

ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



Celebrating Our 150th Anniversary of THE FEAST OF ST. MATTHEW

*Welcoming The Rt. Rev. Paula E. Clark,
XIII Bishop of the Diocese of Chicago*

SEPTEMBER 20, 2026
10:30AM IN THE CHURCH



2120 Lincoln Street | Evanston, IL 60201 | 847-869-4850

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
Youth Group, 6pm at Church of the Holy Comforter
- Tuesdays* **Bible Study** led by Whayne
- Sep 20* **Today!! St. Matthew's Turns 150!**, 10:30am Service in the Church.
Celebration to follow.
- Oct 4* **Pet Blessing and Open House**, 2:30pm at St. Matt's

Welcome to St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

Welcome! If you would like to become a registered parishioner or are just updating your information, please complete as much information as possible. Completed forms may be returned to the Parish Office, placed in the offering plate or mailed to the office. You may also fill out this form online by scanning the QR Code below.

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ONLINE FORM

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WELCOME TO ST. MATTHEW'S

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

THE PRELUDE

Prelude on Nun Danket alle Gott
Quinn Brann, organ, and Noah Harstad, trombone

Phil Lehenbauer

THE WORD OF GOD

All stand as able.

THE OPENING HYMN

With Joy, O Lord

Donald Draganski

Handwritten musical score for the hymn "With Joy, O Lord". The score is written on ten staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature (C). The music is written in a simple, accessible style. The lyrics are written below the notes. The score includes a refrain, a second verse, and a concluding refrain. The final staff ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

REFRAIN: With joy, O Lord, we hail this day, which Thou hast called Thine own, With joy we come, with
joy, we come to wor-ship at Thy throne. 1. O grant us peace in heart and home and
ev-ry soul u-nite, To thank Thee for this bless-ed day And keep it in Thy
name, To thank Thee for this bless-ed day And keep it in Thy name. REFRAIN
2. For all the saints who from their La-bors rest, — Who Thee by faith be-
fore the world con-fess'd; — Thy name, O Lord, be ev-er more bless'd. — Thy
name, — O Je-sus, be for-ev-er — bless'd. —
With joy, O Lord, we hail this day, which Thou hast called Thine own, — With joy, O Lord, we
hail this day, — Thy name, O Lord, be
ev-er more bless'd, Thy name, O Je-sus, be ev-
-er — bless'd. —
A — men, A — men!

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.

People And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

All say together:

THE SONG OF PRAISE

Mass for St. Columba

Francis Lynch

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The score is divided into two parts: (Organ) and (All Voices). The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words in blue. The score includes various musical notations such as eighth notes, quarter notes, half notes, and rests. There are also triplets indicated by a '3' over a bracket. The score ends with a double bar line.

(Organ) (All Voices)

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord

God, hea-ven-ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we

give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly son of the

Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the

world: have mer - cy on us; you are sea-ted at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho-ly One, you a - lone are the

Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray

We thank you, heavenly Father, for the witness of your apostle and evangelist Matthew to the Gospel of your Son our Savior; and we pray that, after his example, we may with ready wills and hearts obey the calling of our Lord to follow him; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The people sit.

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF PROVERBS (3:1-6).

My child, do not forget my teaching,
but let your heart keep my commandments;
for length of days and years of life
and abundant welfare they will give you.

Do not let loyalty and faithfulness forsake you;
bind them round your neck,
write them on the tablet of your heart.
So you will find favour and good repute
in the sight of God and of people.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart,
and do not rely on your own insight.
In all your ways acknowledge him,
and he will make straight your paths.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**



³⁴ Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; *

I shall keep it with all my heart.

³⁵ Make me go in the path of your commandments, *

for that is my desire. Refrain.

³⁶ Incline my heart to your decrees *

and not to unjust gain.

³⁷ Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; *

give me life in your ways. Refrain.

³⁸ Fulfill your promise to your servant, *

which you make to those who fear you.

