

# ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



MARCH 22, 2026  
10:30AM IN THE CHURCH



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

## ST. MATTHEW'S EVENTS

- Sundays*      **Sunday Forum led by Whayne, 9:15 - 10:15am** in the Parlor
- Mar 29*      **Palm Sunday**, 8am gather outside of the chapel (inside of the chapel if weather is poor); 10:30am gather outside of the sanctuary (inside of the assembly room if weather is poor). **Bring Bells & Noisemakers!**
- Apr 2*      **Maundy Thursday Liturgy**, 7:30pm in the Church
- Apr 3*      **Good Friday Worship**, 7:30pm in the Church
- Apr 4*      **The Great Vigil of Easter**, 7pm at **St. Mark's Episcopal Church**. If you would like to participate in this service (Reader, Intercessor, Eucharistic Minister, etc.), please contact [rector@stmarksevanston.org](mailto:rector@stmarksevanston.org).
- Apr 5*      **Easter Eucharist with Sermon**, 8am in the Chapel  
**Easter Eucharist with Choir**, 10:30am in the Church

### 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**

**St. Matthew's Episcopal Church**

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# WELCOME TO ST. MATTHEW'S

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

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## † THE WORD OF GOD †

*All stand as able as the Choir sings*

### THE OPENING CANTICLE

The song of Zechariah

Nettleton



1. Blest be God, the Lord of Is - rael; he has come to set us free!
2. God has come in might to save us from the ha - tred of our foes.
3. God has sworn to grant de - liv - 'rance and re - store us to our place:
4. Bring the knowl - edge of sal - va - tion to God's peo - ple in their sin.



And a horn of full sal - va - tion he has raised from Da - vid's seed.  
From their cru - el hand he frees us, and his ten - der mer - cy shows  
serv - ing bold - ly in his pres - ence, just and ho - ly all our days.  
Preach that God is ten - der - heart - ed, and by him are sins for - giv'n.



God has vis - it - ed his peo - ple to re - deem them as fore - told  
mer - cy prom - ised in his cov - 'nant to our fa - thers whom he chose.  
You, my child, will be his Pro - phet, called and sent by God Most High.  
His great mer - cy, like the sun - rise, bright - ly shines in deep - est night,



in the prom - ise he had spo - ken thro' his pro - phets from of old.  
He will keep his oath to A - br'am to re - lease us from our woes.  
You must go be - fore the Lord now to pre - pare his ways a - right.  
guid - ing those who sit in dark - ness to the way of peace and light.

### THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

*Celebrant* Blessed be the God of our salvation:

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

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

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

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

*Mark 12:29-31*

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

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.**

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy.

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

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The people sit.*

## A READING FROM THE PROPHET EZEKIEL (37:1-14)

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord."

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So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

### THE PSALM 130 *De profundis*

*The congregation joins the choir in the refrain.*

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name. \_\_\_\_\_

Bless the Lord, my soul, Who leads me in - to life.

- <sup>1</sup> Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord;  
Lord, hear my voice; \*  
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.
- <sup>2</sup> If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, \*  
O Lord, who could stand?
- <sup>3</sup> For there is forgiveness with you; \*  
therefore you shall be feared. **REFRAIN**
- <sup>4</sup> I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; \*  
in his word is my hope.
- <sup>5</sup> My soul waits for the Lord,  
more than watchmen for the morning, \*  
more than watchmen for the morning. **REFRAIN**
- <sup>6</sup> O Israel, wait for the Lord, \*  
for with the Lord there is mercy;
- <sup>7</sup> With him there is plenteous redemption, \*  
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins. **REFRAIN**

## A READING FROM PAUL'S LETTER TO THE ROMANS (8:6-11)

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law~ indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

*All stand, as able, and sing together.*

**THE SEQUENCE HYMN W293** Lenten Acclamation

*Richard Proulx*

*Cantor: Bernadette Brockman*

Glo - ry to you, O  
Word of God, Lord Je - sus Christ!

Verse: I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will never die.

## THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN (11:1-45).

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

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

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Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said,

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“Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

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, the people are invited to stand, as able, and together say*

## THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,

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

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

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

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

*Celebrant* Prayer for the War in the Middle East

God of Abraham and Sarah,

God of Hagar and Ishmael,

God of Isaac and Rebekah—

God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

You are the maker of every people and the lover of every soul.

We bring before you the anguish of war in the Middle East:

the cries of children, the fear of families, and the grief of those who mourn.

Hold close those who live under threat.

Shelter the displaced.

Tend the wounded.

Strengthen those who bring aid and those who seek peace.

