

# ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



## Fourth Sunday of Easter

APRIL 26, 2026

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

### Worship Schedule and St. Matthew's Events

Sundays	Sunday Forum led by Whayne, 9:15 - 10:15am in the Chapel
Apr 26	Prayer & Action for Earth Day, 3pm at Evanston Ecology Center
Apr 28	Bible Study with Rev. Whayne, 12pm in the Library
May 5	Neighbors in Solidarity, 5:30pm at One Rotary Center
May 8	Friday Night CoffeeHouse, 7:30pm at St. Matt's
May 17	St. Matt's Movie Group, 3:00pm in St. Matt's Parlor

### 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:	
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**ONLINE FORM**

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

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# WELCOME TO ST. MATTHEW'S

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

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## THE PRELUDE

## THE WORD OF GOD

THE OPENING HYMN *Hymnal 1982 #637* How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord *Lyons*

1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,  
2 "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dis - mayed!  
5 "The soul that to Je - sus hath fled for re - pose,

1 is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!  
2 For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
5 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;

1 What more can he say than to you he hath said,  
2 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
5 that soul, though all hell shall en - deav - or to shake,

1 to you that for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?  
2 up - held by my right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand.  
5 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

## A LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

*Celebrant* O give thanks to our God who is good; whose love endures forever.

You sun and moon, you stars of the western sky:

*People* **Give to our God your thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* Sunrise and sunset, night and day:

*People* **Give to our God your thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* All mountains and valleys, thickets and talus slope, cedar swamps and prairies, estuaries and alpine meadows:

*People* **Give to our God your thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* You rivers and straits, bogs and fens, glaciers, avalanches, mists, snows, and rains:

*People* **Give to our God your thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* You maples and firs, dogwoods and heathers, mosses and ferns:

*People* **Give to our God your thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* You salmon and orcas, seals and crabs, kelp and loons, kingfishers, octopi, and prawns:

*People* **Give to our God your thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* You marmots and voles, salamanders and bears, swallowtails and gnats, swifts and warblers, owls and hawks:

*People* **Give to our God your thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* All peoples immigrant and native, women and men, who inhabit this fragile earth our island home:

*People* **Give to our God your thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* All you saints and martyrs of the past, of the present, of the future:

*People* **Give to our God your thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* Creator God, we pray to you from the midst of your creation. We ask you to love and sustain this Earth; and to love and sustain us, who cling to it as it spins on its course through the cosmos. Teach us to love the Earth as you love it: help us not to take it for granted. Creator God, you made us in your image: teach us to be good stewards of your creation. We pray in Jesus' name.

*People* **Amen.**

*All stand.*

## THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Who creates all things, redeems all things, and sanctifies all things.

*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

## 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 #S17*

Pascha Nostrum

George Ratcliffe Woodward



1 Alleluia, alleluia. \*

Alleluia, alleluia.

2 Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; \*

therefore let us keep the feast,

3 Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, \*

but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

All say together:

THE SONG OF PRAISE *Hymnal 1982 #S17*

Pascha Nostrum

George Ratcliffe Woodward



- 4 Alleluia, alleluia. \*  
Alleluia, alleluia.
- 5 Christ being raised from the dead will never die a gain; \*  
death no longer has dominion over him.
- 6 The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; \*  
but the life he lives, he lives to God.
- 7 So also consider yourselves dead to sin, \*  
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord.
- 8 Alleluia, alleluia. \*  
Alleluia, alleluia.
- 9 Christ has been raised from the dead, \*  
the first fruits of those who have fallen a sleep.
- 10 For since by a man came death, \*  
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.
- 11 For as in Adam all die, \*  
so also in Christ shall all be made alive.
- 12 Alleluia, alleluia. \*  
Alleluia, alleluia.

*The people stand.*

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* God be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

God of unchangeable power, when you fashioned the world the morning stars sang together and the host of heaven shouted for joy; open our eyes to the wonders of creation and teach us to see all things for good, to the honor of your glorious name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## A READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES (2:42-47).

