

# ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



TRINITY SUNDAY  
May 26, 2024  
10:30AM IN THE CHURCH



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

## ST. MATTHEW'S LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

*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.*

## HEALTH & SAFETY GUIDELINES

Our Covid protocols have eased, but we continue to be proactive to protect the health and well-being of the entire community, especially the most vulnerable. Therefore, we ask that everyone respect our protocols:

- Vaccines are recommended when gathering with others.
- Masks are optional in the building and at our services. Please respect the choices others make in this regard.
- In the our worship spaces
  - Air purifiers continuously clean the air.
  - Before services begin, whenever possible, we open the windows and run fans, to generate movement of the air.
- Medical grade N95 masks are available upon request from our ushers.
- At Communion
  - Before beginning the Eucharistic Prayer, the clergy sanitize their hands.
  - Wine at communion: Communion ministers stand off to the side offering a chalice and a bowl for intinction. We ask you receive the wine either by intinction (dipping the wafer into the wine) using the bowl, by drinking from the chalice, or to forgo the wine. Please do not use the chalice for intinction.
- Please follow any further communion guidelines as given.

## ST. MATTHEW'S NEWS & EVENTS

- May 26* Charlie's and Sam's last Sunday at St. Matthew's. One service only at 10:30am.
- June 1* Celebration of the Life of Jane Stevens, 11am in the Church
- June 2* St. Matthew's Movie Group, 2pm at The Pub at Three Crowns.
- June 16* Father's Day - The Ricky Byrdsong Memorial Race Against Hate 5K/10K Run/Walk  
"Come as you are" Eucharist, 10:30am, in the Church.
- June 23* Beach Church Season begins. Sunday services: 7:30am in the chapel; 9am lakefront at Grosse Point Lighthouse Park (weather permitting; otherwise an email will be sent to all on our email list that we will be worshipping in the church).
- July 7* Five-Church Beachapalooza: St. Andrew's Pentecost, St. Augustine's (Wilmette), St. Luke's, St. Mark's and St. Matthew's Episcopal Churches gather for our annual collaborative worship service. 10am at the Lakefront at Hamilton Street in Elliott Park.

# 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.

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## THE PRELUDE

I Cannot Tell  
Timothy Patenode, piano

*arr. Larry Shackley*

## THE WORD OF GOD

*All stand, as able.*

THE OPENING HYMN *Hymnal 1982 #362* Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty! *Nicaea*

## THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Presider* 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

*Presider* 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.**

## THE GLORIA *Hymnal 1982 #S280*

Gloria in excelsis

*Robert Powell*

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Presider* God be with you.

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

*Presider* Let us pray, saying together

*All* **Enfolding God,  
Trinity of love,  
you are our source, our goal, our life:  
may we be born again in you  
no more to live  
alone and unconnected,  
but sharing in the Spirit's breath  
and carried to your heart;  
through Jesus Christ, who lifts us up.  
Amen.**

The people sit.

## A READING FROM THE PROPHET ISAIAH (6:1-8).

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory.”

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!”

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSE HYMN *Voices Found* #105 Laus Trinitati (O Praise be to you Holy Trinity)

Words/Music: Hildegard of Bingen

Soloists: Katie Meine and Rachel Handrick, sopranos

Laus O praise be to Tri - ni - ta - ti  
you Ho - ly Tri - ni - ty

quae so - nus et vi - ta  
re - soun - ding ju - bi - la - tion and life of all that is.

ac cre - a - trix om - ni - um in vi - ta ip - so - rum est.  
To our Moth - er Great Cre - a - tor of all things liv - ing and of life it - self.

Et quae Laus an - ge - li - cae tur - bae.  
O an - gel - ic cho - rus soun - ding forth in joy - ful praise!

Et mi - rus splen - dor ar - ca - no - rum  
O the won - der - ful si - lent splen - dor of the ho - ly mys - tries

quae ho - mi - ni - bus ig - no - ta sunt est  
Tri - ni - ty shin - ing bril - liance un - known to wo - men or to men.

et quae in om - ni - bus vi - ta - gi - ving - Life!  
O quick - en - ing spar - kle dwell - ing in all! Life - gi - ving Life!

Life of all things glo - rious - ly cre - a - ted!

The slurs indicate the chant flow in groups of twos and threes.

