

ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



THE TWENTY-FIRST AFTER PENTECOST
OCTOBER 18, 2026
10:30AM IN THE CHURCH



2120 Lincoln Street | Evanston, IL 60201 | 847-869-4850

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

ST. MATTHEW'S EVENTS

Worship Schedule and St. Matthew's Events

<i>Sundays</i>	Sunday Forum: Practicing Hope led by Whayne, 9:15am in the Parlor Youth Group, 6pm at Church of the Holy Comforter
<i>Tuesdays</i>	Bible Study led by Whayne, 12 noon in the Library
<i>Oct 20</i>	Anti-Racism Program Start, 7:30pm in the Parlor
<i>Oct 23</i>	St. Matt's Movie Group, 4pm in the Parlor
<i>Oct 25</i>	Vision Keeper Dinner, 5:30pm at the Orrington Hotel, downtown Evanston
<i>Oct 31</i>	Trick-or-Treat, 4-6pm on St. Matt's front lawn. Candy donations appreciated.
<i>Nov 15</i>	EChO Presents: Tetrapin Cello Quartet, 7pm at St. Matthew's
<i>Nov 25</i>	Interfaith Thanksgiving Service, 7pm at St. Matthew's

Welcome to St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

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

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ONLINE FORM

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WELCOME TO ST. MATTHEW'S

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

THE PRELUDE

THE WORD OF GOD

All stand as able.

THE OPENING HYMN *Hymnal 1982 #423*

Immortal, invisible, God only wise

St. Denis

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3 To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
we blos - som and flour - ish, like leaves on the tree,
al - might - y, vic - tor - ious, thy great Name we praise.
thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
then with - er and per - ish; but nought chan - geth thee.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.

People And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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

People Amen.

All say together:

THE SONG OF PRAISE

Mass for St. Columba

Francis Lynch

(Organ) (All Voices)

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord

God, hea-ven-ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we

give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly son of the

Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the

world: have mer - cy on us; you are sea-ted at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the

Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

The musical score is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features a variety of note values including quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, as well as rests. There are three trills marked with a '3' and a bracket. The lyrics are written below the staff, aligned with the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations:
Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with
steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and
reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

The people sit.

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF EXODUS (33:12-23).

Moses said to the Lord, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people'; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth."

The Lord said to Moses, "I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." Moses said, "Show me your glory, I pray." And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, 'The Lord'; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But," he said, "you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live." And the Lord continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen."

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM 99 *Dominus regnavit*



- ¹ The Lord is King;
let the people tremble; *
he is enthroned upon the cherubim;
let the earth shake.
- ² The Lord is great in Zion; *
he is high above all peoples.
- ³ Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; *
he is the Holy One.
- ⁴ "O mighty King, lover of justice,
you have established equity; *
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."
- ⁵ Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God
and fall down before his footstool; *
he is the Holy One.

REFRAIN

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THE PSALM 99 *Dominus regnavit*



- ⁶ Moses and Aaron among his priests,
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, *
they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.
- ⁷ He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them. **REFRAIN**
- ⁸ O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; *
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.
- ⁹ Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God
and worship him upon his holy hill; *
for the Lord our God is the Holy One. **REFRAIN**

The people sit.

A READING FROM PAUL'S FIRST LETTER TO THE THESSALONIANS (1:1-10).

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead— Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

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

People

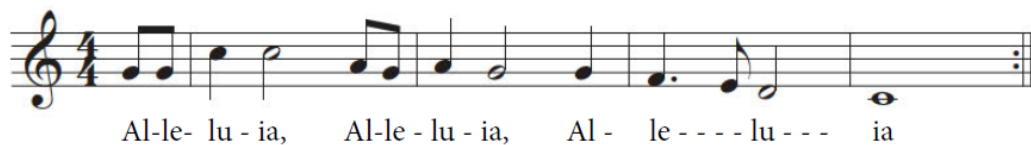
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia

Mark Crayton

Verse sung by Michaela Bateman



Verse: The Lord is full of compassion, slow to anger and of great kindness.

