

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!

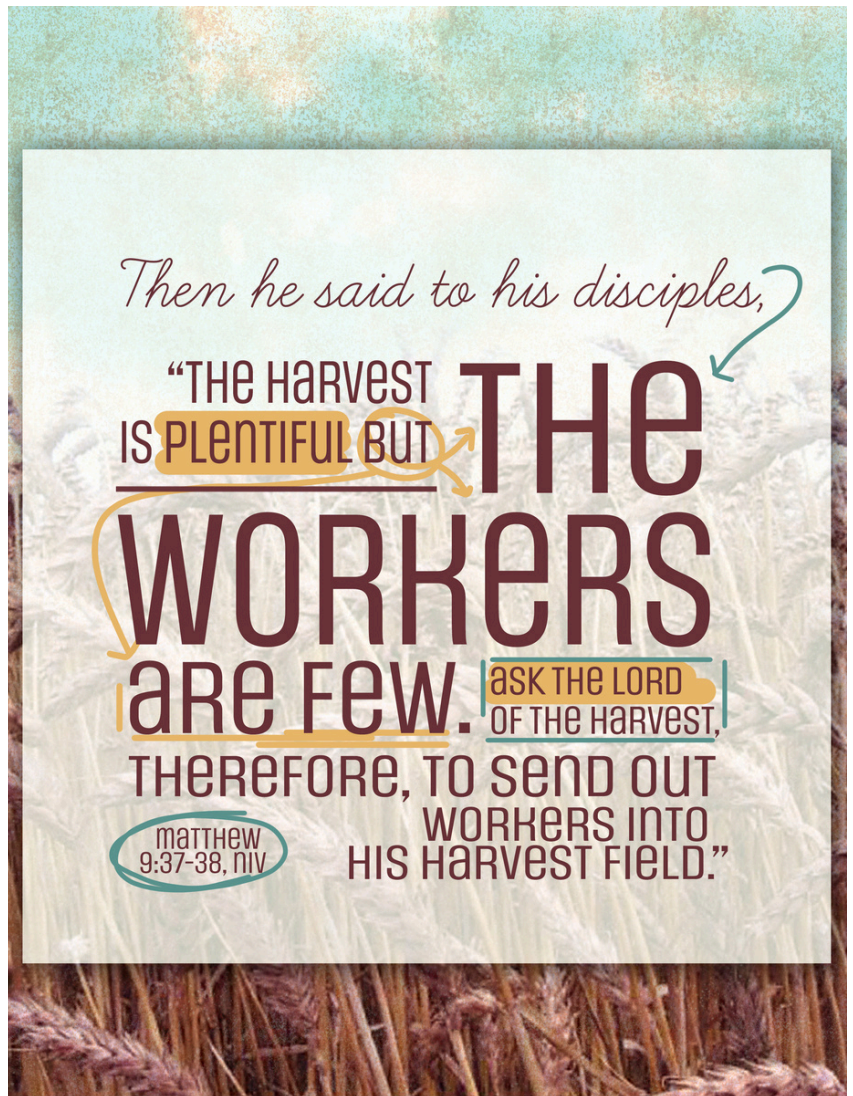
We are delighted that
you are worshipping with
us today, and we offer a
special welcome to our
guests.

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.



June 14, 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, June 21

Donuts & "Dadvice"

Come for donuts and stay for an honest, funny, and inspirational dad advice panel.



Combined Worship

10:00am in the Sanctuary

A thoughtful blend of both the Branch and Traditional Worship.



Meanderers Lunch



June 18 | 11:30am
Silver Bay Seafood (Simpsonville)

Kid's Summer Kickoff



database update

We need your help to keep our church records accurate and current!

Whether you are a member of St. Matthew or have been visiting, please take a few moments to update your contact information and household details. **Only one form is needed per family.**

Keeping your information current helps us stay connected, share important announcements, and better serve you.



Thank you!

