ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT MARCH 26, 2023 10:30am Holy Eucharist



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.

COVID GUIDELINES

As of fall 2022, our Covid protocols have eased. Please be attentive to the following:

- Vaccines are recommended when gathering with others.
- Masks are optional in the building. Please respect the choices others make in this regard.
- In the Church
 - o Air purifiers continuously clean the air.
 - Before services begin, the windows are opened and the exhaust fan runs, creating substantial air flow.
- Medical grade N95 masks are available upon request from our ushers.
- Before beginning the Eucharistic Prayer, the clergy put on facemasks and sanitize their hands.
- Currently, we are withholding the common cup, and distributing only wafers (regular and gluten-free).
 We ask that communicants take the wafers themselves off of the paten, which the clergy extend toward them.
- Please follow any further communion guidelines as given.
- If being in person under these guidelines is difficult or uncomfortable for you, please join us from home at 10:30am using the livestream link at www.stmatthewsevanston.org.

Thank you for recognizing our need to continue to protect each other.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE AND ST. MATTHEW'S EVENTS

Apr 2	Palm Sunday:	Palm Sunday Eucharist, 8am, Chapel - Bring Bells! Palm Sunday Eucharist, 10:30am, Church & Livestreamed - Bring Bells & Noisemakers!	
Apr 3	Monday in Holy Week:	Matins (Sung Morning Prayer) 9:30am, Chapel	
		Evening Prayer, 5:30pm, Church	
Apr 4	Tuesday in Holy Week:	Evening Prayer, 6:00pm, Church	
Apr 5	Wednesday in Holy Week:	Matins (Sung Morning Prayer), 9:30am, Chapel	
		A Service of Tenebrae, 6:30pm, Church	
Apr 6	Maundy Thursday:	Maundy Thursday Liturgy, 7:00pm, Church & Livestreamed	
		All Night Holy Vigil (hour-long shifts) in the Chapel follows	
Apr 7	Good Friday:	Matins (Sung Morning Prayer), 9:30am, Chapel	
		Stations of the Cross, Noon, Church	
		Good Friday Worship with The Passion of Christ by Arthur	
		Somervell, sung by the choir and soloists, 7:30pm,	
		Church & Livestreamed	
Apr 8	Holy Saturday:	The Great Vigil of Easter, 7:30pm, Church	
		Bring Bells & Noisemakers!	
Apr 9	Easter Morning:	Eucharist with Sermon, 8am, Chapel	
		Easter Eucharist with Choir and Brass, 10:30am,	
		Church & Livestreamed	
		Welcome Time (formerly known as "Coffee Hour")	
		Immediately following the 10:30am Service	

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.

THE PRELUDE

Fugue Grave (from First Book of Organ Pieces, 1676)

Iames Janssen, organ

Nicolas Lebègue

All stand as able as the Choir sings

THE OPENING CANTICLE

The Song of Zechariah

James Janssen

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *

he has come to his people and set them free.

He has raised up for us a mighty savior, *

born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old,

that he would save us from our enemies, *

from the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers *

and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, *

to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

Free to worship him without fear, *

holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, *

for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

To give his people knowledge of salvation *

by the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God *

the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, * and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

All remain standing as the acolytes and clergy enter in silent procession

All stand or kneel as able.

THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

Presider Blessed be the God who forgives all our sins.

People God's mercy endures forever.

Presider Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these."

Mark 12:29-31

Presider Let us confess our sins to God.

The people kneel as able, and a period of silent reflection is observed.

People 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.

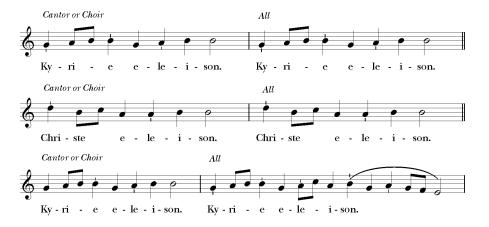
We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ that we may abide in your love

and serve only your will. Amen.

Presider 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.

People Amen.

THE KYRIE ELEISON



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray, saying together

People God of compassion,

you call us out of the bindings of death on this, our resurrection day: make us ready to surrender the fear in which we hide to step into your future alive and unashamed; through Jesus Christ, the life of the world. Amen.

The people sit.

A READING FROM THE PROPHET EZEKIEL (37:1-14).

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

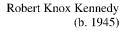
Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act," says the LORD.