Those who had been baptized devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

## THE PSALM 23 *Dominus regit me*

*The congregation joins the choir in the refrain.*



<sup>1</sup> The Lord is my shepherd; \*  
I shall not be in want.

<sup>2</sup> He makes me lie down in green pastures \*  
and leads me beside still waters.

**REFRAIN**

<sup>3</sup> He revives my soul \*  
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

<sup>4</sup> Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I shall fear no evil; \*  
for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

**REFRAIN**

<sup>5</sup> You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; \*  
you have anointed my head with oil,  
and my cup is running over.

<sup>6</sup> Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, \*  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

**REFRAIN**



## 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

*Leader* Caring God, we thank you for your gifts of Creation for our world  
the heavens tell of your glory;

*Leader* for our land, its beauty and its resources,

**for the rich heritage we enjoy.**

*Leader* We pray: for those who make decisions about the resources of the earth,  
**that we may use your gifts responsibly;**

*Leader* for those who work on the land and sea, in city and in industry,  
**that all may enjoy the fruits of their labors and marvel at your creation;**

*Leader* for artists, scientists, and visionaries,  
**that through their work we may see creation afresh.**

*Leader* We thank you for giving us life,  
**for all who enrich our experience.**

*Leader* We pray: For all creatures and plants that have been put in peril by our actions, for  
all who through their own or other's actions are deprived of fullness of life,  
**for prisoners, refugees, the handicapped, and all who are sick;**

*Leader* for those in politics, medical science, social and relief work, and for your Church,  
**for all who seek to bring life to others.**

*Leader* We thank you that you have called us to celebrate your creation.  
**Give us reverence for life in your world.**

*Leader* We thank you for your redeeming love;  
**may your word and sacrament strengthen us to love as you love us.**

*Leader* God, Creator, bring us life.  
**Jesus, Redeemer, renew us.**

*Celebrant* Holy Spirit, strengthen and guide us.

Blessed are you, God of growth and discovery; yours is the inspiration that has  
altered and changed our lives; your is the power that has brought us to new dangers  
and opportunities. Set us, your new creation, to walk through this new world,  
watching and learning, loving and trusting, until your kingdom comes.

*People* **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.*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

*The people sit.*

## THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*The Lord is my shepherd*  
Soloist: Kaylie O'Dell

Thomas Matthews

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.  
He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.  
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:  
for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.  
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:  
thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

## THE OFFERTORY HYMN *Hymnal 1982 #H664* My Shepherd will supply my need *Resignation*



1 My Shep - herd will sup - ply my need, Je - ho - vah  
2 When I walk through the shades of death, thy pres - ence  
3 The sure pro - vi - sions of my God at - tend me



is his Name; \_\_\_\_\_ in pas - tures fresh he  
is my stay; \_\_\_\_\_ one word of thy sup -  
all my days; \_\_\_\_\_ oh, may thy house be



makes me feed be - side the liv - ing stream.\_\_\_\_  
port - ing breath drives all my fears a - way.\_\_\_\_  
mine a - bode and all my work be praise.\_\_\_\_



He brings my wan - dering spi - rit back when I for -  
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my  
There would I find a sett - led rest, while o - thers



sake his ways, \_\_\_\_\_ and leads me, for his  
ta - ble spread; \_\_\_\_\_ my cup with bless - ings  
go and come; \_\_\_\_\_ no more a stran - ger



mer - cy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.\_\_\_\_  
o - ver - flows, thy oil a - noints my head.\_\_\_\_  
or a guest, but like a child at home.\_\_\_\_

*The people stand.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP PRAYER 3

*Celebrant* God be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to God.**

Let us give our thanks to Almighty God.