Cantor: The heathen fears you, O Lord. And all the kings of earth, your majesty.

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

(22:15-22)

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

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The Gospel of our Savior.

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

THE SERMON

The Rt. Rev. Whayne Hougland, Jr.

After a time of silent reflection, all are invited to stand, as they are able, and say together:

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,

**the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

**the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,**

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begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(Form III, adapted)

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

People **That we all may be one.**

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

People **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Leader We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons, especially for Sean, our Presiding Bishop;
for Paula, our Bishop; for Whayne, our priest-in-charge, and for Terri, our deacon;

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

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

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

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

People **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Leader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, we pray especially for The Herschaft Family Cathy, Connie, Alison, Jan, Tobin, Becky, Bob, Steve, Bill, Jack, Ethan, Carol, Timmy, David, Larry, Harriet, Kate, Bob, Jessica, Maeve, Donna, Carol and for Maua and her 5 daughters;

People **That they may be delivered from any distress.**

Leader Give to the departed eternal rest, especially Jeremy Herschaft, John Webb, father of Jennie Woodring and Sheri Counselbaum White, mother of former choir section leader, Scott Bass.

People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Leader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

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

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

Presider Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
God of all mercy,

All **we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves,
and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.**

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

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

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People greet each other in the name of Christ. The people sit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

† THE HOLY COMMUNION †

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Children of freedom

Beth A. Schafer

Delivered on shores still with sand in our shoes Homeward bound Survivors in spirit with nothing to lose We have found a land, a life Children of Freedom sing That freedom must always ring Children of Freedom rise Repairing the world through freedom's eyes Living the hope of American dreams We rejoice We honor the struggle of our history Hear our voice, our prayer our song We look back on Sinai to the roots of our tree We look back on Philly and the branches we see Are fruited with olives, but yield apple pie A harvest of peace set on tables of pride

Beth Schafer has spent decades shaping the sound of contemporary Jewish music – composing with a deep sensitivity to liturgy and a rare gift for finding the universal in sacred text. Her music speaks not only to Jewish listeners but to anyone searching for meaning across faith traditions. Since 2015, Beth has served as the Bunzl Family Cantorial Chair at Temple Sinai in Atlanta, where she brings together liturgy and music production to create worship, classes, concerts, and programs for the city's largest Reform congregation. Above all, Beth's greatest love is her family: her wife, Rebecca; their kids Hannah (Matthew), Sarah (Nick), and Ben; and their dogs, Chester and Henry.

THE OFFERTORY HYMN LEVAS #137

Just as I am

Charlotte Elliott / William B. Bradbury

1. Just as I am, with out one plea, But
4. Just as I am, thou wilt re - ceive; Wilt
5. Just as I am, thy love un - known Has
6. Just as I am, of thy great love The

1. that thy blood was shed for me,
4. wel - come, par - don, cleanse, re - lieve,
5. bro - ken ev - ery bar - rier down;
6. breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,

1. And that thou bidd'st me come to thee, O
4. Be - cause thy prom - ise I be - lieve, O
5. Now to be thine, yea, thine a - lone, O
6. Here for a sea - son, then a - bove: O

Lamb of God, I come, I come.

The people remain standing.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP PRAYER 3

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to God.**

Celebrant Let us give our thanks to Almighty God.

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

Celebrant All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; you brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; and so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we sing (say),

The musical score is written on three staves. The first staff is in C major, 4/4 time, and is labeled '(Organ)' and '(All Voices)'. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody starts on a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, a quarter note B-flat4, and a half note C5. The lyrics 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. God of pow - er and might,' are written below the staff. The second staff continues the melody, starting with a half note D5, followed by a quarter note E5, a quarter note F5, and a half note G5. The lyrics 'hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the highest.' are written below the staff. The third staff is in C major, 4/4 time, and is labeled '(Upper notes descant)'. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody starts on a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, a quarter note B-flat4, and a half note C5. The lyrics 'Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' are written below the staff.