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*Hildegard of Bingen (b Bermersheim, nr Alzey, 1098; d Rupertsberg, nr Bingen, Sept 17, 1179) was a German Benedictine abbess, visionary, writer and composer. She is known for her literary, musical and scientific works, and for her religious and diplomatic activities. Her oeuvre includes recorded visions, medical and scientific works, hagiography and letters; also lyrical and dramatic poetry, which has survived with monophonic music.*

Bent, Ian D., and Marianne Pfau. "Hildegard of Bingen." *Grove Music Online*. 2001; Accessed 20 May. 2024.

<https://www.oxfordmusiconline.com/grovemusic/view/10.1093/gmo/9781561592630.001.0001/omo-9781561592630-e-0000013016>.

## A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PAUL TO THE ROMANS (8:12-17).

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh – for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ – if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand, as able.

**THE SEQUENCE HYMN** *Hymnal 1982 #29* O Trinity of bless'd light

Bromley

*Verses 1 and 2 before the Gospel, verse 3 after*

**THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN (3:1-17).**

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

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

The Gospel of our Savior.

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

**THE SERMON**

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

## THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(Source: Church of England, adapted)

*Presider* Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe in God the Creator,  
from whom every family  
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,  
who lives in our hearts through faith,  
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
who strengthens us  
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;  
Creator, Savior, and Holy Spirit. 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 Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for Paula, our Bishop; for Charlie, our rector; 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 Joseph, 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 give thanks for all of our graduates this year. Creative God, you see your children growing up in an unsteady and confusing world: Show them that your ways give more life than the ways of the world, and that following you is better than chasing after selfish goals. Help them to take failure, not as a measure of their worth, but as a chance for a new start.

*People* **Give them strength to hold their faith in you, and to keep alive their joy in your creation.**

*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.**

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*Leader* Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, we pray especially for Jerry, Brian, Becky, Sue, Hariett, Paige, David, Curt, Ted, Kate, Bob, Joan, Maria and family, Benjamin, Cobe, Bob, Ralph, Phil, Cindy, Norbert, Bionce, Brigitte, Clemence, Betty, Jessica, Maeve, Fame, Mike, Cathy, Mark, Donna, Carol, Angela, Sharon, Will, Don, Maua and her children, and the Martin family.

*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 and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, dear God; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever.

*People* **Amen.**

## THE ENDING OF A PASTORAL RELATIONSHIP AND LEAVE-TAKING FROM A CONGREGATION

*The People proclaim the responses printed in bold.*

*The Rev. Charles A. de Kay:* Beloved: I began my ministry among you on Easter Sunday, in April of 2011 and was installed as your rector by Bishop Jeffrey Lee on the 26<sup>th</sup> of October, 2011. I have, with God's help and to the best of my abilities, exercised this trust: accepting its privileges and responsibilities and sharing with you in your joys and your sorrows, in times of challenge and in times of hope.

After prayer and careful consideration, I now believe I am called to leave this charge and ministry. I do so with thanksgiving for all of the blessings we have shared during my time as your rector, and in particular for the blessing of all of you, without whom my ministry would not have been possible.

Before God and before you, I publicly state that my tenure as rector of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church ends this week, and this service marks my last Sunday with you.

*The Rev. Canon Andrea L. Mysen:* Do you, the people of St. Matthews', recognize and accept the conclusion of this pastoral relationship?

*People:* **We do.**

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*Andrea:* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the Prayers?

*People:* **We will, with God's help.**

*Charlie:* At the beginning of my ministry, you gave me many things in trust and a charge as to how to use them. Now, I leave these and other things with you, the people and leaders of St. Matthew's, that you may continue to live out your own baptismal ministry.

*Charlie returns worship resources to clergy or worship leaders.*

*Charlie:* Continue to use these worship resources and these vestments to ensure that the prayers of God's people and the sacraments of the God's holy Church continue in this place.

*People:* **Amen.**

*Charlie returns a hymnal to music leaders.*

*Charlie:* Continue to use this hymnal to ensure that glorious singing and the praise of God continues in this place.

*People:* **Amen.**

*Charlie returns their keys to wardens.*

*Charlie:* Receive this key and ensure that the doors of this place remain open to all people.

*People:* **Amen.**

*Charlie returns the canons of the diocese to a vestry member.*

*Charlie:* Receive these Canons of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago and ensure that this congregation continues to be governed in accordance with them and in communion with our Bishop.

