

ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:
CHRIST THE KING
NOVEMBER 23, 2025
10:30AM IN THE CHURCH



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

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.

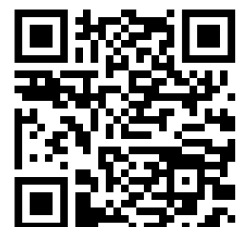
ST. MATTHEW'S EVENTS

- Nov 23 Greening of the Church, 7pm in the Church
POSTPONED! St. Matt's Movie Group
- Nov 25 Bible Study with Rev. Whayne, 12pm in the Library
- Nov 26 Interfaith Thanksgiving Eve Service, 7pm at Northminster Presbyterian
- Dec 5 Art Exhibit Opening Reception, 6 – 7:30pm at St. Matthew's
- Dec 6 Art Exhibit Opening Reception, 10am – 4pm at St. Matthew's
- Dec 7 Lessons & Carols, 10:30am service
- Dec 7 St. Nick's Brunch, after 10:30am service

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.

NAME:	
ADDRESS:	
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EMAIL:	RECEIVE EMAILS FROM ST. MATTHEW'S? ☐ YES ☐ NO
HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS:	



ONLINE FORM

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

2120 Lincoln St. Evanston, IL 60201

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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 #494* Crown him with many crowns

Diademata

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne; Hark!
2 Crown him the Son of God be - fore the worlds be - gan, and
5 Crown him the Lord of heaven, en - throned in worlds a - bove; Crown

1 how the heaven - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own; a -
2 ye, who tread where he hath trod, crown him the Son of man; who
5 him the King, to whom is given the won-drous name of Love. Crown

1 wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and
2 ev - ery grief hath known that wrings the hu-man breast, and
5 him with man - y crowns, as thrones be-fore him fall, crown

1 hail him as thy match-less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
2 takes and bears them for his own, that all in him may rest.
5 him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, for he is King of all.

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 Hymnal 1982 #278

Glory to God

William Mathias

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
peace to his peo-ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al-
might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo-ry. 3. Lord Je-sus Christ,
on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;
5. you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-
ceive our prayer. 6. For
you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
7. 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 COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; 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 JEREMIAH (23:1-6).

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

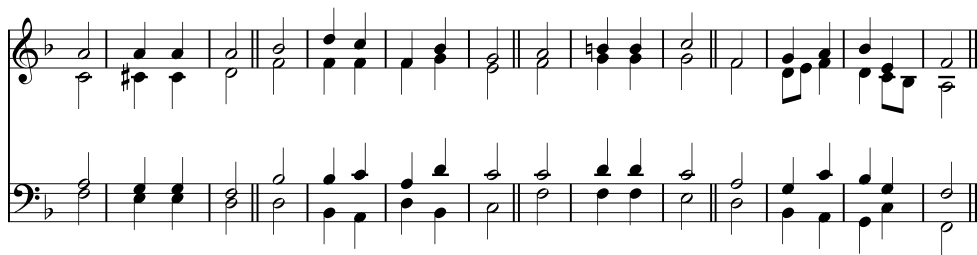
The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM CANTICLE 16: SONG OF ZECHARIAH

Thomas Attwood



- ¹ Blessèd be the Lord, the God of Israel;*
he has come to his people and set them free.
- ² He has raised up for us a mighty savior,*
born of the house of his servant David.
- ³ Through his holy prophets he promised of old,
that he would save us from our enemies,*
from the hands of all who hate us.

THE PSALM CANTICLE 16: SONG OF ZECHARIAH

Thomas Attwood



- ⁴ He promised to show mercy to our fathers*
and to remember his holy covenant.
- ⁵ This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham,*
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
- ⁶ Free to worship him without fear,*
holy and righteous in his sight
all the days of our life.
- ⁷ You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,*
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
- ⁸ To give his people knowledge of salvation*
by the forgiveness of their sins.
- ⁹ In the tender compassion of our God*
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
- ¹⁰ To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the
shadow of death,*
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.
- Glory to the Father, and to the Son,*
and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning, is now,*
and will be for ever. Amen.

The people sit.

A READING FROM THE LETTER TO THE COLOSSIANS (1:11-20)

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers~ all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body,

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the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

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

People

Thanks be to God.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN EMO2 #120

Alleluia

South African (Mxadana)

Angela Torres-Kutkuhn, cantor

We will repeat the Alleluia 2 times before the verse and 2 times after verse



Verse: How good it is to sing praises to our God, How pleasant it is to honor him with praise.