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

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 shout with joy:

## THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS LEVAS #255 Holy, holy, holy Grayson Warren Brown

Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of hosts.  
Hea-ven and earth are filled with your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est. Bless-ed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord,  
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The people stand or kneel, as able.*

*Celebrant* Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called 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 holy 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, Jesus broke it, gave it 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, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. 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:

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

*Celebrant* 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.

Blessed are you now and for ever.

*All* **AMEN.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Celebrant* Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain bearer, Life-giver,  
Source of all that is and that shall be,  
Father and Mother of us all,  
Loving God, in whom is heaven:  
The hallowing of your name echoes through the universe!  
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!  
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!  
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth!  
With the bread we need for today, feed us.  
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.  
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.  
From trial too great to endure, spare us.  
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.  
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

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

*The people are seated for the Agnus Dei*

## THE AGNUS DEI LEVAS #270

*Marjorie Landsmark-DeLewis*

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

## THE COMMUNION ANTHEM

*Beautiful city (Godspell)*

Stephen Schwartz

Zachary Schwartz, tenor; Quinn Brann, piano

Out of the ruins and rubble, Out of the smoke, Out of our night of struggle, Can we see a ray of hope? One pale, thin ray Reaching for the day, We can build a beautiful city, Yes, we can, yes, we can, We can build a beautiful city, Not a city of angels, But we can build a city of man, We may not reach the ending, But we can start Slowly but truly mending Brick by brick, heart by heart Now, maybe now We start learning how We can build a beautiful city Yes, we can, yes, we can We can build a beautiful city Not a city of angels But we can build a city of man When your trust is all but shattered When your faith is all but killed You can give up bitter and battered Or you can slowly start to build A beautiful city Yes, we can, yes, we can We can build a beautiful city Not a city of angels But finally a city of man A city of man

Note: After the September 11th attack on the World Trade Center, someone asked Stephen Schwartz (composer) about using some of his songs (e.g. "Beautiful City") in memorial services or related uses. He posted his answer on his website at that time: "Of course you have my permission, as does anyone else who would like to use one of my songs in any way to comfort or benefit victims of the attacks. Let me use this posting to say the same to those who have contacted me about using 'Beautiful City' as well. I am honored that any of my work could possibly be of some use. Most sincerely, Stephen Schwartz" We offer this song today as a prayer of hope for our future.

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

## THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*People* Gracious God, you have given us much this day: the wheat and grapes which found our feast, the wit and will to transform them into bread and wine, and the precious presence of your Son who transfigures and redeems all that we have broken and lost. Send us out now to care for this fragile earth, our island home. Grant us the wit and will to transform the toxic, irreverent ways we live, and the saving presence of your Son Jesus Christ who goes before us and call us into this world you love. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

## THE PRAYER OF BLESSING

*Celebrant* Glory be to you Great Creating Spirit, who shines in distant stars beyond numbering.

*People* **And on earth peace.**

Glory be to you Great Creating Spirit, who sings and wings in birds on high.

**And on earth peace.**

Glory be to you Great Creating Spirit, whose thunder shakes the shining firmament.

**And on earth peace.**

Glory Glory Glory

**And on earth peace.**

## THE CLOSING HYMN *Hymnal 1982 #646* The King of love my shepherd is

Verses 1, 2, 5 & 6

*Dominus regit me*

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'The King of Love My Shepherd Is'. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are printed below the vocal lines. The first system contains verses 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5. The second system contains verses 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5. The third system contains verses 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5. The lyrics are as follows:

1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose  
2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my  
\* 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but  
\* 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with  
5 Thou spread'st a ta - ble in my sight; thy  
1 good - ness fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if  
2 ran - somed soul he lead - eth, and where the ver - dant  
3 yet in love he sought me, and on his shoul - der  
4 thee, dear Lord, be - side me; thy rod and staff my  
5 unc - tion grace be - stow - eth; and oh, what trans - port  
1 I am his, and he is mine for ev - er.  
2 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.  
3 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.  
4 com - fort still, thy cross be - fore to guide me.  
5 of de - light from thy pure chal - ice flow - eth!

