

ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JUNE 23, 2024

7:30AM
ST. MARY'S CHAPEL

9:00AM
LAKEFRONT



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

- 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.

THE PRELUDE (9:00AM)

Elaine Matsushita and Ginny Voedisch

THE WORD OF GOD

All stand as able.

THE OPENING HYMN (9:00AM)

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.**

All say together:

THE SONG OF PRAISE Cantic D: A Song of the Wilderness

Isaiah 35:1-7,10

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, *

the desert shall rejoice and blossom;

It shall blossom abundantly, *

and rejoice with joy and singing.

They shall see the glory of the Lord, *

the majesty of our God.

Strengthen the weary hands, *

and make firm the feeble knees.

Say to the anxious, "Be strong, do not fear! *

Here is your God, coming with judgment to save you."

Then shall the eyes of the blind be opened, *

and the ears of the deaf be unstopped.

Then shall the lame leap like a deer, *

and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.

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For waters shall break forth in the wilderness *
and streams in the desert;

The burning sand shall become a pool *
and the thirsty ground, springs of water.

The ransomed of God shall return with singing, *
with everlasting joy upon their heads.

Joy and gladness shall be theirs, *
and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray, saying together

All **Saving God,**

**Entering the flood and storm
of chaos and confusion:**

**Speak peace to our fearful hearts
that we might find our faith
in him whose word**

**brings rest to all creation;
through Jesus Christ, lard of wine and wave.**

Amen.

The people sit.

A READING FROM THE FIRST BOOK OF SAMUEL (17:32-49)

David said to Saul, "Let no one's heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine." Saul said to David, "You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him; for you are just a boy, and he has been a warrior from his youth." But David said to Saul, "Your servant used to keep sheep for his father; and whenever a lion or a bear came, and took a lamb from the flock, I went after it and struck it down, rescuing the lamb from its mouth; and if it turned against me, I would catch it by the jaw, strike it down, and kill it. Your servant has killed both lions and bears; and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, since he has defied the armies of the living God." David said, "The LORD, who saved me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, will save me from the hand of this Philistine." So Saul said to David, "Go, and may the LORD be with you!" Saul clothed David with his armor; he put a bronze helmet on his head and clothed him with a coat of mail. David strapped Saul's sword over the armor, and he tried in vain to walk, for he was not used to them.

Then David said to Saul, "I cannot walk with these; for I am not used to them." So David removed them. Then he took his staff in his hand, and chose five smooth stones from the wadi, and put them in his shepherd's bag, in the pouch; his sling was in his hand, and he drew near to the Philistine.

The Philistine came on and drew near to David, with his shield-bearer in front of him. When the Philistine looked and saw David, he disdained him, for he was only a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance. The Philistine said to David, "Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?" And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. The Philistine said to David, "Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the field." But David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with sword and spear and javelin; but I come to you in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. This very day the LORD will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head; and I will give the dead bodies of the Philistine army this very day to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the earth, so that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, and that all this assembly may know that the LORD does not save by sword and spear; for the battle is the LORD's and he will give you into our hand."

When the Philistine drew nearer to meet David, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine. David put his hand in his bag, took out a stone, slung it, and struck the Philistine on his forehead; the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell face down on the ground.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 9:9-20 *Confitebor tibi*

We read the Psalm alternately by half verse; the congregation reads the second half, which is printed in bold.

- ⁹ The LORD will be a refuge for the oppressed, *
a refuge in time of trouble.
- ¹⁰ Those who know your Name will put their trust in you, *
for you never forsake those who seek you, O LORD.
- ¹¹ Sing praise to the LORD who dwells in Zion; *
proclaim to the peoples the things he has done.
- ¹² The Avenger of blood will remember them; *
he will not forget the cry of the afflicted.
- ¹³ Have pity on me, O LORD; *
**see the misery I suffer from those who hate me,
O you who lift me up from the gate of death;**

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- ¹⁴ So that I may tell of all your praises
and rejoice in your salvation *
in the gates of the city of Zion.
- ¹⁵ The ungodly have fallen into the pit they dug, *
and in the snare they set is their own foot caught.
- ¹⁶ The LORD is known by his acts of justice; *
the wicked are trapped in the works of their own hands.
- ¹⁷ The wicked shall be given over to the grave, *
and also all the peoples that forget God.
- ¹⁸ For the needy shall not always be forgotten, *
and the hope of the poor shall not perish for ever.
- ¹⁹ Rise up, O LORD, let not the ungodly have the upper hand; *
let them be judged before you.
- ²⁰ Put fear upon them, O LORD; *
let the ungodly know they are but mortal.