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO LUKE (23:33-43)

People

Glory to you, O Christ.

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. The people stood by, watching Jesus on the cross; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

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,
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 Carol, Jim, Timmy, David, Juliette, Janice, Gina, Dorothy, Jeremy, Tobin, Kaden, Larry, Beth, Brad, Ann, Bob, Becky, Ramona, Harriet, Paige, Kate, Benjamin, Bob, Jessica, Maeve, Donna, Carol, Will and for Maua Yangya and her 5 daughters.

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

Leader Give to the departed eternal rest.

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.

Silence may be kept

Deacon 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

Lift up your heads, O ye gates

William Mathias

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, And be ye lifted up, ye everlasting doors, And the king of glory
shall come in. Who is this king of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, The Lord mighty in
battle.

Welsh composer William Mathias was born in Whitland, Carmarthenshire. A child prodigy, he started playing the piano at the age of three and composing at the age of five. His compositions include dozens of large scale works including an opera, three symphonies, three piano concertos, and more than four dozen anthems, one of which was heard by more than a billion people around the world during the 1981 royal wedding of the Prince and Princess of Wales.

For the text of this morning's anthem, Mathias chose verses 7 through 10 of Psalm 24: ©1973 Oxford University Press

He is King of kings, He is Lord of Lords;

Je - sus Christ, the first and last... no one works like Him. He is

no one works like Him. 1. He built his throne up in the air...
2. I was but young when I be - gun...

no one works like Him; 1. And called the saints from
2. But now my race is

1. ev - 'er where... no one works like Him. He is
2. al - most won... *D.S.*

The people remain standing.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP PRAYER 3

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

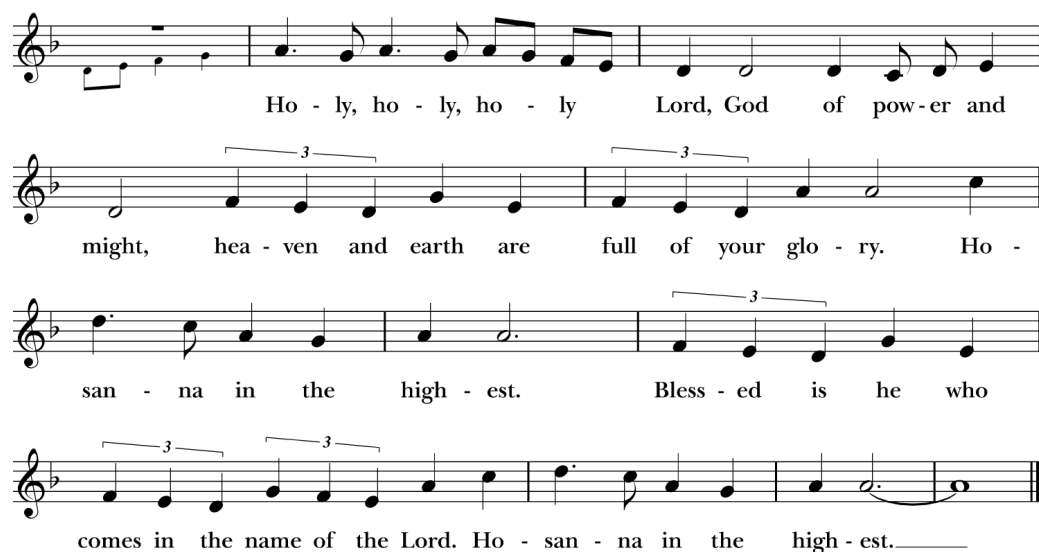
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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 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 ANTHEM

Saints, are you ready to go

Jason Max Ferdinand

Soloist: Jack Ellis

Saints, are you ready to go? I'm goin' home to glory, There Jesus I will know, Saints, are you ready to go? Saints, are you ready to go? He's comin' fast in glory, Stop runnin' to and fro', Saints, are you ready to go? Saints, are you ready to go? We're goin' home to glory, There Jesus we'll know, Saints, are you ready to go?