Opening Songs

New Thing Coming

There is revival right here and now
There is a fresh wind and I can hear the sound
Something truly wonderful is happening
There is a difference inside of me
More than a feeling, this is a prophecy
Something really powerful is happening, yeah

(Chorus)

Darkness bow down to the day
Mountains get up out my way
Breaking out of yesterday
I got a new thing coming
So, tell this giant in my face
You're not greater than my faith
Best believe me when I say
I got a new thing coming (x3)

There's an anointing to destroy the yoke
Tell every stronghold you gotta let me go
Something really powerful is happening
There is a freedom that I have never known
Out of the shadows into the overflow
Something really powerful is happening

(Repeat Chorus)

I can see a cloud heavy with rain
And it looks like revival, it's headed our way
Oh, I can see a cloud heavy with rain
And it looks like salvation, it's headed our way

Oh, I can hear a sound, the abundance of rain
And it sounds like freedom and it's headed our way
Oh, I can hear a sound, the abundance of rain
And it sounds like provision, it's headed our way

Oh, I can see a cloud and it's heavy with rain
And it looks like healing, it's headed our way
Oh, I can see a cloud and it's heavy with rain
And it looks like joy and it's headed our way
Yes, it's headed our way, it's headed our way

(Repeat Chorus)

New Name Written Down in Glory

I was lost in shame, could not get past my blame
Until He called my name
I'm so glad He changed me
Darkness held me down, but Jesus pulled me out
And I'm no longer bound
I'm so glad He changed me

See, I'm now a new creation in Christ
The old has gone, there's new life
I live by faith, not by sight

(Chorus)

There is a new name written down in glory
And it's mine, yes, it's mine
I've met the Author of my story
And He's mine, yes, He's mine

Sin had left me blind, but Jesus opened my eyes
Now I see the light
I'm so glad He changed me
Now I'm walking free, I've got the victory
See it's all over me
I'm so glad He changed me

See, I'm now a new creation in Christ
The old has gone, there's new life
I live by faith, not by sight

(Repeat Chorus x2)

I am who I am because the I Am tells me who I am
(Repeat)

There is a new name written down in glory (Sing it out, hallelujah) And it's mine (Oh, He's mine), yes, it's mine (Yes, He's mine)

I've met the author of my story (Oh, His name is Jesus) And He's mine (And He's mine), yes, He's mine (Woah, He's mine)

There is a new name written down in glory
And it's mine, yes, it's mine
I've met the Author of my story
And He's mine, yes, He's mine

Order of Worship

**Congregation stands, as able*

Prelude "My Shepherd Will Supply My Needs" Dale Wood

Announcements

Mission Moment Janie Board, Safe Harbor

***Passing of the Peace**

***Opening Songs** "New Thing Coming" & The Branch Band
"New Name Written Down in Glory"

Children's Moment

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

Special Music "Fairest Lord Jesus" Charlie Jones & Amy King

***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.

Pastoral Prayer

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

*Children's worship packets can be found in baskets in the Narthex.
Please return worship packets at the end of the service.*

A nursery for newborns through 24 months and a preschool class for ages 2 through K4 is available starting at 9am in the Education Building (first floor.)

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.

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

"Song"

Flor Peeters

***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**

"Morning Has Broken"

UMH 145

Scripture Reading

Matthew 9:35-10:23

Maya Powers

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

"Innocent and Wise"

Rev. Kurt McPherson

***Closing Hymn**

"Freely, Freely"

UMH 389

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

"Toccata"

Flor Peeters

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: Trinity Class

Ushers: Edward Johnson, Tom McIntyre, Mike Shull, Mark Swilley

Scripture

Matthew 9:35-10:23

³⁵ Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. ³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. ³⁸ Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

Jesus Sends Out the Twelve

¹⁰ Jesus called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to drive out impure spirits and to heal every disease and sickness.