³⁹ Turn away the reproach which I dread, *

because your judgments are good.

⁴⁰ Behold, I long for your commandments; *

in your righteousness preserve my life. Refrain.

The people sit.

A READING FROM THE SECOND LETTER TO TIMOTHY (3:14-17).

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

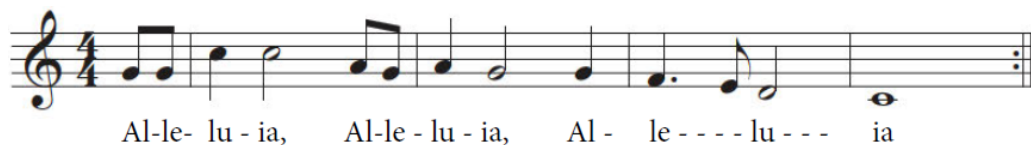
Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People

Thanks be to God.

Verse sung by Aliyah Necaïse

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



Verse: Open my eyes, O Lord, that I may see the wonders of your law.

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MATTHEW (9:9-13)

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

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

The Gospel of our Savior.

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

THE SERMON

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

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,

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

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

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

For us and for our salvation
 he came down from heaven,
 was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
 and became truly human.
 For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
 he suffered death and was buried.
 On the third day he rose again
 in accordance with the Scriptures;
 he ascended into heaven
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
 and his kingdom will have no end.
 We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father,
 who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
 who has spoken through the prophets.
 We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
 We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
 We look for the resurrection of the dead,
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(Form III, adapted)

Leader Gracious God, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

People **That we all may be one.**

Leader Grant that our wardens and vestry, other St. Matthew's leaders, and every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Leader We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons, especially for Sean, our Presiding Bishop; for Paula, our Bishop; for Whayne, our priest-in-charge, and for Terri, our deacon;

People **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Leader We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world, especially for Donald, our President; J.B., our governor; Daniel, our mayor; for the leaders of our neighboring communities, and for all those in uniform, risking their lives daily on our behalf;

People **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Leader We pray for equal opportunity and equal treatment under the law for all people; and for the will to enact common sense gun control laws. Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake, that we may be agents of God's kingdom, offering radical welcome and committed to dismantling systems of injustice;

People **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Leader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, we pray especially for Cathy, Connie, Alison, Jan, Jeremy, Tobin, Becky, Bob, Steve, Bill, Jack, Ethan, Carol, Timmy, David, Larry, Harriet, Kate, Bob, Jessica, Maeve, Donna, Carol and for Maua and her 5 daughters;

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

Leader Give to the departed eternal rest;

People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Leader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Leader Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Members of the congregation are encouraged to offer their intercessions, either silently or aloud.

Presider Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

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

All **God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves,
and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.**

**Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People greet each other in the name of Christ. The people sit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The red frontal on the altar was created in the early 2000s by Elise Lerman and Terri Morrissey.

† THE HOLY COMMUNION †

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Joyful Joyful (Sister Act)

Beethoven, arr. Warren

Angela Torres-Kutkuhn, Michaela Bateman, Bernadette Brockman, Karlos Piñero-Mercado, Samuel Orsi-Weiser, *soloists*
Quinn Brann, *piano*, Margaret Thompson, Riley Baisch, *trumpets*, Noah Harstad, *trombone*, Scott Bass, *electric bass*,
Andrew Baldwin, *percussion*

Joyful, joyful, Lord, we adore Thee God of glory, Lord of love Hearts unfold like flowers
before Thee Hail Thee as the sun above Melt the clouds of sin and sadness Drive the dark of
doubt away Giver of immortal gladness Fill us with the light, fill us with the light of day.
Come and join the chorus The mighty, mighty chorus Which the morning stars began The
Father of love is reigning over us He watches over everything So we sing... Joyful, joyful
(repeat)