Jason Max Ferdinand, Professor – Conductor – Composer – Speaker, is an inspirational musician, leader and teaching mentor whose gifts are sought after by choirs and orchestras in the USA and internationally. Since 2022 he has served as the Director of Choral Activities at the University of Maryland, College Park. He is the founding artistic director of The Jason Max Ferdinand Singers which since its inception in 2021 has performed to enraptured sell-out audiences, making its debut at the BBC Proms at the Royal Albert Hall in 2024. He is a published author and composer with GIA Publications, featuring the book Teaching with Heart: Tools for Addressing Societal Challenges Through Music, and The Jason Max Ferdinand Choral Series.

Source: <https://lamasterchorale.org/artist-details/15589/jason-max-ferdinand>

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



1 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the
 *2 Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we
 *5 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the

1 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the
 2 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is
 5 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the

1 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the
 2 near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how: though the
 5 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the

1 songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a
 2 cloud from sight re - ceived him, when the for - ty
 5 songs of ho - ly Zi - on thun - der like a

1 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery
 2 days were o'er, shall our hearts for - get his
 5 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery

1 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.
 2 prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more?"
 5 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.

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. Rev. Whayne Hougland, Jr

Deacon: The Rev. Terri J. Morrissey

Music Director: Mark Crayton

Greeter: Volunteer

Lectors: Steve Carr, Kristen Jacobsen

Prayer Leader: Mary Jo Deysach

Chalice Bearer: Mary Jo Deysach

Acolytes: Quincy Senechal, Harper Olsen,

Roxanne Meyers, Willow Meyers

Bread Baker: The Rev. Terri J. Morrissey

Altar Guild: Jennie Woodring, Pat Egan

Green Team: Mary Jo Deysach

Livestream: Diane Senechal

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

Chloe Beal**

Kaylie O'Dell**

Winifer Castaneda Verastegui***

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

Greening of the Church TODAY, November 23 10:30am Service

Advent is coming! Please join the altar guild in hanging wreaths right after the 10:30am service on November 23. Your helping hands will be appreciated. Thank you!



Why We Love St. Matthew's...



In this stewardship season, we reflect on why we support the church. The reasons are in the pews next to us in church and in the seats next to us in the choir, at movie group, study class, the coffeehouse, etc. We've asked parishioners to tell us why they support St. Matthew's. If you would like to tell your story, email Whayne at whayne@stmatthewsevanston.org or Tim at tim.patenode@gmail.com.

"I joined St. Matthews when I married my husband and longtime parishioner, Pete Meyer, 12 years ago. I was not very involved until about a year and a half ago. I put up a sign in my yard around that time that says Faith not Fear, Love Not Lies, Hope not Hate. I find those words reflect the values of the members of St. Matthews. We are a community that cares about each other, our greater community and the Earth and feel that these all should be treated with dignity and respect. We hear words each Sunday that guide us to live that way and then have ways to take action to help make that happen with things like the Anti-Racism team, Wednesday Soup Kitchen, our Homegrown National Park and the Green team. That is why I pledge." – *Karen Hertel*

2026 Pledges Are Now Open - Pledge Today!

Your pledge of financial support for 2026 makes all the difference. It ensures that our worship remains vibrant, that our outreach extends compassion into Evanston and beyond, and that our ministries continue to form disciples in the way of Jesus. More than dollars and cents, your pledge is an expression of trust in God's faithfulness and of gratitude for the many blessings of this community.



Scan the QR Code to make
your pledge today!

FRIDAY NIGHT COFFEEHOUSE



Perform. Listen. Be Heard.



NOVEMBER 21
ST. MATTHEW'S
7:00 - 9:30PM



Special Guest:
Jenn Harris



Open Mic
Live Music
Snacks
BYOB



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

AN ART EXHIBITION

Drawings, paintings and prints celebrating the lives and art of Jack and Elise Pike Lerman



A BENEFIT FOR ST. MATTHEW'S

**DECEMBER
5-6**

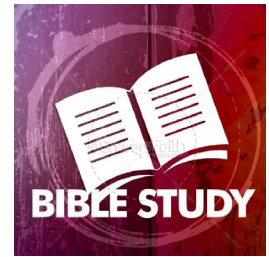
OPENING RECEPTION:
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5 6-7:30PM

EXHIBIT OPEN:
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6 10AM-4PM

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church 2120 Lincoln St., Evanston

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!

A circular illustration of a nativity scene. Mary is seated in the center, holding the infant Jesus. Joseph is kneeling to the left. Three wise men are kneeling to the right, offering gifts. The scene is set against a dark blue night sky with stars and a crescent moon. The entire illustration is framed within a circular border.

