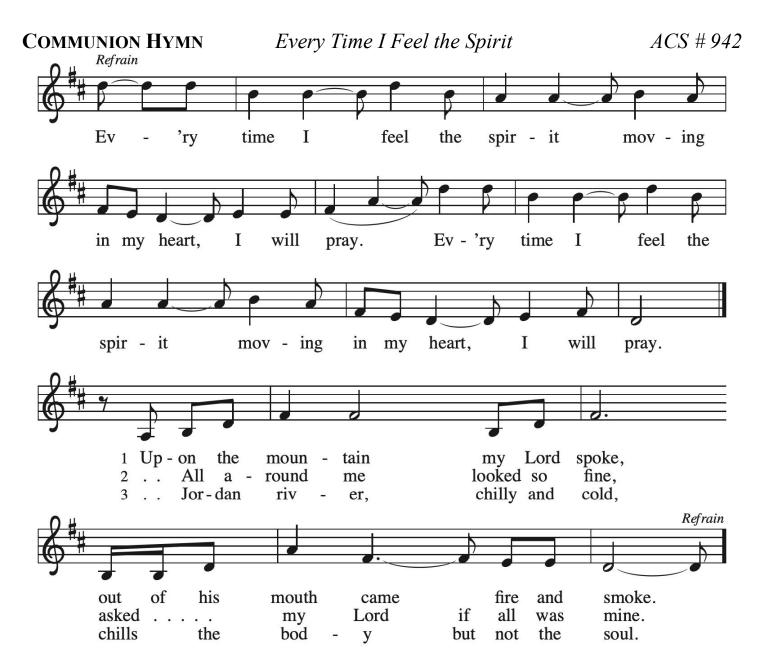
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- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



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un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford. you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin-dle hope with - in. to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



Come, stream of end-less flow-ing, and res-cue us from death; Come, fire of glo-ry gra-cious, bless all who trust in you; for vi-sion we im-plore you, for wis-dom's pure de-light;



come, wind of spring-time blow - ing, and warm us by your breath. un - dy - ing flame te - na - cious, burn in your church a - new. in prayer we come be - fore you to wait up - on your light.

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Day of Pentecost June 8, 2025

9:30 a.m. Worship

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!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen. C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

P: In the name of \pm the One who was, who is, and who is to come. C: Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism. Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

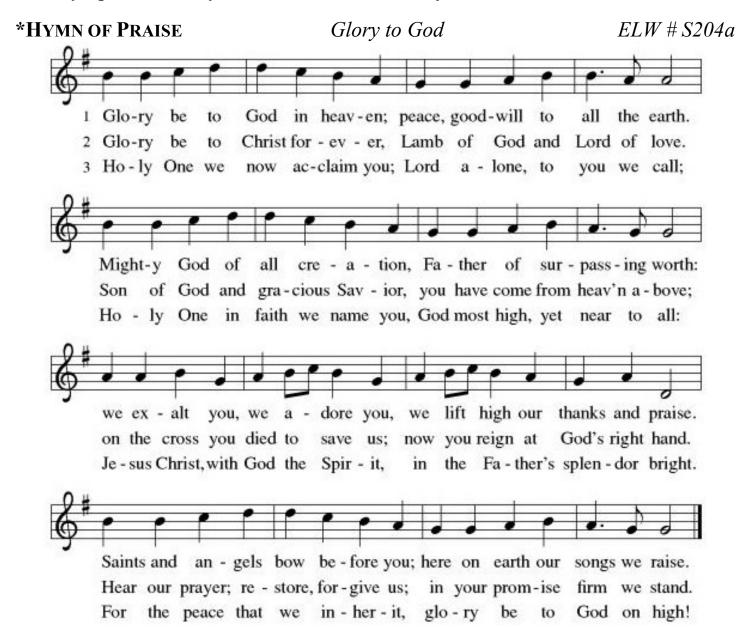
P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One. C: Amen.

*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.



*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray ... God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C: Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 11:1-9

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ² And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³ And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." ⁵ The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶ And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." ⁸ So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹ Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:24-34, 35b (read responsively)

- ²⁴ How manifold are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- ²⁵ Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.
- ²⁶ There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.
- ²⁷ All of them look to you to give them their food in due season
- ²⁸ You give it to them; they [|]gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- ²⁹ When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
- ³⁰ You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.
- May the glory of the Lord endure forever;O Lord, rejoice in all your works.
- ³² You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.
- ³³ I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

³⁴ May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the Lord.