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

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 130 De profundis

All chant the psalm with the choir.





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- ¹ Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD; LORD, hear my **voice**; * let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.
- ² If you, LORD, were to note what is done amiss, * O Lord, who could stand?
- ³ For there is forgiveness with **you**; * therefore you shall be **feared**.
- ⁴ I wait for the LORD; my soul waits for him; * in his word is my hope.
- ⁵ My soul waits for the LORD, more than watchmen for the **morning**, * more than watchmen for the **morning**.
- ⁶ O Israel, wait for the **LORD**, * for with the LORD there is **mercy**;
- ⁷ With him there is plenteous redemption, * and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

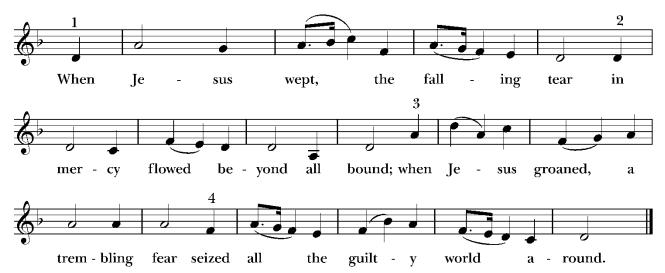
A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE ROMANS (8:6-11).

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

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

People Thanks be to God.



Words: The New England Psalm Singer, 1770. Music: When Jesus Wept, William Billings (1746-1800).

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN (11:1-45). People Glory to you, O Christ.

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right."

Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home.

Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day."

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there.

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying!"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone.

And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

The Gospel of our Savior.

People Praise to you, O Christ.

THE SERMON

After a time of silent reflection, the people stand as able.

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 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 the Lord.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Dry Bones

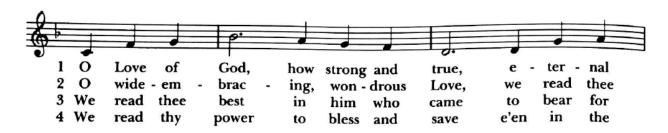
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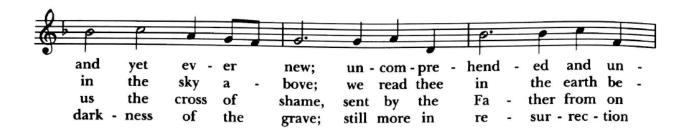
The bones, them dry bones, now hear the word of the Lord...etc.

THE OFFERTORY HYMN 455

O Love of God, how strong and tune

Dunedin







Words: Horatius Bonar (1808-1889)

Music: Dunedin, Vernon Griffiths (b. 1894)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER D

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to God.

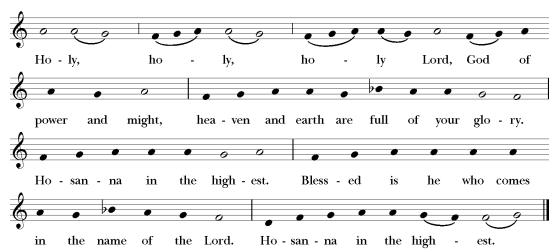
Presider Let us give our thanks to Almighty God.

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

It is truly right to glorify you, Holy One, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,



The people stand or kneel, as able.

Presider

We acclaim you, holy God, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Holy God, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, Jesus lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor Jesus proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose Jesus gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

Presider

And that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for Christ who died and rose for us, you sent the Holy Spirit, your own first gift for those who believe, to complete your work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for Jesus to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, Jesus loved them to the end; at supper with them Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, Jesus broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, Jesus gave it to them, 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."

Almighty God, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and descent among the dead, proclaiming Christ's resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting Christ's coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, our God.

Presider

God our Creator, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, we pray, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Paula, our Bishop; our vestry, clergy, lay leaders, and all who minister in your Church.

Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth.

Remember the people of Ukraine and Russia, and all people who are at war with one another. Remember the people of Turkey and Syria suffering from the impact of the earthquake, and remember all people suffering from a warming climate.

Remember those who suffer in body, mind, soul, or spirit, especially Bob, Ralph, Sam, Phil, Cindy, Ann, Ramona, Bionce, Brigitte, Clemence, Maurine, Sid, Norbert, Betty, Jessica, Maeve, Fame, Mike, Cathy, Nancy, Maggie, Mark, Corky, Jim, Sharon, Donna, Angela, Sharon, Will, Don, Manuel, the Stevens, Pomeroy, Janssen, Crayton/Wagner families, and the Congolese family we've been matched with in partnership with RefugeeOne.