The people stand or kneel, as able.

Celebrant Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you call a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

And so remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

People **Dying, you destroyed our death.
Rising, you restored our life.
Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice, and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with Matthew and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

All **Blessed are you now and for ever.
AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

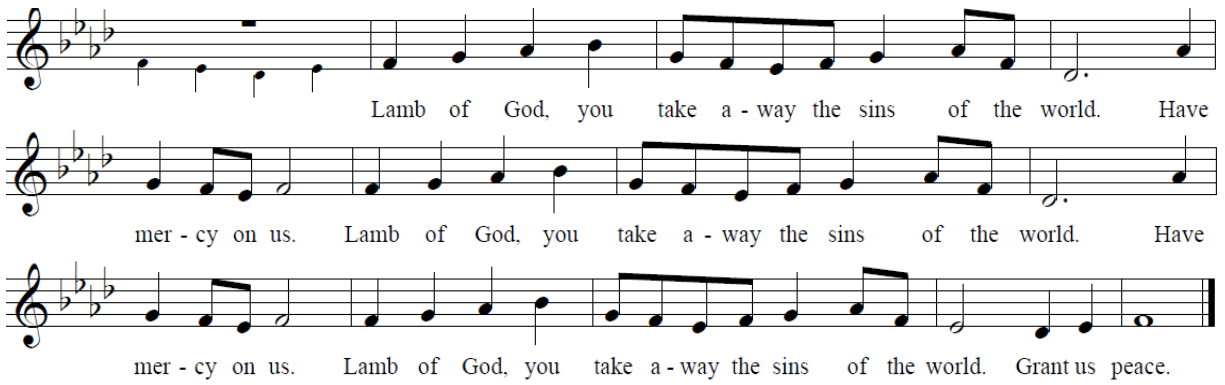
Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world. Have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world. Have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world. Grant us peace.

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

THE COMMUNION HYMN *Hymnal 1982 #508*

Breathe on me

Nova Vita



- 1 Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life a - new,
- 2 Breathe on me, Breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,
- 3 Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am whol - ly thine,
- 4 Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I nev - er die;



that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.
un - til with thee I will one will, to do or to en - dure.
till all this earth - ly part of me glows with thy fire di - vine.
but live with thee the per - fect life of thine e - ter - ni - ty.

After all who wish to receive communion or a blessing have come forward, all stand.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

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

THE BLESSING

THE CLOSING HYMN *Hymnal 1982 #665*

All our hope in God is founded

Michael



1 All my hope on God is found - ed; he doth still my
2 Mor - tal pride and earth - ly glo - ry, sword and crown be -
3 God's great good - ness e'er en - dur - eth, deep his wis - dom

1 trust re - new, me through change and chance he
2 tray our trust; though with care and toil we
3 pass - ing thought: splen - dor, light, and life at -

1 guid - eth, on - ly good and on - ly true. God un -
2 build them, tower and tem - ple fall to dust. But God's
3 tend him, beau - ty spring - eth out of nought. Ev - er -

1 known, he a - lone calls my heart to be his own.
2 power, hour by hour, is my tem - ple and my tower.
3 more from his store new-born worlds rise and a - dore.

THE DISMISSAL

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

People Thanks be to God.

THE POSTLUDE

Leading Our Worship This Morning

Celebrant: The Rt. Whayne Hougland, Jr.