6 And so through all the length of days  
thy goodness faileth never:  
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
within thy house for ever.

## THE DISMISSAL

*Deacon* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## THE POSTLUDE

### Leading Our Worship This Morning

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

*Deacon:* The Rev. Terri J. Morrissey

*Choir Director:* Mark Crayton

*Greeter:* Curt Nilsson

*Lectors:* Elizabeth Parks, Don Churchill

*Prayer Leader:* Nancy Churchill

*Chalice Bearer:* Don Churchill

*Acolytes:* Roxanne Myers, Willow Myers,  
Harper Olsen

*Bread Baker:* Larkin Myers

*Altar Guild:* Volunteer

*Green Team:* Volunteer

*Livestream:* Volunteer

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

Mark Crayton, Music Director and Conductor

Quinn Brann, Organist/Pianist/Percussion

#### Soprano

Monique Austin

Charlotte Bishop

Ginger Carr

Alice Dolan

Chloe Beal\*

Kaylie O'Dell\*

Michaela Bateman\*\*\*

#### Alto

Bernadette Brockman\*

Nancy Churchill

Allyn Rawling

Angela Torres-Kutkuhn\*†

#### Tenor

Francis Lynch

Karlos Piñero-Mercado\*

Zachary Schwartz\*

Anthony Rohr\*\*\*

Brian Pember\*\*\*

#### Bass

Terry Bucher\*

Steve Carr

Jack Ellis\*

\*Section Leader

\*\*\*Substitute Singer

\*\*Staff Singer

†Choral Assistant

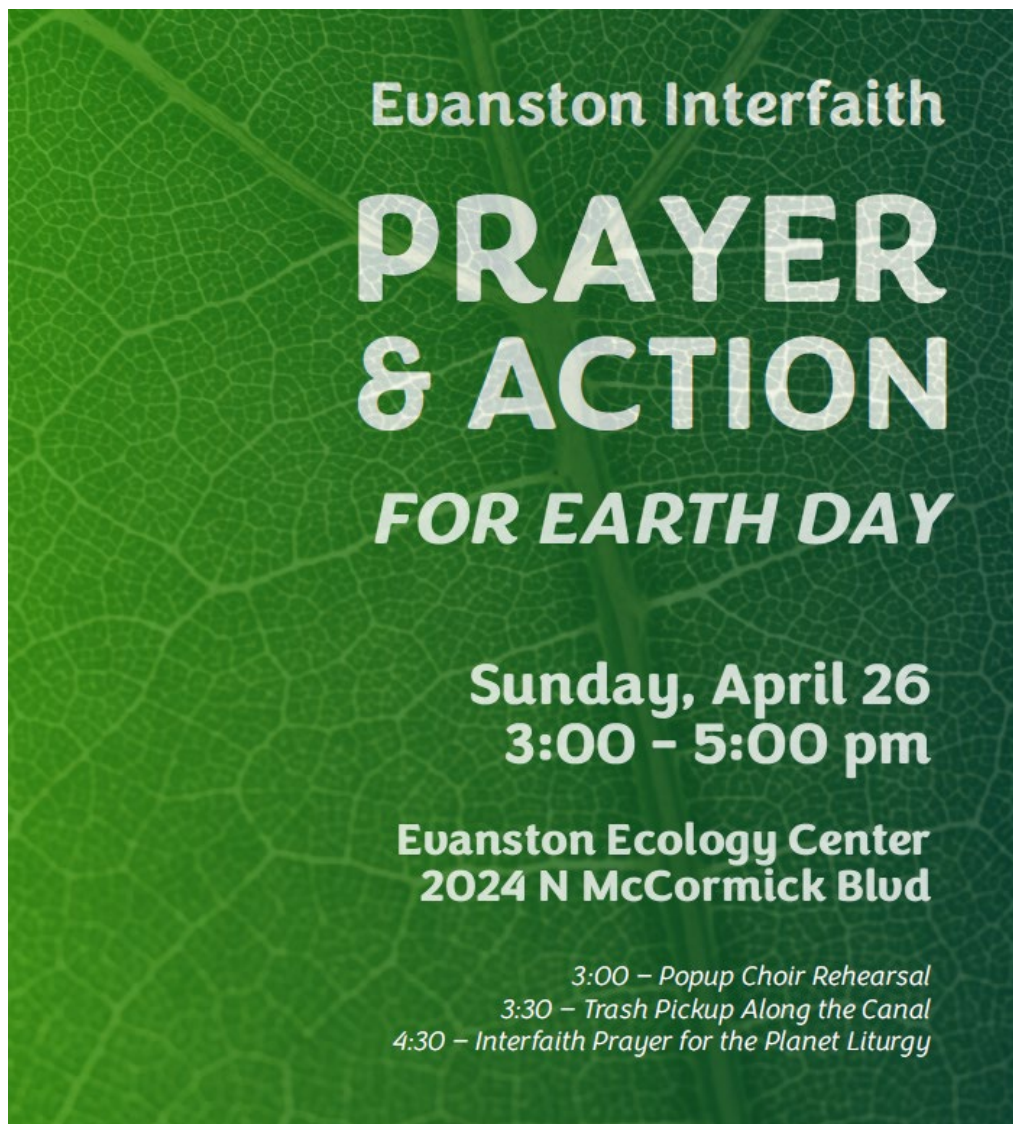
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on Substack