*People:* **Amen.**

*At this time, the Rev. Canon Andrea L. Mysen reads a pastoral letter to St. Matthew's, from Bishop Paula E. Clark.*

*Charlie:* Let us pray.

O God, you have bound us together for a time as pastor and people to work for the advancement of your kingdom in this place: We give you humble and hearty thanks for the ministry which we have shared in these years now past.

*Silence*

We thank you for your patience with us despite our blindness and slowness of heart. We thank you for your forgiveness and mercy in the face of our many failures.

*Silence*

Especially we thank you for your never-failing presence with us through these years, and for the deeper knowledge of you and of each other which we have attained.

*Silence*

We thank you for those who have been joined to this part of Christ's family through baptism. We thank you for opening our hearts and minds again and again to your Word, and for feeding us abundantly with the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of your Son.

*Silence*

Now, we pray, be with those who leave and with us who stay; and grant that all of us, by drawing ever nearer to you, may always be close to each other in the communion of your saints. All this we ask for the sake of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

*People:* **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*Presider* 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.*

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Cleft for me*

Mark Hayes

Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
Let me hide myself in Thee;  
Let the water and the blood,  
From Thy wounded side which flowed,  
Be of sin the double cure,  
Cleanse me from its guilt and power.

Not the labor of my hands  
Can fulfill Thy law's demands;  
Could my zeal no respite know,  
Could my tears forever flow,  
All for sin could not atone;  
Thou must save, and Thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring,  
Simply to Thy cross I cling;  
Naked, come to Thee for dress;  
Helpless, look to Thee for grace;  
Foul, I to the fountain fly;  
Wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath,  
When my eyes shall close in death,  
When I soar to worlds unknown,  
And see Thee on Thy judgement throne,  
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
Let me hide myself in Thee.

*The people stand.*

**THE OFFERTORY HYMN** *Hymnal 1982 #366*

Holy God, we praise Thy name  
*Verses 1, 2 and 4*

Grosser Gott

*The people remain standing.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER C (adapted)

*Presider* God be with you.

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

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to God.**

Let us give our thanks to Almighty God.

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

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

**Glory to you for ever and ever.**

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

**By your will they were created and have their being.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

**Have mercy, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

**By his blood, Jesus reconciled us.**

**By his wounds, we are healed.**

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

## THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS *Hymnal 1982 #S129* Holy, Holy, Holy *Robert Powell*

*The people stand or kneel, as able.*

*Presider* And so, we who have been redeemed by Jesus, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night Jesus was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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."

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."

*Presider* Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

*People* **We celebrate his death and resurrection,  
as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our Ancestors: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, and Jacob, Leah and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in Jesus's name.

**Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

*Presider and People*

**AMEN.**

*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**

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

**THE AGNUS DEI** *Hymnal 1982 #S163* Lamb of God

*Robert Powell*

*Presider* 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.

*After 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.

### BRIEF ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### THE BLESSING

*Presider* May God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side,  
and guide you in truth and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Creator, the  
Savior, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

*People* Amen.

THE CLOSING HYMN *Hymnal 1982* #365      Come, thou almighty King      *Moscow*

#### THE DISMISSAL

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

*People* Thanks be to God.

#### THE POSTLUDE

Sunshine in My Soul  
Sarah Loisch, piano

John R. Sweney/*arr.* Mark Hayes

## Leading Our Worship This Morning

*Preacher and Presider:* The Rev. Charlie A. de Kay

*Deacon:* The Rev. Terri J. Morrissey

*Assisting Seminarian:* Samuel Love, Jr.

*The Bishop's Representative:* The Rev. Canon Andrea L. Mysen, Canon to the Ordinary & Chief of Staff

*Music Director:* Mark Crayton

*Pianists:* Sarah Loisch

*Greeter:* Curt Nilsson

*Lector:* Kristin Jacobsen

*Prayer Leader:* Gregory Peebles

*Chalice Bearer:* Volunteer

*Acolytes:* Willow Meyer, Roxanne Meyer, Bob Purse

*Altar Guild:* Deborah Williams, Mary Clark

*Green Team:* Mary Deysach

*Livestream:* Diane Senechal

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

Mark Crayton, Music Director

### Soprano

Monique Austin

Charlotte Bishop

Ginger Carr

Megan Cook\*

Alice Dolan

Rachel Handrick\*

Kunying Li

Kaylie O'Dell\*\*

### Alto

Scott Bass\*

Nancy Churchill

Angela Torres-Kutkuhn\*\*

### Tenor

Francis Lynch

Karlos Piñero-Mercado\*

Riley Brown\*\*

Michael Kirby\*

### Bass

Terry Bucher\*

Steve Carr

Jack Ellis\*\*

Jake Engel\*

\*Section Leader

\*\*Staff Singer

†Choral Assistant

## Charlie's & Sam's Last Sunday

*Join the Wardens and Vestry in expressing gratitude to Charlie and Sam and celebrating their ministry.*