Grant wisdom and restraint to leaders.

Break the cycle of hatred and violence.

Turn hearts from vengeance toward mercy, and plant seeds of hope where there is devastation.

Make us instruments of your peace, faithful to your dream of justice and flourishing for every child of yours.

Through Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace.

People **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

## THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Angus Dei*

Rollo Dilworth

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.*

Translation:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Note:

**Rollo Dilworth (b. 1970)** is Associate Professor of Choral Music Education at Temple University's Boyer College of Music in Philadelphia, PA. In addition to teaching undergraduate and graduate courses in choral music education, he conducts the University Chorale. Prior to his Temple University appointment in 2009, Dilworth was director of the music education program and director of the choral program at North Park University in Chicago (1996-2009). Dilworth has a Bachelor of Science in Music Education from Case Western Reserve University; a M.Ed. from University of Missouri-St. Louis; and a D.M.A. from Northwestern University. He is an oft-published composer of choral music, with emphasis in the areas of spirituals and gospel-inspired works.

THE OFFERTORY HYMN *Hymnal 1982 #150* Forty days and forty nights

Verses 1, 2, 3 & 5 *Aus der Tiefe rufe ich*

1 For - ty days and for - ty nights thou wast fast - ing in the wild;  
 2 Should not we thy sor - row share and from world - ly joys ab - stain,  
 3 Then if Sa - tan on us press, Je - sus, Sa - vior, hear our call!  
 4 So shall we have peace di - vine: ho - lier glad - ness ours shall be;  
 5 Keep, O keep us, Sa - vior dear, ev - er con - stant by thy side;

1 for - ty days and for - ty nights tempt - ed, and yet un - de - filed.  
 2 fast - ing with un - ceas - ing prayer, strong with thee to suf - fer pain?  
 3 Vic - tor in the wil - der - ness, grant we may not faint nor fall!  
 4 round us, too, shall an - gels shine, such as min - is - tered to thee.  
 5 that with thee we may ap - pear at the e - ter - nal Eas - ter - tide.

*The people stand as able.*

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP PRAYER I**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

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

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to God.

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

*Celebrant* It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

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

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and  
 earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*The people stand or kneel as able.*

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

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

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

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

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

*People* **AMEN.**

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

*People* **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.**

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And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

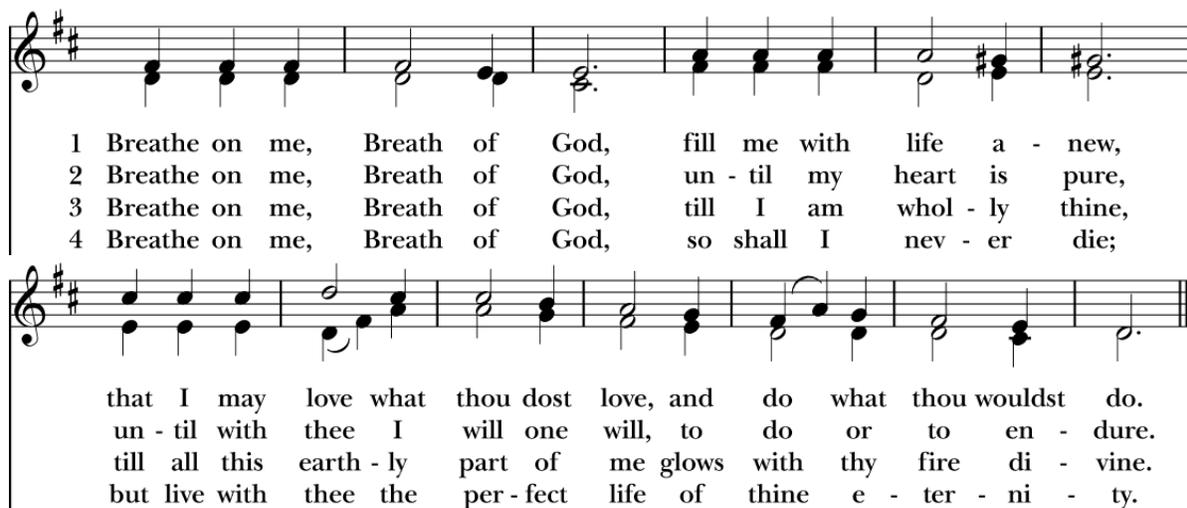
## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

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

## THE COMMUNION HYMN *Hymnal 1982 #508*      Breath on me, breath of God      *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 desire communion or a blessing have received, all stand, as able.*

## THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

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

## THE BLESSING

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

*People* **Amen.**

*All stand to sing.*

## THE CLOSING HYMN *Hymnal 1982 #495*

Hail, thou once despised Jesus

*In Babilone*

Verses 1, 2, & 3

1 Hail, thou once de - spis - ed Je - sus! Hail, thou Gal - i -  
2 Pas - chal Lamb, by God ap - point - ed, all our sins on  
3 Je - sus, hail! en - throned in glo - ry, there for ev - er  
\*4 Wor - ship, hon - or, power, and bless - ing thou art wor - thy

le - an King! Thou didst suf - fer to re - lease us;  
thee were laid: by al - might - y love a - noint - ed,  
to a - bide; all the heaven - ly hosts a - dore thee,  
to re - ceive; high - est prais - es, with - out ceas - ing,

thou didst free sal - va - tion bring. Hail, thou u - ni - ver - sal  
thou hast full a - tone - ment made. All thy peo - ple are for -  
seat - ed at thy Fa - ther's side. There for sin - ners thou art  
right it is for us to give. Help, ye bright an - gel - ic

Sa - vior, bear - er of our sin and shame! By thy mer - it  
giv - en through the vir - tue of thy blood: o - pened is the  
plead - ing: there thou dost our place pre - pare; ev - er for us  
spi - rit's, all your no - blest an - thems raise; help to sing our

we find fa - vor: life is giv - en through thy Name  
gate of hea - ven, re - con - ciled are we with God.  
in - ter - ced - ing, till in glo - ry we ap - pear.  
Sa - vior's mer - its, help to chant Em - man - uel's praise!

## THE DISMISSAL

*Deacon:* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

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

## Leading Worship This Evening

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

*Deacon:* The Rev. Terri J. Morrissey

*Music Director:* Mark Crayton

*Greeter:* Curt Nilsson

*Lectors:* Don Churchill, Tim Patenode

*Prayer Leader:* Nancy Churchill

*Acolytes:* Bob Purse, Quincy Senechal,  
Harper Olsen

*Chalice Bearers:* Don Churchill

*Bread Baker:* Volunteer

*Altar Guild:* Joyce Weber, Roberta Buchanan

*Green Team:* Roberta Buchanan

*Livestream:* Volunteer

## The Choir of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

Mark Crayton, Music Director and Conductor

Quinn Brann, Organist/Pianist/Percussion

### Soprano

Monique Austin

Charlotte Bishop

Ginger Carr

Alice Dolan

Chloe Beal\*\*

Kaylie O'Dell\*\*

Michaela Bateman\*\*\*

### Alto

Bernadette Brockman\*

Nancy Churchill

Allyn Rawling

Angela Torres-Kutkuhn\*\*†

### Tenor

Francis Lynch

Karlos Piñero-Mercado\*

Zachary Schwartz\*

Anthony Rohr\*\*\*

Brian Pember\*\*\*

### Bass

Terry Bucher\*

Steve Carr

Jack Ellis\*

\*Section Leader

\*\*\*Substitute Singer

\*\*Staff Singer

†Choral Assistant

Follow Rev. Whyne  
on Substack

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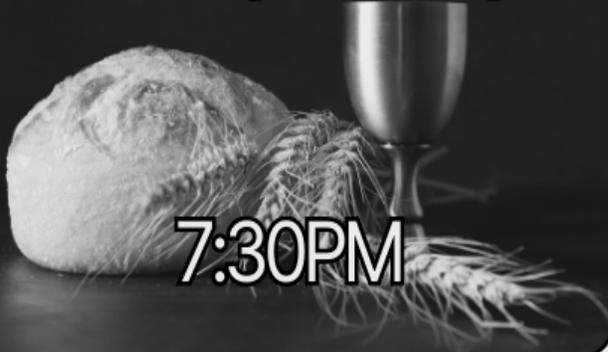
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# HOLY WEEK

AT  
ST. MATTHEW'S

# SCHEDULE

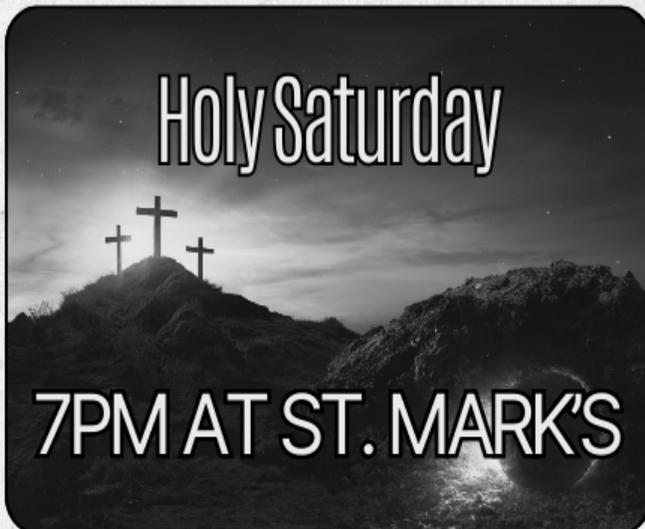
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Good Friday