Deacon: The Rev. Terri J. Morrissey

Music Director: Mark Crayton

Organist: Quinn Brann

Greeter: Curt Nilsson

Lectors: Steve Carr, Ginger Carr

Prayer Leader: Tim Patenode

Chalice Bearers: Mary Jo Deysach

Acolytes: Harper Olsen, Willow Myers,
Roxanne Myers

Bread Baker: Ann Motogawa

Altar Guild: Volunteer

Green Team: Volunteer

Livestream: Volunteer

The Choir of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

Mark Crayton, Music Director and Conductor

Quinn Brann, Organist/Pianist

Soprano

Monique Austin

Charlotte Bishop

Ginger Carr

Alice Dolan

Michaela Bateman*

Aliyah Necaie*

Alto

Bernadette Brockman*

Nancy Churchill

Angela Torres-Kutkuhn*†

Tenor

Francis Lynch

Karlos Piñero-Mercado*

Zachary Schwartz*

Bass

Terry Bucher*

Steve Carr

Samuel Orsi-Weiser*

Donnell Dorsey***

*Section Leader

**Staff Singer

†Choral Assistant

***Substitute Staff Singer

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Rev. Wayne Led Adult Forum: Practicing Hope

Sundays, 9:15 - 10:15 am in the Parlor

This twelve-week forum treats hope as something Christians practice together, drawing on Scripture, the Book of Common Prayer, the saints, and writers including Moltmann, Wright, Williams, Tutu, Buechner, and Rohr. It is part of the Practicing Hope stewardship campaign. No prior study is needed.

Dates: Sundays, October 11 through December 27, 2026.

Format: 60 minutes: gather and prayer, a short teaching, table conversation, and a practice to take home.

What to bring: a Prayer Book if you have one, a Bible, and a notebook for the Hope Journal (two or three lines after each week's practice). Prayer beads are welcome from Session 3 on.

Expectations: come as you are, whether hopeful or not. Read the week's texts if you can; the session works without them. Speak from your own experience, and listen the same way. Questions about the series: contact the parish office.

- **October 18:** Lament *Psalms 13 and 88; Luke 24:13-35*
Pray a psalm of complaint aloud
- **October 25:** Praying Hope *Psalms 130*
Daily Office and Compline; prayer beads Pray Compline for seven nights
- **November 1:** Hope in Company *Hebrews 11-12*
All Saints; Baptismal Covenant. Write a letter to a saint in your life
- **November 8:** Generous Hope *Jeremiah 32; 2 Corinthians 9*
Catechism on giving. Prayerfully set your commitment

The St. Matthew's movie discussion group will assemble on **Friday, October 23, 2026 at 4 pm** in the parlor. The movie to be discussed is *The Social Reckoning* currently showing in theaters nearby.



In 2010, *The Social Network* told us the story of how Facebook was built. Sixteen years later, Hollywood is telling a very different story. Aaron Sorkin's *The Social Reckoning* returns to the world of Facebook — but this time, the story isn't about invention, ambition, or the rise of a revolutionary new platform. It centers on whistleblower Frances Haugen, journalist Jeff Horwitz, and the internal documents behind *The Facebook Files* — the reporting that helped reveal what was happening inside Facebook and raised difficult questions about what the company knew about the effects its platforms could have on the people using them.

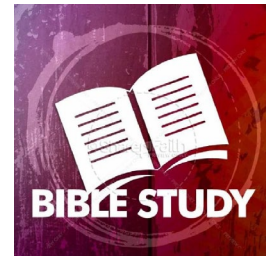
Discussion should be lively as we wrestle with one more issue in this very challenging time we are living in.

RSVP Ann Searles, searlesil@yahoo.com, [847-745-8712](tel:847-745-8712)

Bible Study with Rev. Wayne

Tuesdays at 12 Noon, St. Matt's Library

Join Rev. Wayne for Bible Study every Tuesday. We will meet at Noon in St. Matt's Library / Gallery. Bible Study will last around an hour. Bring your lunch - and a friend!



