

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 worshipping 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 27, 2024



St. Matthew
United Methodist Church



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

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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

Emily O'Brian

Scripture Reading

Mark 10:46-52

Sermon

"Open My Eyes"

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

“A Mighty Fortress is Our God”

Carolyn Hamlin

Greetings & Announcements

Janice Hughey

***Passing of the Peace**

***Chiming of the Hour**

***Processional Hymn**

“A Mighty Fortress is Our God”

UMC 110

***Call to Worship**

Sing praises to God, O you saints, and give thanks to God’s holy name!

We exalt you, O God, for you have restored us to life!

We may cry through the night, but your joy comes with the morning.

You hear us, O God, and you are gracious in our distress.

You turn our mourning into dancing!

Our souls cannot be silent! O God, our Savior, we give thanks to you for ever!

***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.

Special Music

“10,000 Reasons”

Lowry and Emery Sides

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.

***Psalter**

Psalm 34

UMH 769

***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

Joys & Concerns of the Church

Text joys and concerns by 10:10 am (864) 643-9968

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

"Arioso"

JS Bach

***The Doxology**

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**

"How Firm a Foundation"

UMC 529

Stewardship Moment

Jody Webb

Scripture Reading

Mark 10:46-52

Tim Brookshire

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

People: **Thanks be to God**

Sermon

"Open My Eyes"

***Closing Hymn**

"Lift High the Cross"

UMC 159

***Benediction**

*** Postlude**

"Lift High the Cross"

Carolyn Hamlin

The Worship is Over— Let the Service Begin!

Organist: Charlie Jones

Ushers: Marc Murphy, Bartley Sides, Mark

Liturgist: Tim Brookshire

Swilley, Van Thomas

Greeters: Faithful Followers Class

Scripture

Mark 10:46-52

Jesus Heals Blind Bartimaeus

⁴⁶ Then they reached Jericho, and as Jesus and his disciples left town, a large crowd followed him. A blind beggar named Bartimaeus (son of Timaeus) was sitting beside the road. ⁴⁷ When Bartimaeus heard that Jesus of Nazareth was nearby, he began to shout, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"

⁴⁸ "Be quiet!" many of the people yelled at him.

But he only shouted louder, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"

⁴⁹ When Jesus heard him, he stopped and said, "Tell him to come here."

So they called the blind man. "Cheer up," they said. "Come on, he's calling you!" ⁵⁰ Bartimaeus threw aside his coat, jumped up, and came to Jesus.

⁵¹ "What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asked.

"My Rabbi, ^[a]" the blind man said, "I want to see!"

⁵² And Jesus said to him, "Go, for your faith has healed you." Instantly the man could see, and he followed Jesus down the road. ^[b]

St. Matthew Happenings

Hurricane Helene Disaster Relief Special Offering



SCAN HERE!



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 WNCUMC 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.

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Mondays from 1-3 pm

Wednesdays from 2-4 pm

ACOLYTE AND CRUCIFER
SIGN UP



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– Today!

Adult Fall Social– Today!

Highschool Youth Retreat– Nov 8-10

Fall Blood Drive– November 11

Staff Appreciation– November 17

PRAYERS & PRAISES

- Hilda Collier
- Pat Wood
- Lois Reid
- Bob Davis
- Marilyn Senum
- Carol Lauvray
- Hamilton Shew
- Maya Powers
- Drake & Ava Moyd
- Rosalee Campbell
- Susan White's father
- Prayers for our nation
- Prayers for unrest in the world