**The Rev. Charles A. de Kay** has been our respected spiritual leader for more than thirteen years and has calmly and carefully shepherded St. Matthew's through generations of Christmases and Easters, weddings and funerals, Sunday services, the COVID crisis, and community outreach of all kinds. His many good works at St. Matthew's—too numerous to list—have helped St. Matthew's and its congregation live into our mission as Christians and caring neighbors.

**Samuel Love, Jr.**, joined us a last June as our resident seminarian. Over the course of his time with us Sam has served and participated in countless ways, including preached powerfully, helped lead our Lenten series, recently started our Sunday morning "St. Matthew's Bible Talk," participated in our Antiracism Team, and assisted in worship in almost every role. His warm, companionable presence has brought a special quality of welcome to our community, embodying our mission.

For these, and for so much more, we heartily thank Charlie and Sam for their commendable service to St. Matthew's.

# Graduation 2024

Are you, or any of your children or grandchildren, graduating this year? St. Matthew's would like to congratulate all graduates and celebrate their accomplishments and milestones. Please send the graduate's name, school, future plans, and a photo. We will include these in a future bulletin, and will pray for all at an early June worship service. Information should be sent to Julie at [julie@stmatthewsevanston.com](mailto:julie@stmatthewsevanston.com) no later than May 27.



## Partnership News

**United in Welcome road show comes to St. Matthew's!  
Join us Sunday, June 2 between services to learn about the St.  
Andrew's Pentecost vicarage and asylum-seeker housing**

Imagine you and your children fleeing persecution and violence, only to be told that there's "No room at the Inn".

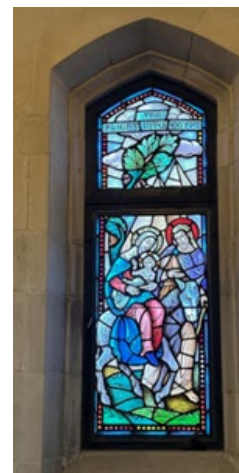
Safe and welcoming housing for families seeking asylum in the Chicago area is scarce, and we've all seen or heard of busloads of God's children being dropped off on the street without resources. St. Andrew's Pentecost in Evanston has a vicarage that is currently unused, and we are beginning an effort to bring the building to code and welcome up to ten children and adults who are seeking asylum. In addition to our St. Andrew's Pentecost/St. Matthew's Partnership, we are blessed to have interest and support from churches across the Deanery

Please join Marta Humphreys, Cynthia and Damon Doucet and others to learn more about "United in Welcome", the vicarage plans, and opportunities to help this important work.

Sunday, June 2 9:15 - 10:15 AM (we'll have a short presentation at 9:15 then an open house and Q/A, feel free to stop by anytime) Assembly room across from the office.

Thank you for your love and care!

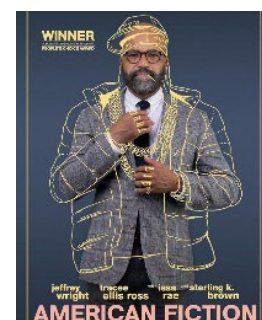
Questions? Please contact Cynthia at [cdoucet32@gmail.com](mailto:cdoucet32@gmail.com) or 847-476-6229.



## St. Matthew's Movie Group

**Sunday, June 2 at 3pm | The Pub at Three Crowns**

The St. Matthew's Movie Group will be discussing AMERICAN FICTION at 3p.m. on Sunday, June 2, in The Pub at Three Crowns Retirement Community (2323 McDaniel Ave). Parking is available in the front lot or on any adjacent street. The movie can be streamed on Amazon Prime and may be accessed elsewhere. To **RSVP**, please call the Teskas at 847-363-8138.