Sermon text can be found on Substack @theritualway or Whyne Hougland, Jr.

Sunday Forum Led by Rev. Whyne  
9:15am in St. Matt's Parlor

Join Rev. Whyne for a multi-week instructed Eucharist in the Chapel.



## A Call to Join the 150th Anniversary Committee

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

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

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



# FRIDAY NIGHT COFFEEHOUSE






*Perform. Listen. Be Heard.*

MAY 8

ST. MATTHEW'S

7:00 - 9:30PM

  
 Special Guest:  
Trace Hamilton and  
Sam Frederickson  
of 'Sonic Motel'

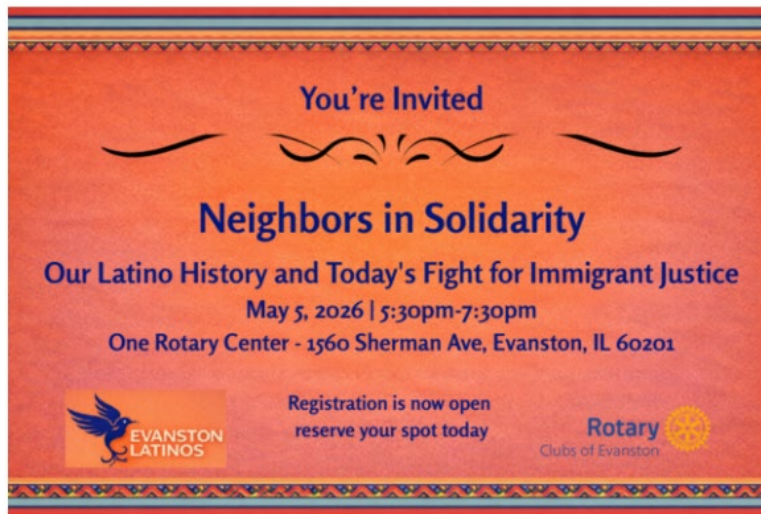
 Open Mic,  
Live Music,  
Snacks, BYOB

ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
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2120 LINCOLN ST

## St. Matthew's Movie Group Sunday, May 17, at 3P.M. in St. Matt's Parlor

The movie we will be discussing is "Nuremberg". It is available for rent or on Netflix. It should be an interesting discussion. All are welcome. Please let the hosts know you are coming. Bob/Diane Teska 847-363-2934, Dudley/Connie Conley 847-869-9662.