Remember those in any kind of need or trouble and those who rejoice. Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with Matthew and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

All AMEN.

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

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.

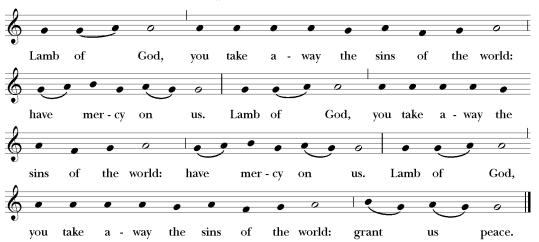
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore, let us keep the feast.



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 break made holy.

THE COMMUNION ANTHEM

Verily, I say unto you

Thomas Tallis

Verily, I say unto you: except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you. Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, bath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him.

After all have received communion or a blessing, all stand.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

All Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior.

Amen.

THE SOLEMN LENTEN PRAYER

Deacon Bow down before Almighty God.

The People kneel as able or bow their heads.

Presider Look with compassion, O Lord, upon this your people;

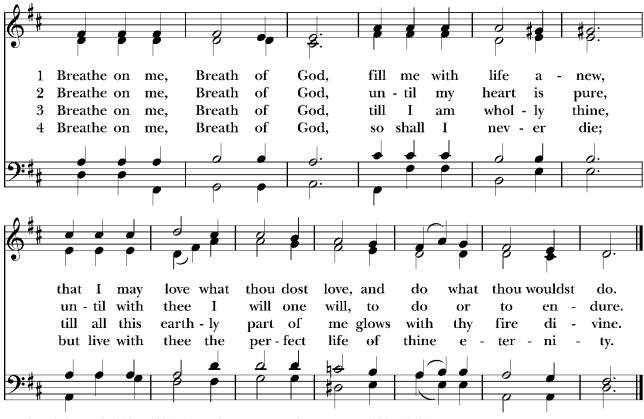
that, rightly observing this holy season, they may learn to know you more fully, and to serve you with a more perfect will;

through Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

BRIEF ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CLOSING HYMN 508



Words: Edwin Hatch (1835-1889), alt. Music: Nova Vita, Lister R. Peace (1885-1969).

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve Jesus Christ our Savior.

People Thanks be to God.

THE POSTLUDE

Plein Jeu (from First Book of Organ Pieces, 1676) James Janssen, organ

Nicolas Lebègue

Leading Our Worship This Morning

Preacher and Presider: The Rev. Charles A. de Kay

Deacon: The Rev. Terri J. Morrissey

Organist: James Janssen Choir Director: Mark Crayton

Ushers: Steve Steiber Acolyte: Lynne Gordon

Lectors: Tim Patenode, Steve Steiber Altar Guild: Mary Clark, Connie Conley,

Jennie Woodring, Joyce Weber Green Team: Christina Padilla Livestream: Mark Jacobsen

The Choir of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

<u>Soprano</u>					
Monique Austin					
Charlotte Bishop					
Ginger Carr					
Megan Cook*					
Alice Dolan					
Haven Honermann**					
Kari Sorenson*					

Alto Scott Bass* Nancy Churchill Amy Shuldiner+ Angela Torres-Kutkuhn*

Francis Lynch Karlos Piñero-Mercado* Jonathan Weyant*

Tenor Bass Terry Bucher* Steve Carr Jack Ellis** Jake Engel

*Section Leader **Staff Singer +Choral Assistant

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

Zachary Mendenhall*



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.

One Church, One Book After-Dinner Lenten Discussion Series:

Radical Welcome: Embracing God, The Other, and the Spirit of Transformation by Stephanie Spellers

Conversations in Lent: Final Meeting This Wednesday 7-8pm Now A Zoom Meeting!

Join Zoom Meeting:

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Our new mission – Welcoming all in community; doing God's work in the world / Welcoming our neighbors from near and far – set the stage and the parameters for our initial set of experiments to meet our rapidly changing context. Stephanie Speller's book *Radical Welcome* makes for a rich conversation partner for us as we embrace our mission with vigor.

For this final meeting on Wednesday, March 29th, we consider the entire book with a special focus on Part IV: Community Reflections on Radical Welcome and "Bread for the Journey: An Online Companion."