THE OFFERTORY HYMN

Teach me your word, my Lord

Bernadette Brockman

REFRAIN

The musical score for the Refrain is written for a choir in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music. The first system is the Refrain: 'Teach me, O Lord. Teach me, O Lord. Teach me Your Word, my Lord.' The second system contains three numbered verses: 1. 'Show me the path to salvation, Lord, I will follow You.' 2. 'Guide my heart way from temptation, Lord, my heart trusts in You.' 3. 'Lead me with all your commandments, Lord, I will follow You.' The third system continues the verses: 'Show me the way to redemption, Lord, I will follow You.' 'Guide my soul through its transgressions, Lord, my heart trusts in You.' 'I trust Your Word and Your judgments, Lord, I will follow You.'

Teach me, O Lord. Teach me, O Lord. Teach me Your Word, my Lord.

1. Show me the path to sal - va - tion, Lord, I will fol - low You.
2. Guide my heart way from temp - ta - tion, Lord, my heart trusts in You.
3. Lead me with all your com - mand - ments, Lord, I will fol - low You.

Show me the way to re - demp - tion, Lord, I will fol - low You.
Guide my soul through its trans - gres - sions, Lord, my heart trusts in You.
I trust Your Word and Your judge - ments, Lord, I will fol - low You.

The people remain standing.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP PRAYER 3

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to God.**

Celebrant Let us give our thanks to Almighty God.

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

Celebrant All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; you brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; and so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we sing (say),

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. God of pow - er and might,

hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the highest.

(Upper notes descant)

Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. 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 call a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you have Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, 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."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

And so remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

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

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice, and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with Matthew and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

All **Blessed are you now and for ever.
AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

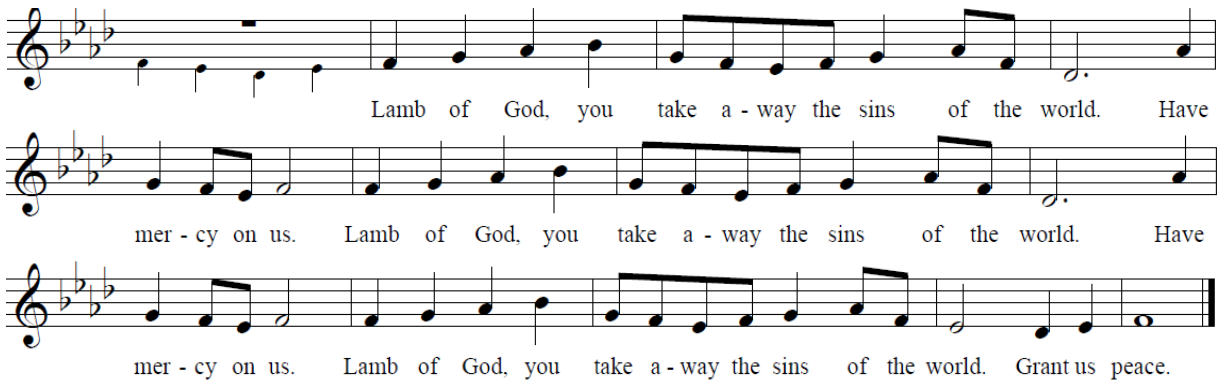
Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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



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

THE COMMUNION ANTHEM

Ave Maria

James Janssen

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us, sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

For 20 years, James Janssen was the organist and associate choir director at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church. He is now the organist at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church in Deerfield, IL. He states, "Music has always been a profound part of my life, and I am passionate about using it to enhance our worship and bring us closer together as a community." This piece was written in honor of his mother, Ann Janssen.