Anti-Racism Team / Loving Our Neighbor

2026-2027 Program Start

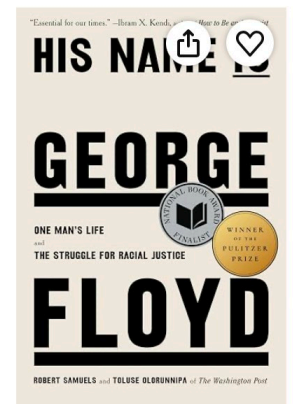
Tuesday, October 20, 7:30 pm in the parlor

The Equity Group has been a long-time organizing force behind St. Matthew's participation in the annual YWCA Ricky Birdsong Race Against Hate. Kristin Jacobsen has also been publicizing in the bulletin events at various ethnic museums and in the news media relevant to anti-racism and equity issues. We have now also begun reading and discussing relevant books, last year examining Kelly Brown Douglas's *Resurrection Hope*. To start this year we will read Robert Samuels and Tolouse Olorunnipa's Pulitzer Prize winner *His Name is George Floyd*, examining Floyd's life and aftermath of his killing. Contact Kristin Jacobsen (kejcat@gmail.com) Joyce Weber (weberj05@comcast.com) Ginger Carr (v-carr@northwestern.edu) with any questions.

Garden at Gichigamiin museum: If you haven't already, check out the lush and beautiful gardens at the Gichigamiin Indigenous Museum in the St. Matt's neighborhood ([3001 Central St., Evanston](https://gichigamiin-museum.org)). There are actually four gardens, the original medicine garden at the entrance plus newer woodland shade, full sun prairie, and edible landscaping gardens. For a video tour, scroll on the museum's main page past "Museum Exhibits" (<https://gichigamiin-museum.org>). For more background, see <https://tinyurl.com/54uj7s98>.



George Floyd book discussion group: First George Floyd book discussion group on Oct. 20: Join the Antiracism Team on Oct. 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the Parlor at St. Matthew's to start off discussion of *His Name is George Floyd*, a 2022 Pulitzer-prize winning book about the man killed by a police officer kneeling on his neck for nine minutes. **We will give away one book**, drawing from the names of those who express interest. Another copy of the book is in the St. Matthew's library for anyone to borrow. Let Kristin Jacobsen (kejcat@gmail.com) know by Friday, Oct. 15 if you want your name entered in the drawing.



Recognizing Vision Keepers
Sunday, October 25 at 5:30 p.m.
Hilton Orrington Hotel's Grand Ballroom
Celebrating Judy Royal

Each year Interfaith Action of Evanston's (IAE) 40 faith communities and member organizations select their Vision Keepers and celebrate them at the annual Vision Keepers Dinner. These individuals who go above and beyond for their work within their faith communities and the broader community.

Judy Royal has been selected as St. Matthew's Vision Keeper for 2026. Judy has done so many things around St. Matthews so it was an easy choice. Here is what makes Judy really stand out...Last year she found out that local families were getting much needed housing but she also found out that furnishing the apartments was not part of the program. That's when Judy sprang into action. She initial called on the folks at St. Matthews to donate for mattresses and then arrange to have those delivered. That went very well and she soon had an entire operation of furniture and household goods available for families to set up their new homes. She also arranged for movers to move the furniture to their apartments. This has been happening now for over a year and the word is out about Judy's ad hoc operation. Not only are all these families benefiting but the furniture and other items are getting a second life. Thank you Judy!

Come celebrate Judy at The Vision Keepers dinner and fundraiser. It will be held at the Hilton Orrington Hotel's Grand Ballroom in downtown Evanston on Sunday, October 25 at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are \$90. Reserve your spot now by emailing Karen Hertel at klchivas@aol.com.



Act for the good of all. Individual actions have a collective impact. For example, when one person installs solar panels or buys an EV, it signals that renewable energy is desirable. When more individuals buy in, that creates demand, which drives down cost, expands investment, creates jobs, and pressures politicians to deliver for their constituents. Apply the same principle to all the places you can act for good.

**TRICK
OR
TREAT**

**Stop by for Trick-or-Treating at St. Matthew's
on Halloween, Saturday, October 31 from
4 - 6 pm where we will be passing out candy.**

Candy donations appreciated. Drop off in the
rectory office any time before Halloween.



