

9:00am-9:45am

The Branch Contemporary
Worship in the Family Life
Center (Gym)

10:00am-10:45am

Sunday School for All

11:00am-12:00pm

Traditional Worship
in the Sanctuary

Welcome!

We are delighted that
you are worshipping with
us today, and we offer a
special welcome to our
guests.

It is our hope that you
will experience God's
presence among us and
feel encouraged to join
us again in worship.

If you have questions
about becoming part of
the life and ministry of
St. Matthew UMC,
please speak with our
pastor or ministry
directors. We trust you
will find St. Matthew to
be a welcoming
community and place to
call your church home.

Our Mission

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



May 24, 2026



St. Matthew
United Methodist Church

Summer Sundays

May 24 – August 2

Join us this summer as we blend faith, community, and the joy of being together!

Summer Blend

9:15am in the Parlor

Next Sunday, May 31

Fostering Great Ideas Speaker

Hear how our charity partner Fostering Great Ideas brings great ideas to life, restoring hope for children in foster care.



Combined Worship

10:00am in the Sanctuary

A thoughtful blend of both the Branch and Traditional Worship.



Women's Bible Study

Supper with Sisters of Scripture

Join us for part one of a bible study, *Twelve Women of the Bible*, exploring the real stories of our sisters in scripture. Learn about their struggles, faith, victories, and the God who meets us right where we are. A salad supper will be provided each week.

This five-week study will meet Tuesdays from 6-8pm in the Youth Room on June 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30.

Led by Kary Mitchell and Susan White.

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with teachings from:

WOMEN OF
THE BIBLE

Sign Up!



Registration Open!



Since 1978, Salkehatchie has been more than a UMC outreach—it's a life-changing experience. In one week, volunteers help families feel safe, warm, and secure in their homes. With 28 camps across SC each June and July, youth (14+) and adults alike are invited to serve!



Triune Fifth Saturday Lunch
May 30 | 11:20am

St. Matthew has been providing a noon meal on fifth Saturdays for over 25 years!

If you would like to help serve, come to Triune (222 Rutherford St., Greenville, SC) at 11:20am on Saturday, May 30.

Questions? Contact Claire Winkler at claire.winkler@charter.net or 864-380-2384.



Opening Songs

House of the Lord

We worship the God who was
We worship the God who is
We worship the God who evermore will be
He opened the prison doors
He parted the raging sea
My God, He holds the victory
There's joy in the house of the Lord
There's joy in the house of the Lord today
And we won't be quiet
We shout out Your praise

There's joy in the house of the Lord
Our God is surely in this place
And we won't be quiet
We shout out Your praise

We sing to the God who heals
We sing to the God who saves
We sing to the God who always makes a way
'Cause He hung up on that cross
Then He rose up from that grave
My God's still rolling stones away

There's joy in the house of the Lord
There's joy in the house of the Lord today
And we won't be quiet
We shout out Your praise

There's joy in the house of the Lord
Our God is surely in this place
And we won't be quiet
We shout out Your praise

We were the beggars
Now we're royalty
We were the prisoners
Now we're running free
We are forgiven, accepted
Redeemed by His grace
Let the house of the Lord sing praise

Old Church Choir

There's revival, and it's spreading
Like a wildfire in my heart
A Sunday morning, hallelujah
And it's lasting all week long
Can you hear it?
Can you feel it?

It's the rhythm of a gospel song
Oh, once you choose it, you can lose it
There ain't nothing there ain't nothing gonna steal my joy
I got an Old Church Choir singing in my soul
I've got a sweet salvation and it's beautiful

I've got a heart overflowing 'cause I've been restored
There ain't nothing gonna steal my joy
No, there ain't nothing gonna steal my joy

When the valleys, that I wander
Turn to mountains that I can't climb
Oh, You are with me, never leave me
Oh, 'cause there ain't nothing
There ain't nothing gonna steal my joy

I got an Old Church Choir singing in my soul
I've got a sweet salvation and it's beautiful
I've got a heart overflowing 'cause I've been restored
There ain't nothing gonna steal my joy
No, there ain't nothing gonna steal my joy

Clap your hands and stomp your feet
Till you find that gospel beat
'Cause it's all you'll ever need
All you'll ever need

I've got an old church choir, singing in my soul
I got a sweet salvation, and it's beautiful
I've got an Old Church Choir singing in my soul
I've got a sweet salvation and it's beautiful
I've got a heart overflowing 'cause I've been restored
There ain't nothing gonna steal my joy
No there ain't nothing gonna steal my joy

Offering

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

Offertory

"Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling (Setting Two)"

Michael Burkhardt

***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**

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

UMH 400

Scripture Reading

Acts 2:1-21

Mike Shull

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

"Catching the Spirit"

Kurt McPherson

***Closing Hymn**

"O Breath of Life"

UMH 543

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

"Lift High the Cross"

Carolyn Hamlin

Assistive listening devices are available for anyone who may benefit from hearing assistance during the service. Please see an Usher in the Narthex to receive one.

Greeters: Faithful Followers Class **Ushers:** Tom Anderson, Jimmy Fiske, Marc Murphy

Scripture

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ² Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

⁵ Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶ When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. ⁷ Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸ Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹ (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" ¹² Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"

¹³ Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine."