35b Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Acts 2:1-21

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with -in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

*Gospel: John 14:8-17 [25-27]

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁸ Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

¹⁵ "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor

knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. [25 "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. 26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY
*HYMN OF THE DAY

troubled, and do not let them be afraid."]

Spirit of Gentleness

Pastor Traci ELW # 396

*NICENE CREED

- P: Let us confess our faith through the words of the Nicene Creed.
- C: 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 and the Son,* 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.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- A: God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.
- A: We pray for the church. Continue to inspire our sharing of the gospel and equip us to tear down the barriers we have erected. Make our welcome expansive, intentional, and open to loving challenge. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

- A: We pray for creation. Allow fire to burn safely in habitats where it's needed and quench flames when they threaten to run wild. Protect forests, prairies, and grasslands from destruction by natural forces or human misdeeds. Safeguard firefighters and rescuers in their dangerous work. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for courts and legislatures. Write your commandments on our hearts, and inspire all who govern to lead with love over retribution. Unite judges, lawyers, and systems of justice in a desire for reconciliation. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for the sick in body, mind, or spirit. Lift up all who have been bowed low by circumstances or internal strife. Bring to wholeness those who cry out to you in need. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for this congregation. Raise up in us a deep desire to live out our baptismal promises and to support those of all ages in our shared journey of faith. Hear us, O God C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We offer thanks for the faithful departed who now rest in you. Let their lives encourage our own daily living. Console us with the promise of eternal life. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- P: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. C: Amen.

*THE PEACE

P: The peace of the LORD be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Please share the peace with those around you using a greeting that is comfortable for both you and them.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

An offering plate is located near the entrance to the nave; we offer thanks for the abundance God has first shown us:

A: Let us pray... Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

C: Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PROPER PREFACE

P: 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. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.

You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations.

You rescued Israel, your chosen people.

Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

- P: Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.
- C: Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

*LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- C: 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, forever and ever. Amen



*Invitation

P: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life. C: Thanks be to God.



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*BLESSING

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

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray... Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. C: Amen.

*BENEDICTION

P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. C: Amen.



- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise,
- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing skies: shore - less sea place. your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed you show your ser - vants low - ly un - der-stand-ing heart and give an



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



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Come, stream of end-less flow-ing, and res-cue us from death; Come, fire of glo-ry gra-cious, bless all who trust in you; for vi-sion we im-plore you, for wis-dom's pure de-light;



come, wind of spring-time blow - ing, and warm us by your breath. un - dy - ing flame te - na - cious, burn in your church a - new. in prayer we come be - fore you to wait up - on your light.

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*DISMISSAL

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen! C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*POSTLUDE

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Today's Altar Flowers are placed to the Glory of God in memory of Sheldon O. Smith from Linda Smith and family.

Prayers are needed for our homebound: Mary Jane Allision, Fred Brandenburg, Linda Claar, Mary Creps, Gerry Girolami, Betty Helsel, Allen Heltzel, Ann & Larry Irvin, Ruth Johnson, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Jean Stonerook, Pat & Robert Winston.

So we can give special attention to those with pressing needs, names were removed at the end of the month. Please let the office know if a name should be added to the prayer list for an extended period of time.

Prayer Concerns: Greta Buchart, Doug Bush, Dr. Ramon Burket, Terry Creek, Mary Farabaugh, Marilyn Horton, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Kristen Malloy, Elaine Ormsby, John Russell, Dan Sinal, Zachary Tremmel, Pat Winston and for our **Missionaries: Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings.**

Away at School: Max Baker, Christopher Bush, Olivia Day, Jeff Hoenstine, Lacey Ripka.

Those Serving in our Armed Forces: Bradley Buchart, Melody Estep, Colin Guyer, Nathan Smith (Germany).

Serving God and Us

Our Ministers - the People of St. Matthew

Our Pastor - Rev. Traci Marriott

Our Organists – Mary Nelson, DeAnna Cree

Our Missionary Family – Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings

Our Administrative Assistant – Jen Ripka

Our Assistant Administrative Assistant – Laura Orczeck

Our Sexton – Phil Claar

Our Assisting Minister – Greg Haffling

Our Lectors - Norah and Stacy Kuster

Our Usher – Dennis Smith

Our Altar Guild -Jean Sinal

Our Audio/Video Tech - Camden Kuster

Our Offering Counters – Jim Barley, Beth Garner

Second Quarter Ventures in Faith to "Youth & Camping"

This Week at St. Matthew:

814-793-2413: Office Hours

Pastor Traci – Wed. 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Jen (Summer Hours) – Mon. and Wed. 8:00-10:30 a.m.

