

10:00am – 11:00am

Worship in the Family
Life Center

11:00am – 12:00pm

Children, Youth & Adult
Sunday School

Welcome!

We are so glad you are
worshiping with us, and a
special welcome to our
guests.

We trust you will feel the
presence of God among
us and hope you will want
to worship with us again.

For any questions about
becoming a part of the
life of St. Matthew UMC,
please speak with our
pastor or ministry staff.
We believe you will find
St. Matthew a wonderful
place to call your church
home.

Our Mission

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



August 17, 2025



St. Matthew
United Methodist Church

St. Matthew Happenings

Acolyte & Crucifer Training

Sunday, August 24
11-11:30am
Narthex/Sanctuary

For children and youth in 4th through 12th grade
who have never served or would like a refresher
(but all are encouraged to attend!)



Meanderers August Lunch

Thursday, August 21 @ 11:30am
Eggs Up Grill (3935 Pelham Road)

The bus will leave church at 11am if needed

Questions? Call Gary or Nancy Groff at 864-884-0660



PEANUTS x  American Red Cross

**A little goes a long way.
Give blood.**

Red Cross Blood Drive

Wednesday, September 3
9:30am-2:00pm
St. Matthew UMC Gym



Signup to give blood via the QR code or
at stmatthewumc.net/events/blood-drive

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting
RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and
health history questions on the day of your appointment.



Chancel Choir Fall Kickoff

Wednesday, August 27
6:30-7:30pm
Choir Room (third floor sanctuary)

Join the choir! High school students through adults are
invited for an evening of refreshments and fellowship.
We will also begin to rehearse for our Christmas cantata,
"Night of Wonder, Night of Joy."

Choir rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 6:30-7:15pm

RSVP to Amy King at akingsings88@gmail.com



In recognition of our renewed sanctuary and in celebration of our 70th Anniversary, we cordially invite you to rejoice with us!

10am – Campus Open House
11am – Worship in the Sanctuary
12pm – Celebratory Luncheon

To support the celebration, please consider a gift in honor or in memory of a loved one. These gifts will be recognized in the 70th Anniversary program booklet that will be gifted to all. Gifts including a “7” are encouraged to commemorate the 70th!

Please return this form to the church office along with your gift:

Donor Name: _____

In Honor / In Memory of: _____
[please circle one]

10am Order of Worship

(Children's activity folders are available in a basket on the entry table)

Greetings & Announcements

Rev. Kurt McPherson

*Passing of the Peace

*Opening Worship Songs

Children's Moment

Rev. Kurt McPherson

After the children's moment, children ages K4-5th grade may go with the leader to Children's Church. Younger children may be taken to the nursery.

*Psalter

Psalm 130

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord!
Lord, hear my voice!

**Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my supplications!**

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?.

**But there is forgiveness with you,
that you may be worshiped.**

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,
in the Lord's word I hope;

**my soul waits for the Lord
more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.**

O Israel, hope in the Lord!

For with the Lord there is steadfast love,
with the Lord is plenteous redemption.

**And the Lord will redeem Israel
from all iniquities.**

*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 to 864-643-9968

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

Rev. 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.

Offertory

*The Doxology *(Unison)*

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

Scripture Reading

Matthew 7:1-5

Robert Boggs

Sermon

"Hate the Sin, Love the Sinner"

Rev. Kurt McPherson

*Closing Hymn

*Benediction

The Worship is Over – Let the Service Begin!

Liturgist: Robert Boggs

Ushers: Tom Anderson, Jason Cormey,
Lee Geddie, and Jim Shew

*You may give your offering in one of three ways: place check or cash in the offering plate,
text the word "GIVE" to 864-659-1812, or give online at stmatthewumc.net*

Scripture

Matthew 7:1-5

Judging Others

"Do not judge, so that you may not be judged. 2 For the judgment you give will be the judgment you get, and the measure you give will be the measure you get. 3 Why do you see the speck in your neighbor's eye but do not notice the log in your own eye? 4 Or how can you say to your neighbor, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' while the log is in your own eye? 5 You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your neighbor's eye.

St. Matthew Happenings

Volunteer for
Children's Church



Triune Fifth Saturday Lunch



Volunteer to Serve!
Saturday, August 30
Triune Mercy Center

St. Matthew United Methodist Church Gym
701 Cleveland St, GreenvilleSC, 29601
greenvilleinternationalfolkdance.weebly.com

Balfolk Workshop and Dance

Thursday, August 21 6:30-8:00pm

Guest Teacher: Catherine Rudin

Live Music with Geraud Barralon



Signup to Acolyte
or Crucifer
(resuming September 7)

Contact Us

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Stay In Touch

Find the calendar link at the bottom of our website homepage.

Sign up for our weekly e-blast for the latest updates. Call the office to receive a paper copy .

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St. Matthew Happenings

Youth Lake Day - Today!

Walking Group - Mondays @ 10am

Summer Pickleball - Wednesdays @ 6:30pm

Meanderers' Lunch - August 21

Balfolk Dance - August 21

Acolyte and Crucifer Training- August 24

Chancel Choir Fall Kickoff - August 27

Triune Fifth Saturday Lunch - August 30

Red Cross Blood Drive - September 3

70th Anniversary Celebration - October 19

Charge Conference - October 27

Prayer & Praise

Pat Wood

Larry Carter, Don & Beth
Shoemaker's son-in-law

Baby Khyros, Don & Beth
Shoemaker's grandson

Amy King

Eric Mitchell's father

Doyle Yates

Nancy Leach

Lois Reid

Bob Davis

Sue Dempsey

Jeane Bowen

Bob Groover

Sue Edmonds

Ethel Sherrill

Brad Rustin

Adair & Jim Boatman

Shannon Edmunds

Steve Quam

Linda Thomas

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Donna Brown's mother