# Antiracism Team

**Help Welcome the Community:** Live out our mission statement by volunteering to greet runners at the Race Against Hate. St. Matthew's will host a tent with snacks, coffee, and information about our parish. This is the perfect opportunity for "Welcoming all in community, joyfully doing God's work in the world." The race is on Sunday, June 16 (Father's Day), starting at 7:30 a.m. at Northwestern's Floyd Long Field, 2436 Sheridan Road in Evanston. To sign up as a welcome volunteer or to donate apples or granola bars, contact Kristin Jacobsen ([kejcat@gmail.com](mailto:kejcat@gmail.com)). For more information on the Race Against Hate, see <https://www.ywca-ens.org/rah>.

**Auction item to play and eat:** Bid now to enjoy three plays and a concert at Fleetwood-Jourdain Theatre during the summer and fall, plus gift cards for three black-owned Evanston restaurants. If you win this auction package donated by the Antiracism Team, you'll receive two of the theatre's Premium Gold Membership Cards, which also qualify you for special offers throughout the season (<https://www.cityofevanston.org/about-evanston/arts-and-culture/theatre/fleetwood-jourdain-theatre#ad-image-4>). The gift cards will provide a meal or snack at Hecky's, Jennifer's Edibles, or C&W Market. Value: \$320. Minimum bid: \$150. Bid on paper at the back of the church or contact Kristin Jacobsen ([kejcat@gmail.com](mailto:kejcat@gmail.com)) with a bid. **Bidding ends June 14**, just before the start of the first play.

**Spirituality and Race:** Sign up now for Sacred Ground, a moving way to learn about the history of race and racism through a spiritual lens. Focused on discussion, reading, and videos, the series was developed by an Episcopalian whose ancestors were part of the slave trade. Kristin Jacobsen and Rev. Terri Morrissey from St. Matthew's are facilitators, and a number of parishioners have gone through the program. It is endorsed by the Episcopal Church. For more information, see <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/sacred-ground/>. For questions or to sign up, contact Kristin Jacobsen ([kejcat@gmail.com](mailto:kejcat@gmail.com)).

## Antiracism Events:

- **TODAY: Early bird Race Against Hate registration re-opened:** If you have not yet registered for the Race Against Hate, take advantage of the YWCA bringing back reduced rate early bird registrations. **LAST DAY IS TODAY!** Register here: <https://secure.qgiv.com/event/raceagainsthate2024/register/form/registration>
- **5/30: Mitchell and Goodman benefit:** Fundraising with food, performances, and a raffle to support *Sweetest Season: A Gathering of Creativity*, collaboration between the Mitchell and the Goodman to highlight Native American artists, storytellers, and musicians. Benefit is 6-9 p.m. on 5/30 at Mitchell Museum, 3001 Central, Evanston. Buy tickets and get more info here: <https://mitchellmuseum.org/events/sweetest-benefit/>
- **6/16: Race Against Hate:** The Ricky Birdsong Memorial Race Against Hate starts at 7:30am at Floyd Long Field, 2436 Sheridan Rd., Evanston. More information here: <https://www.ywca-ens.org/calendar/ricky-byrdsong-memorial-race-against-hate>
- **Sat/Sun, 1-4 p.m.: Native American exhibit:** "Indigenous Edgewater: Exploring Native History," exhibit at Edgewater Historical Society, 5358 N. Ashland Ave., Chicago. Ongoing.





*Don't miss out!*  
- EARLY BIRD SALE ENDS TODAY -  
**25th Annual Ricky Byrdsong Memorial  
Race Against Hate**

Sunday, June 16 | 7:30am start

Floyd Long Field, 2436 Sheridan Rd, Evanston, IL

10K Run | 5K Run/Walk | Youth Mile/Half Mile Fun Run

The YWCA has just announced: Our early bird sale is back! We wanted to give runners and supporters one *last* chance to lock in savings. Prices will roll back to early bird pricing for our 10K and 5K options, saving registrants \$6 to help commemorate the legacy of Ricky Byrdsong and race with fellow community members to a better future!