Holy Saturday

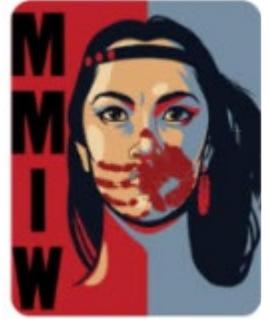


Easter Sunday



## Anti-Racism / Loving Our Neighbor

Majority of Native American Women Experience Violence: At a virtual panel hosted by the National Episcopal Church Women, participants learned that 84.3% of Native American women in the U.S. have experienced violence in their lifetime. The rates of murder, rape, and violent crime for Native Americans is higher than the national average, some say ten times the national average. The campaign to raise awareness of this crisis is often referred to as Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls (#MMIWG) and is frequently represented by a red hand. For more information, see <https://bit.ly/3PjPgyQ> and <https://www.niwrc.org/mmiwr-awareness>.



### “THE OTHERKIND”

Greetings from Karen and Gary LaBranche,

As you may know, we are executive producers of an independent film, “THE OTHERKIND,” directed and written by Mary C. Russell. The film will be distributed by Studio Dome, and will likely start streaming this summer. See <https://studiodome.com/>.

“THE OTHERKIND,” a psychological horror film aimed at the 17-30 demographic, has been screened at 4 film festivals, in LA, Las Vegas and Mumbai, India (picking up a few awards).

But on March 27, the film will make its final festival appearance in Chicago - at The Chicago Film Frenzy in Lincoln Park. We love to sell out the theater! (All proceeds benefit the festival organizers). If you are interested in attending, tickets can be purchased here:

<https://www.chicagofilmfrenzy.com/fri-late-night-cinema>. Our writer-director, Mary Russell, and Caroline O’Meara, our producer, will attend and take questions after the screening.

See you at the movies!

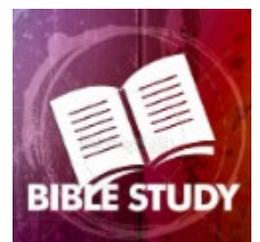
Gary and Karen LaBranche  
LaBranche Productions, LLC



### Bible Study with Rev. Whyne

#### Every Tuesday at Noon | St. Matt's Library

Join Rev. Whyne 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!



# Easter Music & Flowers

Remember someone special this Easter by contributing to the flowers in the sanctuary or supporting our music program.

## EASTER MUSIC / FLOWERS DONATION

MUSIC

FLOWERS

In Memory Of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Thanksgiving For: \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Donated: \_\_\_\_\_

**Deadline for listing in the Easter bulletin is Friday, March 27.**

**Return this form** to St. Matthew's Episcopal Church:

2120 Lincoln Street, Evanston, IL 60201. Please make checks out to St. Matthew's with "Easter Music/Flowers" in the memo.

**To donate online**, scan the QR code below or go to:  
[onrealm.org/stmatthewsevanston/-/form/give/now](https://onrealm.org/stmatthewsevanston/-/form/give/now)  
and choose the flower or music fund.



## A Call to Join the 150th Anniversary Committee

As many of you know, St. Matthew's will be celebrating its 150th anniversary as a congregation in September. The vestry has decided that the congregation should host a year-long series of monthly events to re-introduce ourselves to the community and to invite that community in to see who we are and what we are all about.



The 150th Anniversary Committee will be responsible for planning six of those twelve monthly events. (The bi-monthly coffeehouses will be counted as the other six.) There is a lot of room for creativity in the planning of these events; and we are looking to have the broadest involvement from the congregation, so that the events are innovative and comprehensive.

If you are interested in joining, please email the committee chair Steve Carr at [s-carr@northwestern.edu](mailto:s-carr@northwestern.edu). Only six months remain before the anniversary year starts, so join today! Thanks so much.

## Can you help us close the gap?

For 150 years, St. Matthew's has been a place of welcome for all who walks through our doors.



This sesquicentennial season, we are taking meaningful steps to make that welcome even more tangible – renovating our bathrooms to be more accessible to all members or our community.