Tues., Thurs., and Fri. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

This Week Events

Today – Day of Pentecost

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

Monday – Worship & Music Meeting 6:00 p.m., Zoom

Tuesday – Council Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room/Zoom Wednesday – Mending Ministry 2:00-4:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Endowment Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room

Sunday – The Holy Trinity

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.



Summer Office Hours

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 8:30 - 10:30
TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY 9 - NOON
OR BY APPOINTMENT



Community Mending Ministry at St. Matthew



Bring laundered clothes that need mending to work on yourself or get help from our sewers.

Materials, machines, & expertise provided.

And we'll have snacks!

Wednesday, June 11th 2PM to 4PM



St. Matthew Lutheran Martinsburg Fellowship Hall
115 E Penn Street (Maple Street Parking Lot)



Our Senior Neighbors Are Invited To A Young at Heart Luncheon



Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at 12:00 PM

Held at St. Matthew Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

115 East Penn Street

Martinsburg, PA

Please RSVP to the Church Office

(814-793-2413) by July 7th

Theme is "Christmas in July" *Postcard invitations are located in the Narthex for distribution



Weekend Themes

- Self-care
- Food & Health
- Arts & Media
- Environment
- Music & Dance
- Spiritual Life

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Come to Tend to share in intentional time of faith discussions, good music, art, worship, ecology, and fellowship.

This event will have an open schedule allowing participants the freedom to pick what is right for them. It will include options for multiple workshops, open recreation & hiking, food and time to refresh yourself and the family.

Martinsburg Food Pantry

The Food Pantry will be open for food distribution on Thursdays, June 5 and June 19 from 9:00 to 11:00a.m.

Those helping will be 3 or 4 people from St. John's UCC besides the regular volunteers to distribute food.

Following are the most needed items for June: Juice, Cereal, Pasta or Rice Sides, Scalloped Potatoes, Hamburger Helper.

Many thanks for the Food items, Paper products and Monetary gifts!

Linda K. Smith



Sign up for the print magazine

We heard you—and listened. We have found a way to bring back the magazine's print publication in a quarterly fashion. Each issue (spring, summer, winter and fall) will feature the stories you know and love, along with updates on the church and your ELCA community.

You can sign up today on the sign-up sheet on the Narthex bulletin board or call the church office to let us know you would like to subscribe to the magazine.

The first expected issue to be mailed is Summer 2025. We will keep you updated.



You're invited to a Life Line Screening event!

Where: St Matthew Lutheran Church 115 E Penn St Martinsburg, PA 16662

When: Tuesday, June 24, 2025

June is Men's Health Month



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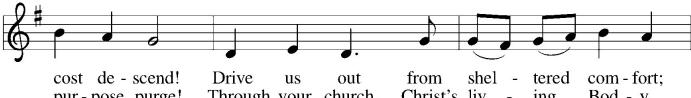
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These tests cannot detect all risk factors for all conditions, such as and including the presence of coronary artery disease.

Those with abnormal results should discuss possible next steps with their family healthcare provider and ensure they understand the risk and benefits of any additional testing or procedures.



- 1 God of tem pest, God of whirl-wind, as on Pen te 2 God of blaz ing, God of burn ing, all that blocks your
- earth -3 God of quake, God of thun - der, shake loose from us God of sion, God sleep - ing. stir in love's pas un us



Through your church, Bod - y, Christ's liv pur - pose, purge! ing leth - ar - gy! Break chains the of sin sun - der. a rest - less - ness! Where the peo ple cry in an - guish,



past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser-vice, let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice, for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us; may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



there with Christ to bear the cross, kin - dle us to speak your truth, make us one in Christ our Lord, claim us for your king-dom's work,

there with Christ to bear the cross! kin - dle us to speak your truth! make us one in Christ our Lord! claim us for your king-dom's work!