Additional copies have just been added to the St. Matthew's Library, next door to the church parlor.



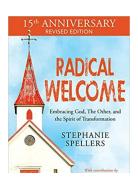
Easter Sunday Volunteers Needed!

It is important to us that Easter Sunday is welcoming to everyone - visitors and congregants alike. We will host a coffee hour after the 10:30am service and we need your help to ensure it runs smoothly.

Volunteers needed:

- 1 or 2 people to pick up donuts and pastries and deliver them to church by 10:15am
- 1 person to pick up coffee at Backlot and bring it church by 10:15am
- 1 person to return the coffee urns to Backlot after the fellowship hour

Please contact <u>Gregory</u> in the parish office if you would like to volunteer to help on Easter Sunday.



Reserved Seating For Those Who Prefer To Be Masked



Beginning this weekend, we will provide a designated seating area for those who prefer to wear masks in church.

While we are coming through the COVID Pandemic, there are still some people who, for a variety of reasons, do not feel comfortable being unmasked indoors. We are creating a designated section so that everyone can feel welcomed coming to St. Matt's to worship.

Please be advised that the last 3 pews of the church will be reserved for those who prefer to wear masks indoors.

ALL ARE WELCOME AT ST. MATT'S!



Green Team Tip for Sustainable
Living: Up your recycling game with
next-level tips.

Check out how to up your recycling game with information from The Evanston RoundTable: https://rb.gy/jdqdos.

AntiRacism Learning

Jesus was all about those on the edge of society: As we approach Holy Week, think about attending these events that focus on people of color who have been marginalized. We can walk in Jesus' footsteps by lifting up people who have not been fully seen.

- 3/27 (Monday), 6 p.m.: "Women Speaking from the Margins: Rosita Stevens-Holsey," (https://rb.gy/hnwjst) speaking about how her aunt, the Rev. Pauli Murray, navigated race and gender marginalization, Absalom Jones Center for Racial Healing
- 3/30 (Thursday), 7:00 pm: *The Green Book* stage reading (https://rb.gy/5vpe9w), at Illinois Holocaust Museum
- 3/30 (Thursday), 7-8:30 pm, online: "Representation Matters: Black Creators Beyond the Barriers in Art and Science," (https://rb.gy/syezfp) featuring radio personality Bioncé Foxx and the founders of Hiplet (hip hop and ballet), sponsored by The Cradle

One Book, One Diocese: Resurrection Hope

The Very Rev. Dr. Kelly Brown Douglas to speak to the diocese on April 25

Bishop Paula Clark, the Peace and Justice Committee, and the Antiracism Commission invite the diocese to participate in its inaugural "One Book, One Diocese" discussion of Resurrection Hope: A Future Where Black Lives Matter by the Very Rev. Dr. Kelly Brown Douglas.

Resurrection Hope is Douglas' reflection and response to her son's questions: "How do we really know that God cares when Black people are still getting killed? How long do we have to wait for the justice of God?"

Congregations and individuals are invited to read and discuss the book, and to participate in diocesan-wide online discussions on Zoom on April 13 and April 25.

April 13 Book Discussion

On Thursday, April 13, from 7 - 9 pm Central on Zoom, join the Peace and Justice Committee for a diocesan-wide discussion of the book on Zoom.

Please register to attend: https://rb.gy/xqaxcy

April 25 Discussion with The Very Rev. Dr. Kelly Brown Douglas

On Tuesday, April 25 from 7 - 9 pm Central on Zoom, the Very Rev. Dr. Kelly Brown Douglas will speak to the Diocese of Chicago about the book.

Please register to attend: https://rb.gy/ph1snd

Scholarship funds are available for individuals and congregations that need financial assistance purchasing the book; please contact **Ellen Lindeen** at peaceellen123@gmail.com.

We can help Ukrainians feel at home

in Chicago by providing rolling pins!

RefugeeOne, the organization with which we have been working to support our family from the Democratic Republic of the Congo, is collecting 300 specific culturally appropriate household items to add to a warm welcome for the Ukrainian families it is settling in the Chicago area.

Among the items needed are rolling pins to make *varenyky* (dumplings). St. Matthew's/St. Andrew's Pentecost Partnership has made a commitment to supply 100 of them. This is an easy way to say "Welcome" to our new neighbors.