A SERVICE OF

Lessons & Carols

**JOIN US FOR LESSONS & CAROLS
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7 AT 10:30AM
ST. NICK'S BRUNCH TO FOLLOW.**

Anti-Racism / Loving Our Neighbor

Filling the gaps in our history: Listen to the engaging podcast *Teaching Hard History* to learn about events and perspectives we weren't exposed to in school. Relaunched this year by the Southern Poverty Law Center, the podcast is hosted by Hassan Kwame Jeffries, a professor of history at The Ohio State University. Find more information about the podcast at <https://tinyurl.com/t98vxkk6>. See a short video excerpt of Dr. Jeffries' Ted Talk at <https://tinyurl.com/yc6xmbjc>.



The average American family uses 500 plastic snack bags annually, which are non-degradable and may contain BPA. To cut waste and keep plastics out of food and the environment, choose eco-friendly alternatives, including reusable silicone bags, paper sacks, bamboo boxes, and glass containers.

EVANSTON FOOD FRIDGES

Food insecurity is something many in our community deal with. Since Covid, Evanston Food Fridges, along with many in our community, have been doing their part. How does it work? Food pantries and refrigerators are located in 4 places in Evanston where you can drop off food for those in need. Fresh foods are most appreciated. Those in need can come, get food, no questions asked. Soul and Smoke, Northwestern, and Starbucks all donate regularly. Feel free to drop off food or you can donate money directly to them. <https://www.evanstoncommunityfridges.com>



Food fridges are located at:
1601 Payne Street next to Soul and Smoke
1335 Dodge Street
619 West Howard Street
602 Madison Street

Interfaith Thanksgiving Eve Service

Twenty-seventh annual

Wednesday, November 26, 2025 7:00pm
Northminster Presbyterian Church
2515 Central Park Ave., Evanston

Keynote Speaker

Robin Rue Simmons

Founder of FirstRepair, Evanston

To join the Interfaith Community choir, meet
in the Northminster sanctuary at 5:30 p.m.
that evening for rehearsal.

Sponsored by

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For more information, make a donation or to
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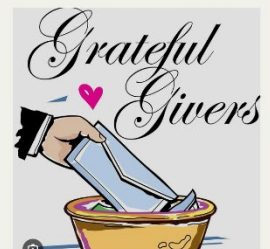
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STARTING AT 11 AM

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- YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS WILL BE APPRECIATED
- THANKING OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS FOR THEIR CONTINUED SUPPORT

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 in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Intercessions and thanksgivings are offered today for the clergy of our Diocese: our Bishops, Priests and Deacons, and their ministries in parishes, as well as our clergy in specialized ministries such as chaplaincies, teaching and hospice care *And for our relationship with our companion Dioceses of Renk, Sudan and SE Mexico*

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 November: Sheila Ahranjani, Charlotte Bishop, Evan Burns, Alexander Burt, Sally Craig Christensen, Dudley Conley, Cynthia Doucet, Samuel Frederickson, Joe Kelly, Terry McDermott, Pete Meyer, Andy Miles, Terri Morrissey, Hannah Motogawa.

We pray for all those who celebrate anniversaries in November.

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

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

We pray for those who suffer in mind, body, or spirit or who have asked for our prayers: Carol Imperial, Jim, Timmy Arondale, David Julian, Juliette, Jancie Dark, Gina Purse, Dorothy Wyandt, Jeremy Herschaft, Tobin Hudgins, Kaden Brown, 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 Yangya 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 149th Annual Meeting of the Parish on January 26, 2025

St. Matthew's Vestry

Stephen Carr, *Senior Warden*

Tim Patenode, *Junior Warden*

William Widmer, Kelsey Davies, Jim Kelly (2026)

Dudley Conley, Larkin Myers (2027)

Roberta Buchanan, Karen Hertel, David Parks (2028)

Clerk of the Vestry, Larkin Myers (2028)

Christopher Motogawa, *Treasurer* (2026)

Trustees of St. Matthew's Endowment

Don Churchill (2025) Mary Clark (2025) Ann Searles (2026)

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

ONLINE – All Day, Saturday, November 22, 2025

Delegates: Mary Clark, Ann Searles, Julia Green

Clergy and St. Matthew's Staff

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

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

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