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

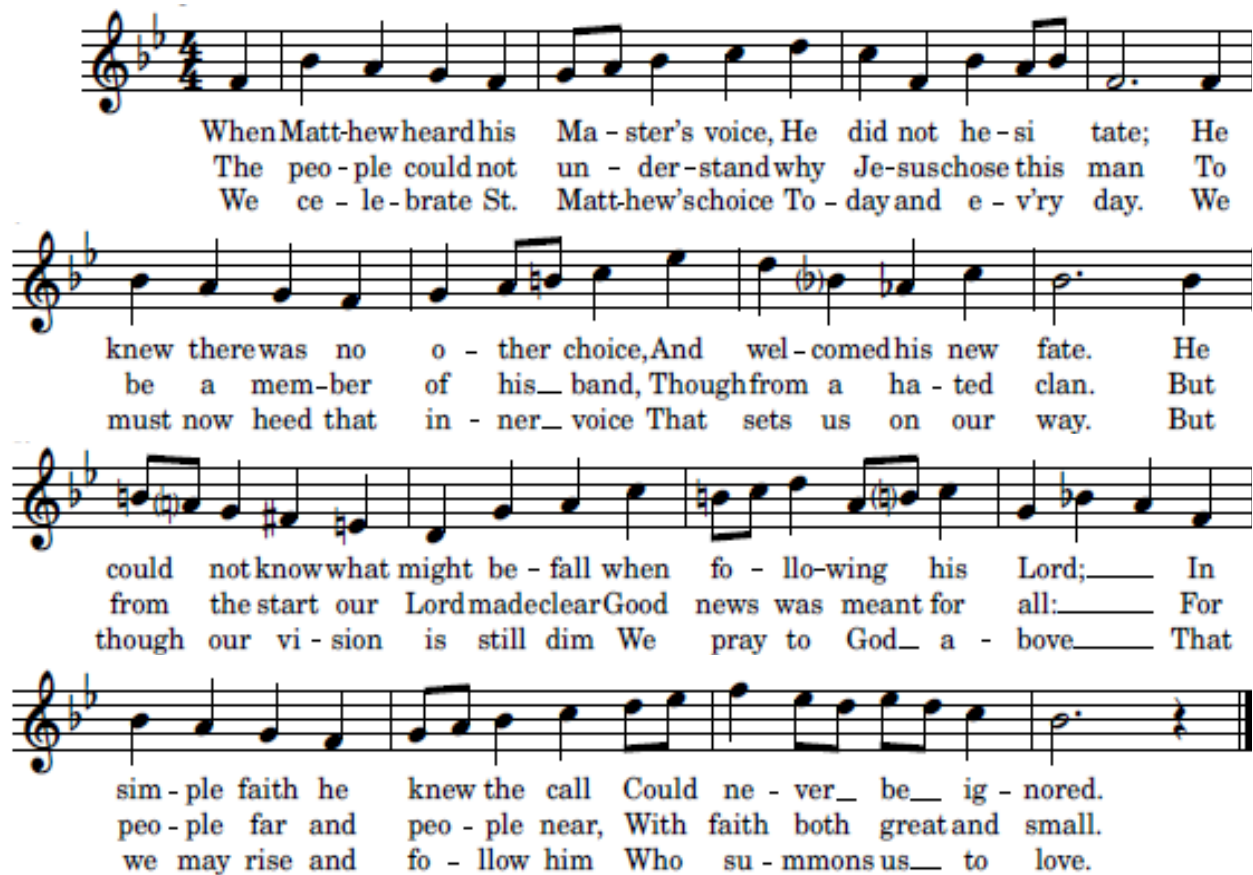
THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

People **Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us
as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

THE CLOSING HYMN When Matthew heard his master's voice Francis Lynch / Quinn Brann



When Matt-hew heard his Ma - ster's voice, He did not he - si - tate; He
The peo - ple could not un - der - stand why Je - sus chose this man To
We ce - le - brate St. Matt-hew's choice To - day and e - v'ry day. We
knew there was no o - ther choice, And wel - comed his new fate. He
be a mem - ber of his band, Though from a ha - ted clan. But
must now heed that in - ner voice That sets us on our way. But
could not know what might be - fall when fo - llo - wing his Lord; In
from the start our Lord made clear Good news was meant for all: For
though our vi - sion is still dim We pray to God a - bove That
sim - ple faith he knew the call Could ne - ver be ig - nored.
peo - ple far and peo - ple near, With faith both great and small.
we may rise and fo - llow him Who su - mmons us to love.