We have created an Amazon registry under the name St. Matthews / St. Andrew's Pentecost Partnership with a rolling pin that RefugeeOne suggested (it's currently \$12.99). To order:

Go to https://rb.gy/sdxbhk and add any number of rolling pins to your cart. Check out as usual and BE SURE TO CHOOSE THE PARTNERSHIP AS YOUR SHIPPING ADDRESS.

OR

- · Go to your Amazon account
- · Go to Account and Lists in the top bar just to the right of the Search bar
- · On the drop-down menu, go to Find a List or Registry
- · In Search by Registrant Name, put in "St. Matthew's"
- · In Select a Registry or Gift List Type select Gift List and hit Search
- · Click on St. Matthew's/St. Andrew's Pentecost Partnership
- · Click on the rolling pin and then add one or more rolling pins to your cart
- Check out as usual and BE SURE TO CHOOSE THE PARTNERSHIP AS YOUR SHIPPING ADDRESS.

Thank you so much to everyone who has already ordered rolling pins. With our partnership churches and other friends, we have reached 75 rolling pins in just over a week. We hope to drop off the 100 rolling pins to RefugeeOne at the end of March.

If you have questions or would like to use another source, please contact <u>Cynthia Doucet</u> (<u>cdoucet32@comcast.net</u>, cell 847-476-6229) for a shipping address or to arrange pickup. Thank you!

For more information about RefugeeOne, go to https://www.refugeeone.org/

Join Area Episcopalians at The Ricky Byrdsong Memorial Race Against Hate 2023

Walk or Run With Us - or Sponsor Your Favorite Participant!



Ricky Byrdsong Memorial Race Against Hate 2023

Episcopalians United Against Hate

June 18, 2023 7:30am - 10:00am

The Ricky Byrdsong Memorial Race Against Hate, a fundraiser for the YWCA (whose mission is to Empower Women and Eliminate Racism) is one of the largest, most popular community events all year in Evanston, regularly drawing more than 3000 participants, plus countless volunteers and spectators. More importantly, the walk/race (5k, 10K, and 1-mile-youth run) makes a statement about our values as it raises awareness of the continuing sin of racism in our community and across our nation.

We have invited our fellow Episcopal Churches in Evanston and Wilmette to join us. Together, we created a special team, and I ask that if you decide to participate, you consider joining us by registering as part of the team named "Episcopalians United Against Hate." We have set an audacious team goal of raising \$5000 in support of the YWCA's mission to eliminate racism.

If this interests you, please keep watching for more information about the event. The Anti-Racism Team is bringing a proposal to sponsor the event once again to Monday night's Vestry meeting, which would mean that we would have a tent with chairs for those who'd like to just sit and take it all in, while being a welcoming presence. The team is looking at options to draw attention to our table, such as offering a "selfie station," where participants and their supporters can capture the moment.

We are exploring ways of making our annual St. Matthew's "Mass on the Grass" on Long Field, which takes place pre-race at 6:45am in a head-spinning 15-minute Eucharist, a collaborative effort with support from other area churches.

Kate Lauderbaugh had the great idea to offer a pre-race training program - a "Couch to 5K" - plan that we hope will be a multi-church effort as well. See the next page for details.

Please consider supporting this effort by registering with the team, sponsoring a runner or our team, or volunteering for some part of the event. It's a truly wonderful community event & such great fun!

Couch to 5K Training Plan

Have you wanted to join in on the Race Against Hate (5K Walk or Run), but just felt you weren't prepared?

A 5K is 3.1 miles and usually can be walked in an hour or so, or run in less than an hour (the speedy ones do it in 20 min...)

"Couch to 5K" is a plan that helps people who have *no running experience*, to be able to run or walk 5K in about 8 weeks. (There is also a 4 week program).

- The plan has no distant requirements, just time. Starts with alternating run/brisk walk with regular walking for 20 min, 3 times per week (with 5 minutes of walking to warm up and cool down)
- Join us for meet ups to make it fun and social, or do it by yourself where and when it is convenient
- Radically welcome your family and friends to join us
- Repeat a workout or a week if that's what you want
- Running shoes are the only equipment needed.
- This program is strictly for fun and amateurs. Please check with your doctor if you have any concerns about starting an exercise program. If you want more guidance, Evanston Running Club is also sponsoring a Couch to 5K program starting at the end of March.
- All ages welcome and it is never too late to start moving. Some people do the event with intervals of walking and running, and some walk the whole thing. Or just join us for the walks and skip the race. Your choice!
- Schedule for group walk/runs will be decided based on participation.
- You do not have to be registered for the race to participate.