Ways to Help the Fridge and Pantry

An immense need is being filled at the new Hearts & Hands fridge and pantry at St. Andrew's Pentecost Episcopal Church (1928-1930 Darrow in Evanston). Food goes out immediately to those who are food insecure. If you'd like to support this effort, see below for three opportunities.

1. Give money: Go to www.stmatthewsevanston.org and click on the "GIVE" button. Select United in Welcome from the drop-down menu.
2. Give food: Bring food items to the church and put them in the green bin at the back, near the entrance off Hartrey.
3. Volunteer: Sign up to put clean the fridge and pantry or shop for food. See the sign up genius here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0B4AAAAF2DA02-65936396-stmatts/3279951#/>

Dear Friends in Christ,

On St. Matthew's Day, we gathered with Bishop Paula to give thanks for 150 years. We walked a freshly restored hallway and gallery, sang, ate, and told stories. More than once someone said, "I can't believe they kept this place going through *that*."

They did. For 150 years, the people of St. Matthew's have worshiped, served, welcomed, adapted, and begun again. Through seasons of plenty and seasons of real uncertainty, they practiced hope, and they practiced it with their prayers, their hands, and their checkbooks. The ministry we share today is what their hope looks like now.

Now it is our turn.

Practicing Hope

Giving Life to What Comes Next

Christian hope isn't a mood we wait to feel. It's a practice. Like prayer, it gets stronger the more we do it. At St. Matthew's, it looks like this:

- **Worship and formation.** The 8:00 Eucharist in the chapel and the 10:30 with our choir, livestreamed to people who can't be in the room. Beach Church on the lakefront. Tuesday noon Bible Study in the gallery, the Sunday Forum, a Tuesday morning prayer group that has been holding this parish and this city in prayer for years and our outstanding choir.
- **Young people and families.** Sunday-evening youth group with our partners at Holy Comforter. Wiggleworms toddlers learning their first songs in our building. Summer Youth Theatre Camp.
- **Neighbors and justice.** Walking with refugee families as they make a home here. Shelter and meals through Interfaith Action. The Race Against Hate Eucharist, our Green Team and pollinator garden, and a parish that shows up.
- **The arts.** Friday Night Coffeehouse open mics, the Jack and Elise Lerman Gallery, two ballet schools, and the Evanston Chamber Opera, all filling our spaces with beauty.

This summer, Wayne reminded us that the word *nave* comes from the Latin for "ship." Every Sunday we walk into a boat. A boat built to carry people across hard water needs tending: a roof and walls that keep the water out, a clean inviting space for worship and education, staff and clergy who keep the whole thing sailing. Your pledge is how we keep her afloat and headed somewhere worth going.

Last year you responded with remarkable generosity. Pledges rose and more households took part than the year before. Thank you. As we build the 2027 budget, costs continue to rise, and our Treasurer will share the full picture in a letter on November 8. We are asking every household, if circumstances permit, to **increase its pledge by 10% over its 2026 commitment**. Some of you will be able to do more. Some will need to hold steady or adjust, and that pledge is received with the same gratitude. If you are new to St. Matthew's, we would be honored to receive your first pledge. Every commitment matters, whatever its size.

Please return the enclosed pledge card by **Commitment Sunday, November 22**, when we will offer our pledges at the altar just before Thanksgiving. You can bring it to worship, return it to the parish office, or pledge online. Gifts of appreciated stock and IRA charitable distributions are welcome too. The parish office can help.

The 150th isn't over. A December service project, a February lecture, an April gala, and a June garden party are still ahead. The next 150 years won't be built by any one person or gift. They'll be built by all of us, praying, serving, giving, and practicing hope together.

