#### 9:00am-9:45am

The Branch Worship in the Family Life Center

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

11:00am-12:00pm Traditional Worship

#### Welcome!

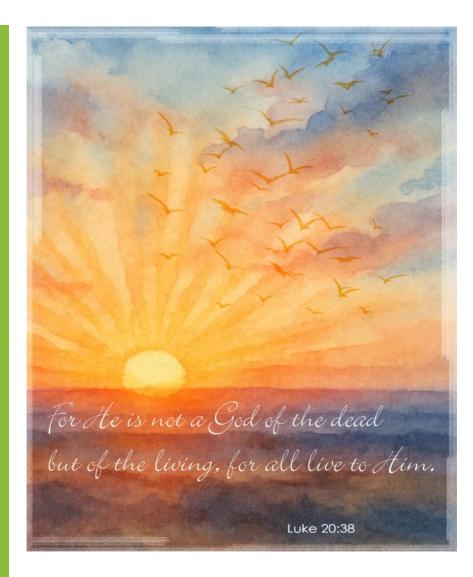
We're glad you are worshiping with us, and a special welcome to our guests.

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.



November 9, 2025



## St. Matthew Happenings



#### Greenville Juvenile Detention Center Lunch Friday, November 21 @ 11am

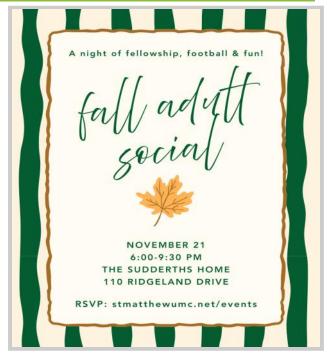
We will be serving lunch to the inmates and staff at the Greenville Juvenile Detention Center (GJDC) providing a meal of turkey with all the trimmings for around 50 people. Those who help serve will get to eat and visit with the 12-18 year old inmates.

We could use everyone's help providing food or helping serve the meal. Let us be thankful for what we have and share with the boys at GJDC.

Questions? Contact Betsy Boaze at betsyboaze@charter.net or 864-313-6654.

Sign-up to Volunteer!











### 9:00am Order of Worship

**November 9, 2025** 

**Announcements** 

**Greeting Time** 

**Opening Worship Songs** 

### **Prayer**

Please text prayers and praises by 9:10am to (864) 643-9968

The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

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** 

Jenny Little

**Scripture Reading** 

Luke 20:27-38

Sermon

"Children of the Resurrection"

Rev. Kurt McPherson

**Welcoming New Members** 

Clay Young, Katie & Zach Jenkins

**Closing Worship Song** 

**Dismissal & Blessing** 

The Branch is a family-friendly service. Children's worship packets are available at the welcome table. Please return folders to the table at the end of the service.

A nursery for newborns through 24 months and preschool class for ages 2 through K4 is available starting at 8:45am on the first floor of the Education Building.

Offering boxes are on the Welcome Table.

### 11:00 am Order of Worship

\*Congregation stands, as able

Prelude

"Arioso"

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

J.S. Bach

## **Greetings & Announcements**

\*Passing of the Peace

\*Chiming of the Hour

\*Processional Hymn

**UMH 103** 

### \*Call to Worship

Even though we don't always feel it, God is with us.

The darkness and doubt of the world can threaten to consume us.

Yet God is with us.

### All around us, there is fear and hopelessness.

God brings to us hope and peace. We place our trust in God's abundant love.

Let us freely and without fear open our hearts to God's healing words of hope. AMEN.

\*Gloria Patri (Unison)

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.

### Children's Moment

After, children ages K4-5th may go to Children's Church. Younger children may be taken to nursery or preschool.

**Special Music** 

"Make Me An Instrument of Your Peace"

Chancel Choir

\*Psalter

Psalm 5

UMH 742

\*Affirmation of Faith (Unison) "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** *Please text joys and concerns by 11:10am to (864) 643-9968* 

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

Rev. Kurt McPherson

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### The Offering

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

Offertory "Largo" Henri Eccles

\*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

"Standing on the Promises" \*Hymn of Preparation **UMH 374** 

**Stewardship Moment** Carley Fine

Luke 20:27-38 Marc Murphy **Scripture Reading** 

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

People: Thanks be to God.

"Children of the Resurrection" Rev. Kurt McPherson Sermon

"When We All Get to Heaven" \*Closing Hymn **UMH 701** 

\*Benediction

\* Postlude "Cortege" Gordon Young

### The Worship is Over- Let the Service Begin!

Liturgist: Marc Murphy Ushers: Tom Anderson, Jason Cormey, Jason

Lynch, Tom McIntyre

Greeters: Trinity Sunday School

### **Scripture**

Luke 20:27-38

<sup>27</sup> Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him <sup>28</sup> and asked him a question: "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies leaving a wife but no children, the man<sup>[a]</sup> shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. <sup>29</sup> Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman and died childless; <sup>30</sup> then the second<sup>[b] 31</sup> and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. <sup>32</sup> Finally the woman also died. <sup>33</sup> In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

<sup>34</sup> Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage, <sup>35</sup> but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. <sup>36</sup> Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. <sup>37</sup> And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. <sup>38</sup> Now he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive."

## St. Matthew Happenings





### Children's Pageant

December 7 at 10:15am (Sanctuary) light refreshments to follow





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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

Walking Group - Mondays @ 10am

Pickleball - Mondays @ 1-3pm & Wednesdays @ 2-4pm

Women's Bible Study-Tuesdays @5:45 pm

High School Retreat - November 14-16

Meanderers- November 20

**GJDC Lunch**- November21

Fall Adult Social- November 21

**Stewardship Sunday** - November 23

**Children's Christmas Pageant**- December 7

**Christmas Cantata**- December 14

Carols on Cleveland- December 17

## **Prayer & Praise**

Pat Wood

Larry Carter, Don & Beth

Shoemaker's son-in-law

Baby Khyros, Don & Beth

Shoemaker's grandson

Amy King

Doyle Yates

Nancy Leach

Lois Reid

Amy King's mom

Don Shoemaker

Sue Edmonds

**Ethel Sherrill** 

Stacey Thomas

**Brookshire Family** 

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Steve Quam

Sue Dempsey

Elinor DeYoung

Ann Osborne

**Bob Davis** 

Hall Turner, Sarah Smith's

brother