Take advantage of the sale starting today through May 26! Register with our team "Episcopalians United Against Hate" at <https://secure.qgiv.com/event/raceagainsthate2024/>

**New Opportunity: Come & Get A Blessing Before Your Race!**

The early morning Eucharist – our Mass on the Grass – has been canceled. Now, all are invited to come for a blessing – especially members of the Episcopalians United Against Hate team! – by the St. Matthew's tent on Long Field, where:

- Rev. Nadia Stefko (St. Augustine's Episcopal Church) will bless all 5k participants at 7:35am and
- Rev. Kat Banakis (St. Luke's Episcopal Church) will bless all Fun Run participants at 8:45am

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**SUNDAY  
2 JUNE 2024  
2-5PM**  
RAYMOND PARK  
1445 HINMAN AVE.  
EVANSTON, IL

## Interfaith Family Pride Fest

Sunday, June 2, 2024 | 2pm | Raymond Park in Evanston, IL.

Stemming from a desire to build better relationships between the faith communities and the LGBTQ+ community, members of Evanston's congregations have gathered to plan a youth and family-focused pride event that is inclusive, joyful, and representative of the rich diversity of Evanston.

This event will feature award-winning and billboard-charting artist **Flamy Grant** along with other dynamic performers such as the Artemis Singers, Chicago Gay Men's Chorus, and a Youth Showcase to celebrate local youth artists and performers. Additionally, the Actors Gymnasium will host fun games and activities around the park for the enjoyment of our guests. Carnival snacks and beverages will be provided. This event is expected to be a memorable one.

# 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 and the Rector.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** The Church of the Province of Central Africa.

**In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** *Congregations in the Joliet Deanery:* St. Paul in Kankakee; St. John in Lockport; Good Shepherd in Momence; St. Thomas in Morris; *Companion Dioceses of SE Mexico and Renk:* San Pedro in Veracruz; St. Peter in Wun-Kur.

**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 May:** Christina Burt, Mary Buzard, Mark Jacobsen, Catherine LaBranche, Kate Lauderbaugh, Jack Lerman, Francis Lynch, Kathy Riley, Susan Rundle, Xander Senechal, Sarah Skidmore, Steve Steiber and Dorothy Wyandt.

**We pray for all those who celebrate anniversaries in May:** Karen & Gary LaBranche, Dorothy & John Lloyd-Still, Ginny Voedisch & Bill McSweeney, and Gina & Bob Purse.

**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:** Jeremy Garrett, Aaron Grant, Thomas Greenwich, Lee Henderson, Tyler Howland, Peter Marks, Ian McGuffin, Molly Robinson, 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:** Jerry Moody, Brian Marischen, Becky Wilson, Sue Aikin Zundel, Hariett Brandt, Paige D, David Crummy, Curt Nilsson, Kate Martin, Bob Baker, Joan Sanford, Maria G and family, Benjamin Ticobay, Cobe Layag, Bob Teska, Ralph Motogawa, Phil Costa, Cindy Bass, Uwase Bionce, Brigitte, Clemence, Betty Stafford, Jessica Mueller, Maeve Shampine, Fame Brooks, Mike Wagner, Cathy Fiala, Maggie, Mark Jacobsen, Donna Wagner, Carol Wagner, Angela Escobar, Sharon Filipisik, Will Widmer, Don Gabouser, Manuel Aleman, the Westerfield family, and for the Congolese family we've been matched with in partnership with RefugeeOne.

**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 Jane Stevens, whose funeral will be held at St. Matthew's at 11am on Saturday, June 1, 2024.

## 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. The Trinity Sunday Blessing is adapted from *The Book of Occasional Services*.

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St. Matthew's lay leaders duly elected and appointed at  
The 148<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Parish on January 28, 2024

### **St. Matthew's Vestry**

Christopher Motogawa, *Senior Warden*  
Stephen Carr, *Junior Warden*

Curtis Nilsson, William Widmer, Deborah Williams (2025)  
Kelsey Davies, Jim Kelly (2026)  
Dudley Conley, Larkin Myers, Tim Patenode (2027)  
*Clerk of the Vestry*, Tim Patenode

Christopher Motogawa and Rick Worden, *Co-Treasurer* (2025)

### **Trustees of St. Matthew's Endowment**

Don Churchill (2025)    Damon Doucet (2025)    Ann Searles (2026)

### **St. Matthew's Lay Delegation to the 187<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Diocese of Chicago**

ONLINE - All Day, Saturday, November 23, 2024  
To be determined.

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

The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry, *27<sup>th</sup> Presiding Bishop, The Episcopal Church*  
The Rt. Rev. Paula E. Clark, *Thirteenth Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago*

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