Thanks to the incredible generosity of several parishioners, we already have lighting, a changing table, vanity stools and other items to make this space special.

But as any renovation goes, new needs have surfaced – ventilation, faucets, comfortable seating for those who need a moment of rest. These finishing touches really matter and turn a functional space into a truly dignified and welcoming one.

Can you help us close the gap? Whether you can give \$25, \$100, or more, every gift moves us closer to a space that honors our history and celebrates our future. Scan the QR Code if you can help.



## Help Us Update the Church's Website with New Photos!

As announced in church last Sunday, the church's website has been renovated and updated. But we need to do more by updating the photos on the website.

Please help us by uploading to the following link your recent photos of the church, the congregation, or the ministries with which you are involved: [PARISHIONER UPLOADS FOLDER](#) (If you are reading this message in the hard copy Sunday bulletin, the link can be accessed in the on-line version of the bulletin located on the church's website. Just click on "Download bulletin". Or you can scan the QR Code below or ask Gregory Peebles, [gregory@stmatthewsevanston.org](mailto:gregory@stmatthewsevanston.org), to send you the link by email.)

Photos are best if in landscape format, because those fit most easily on the website.

Let's bring our website current! Thanks so much to Jennie Woodring for taking the initiative and working so hard on renovating the website!



One quarter-pound beef burger requires enough water to fill 10 bathtubs. Simply swapping one a month for a veggie burger would add up to 5,400 gallons of water saved per year. Producing turkey burgers is also less costly to our water supply. Going meatless helps even more. **What you eat matters to the planet.**

## Terri Has Been our Deacon for 5 years Already!

Terri Morrissey was ordained as a deacon on February 27, 2021. The Episcopal Church's definition of a deacon mentions that "since ancient times, the liturgical functions of deacons have suggested the activity of angels." Terri has indeed given St. Matthew's five years of angelic service: she has restored nature to our backyard; she has provided tender pastoral care to several in our congregation; she has diligently proclaimed the gospel and shared her deep knowledge of the gospel and church history; and two summers ago, she carried the church through a difficult time of transition, arranging to keep our services going.



Please congratulate Terri on this significant milestone and thank her for her devotion to St. Matthew's.

**Evanston Interfaith**  
**PRAYER**  
**& ACTION**  
***FOR EARTH DAY***

**Sunday, April 26**  
**3:00 – 5:00 pm**

**Evanston Ecology Center**  
**2024 N McCormick Blvd**

*3:00 – Popup Choir Rehearsal*  
*3:30 – Trash Pickup Along the Canal*  
*4:30 – Interfaith Prayer for the Planet Liturgy*

# THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

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

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

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** The Anglican Church of Korea.

**In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** For the spouses, partners and children of our bishops, priests and deacons, that their relationships would be strengthened and their own ministries to their families and the church be blessed by your Holy Spirit. Intercessions are offered by each congregation for its own corporate life, clergy and lay leadership, and its organizations; and for the city or town in which located and its civic leadership.

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

**We pray for all those who celebrate birthdays in March:** Mark Austin, Philip Castillo, Judith Creech, Andrew Davies, Patty Dreibelbis, Drew Kelly, Andrew McDermott, Daniel Meyer, Chris Motogawa, Grace Motogawa, Joyce Weber, Allison Zidek

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

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

**We pray for those in uniform, risking their lives daily on our behalf:** Cobe Layag, Jeremy Garrett, Aaron Grant, Thomas Greenwich, Lee Henderson, Tyler Howland, Peter Marks, Ian McGuffin, Joseph Sanford, 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:** Steve Goranson, Jason, Maggie, David Kelson, Carol Imperial, Jim, Timmy Arondale, David Julian, Juliette, Jancie Dark, Jeremy Herschaft, Tobin Hudgins, Larry Anderson, Beth Swigart, Brad Swigart, Ann Wilson Wesley, Bob Baker, Becky Wilson, Ramona Frederickson, Harriet Brandt, Paige D, Kate Martin, Benjamin Ticobay, Bob Teska, Jessica Mueller, Maeve Shampine, Donna Wagner, Carol Wagner, Will Widmer 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.**

## 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 150<sup>th</sup> 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 187<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Diocese of Chicago**

Ann Searles, Steve Carr

### **Clergy and St. Matthew's Staff**

The Most Rev. Sean Rowe, 28<sup>th</sup> *Presiding Bishop, The Episcopal Church*

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

The Rt. Rev. Wayne M. Hougland, Jr., *Priest-in-Charge* | [whayne@stmatthewsevanston.org](mailto:whayne@stmatthewsevanston.org)

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