9:00 am -9:45 am
The Branch Worship
in the Family Life Center

10:00 am -10:45 am Sunday School for all

**11:00 am -12:00 pm** Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

### Welcome!

We're glad you are worshiping with us. A special welcome to our first time guests. We trust you will feel the presence of God among us and hope you will want to worship with us again soon. For any questions about becoming a part of the life and work of St. Matthew, please speak with one of the pastors. We think you'll find St. Matthew a friendly place to make your church home.

#### **Our Mission**

To build life-changing relationships with God, one another, and our community.



October 20, 2024



# St. Matthew Happenings





Sign up to help with our Trunk-or-Treat event!!



We need your help with candy for our annual Trunk or Treat! Please drop off individually wrapped candy at the church office Monday-Thursday or at the service on Sunday.





RSVP for the Adult Fall Social!
Feel free to bring a friend!



Sign up to help cover a pumpkin shift at stmatthewumc.net

Thank you to all who have helped with this fundraiser!



# 9:00 am Order of Worship

October 20, 2024
Announcements

**Greeting Time** 

**Opening Worship Songs** 

### **Prayers**

To ensure your prayer requests are received accurately, please text joys or concerns to (864)643-9968

The Lord's Prayer

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, forever. Amen.

**Stewardship Moment** 

**Edward Johnson** 

**Scripture Reading** 

Mark 10:35-45

Sermon

"How To Be Great"

**Closing Worship Song** 

**Dismissal & Blessing** 

The Branch is a family-friendly service. Children's packets are available at the welcome table. All papers, stickers & pipe cleaners may be taken home. Please return the folders to the table at the end of the service. A nursery for infants-K4 is available starting at 8:45 am on Sunday mornings.

Offering boxes are on the welcome table.

# 11:00 am Order of Worship

\*Congregation stands, as able

Prelude

"My Jesus I Love Thee"

Diane Bish

**Greetings & Announcements** 

Janice Hughey

\*Passing of the Peace

\*Chiming of the Hour

\*Processional Hymn

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

**UMH 89** 

\*Call to Worship

Trust in the Lord and do good.

May the Lord give strength to the people!

O taste and see that the Lord is good!

God is our refuge and strength.

\*Gloria Patri UMH 70

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall ever be,

world without end. Amen. Amen.

### Children's Moment

After the children's moment, children ages K4-2nd grade may go to Children's church. Younger children may be taken to the nursery.

\*Affirmation of Faith

"Apostles' Creed"

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

## Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

Kurt McPherson

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, forever. Amen.

**The Offering** (other options to give: text the word GIVE to 864-659-1812, or online at StMatthewUMC.net) **Offertory** "But Thanks be to God" Georg Frideric Handel

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*Hymn of Preparation "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" UMH 400

Stewardship Moment Edward Johnson

Scripture Reading Mark 10:35-45 Terhune Sudderth

Liturgist: The word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God

Sermon "How To Be Great"

\*Closing Hymn "Take My Life, and Let it Be" UMH 399

\*Benediction

\* Postlude "Now Thank We All To God" Sigfrid Karg-Elert

The Worship is Over— Let the Service Begin!

Organist: Charlie Jones Ushers: Marc Murphy, Bartley Sides, Mark

Swilley, Van Thomas Liturgist: Terhune Sudderth

Greeters: Growing in Faith Class

<sup>\*</sup>The Doxology

# 10:00 am Scripture

## Mark 10:35-45

Jesus Teaches about Serving Others

35 Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came over and spoke to him. "Teacher," they said, "we want you to do us a favor."

36 "What is your request?" he asked.

37 They replied, "When you sit on your glorious throne, we want to sit in places of honor next to you, one on your right and the other on your left."

38 But Jesus said to them, "You don't know what you are asking! Are you able to drink from the bitter cup of suffering I am about to drink? Are you able to be baptized with the baptism of suffering I must be baptized with?"

39 "Oh yes," they replied, "we are able!"

Then Jesus told them, "You will indeed drink from my bitter cup and be baptized with my baptism of suffering. 40 But I have no right to say who will sit on my right or my left. God has prepared those places for the ones he has chosen."

41 When the ten other disciples heard what James and John had asked, they were indignant. 42 So Jesus called them together and said, "You know that the rulers in this world lord it over their people, and officials flaunt their authority over those under them. 43 But among you it will be different. Whoever wants to be a leader among you must be your servant, 44 and whoever wants to be first among you must be the slave of everyone else. 45 For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many."

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As we witnessed the immense devastation caused by Hurricane Helene across our area, we are overwhelmed by the response and caring of faithful United Methodists across the Western North Carolina Conference. Our conference staff is working around the clock to check in with affected community leaders, clergy, and disaster response teams. Donate to support WNCCUMC recovery efforts directly. Donate here: https://bit.ly/WNCCHurricaneReliefDonations. Checks can be made out to "WNC Treasurer" and mailed to PO Box 2757, Huntersville, NC 28070, with the memo Disaster Response.



Mondays from 1-3 pm
Wednesdays from 2-4 pm





Sign up to serve for Acolyte

And Crucifer

### Church Calendar

Find the calendar link at the bottom of the homepage: **stmatthewumc.net** 

## **Weekly Email**

Sign up for weekly updates to stay informed. (Call the church office to receive a paper copy.) stmatthewumc.net

## Giving

Set up one-time or automatic giving for your tithes and offerings: stmatthewumc.net/give

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# St. Matthew Happenings

### **SAVE THE DATES!**

Trunk or Treat- October 27th

Adult Fall Social- October 27th

### **PRAYERS & PRAISES**

- Hilda Collier
- Pat Wood
- Lois Reid
- Bob Davis
- Brooke Anderson
- Marilyn Senum
- Carol Lauvray
- Vicki Gore
- Hamilton Shew
- Kathy Marrelli
- Sue Edmonds
- Prayers for our nation
- · Prayers for unrest in the world