¹⁴ Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. ¹⁵ These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: ¹⁷ "'In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. ¹⁸ Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. ¹⁹ I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke. ²⁰ The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. ²¹ And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.



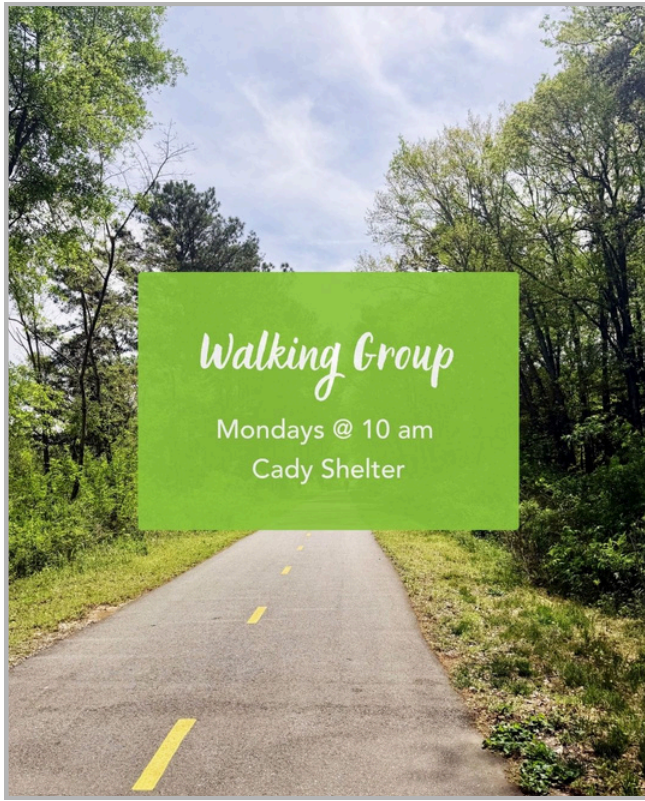
Kid's Summer Kickoff
June 6 | 11:30am-1:30pm

All kids 3 and up are invited to kickoff summer with us at Color Clay Cafe!

Lunch and dessert will be provided. Each child will be able to choose a pottery piece (animal, mug, bowl, etc.) to paint however they like! Cost is \$10/child.



Learn more & sign up!



Walking Group

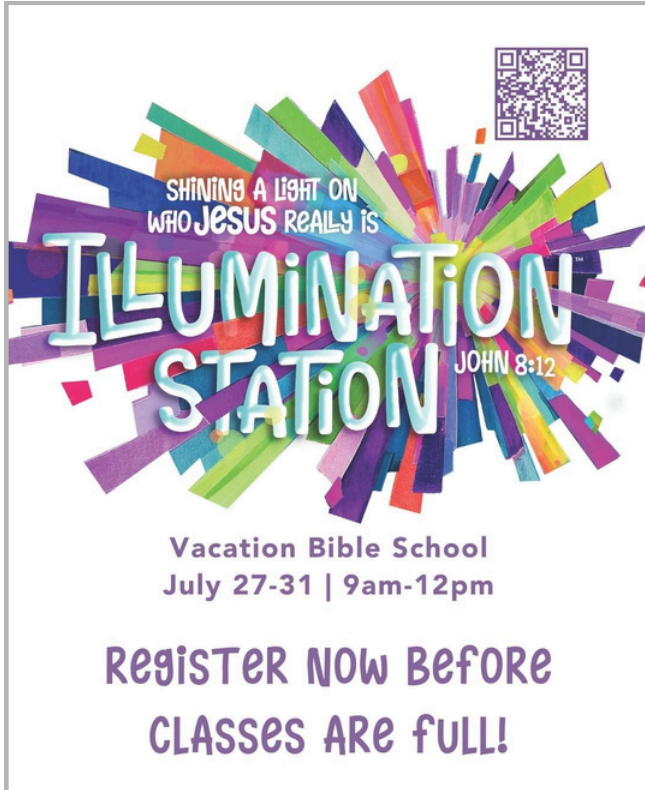
Mondays @ 10 am
Cady Shelter



Pickleball Group

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

Last week of regular schedule!
Summer plans coming soon.



SHINING A LIGHT ON
WHO JESUS REALLY IS

**ILLUMINATION
STATION**

JOHN 8:12

Vacation Bible School
July 27-31 | 9am-12pm

**REGISTER NOW BEFORE
CLASSES ARE FULL!**

St. Matthew Happenings

Contact Us

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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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Walking Group – 10am Mondays

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

Church Office Closed – May 25 (Memorial Day)

Triune Fifth Saturday Lunch – May 30

Youth Summer Lock In – May 30

Women's Bible Study – Tuesdays beginning June 2

Kid's Color Clay Cafe Outing – June 6

Salkehatchie Summer Service – June & July

Vacation Bible School – July 27-31

Summer Sundays – through August 2

Prayers & Praises

Collier Family

Mike Shull's mom, Christine

Maya Powers' mom, Leya

Elinor DeYoung

Bob Davis

Brian and Nancy Leach

Sue Edmonds

Ethel Sherrill