THE DISMISSAL

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

People Thanks be to God.

THE POSTLUDE

Praise the Lord!

Sigfried Karg-Elert

Quinn Brann, *organ*, Margaret Thompson and Riley Baisch, *trumpet*

With the exception of the offertory anthem (and the prelude and postlude), all of the music for today's service was written by composers from St. Matthew's.

The opening hymn is one of the pieces written for our centennial celebration. As I find more music from our own composers, I hope to continue the celebration by including these pieces in future services.

We are truly blessed to have such a wonderful musical heritage here at St. Matthew's!

Leading Our Worship This Morning

Celebrant: The Rt. Rev. Paula E. Clark
Priest-in-Charge: The Rt. Wayne Hougland, Jr.
Deacon: The Rev. Terri J. Morrissey
Music Director: Mark Crayton
Organist: Quinn Brann
Greeter: Don Churchill
Lectors: Tim Patenode, Gary LaBranche
Prayer Leader: Ann Searles

Chalice Bearers: Mary Clark, Don Churchill
Acolytes: Bob Purse, Molly Purse, Harper Olsen, Quincy Senechal
Bread Baker: The Rev. Terri J. Morrissey
Altar Guild: Mary Clark
Green Team: Deborah Williams
Livestream: Volunteer

The Choir of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

Mark Crayton, Music Director and Conductor
Quinn Brann, Organist/Pianist

Soprano

Monique Austin
Charlotte Bishop
Ginger Carr
Alice Dolan
Michaela Bateman*
Aliyah Necaie*

Alto

Bernadette Brockman*
Nancy Churchill
Angela Torres-Kutkuhn*†

Tenor

Francis Lynch
Karlos Piñero-Mercado*
Zachary Schwartz*

Bass

Terry Bucher*
Steve Carr
Samuel Orsi-Weiser*

*Section Leader

**Staff Singer

†Choral Assistant

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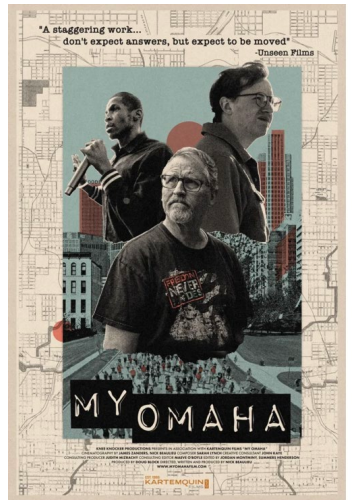
Open House & Pet Blessing Sunday, October 4, 2:30pm St. Matthew's Church

Join us for St. Matthew's Open House and Pet Blessing on Sunday, October 4 Starting at 2:30pm. Pet Blessing begins at 3pm. Enjoy Fall treats and visit our newly renovated Parish home. All are welcome - including our furry friends! **Please have all four-legged pets on leashes and any other pets in an appropriate enclosure.** Neighbors and friends are invited to bring their pets, too!



Anti-Racism Team / Loving Our Neighbor

Invitation to *My Omaha* film: Kenilworth Union Church has invited area antiracism teams, and anyone else who's interested, to attend its Sept. 30, 6:30 p.m. showing of *My Omaha*, which "follows Nick Beaulieu's personal journey to document the activism of his hometown and reconcile with his terminally ill father." Find more information at <https://kuc.org/event/private-viewing-of-my-omaha/>. They would like us to register as a group, so let Kristin Jacobsen (kejcat@gmail.com) know ASAP if you will be attending. There will also be follow-up events on Oct. 4 and 5.