**NEIGHBORS IN SOLIDARITY**  
**Our Latino History and Today's Fight for Immigrant Justice**  
**May 5, 2026 Program 5:30 - 7:30 PM**  
**One Rotary Center, 1560 Sherman Ave., Evanston, IL 60201**

Join us for an important conversation about Latino history and immigrant justice. Speakers will explore the history of discrimination against Latino communities, current immigrant rights efforts in Evanston, and how you can stand in solidarity for justice.

This event is hosted by the Evanston Lighthouse Rotary and the Rotary Club of Evanston. We are grateful for the leadership and partnership of Evanston Latinos, a nonprofit actively supporting, organizing, and advocating for immigrant and Latino residents in Evanston during this critical time; and the Evanston History Center, which helps elevate these stories, preserve community history, and deepen understanding across our community.

## Anti-Racism Team / Loving Our Neighbor

**People of color disproportionately killed by immigration agents:** Of the 32 detainees who died in ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement) custody in 2025, the vast majority were Hispanic, Black, or Asian, and only two White. Outside of detention facilities, at least 28 people have been killed by agents of ICE or CBP (Customs and Border Protection) as of the end of February 2026, the only two white deaths being Renee Good and Alex Pretti in Minneapolis. So while people of color currently represent about 80% of immigrants, they make up 93% of those killed by immigration agents.



Please join our **Green Team** and St. Mark's Creation Care Team for a walk in nature at Linne Woods in Morton Grove on **Sat. May 9, 1:30-3:00 p.m.** Anna Braum, the regional ecologist for the Forest Preserves, will guide us. Please be aware that we will be walking on uneven ground. Also, dress for the weather and wear appropriate footwear. We will cancel if heavy rains or thunderstorms are forecast. Limit is 15 people and only a few spots are left! Please address any questions or RSVP to Pete Meyer - [pjmeyeri@gmail.com](mailto:pjmeyeri@gmail.com).



# THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

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

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

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

**In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** *Congregations in the Evanston Deanery:* Canterbury House at Northwestern University; St. Andrew Pentecost in Evanston; St. Luke in Evanston; St. Mark in Evanston; St. Matthew in Evanston; *Companion Dioceses of SE Mexico and Renk:* San Francisco de Asís in Tuxtepec; Panomsit Sub-Parish

**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 April:** Maribeth Allen, Monique Austin, Connie Conley, Matthew Davies, Ramona Frederickson, Jim Kelly, Bobby McSweeney, Kati Olsen, Tim Patenode, Calvin Pennisi, Walker Pennisi, Quincy Senechal, Robert Woodring.

**We pray for all those who celebrate anniversaries in April:** Kristin Jacobsen & Allan Shampine.

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

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

**We pray for those who suffer in mind, body, or spirit or who have asked for our prayers:** Ethan Muffett, Glen Teager, Steve Goranson, Jason, Maggie, Carol Imperial, Jim, Timmy Arondale, David Julian, Juliette, Janice Dark, Jeremy Herschaft, Tobin Hudgins, Larry Anderson, Beth Swigart, Brad Swigart, Ann Wilson Wesley, Bob Baker, Becky Wilson, Ramona Frederickson, Harriet Brandt, Paige D, Kate Martin, Benjamin Ticobay, Bob Teska, Jessica Mueller, Maeve Shampine, Donna Wagner, Carol Wagner, Will Widmer and for Maua and her 5 daughters.

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

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

**We pray for all who have died.**

## ABOUT THIS MORNING'S SERVICE

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

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

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

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

Tim Patenode, *Senior Warden*

Karen Hertel, *Junior Warden*

Kelsey Davies, Dudley Conley, Larkin Myers (2027)

Roberta Buchanan, David Parks (2028)

Charlotte Bishop, Don Churchill (2029)

*Clerk of the Vestry*, Larkin Myers (2027)

Christopher Motogawa, *Treasurer* (2026)

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

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

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

Ann Searles, Steve Carr

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

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

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

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