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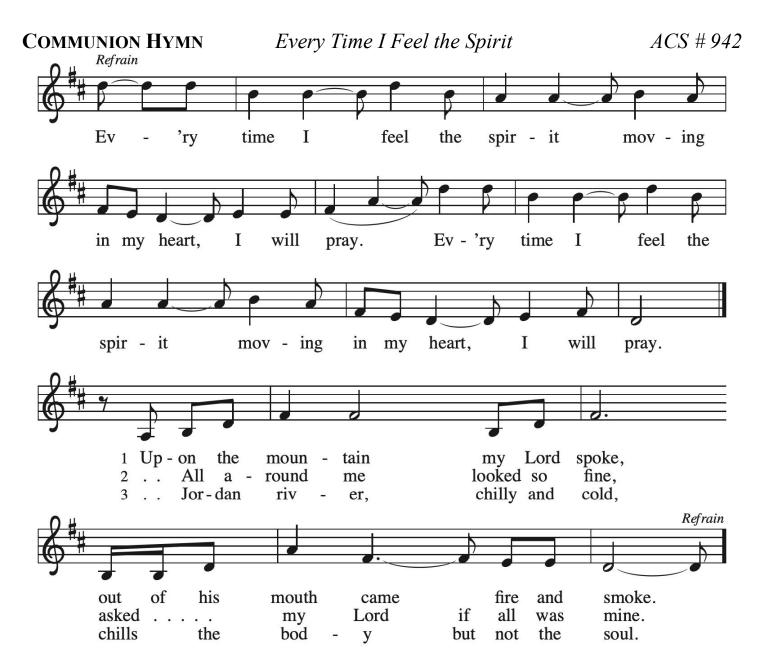
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- 2 O Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



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Day of Pentecost June 8, 2025

9:30 a.m. Worship

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!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen. C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

P: In the name of \pm the One who was, who is, and who is to come. C: Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism. Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

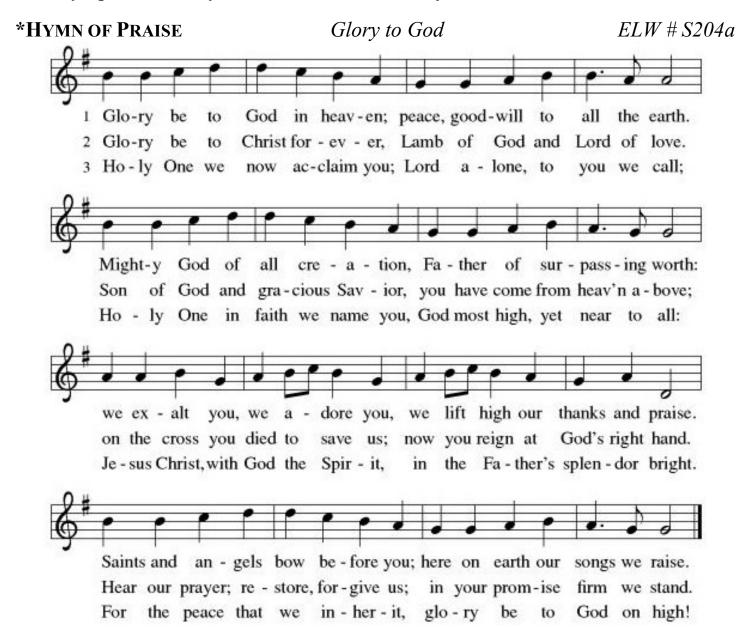
P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One, C: make us one as you are one.

P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One. C: Amen.

*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.



*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray ... God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C: Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 11:1-9

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ² And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³ And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." ⁵ The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶ And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." ⁸ So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹ Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:24-34, 35b (read responsively)

- ²⁴ How manifold are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- ²⁵ Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.
- ²⁶ There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.
- ²⁷ All of them look to you to give them their food in due season
- ²⁸ You give it to them; they [|]gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- ²⁹ When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
- ³⁰ You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.
- May the glory of the Lord endure forever;O Lord, rejoice in all your works.
- ³² You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.
- ³³ I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

³⁴ May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the Lord.

35b Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Acts 2:1-21

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with -in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

*Gospel: John 14:8-17 [25-27]

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁸ Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

¹⁵ "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor

knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. [25 "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. 26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be

P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY
*HYMN OF THE DAY

troubled, and do not let them be afraid."]