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MARK (4:35-41).

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

When evening had come, Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

The Gospel of our Savior.

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

THE SERMON

The Very Rev. Joy E. Rogers

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; 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 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 Jerry, Brian, Becky, Sue, Harriett, Paige, David, Curt, Kate, Bob, Joan, Maria and family, Benjamin, Cobe, Bob, Ralph, Phil, Cindy, Betty, Jessica, Maeve, Fame, Mike, Cathy, Mark, Donna, Carol, Angela, Sharon, Will, Don, and for the Congolese family we've been matched with in partnership with RefugeeOne.

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 O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Presider Jesus, our deliverer,
we take your freedom from others.
God, have mercy.

People **God, have mercy.**
Jesus, our hope,
we deprive others of hope.
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

Presider Jesus, God's shalom,
we distort your peace.
God, have mercy.

People **God, have mercy.**

Presider In silence before God, we confess our sins.

Silence

Presider God forgives you. Be at peace.

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

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:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

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.**

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.

THE COMMUNION HYMN (9:00AM) Let Us Break Bread Together on Our Knees

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.**

BRIEF ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE BLESSING

Presider Life is short, and we do not have too much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us: So be swift to love and make haste to be kind; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Creator, the Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

People **Amen.**

THE CLOSING HYMN (9:00AM)

THE DISMISSAL

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Leading Our Worship This Morning

7:30AM

Preacher and Presider: The Very Rev. Joy E. Rogers

Deacon: The Rev. Terri J. Morrissey

Lector: Volunteer

Prayer Leader: Volunteer

Chalice Bearers: Volunteer

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Deacon: The Rev. Terri J. Morrissey

Musicians: Tim Patenode

Lector: Steve Carr, Ginger Carr

Prayer Leader: Ann Searles

Chalice Bearers: Mary Clark

Usher: Volunteers

Concierge: Andy Miles

BOTH SERVICES

Altar Guild: Kate Lauderbaugh, Joyce Weber

Green Team: Volunteer



Beach Season Has Begun!

June 23 - September 15*

Grosse Pointe Lighthouse Park

Join us for another season of St. Matt's Beach Church starting today, June 23. Sunday service is at 9am on the lakefront at Grosse Pointe Lighthouse Park (weather permitting; otherwise, an email will be sent out to all those on our email list that we will be worshipping in the church).

For those who prefer to worship indoors, please join us at our 7:30am service in the chapel at St. Matt's.

*Please join us on July 7 for our annual 5-Church Beachapalooza at 10am on the lakefront at Hamilton Street. See more info below.

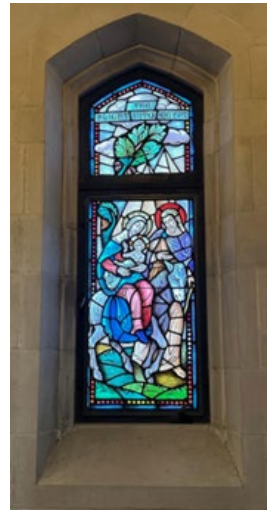
5-Church Beachapalooza

July 7 | 10am | Lakefront at Hamilton Street

Join neighboring Episcopal Churches - St. Andrew's Pentecost, St. Augustine's (Wilmette), St. Luke's, St. Mark's and St. Matthew's - for our annual collaborative worship service.

Join the New Project to Support Families Seeking Asylum

Thank you to the interested and enthusiastic group who attended the June 2 presentation on our latest outreach initiative, which will also be in collaboration with our friends across the Deanery, as "United in Welcome". Cynthia Doucet, Marta Humphreys (St. Andrew's Pentecost) and Damon Doucet outlined a powerful project to bring the vicarage at St. Andrew's Pentecost up to code so it can be a residence for families seeking asylum after fleeing violence and persecution in their home country. To start the process, we are helping raise funds by this summer to renovate the house before the cold weather settles in this fall.