Help revitalize the Antiracism Team: Most groups go through a lifecycle and either die or renew. The Antiracism Team would very much like to renew and revitalize. To start off, we'll gather at Curt's Café to talk about how we want to approach with enthusiasm the fulfilling of our baptismal vows to resist evil, love our neighbor as ourselves, strive for justice, and respect the dignity of every human being. Our focus thus far has been on topics related to African Americans and Native Americans. Contact Kristin Jacobsen (kejcat@gmail.com) if you'd like to be part of the discussion, and we'll include your date preferences as we schedule our meeting in the next week or two.



**CHURCH OF THE HOLY COMFORTER
YOUTH GROUP FALL 2026**



BELONGING



**GRADES 6-12 | SUN NIGHTS 6-8PM
DINNER, GAMES, BIBLE STUDY, DISCUSSION**



Hearts & Hands fridge & pantry needs YOU

The new Hearts & Hands fridge has found an immense need. Food leaves almost as soon as we put it in the pantry and fridge outside St. Andrew's Pentecost Episcopal Church (1928-1930 Darrow in Evanston). It's no wonder, with a recent report estimating that more than a third of Chicago residents are uncertain about their ability to buy food (<https://tinyurl.com/2cb4mhze>). The team, a collaboration between Evanston-area Episcopal churches, could use your support and involvement. For questions, contact Roberta Buchanan (robertabuchanan@comcast.net).

If you'd like to help:

1. **Give money:** Go to our website (stmatthewsevanston.org) and click on the "GIVE" button. Select United in Welcome from the drop-down menu.
2. **Give food:** Bring food to church on Sunday and put it in the green plastic tub. Or, take it yourself to Hearts & Hands (1928-1930 Darrow).
3. **Volunteer for the team:** We need help buying food, filling the fridge and pantry, checking the site frequently.

What to buy for Hearts & Hands fridge and pantry:

- **Easy-open cans with pull tabs: proteins** (canned tuna, chicken, beans, chili, tofu), fruit (applesauce, large cans, individual cups packed in juice), beans (garbanzo, kidney, black), veggies (but NOT corn or green beans), soup (but NOT tomato or chicken noodle)
- **Grains & Bases:** oatmeal, boxed cereal, rice, pasta and sauce, bread, instant mac and cheese, boxed or bagged side dishes, ramen, tortillas
- **Baking & Cooking:** cooking oil, butter, flour, sugar, salt, pepper, seasonings, tomato paste, bouillon, condiments (mustard, mayo, etc.)
- **Snacks & comfort items:** peanut butter, jelly, crackers, granola bars, cheese sticks
- **Drinks:** tea, instant coffee, half and half
- **Personal care products:** feminine hygiene, dental, haircare, lotion, baby wipes, etc.
- **Paper products:** toilet paper, tissues, paper towels, etc.
- **Festive:** items for holidays, birthdays, seasons

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

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

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

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of Australia

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: *Diocesan Agencies:* Bishop & Trustees; Diocesan Council, Diocesan Foundation, Trustees of the Endowment Fund; Episcopal Charities; and Standing Committee

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 September: Albert Allred, Roberta Buchanan, Stephen Carr, Donald Churchill, Hannah Davies, Donald Draganski, Samantha Kujovich, Jason McDermott, Larkin Myers, Karin Ruetzel

We pray for all those who celebrate anniversaries in September: Mary Jo Deysach & Francis Lynch, Kathy & Jack Riley

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: Cathy Conley Schiltz, Connie Conley, Alison Widmer, Jan Dark, Jeremy Herschaft, Tobin Hudgins, Becky Wilson, Bob Baker, Steve Steiber, Bill Weber, Jack Cummings, Ethan Muffett, Carol Imperial, Timmy Arondale, David Julian, Larry Anderson, Harriet Brandt, Kate Martin, Bob Teska, Jessica Mueller, Maeve Shampine, Donna Wagner, Carol Wagner 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 150th 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
187th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Chicago**

Ann Searles, Steve Carr

Clergy and St. Matthew's Staff

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

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

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