Spirit of Gentleness

Pastor Traci ELW # 396

*NICENE CREED

- P: Let us confess our faith through the words of the Nicene Creed.
- C: 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 and the Son,* 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.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- A: God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.
- A: We pray for the church. Continue to inspire our sharing of the gospel and equip us to tear down the barriers we have erected. Make our welcome expansive, intentional, and open to loving challenge. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

- A: We pray for creation. Allow fire to burn safely in habitats where it's needed and quench flames when they threaten to run wild. Protect forests, prairies, and grasslands from destruction by natural forces or human misdeeds. Safeguard firefighters and rescuers in their dangerous work. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for courts and legislatures. Write your commandments on our hearts, and inspire all who govern to lead with love over retribution. Unite judges, lawyers, and systems of justice in a desire for reconciliation. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for the sick in body, mind, or spirit. Lift up all who have been bowed low by circumstances or internal strife. Bring to wholeness those who cry out to you in need. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We pray for this congregation. Raise up in us a deep desire to live out our baptismal promises and to support those of all ages in our shared journey of faith. Hear us, O God C: Your mercy is great.
- A: We offer thanks for the faithful departed who now rest in you. Let their lives encourage our own daily living. Console us with the promise of eternal life. Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.
- P: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. C: Amen.

*THE PEACE

P: The peace of the LORD be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Please share the peace with those around you using a greeting that is comfortable for both you and them.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

An offering plate is located near the entrance to the nave; we offer thanks for the abundance God has first shown us:

A: Let us pray... Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

C: Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PROPER PREFACE

P: 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. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.

You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations.

You rescued Israel, your chosen people.

Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

- P: Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.
- C: Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

*LORD'S PRAYER

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- C: 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, forever and ever. Amen



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*BLESSING

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

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray... Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. C: Amen.

*BENEDICTION

P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always. C: Amen.



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*DISMISSAL

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen! C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*POSTLUDE

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Today's Altar Flowers are placed to the Glory of God in memory of Sheldon O. Smith from Linda Smith and family.

Prayers are needed for our homebound: Mary Jane Allision, Fred Brandenburg, Linda Claar, Mary Creps, Gerry Girolami, Betty Helsel, Allen Heltzel, Ann & Larry Irvin, Ruth Johnson, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Jean Stonerook, Pat & Robert Winston.

So we can give special attention to those with pressing needs, names were removed at the end of the month. Please let the office know if a name should be added to the prayer list for an extended period of time.

Prayer Concerns: Greta Buchart, Doug Bush, Dr. Ramon Burket, Terry Creek, Mary Farabaugh, Marilyn Horton, Audrey & Dan Kensinger, Kristen Malloy, Elaine Ormsby, John Russell, Dan Sinal, Zachary Tremmel, Pat Winston and for our **Missionaries: Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings.**

Away at School: Max Baker, Christopher Bush, Olivia Day, Jeff Hoenstine, Lacey Ripka.

Those Serving in our Armed Forces: Bradley Buchart, Melody Estep, Colin Guyer, Nathan Smith (Germany).

Serving God and Us

Our Ministers - the People of St. Matthew

Our Pastor - Rev. Traci Marriott

Our Organists – Mary Nelson, DeAnna Cree

Our Missionary Family – Robin Abrol, On Eagle's Wings

Our Administrative Assistant – Jen Ripka

Our Assistant Administrative Assistant – Laura Orczeck

Our Sexton – Phil Claar

Our Assisting Minister – Greg Haffling

Our Lectors - Norah and Stacy Kuster

Our Usher – Dennis Smith

Our Altar Guild -Jean Sinal

Our Audio/Video Tech - Camden Kuster

Our Offering Counters – Jim Barley, Beth Garner

Second Quarter Ventures in Faith to "Youth & Camping"

This Week at St. Matthew:

814-793-2413: Office Hours

Pastor Traci – Wed. 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Jen (Summer Hours) – Mon. and Wed. 8:00-10:30 a.m.

Tues., Thurs., and Fri. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

This Week Events

Today – Day of Pentecost

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

Monday – Worship & Music Meeting 6:00 p.m., Zoom

Tuesday – Council Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room/Zoom Wednesday – Mending Ministry 2:00-4:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Endowment Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m., Window Room

Sunday – The Holy Trinity

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.



Summer Office Hours

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 8:30 - 10:30
TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY 9 - NOON
OR BY APPOINTMENT



Community Mending Ministry at St. Matthew



Bring laundered clothes that need mending to work on yourself or get help from our sewers.