The Event takes place on Father's Day, Sunday, June 18. Sign up for the race here: https://www.ywcaens.org/ Register as part of "Episcopalians



United Against Hate." and help us raise money to support YWCA's mission to eliminate racism.

Holy Week & Easter Schedule

SUNDAY, APRIL 2 8AM CHAPEL 10:30AM CHURCH PALM SUNDAY EUCHARIST

MONDAY, APRIL 3 5:30PM
MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK EVENING PRAYER

TUESDAY, APRIL 4 6:00PM
TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK EVENING PRAYER

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5 6:30PM TENEBRAE

THURSDAY, APRIL 6 7:00PM
MAUNDY THURSDAY LITURGY
ALL NIGHT HOLY VIGIL (IN THE CHAPEL) FOLLOWS

FRIDAY, APRIL 7 NOON STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAY, APRIL 7 7:30PM GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP

SATURDAY, APRIL 8 7:30PMTHE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

SUNDAY, APRIL 9 8:00AM EASTER EUCHARIST WITH SERMON

SUNDAY, APRIL 9 10:30AM EASTER EUCHARIST WITH CHOIR

Worship with
St. Matt's this
Holy Week and
Easter!

EASTER MUSIC & FLOWERS

Remember someone special this Easter by contributing to the flowers in the sanctuary or supporting our music program.

EASTER MUSIC / FLOWERS DONATION
MUSIC FLOWERS
In memory of:
In thanksgiving for:
Other:
Given by:
Email:
Amount Enclosed:

Deadline for listing in the Easter bulletin is Monday, March 27.

Return this form to St. Matthew's Episcopal Church: 2120 Lincoln Street, Evanston, IL 60201.

Please make checks out to St. Matthew's with "Easter Music/Flowers" in the memo line.

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 <u>info@stmatthewsevanston.org</u>. 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 Anglican Church of South America.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Congregations in the Elgin Deanery: St. Philip in Palatine; One in Christ in Prospect Heights; St. Mary in Park Ridge; St. James in West Dundee; Companion Dioceses of SE Mexico and Renk: San Juan Bautista in Oaxaca; and St. Bartholomew in Thiangrial.

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 March.

We pray for those who celebrate wedding anniversaries in March.

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, Jeremy and Molly Robinson, Joseph Sanford, Daniel Seckinger, Emma Seckinger, Dan Teska, 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: Bob Teska, Ralph Motogawa, Sam, Phil Costa, Cindy Bass, Ann Searles, Ramona Frederickson, Uwase Bionce, Brigitte, Clemence, Maurine Bohne, Sid Simpson, Norbert Dishaw, Betty Stafford, Jessica Mueller, Maeve Shampine, Fame Brooks, Mike Wagner, Cathy Fiala, Nancy Trimble, Maggie, Mark Jacobsen, Corky Siegfriedt, Jim Jacobsen, Sharon Wagner, Donna Wagner, Angela Escobar, Sharon Filipsik, Will Widmer, Don Gabouser, Manuel Aleman-Padilla, for the Stevens, Pomeroy, Janssen, Crayton/Wagner families, 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, and for all who mourn their passing.

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 and other responses come from Enriching Our Worship I. The Collect of the Day and the final Blessing are taken from Prayers for an Inclusive Church by Steven Shakespeare. Scripture readings are taken from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible.



St. Matthew's lay leaders duly elected and appointed at The 147th Annual Meeting of the Parish on January 29, 2023

St. Matthew's Vestry

Damon Doucet, Senior Warden Christopher Motogawa, Junior Warden

Robert McSweeney, William Siegfriedt, Penelope Whiteside (2024) Curtis Nilsson, William Widmer, Deborah Williams (2025) Stephen Carr, Kelsey Davies, Jim Kelly (2026) Christopher Motogawa, *Treasurer* (2024)

Trustees of St. Matthew's Endowment

Damon Doucet (2024) Stephen Carr (2025) Ann Searles (2026)

St. Matthew's Lay Delegation to the 186th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Chicago

Westin, Lombard, IL November 17-18, 2023

<u>Delegates</u>

Alternates

Kristin Jacobsen Stephen Carr Mary Clark Sally Craige Christensen

Clergy and St. Matthew's Staff

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