Join this group of people committed to acting in love. As a St. Andrew's Pentecost parishioner put it, "We are God's hands, feet, head and heart, and we are called by God to lift up our very beings to help our neighbors." There are many opportunities to help, short and long term, in areas ranging from communications, collecting household items, moving, and translating, to legal assistance, grant writing, and meeting with the refugees on a regular basis.

God loves a cheerful giver.

"Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not regretfully or under compulsion, for **God loves a cheerful giver.** And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work."

- 2 Corinthians 9:7



If you'd like to make an offering for today's service, please scan the QR code which will bring you to St. Matthew's onRealm Giving Page.

Thank you for supporting
St. Matthew's as we bring love to the world.

Antiracism Team

Episcopalians at the Race Against Hate: Thank you to Episcopalian runners, walkers, monetary donors, apple and granola contributors, and tent greeters, as well as the Rev. Nadia Stefko and the Rev. Kat Banakis (for race blessings)! The Episcopalians United Against Hate team helped commemorate the 25th annual Ricky Byrdsong Memorial Race Against Hate with participants from St. Matthew's, St. Augustine's, St. Luke's, and St. Mark's. St. Matthew's was a sponsor of the race and of a tent offering apples, granola bars, greetings, and beach church flyers. We exceeded our team goal of \$2,000 with a total of \$2,427.90 in donations, which put us second in funds raised by teams. Most importantly, we supported the YWCA Evanston/North Shore in its mission of "eliminating racism, empowering women." (<https://www.ywca-ens.org>)

Antiracism Events:

- Now - 6/30: **Musical at Fleetwood-Jourdain Theatre:** *1619: The Journey of a People* starts June 15 at Fleetwood-Jourdain Theatre, 927 Noyes St. in Evanston. Bid on the auction package offered by the Antiracism Team or buy tickets at <https://www.cityofevanston.org/about-evanston/arts-and-culture/theatre/fleetwood-jourdain-theatre#ad-image-0>
- 6/20: **Documentary Film Fundraiser:** Film at 7 p.m. about Billy Caldwell, the half-Mohawk, half-white man who negotiated the treaties of 1829 and 1833 that resulted in removal of all Native American tribes from Illinois. Visit <https://mitchellmuseum.org/events/fundraiser-the-negotiator-billy-caldwell-documentary/>.
- Through 2024: Exhibit *No Rest: The Epidemic of Stolen Indigenous Women, Girls, and 2Spirits*. Visit <https://mitchellmuseum.org/no-rest-exhibit/>.
- Sat/Sun, 1-4pm: **Native American exhibit:** "Indigenous Edgewater: Exploring Native History," exhibit at Edgewater Historical Society, 5358 N. Ashland Ave., Chicago. Ongoing.

Thank you for supporting the Race Against Hate!



NOTES:

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 and the Rector.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church of England.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: All those attending the General Convention, especially bishops and deputies. *Congregations in the Peoria Deanery:* Grace in Galesburg, St. John's in Kewanee, St. James in Lewiston, St. George's in Macomb. *Companion Dioceses of SE Mexico and Renk:* Jesús de Nazaret near Tuxtepec; St. Barnabas in Geiger South.

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 June: Hunter Bothfeld, Ginger Carr, Nancy Churchill, Mary Jo Deysach, Katie Kelly, Gary LaBranche, Bill McSweeney, Catherine Motogawa, Roxanne Myers, Willow Myers and Bob Purse.

We pray for all those who celebrate anniversaries in June: Ginger & Stephen Carr, Karen Hertel & Pete Meyer, Ann & John Searles and Diane & Robert Teska.

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, Betty Stafford, Jessica Mueller, Maeve Shampine, Fame Brooks, Mike Wagner, Cathy Fiala, Mark Jacobsen, Donna Wagner, Carol Wagner, Angela Escobar, Sharon Filipisik, Will Widmer, Don Gabouser, 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.

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 148th 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) 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 23, 2024
To be determined.

Clergy and St. Matthew's Staff

The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry, *27th Presiding Bishop, The Episcopal Church*
The Rt. Rev. Paula E. Clark, *Thirteenth Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago*
The Rev. Terri J. Morrissey, *Deacon* | terri@stmatthewsevanston.org
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