Materials, machines, & expertise provided.

And we'll have snacks!

Wednesday, June 11th 2PM to 4PM



St. Matthew Lutheran Martinsburg Fellowship Hall
115 E Penn Street (Maple Street Parking Lot)



Our Senior Neighbors Are Invited To A Young at Heart Luncheon



Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at 12:00 PM

Held at St. Matthew Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

115 East Penn Street

Martinsburg, PA

Please RSVP to the Church Office

(814-793-2413) by July 7th

Theme is "Christmas in July" *Postcard invitations are located in the Narthex for distribution



Weekend Themes

- Self-care
- Food & Health
- Arts & Media
- Environment
- Music & Dance
- Spiritual Life

COST:

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Come to Tend to share in intentional time of faith discussions, good music, art, worship, ecology, and fellowship.

This event will have an open schedule allowing participants the freedom to pick what is right for them. It will include options for multiple workshops, open recreation & hiking, food and time to refresh yourself and the family.

Martinsburg Food Pantry

The Food Pantry will be open for food distribution on Thursdays, June 5 and June 19 from 9:00 to 11:00a.m.

Those helping will be 3 or 4 people from St. John's UCC besides the regular volunteers to distribute food.

Following are the most needed items for June: Juice, Cereal, Pasta or Rice Sides, Scalloped Potatoes, Hamburger Helper.

Many thanks for the Food items, Paper products and Monetary gifts!

Linda K. Smith



Sign up for the print magazine

We heard you—and listened. We have found a way to bring back the magazine's print publication in a quarterly fashion. Each issue (spring, summer, winter and fall) will feature the stories you know and love, along with updates on the church and your ELCA community.

You can sign up today on the sign-up sheet on the Narthex bulletin board or call the church office to let us know you would like to subscribe to the magazine.

The first expected issue to be mailed is Summer 2025. We will keep you updated.



You're invited to a Life Line Screening event!

Where: St Matthew Lutheran Church 115 E Penn St Martinsburg, PA 16662

When: Tuesday, June 24, 2025

June is Men's Health Month



Life Line Screening is the nation's leader in **Stroke and Cardiovascular Disease Risk** Screenings.

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These tests cannot detect all risk factors for all conditions, such as and including the presence of coronary artery disease.

Those with abnormal results should discuss possible next steps with their family healthcare provider and ensure they understand the risk and benefits of any additional testing or procedures.



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- 3 God of earth quake, God of thun der, shake us loose from
- 4 God of pas sion, God un sleep ing, stir in us love's



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past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser-vice, let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice, for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us; may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



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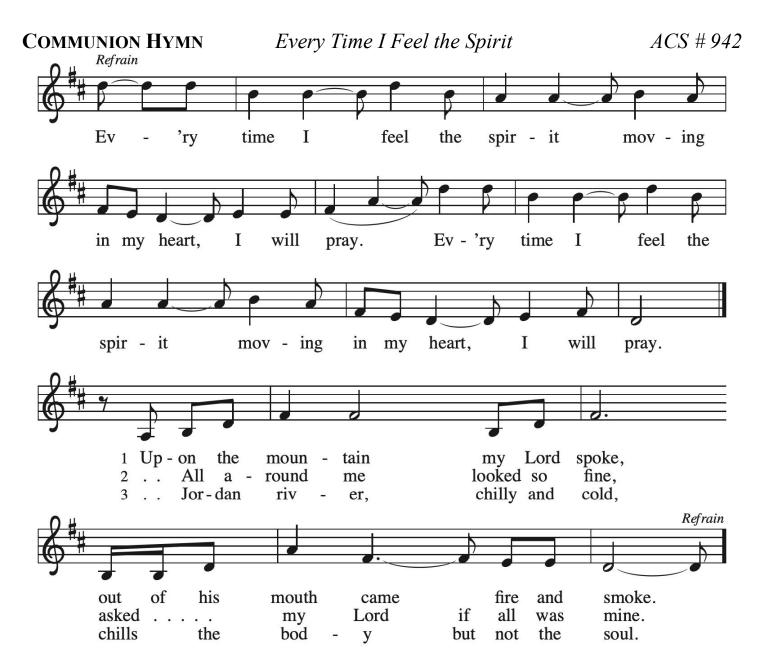
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