With gratitude for your faithfulness,

Tim Patenode, Senior Warden
Karen Hertel, Junior Warden



EChO presents our musical friends again!
**Tetrapin Cello Quartet returns to
Evanston**



Sunday, November 15, at 7:00 pm
St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

A free concert, sponsored by Evanston Chamber Opera Company

Tetrapin Cello Quartet (featuring EChO's principal cellist Elizabeth Anderson) returns to St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in Evanston for a special free concert of music for four cellos, much like the one they performed at St. Matthew's in December 2023. The program will include two new works that EChO's resident composer Francis Lynch has written for cello quartet: *Four Hymn Tunes for Four Cellos*, and a short piece titled *Introduction and Allegro for Four Cellos*. A good will offering will be accepted and the proceeds divided equally between EChO and the music program at St. Matthew's.

Please join us in Evanston for music, stories, and marvelous music written or arranged for an underappreciated ensemble!



LEAVE THE LEAVES

Most of us grew up thinking a tidy yard meant clearing every leaf each fall. There's a better way to care for your yard and the life that depends on it.

Fallen leaves aren't debris. They're shelter, food, and nesting material for the wildlife living in your yard through winter. Small changes in how you handle them can support a lot more life.

For more info, go to <https://homegrownnationalpark.org/leave-the-leaves/>

FRIDAY NIGHT COFFEEHOUSE



Perform. Listen. Be Heard.



NOVEMBER 13
ST. MATTHEW'S
7:00 - 9:30PM



Special Guest:
SAM GENUALDI
Open Mic
Live Music
Snacks
BYOB



ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
CORNER OF HARTREY & LINCOLN
2120 LINCOLN ST

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

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

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

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of Canada

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: For all retired clergy in our diocese, and for surviving spouses of clergy.

And for ministries in our Companion Dioceses of SE Mexico and Mothers' Union in the Diocese of Renk

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

We pray for all those who celebrate birthdays in October: Harriet Brandt, Antony Burt, Chris Dakich, Erik Long, Diane Teska, Robert Teska, Ginny Voedisch, Penny Whiteside, Rick Worden

We pray for all those who celebrate anniversaries in October: Cynthia & Damon Doucet, Julie & Rick Worden

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

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

We pray for those who suffer in mind, body, or spirit or who have asked for our prayers: The Herschaft Family, Cathy Conley Schiltz, Connie Conley, Alison Widmer, Jan Dark, Tobin Hudgins, Becky Wilson, Bob Baker, Steve Steiber, Bill Weber, Jack Cummings, Ethan Muffett, Carol Imperial, Timmy Arondale, David Julian, Larry Anderson, Harriet Brandt, Kate Martin, Bob Teska, Jessica Mueller, Maeve Shampine, Donna Wagner, Carol Wagner and for Maua and her 5 daughters.

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

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

We pray for all who have died, especially Jeremy Herschaft, John Webb, father of Jennie Woodring and **Sheri Counselbaum White,** mother of former choir section leader, Scott Bass.

ABOUT THIS MORNING'S SERVICE

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

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

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St. Matthew's lay leaders duly elected and appointed at
The 150th Annual Meeting of the Parish on January 25, 2026

St. Matthew's Vestry

Tim Patenode, *Senior Warden*

Karen Hertel, *Junior Warden*

Kelsey Davies, Dudley Conley, Larkin Myers (2027)

Roberta Buchanan, David Parks (2028)

Charlotte Bishop, Don Churchill (2029)

Clerk of the Vestry, Larkin Myers (2027)

Christopher Motogawa, *Treasurer* (2026)

Trustees of St. Matthew's Endowment

Steve Carr (2028) William Widmer (2028) Rick Worden (2028)

**St. Matthew's Lay Delegation to the
187th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Chicago**

Ann Searles, Steve Carr

Clergy and St. Matthew's Staff

The Most Rev. Sean Rowe, 28th *Presiding Bishop, The Episcopal Church*

The Rt. Rev. Paula E. Clark, *Thirteenth Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago*

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