² These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (who is called Peter) and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; ³ Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴ Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

⁵ These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Do not go among the Gentiles or enter any town of the Samaritans. ⁶ Go rather to the lost sheep of Israel. ⁷ As you go, proclaim this message: 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' ⁸ Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give.

⁹ "Do not get any gold or silver or copper to take with you in your belts— ¹⁰ no bag for the journey or extra shirt or sandals or a staff, for the worker is worth his keep. ¹¹ Whatever town or village you enter, search there for some worthy person and stay at their house until you leave. ¹² As you enter the home, give it your greeting. ¹³ If the home is deserving, let your peace rest on it; if it is not, let your peace return to you. ¹⁴ If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, leave that home or town and shake the dust off your feet. ¹⁵ Truly I tell you, it will be more bearable for Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.

¹⁶ "I am sending you out like sheep among wolves. Therefore be as shrewd as snakes and as innocent as doves. ¹⁷ Be on your guard; you will be handed over to the local councils and be flogged in the synagogues. ¹⁸ On my account you will be brought before governors and kings as witnesses to them and to the Gentiles. ¹⁹ But when they arrest you, do not worry about what to say or how to say it. At that time you will be given what to say, ²⁰ for it will not be you speaking, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.

²¹ "Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child; children will rebel against their parents and have them put to death. ²² You will be hated by everyone because of me, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved. ²³ When you are persecuted in one place, flee to another. Truly I tell you, you will not finish going through the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.



July 27-31 | 9am-12pm

LAST CALL TO REGISTER!

Volunteers are still needed to help St. Matthew shine brightly this summer!



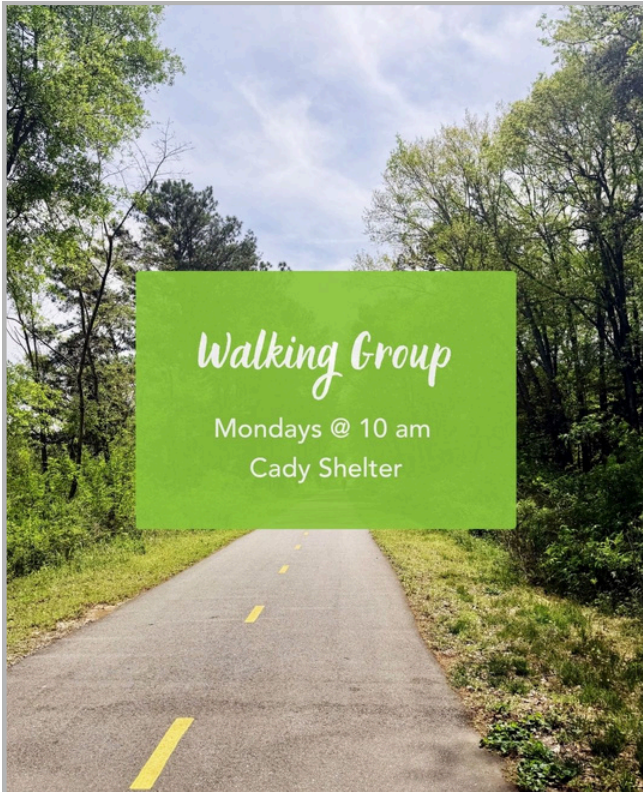
Scan to register or reach out to Bridgette



Enroll NOW for 2026-2027!



Spots still available in 2K & 3K classes! 4K is on a waitlist.



Walking Group

Mondays @ 10 am
Cady Shelter



Summer Pickleball

Wednesdays @ 6:30-8pm
June 3 – August 12

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

Summer Sundays – through August 2

Women's Bible Study – Tuesdays through June 30

Walking Group – 10am Mondays

Summer Pickleball – 6:30-8pm Wednesdays

Meanderers Lunch – June 18

Salkehatchie Summer Service – June & July

Vacation Bible School – July 27-31

Red Cross Blood Drive – August 19

Prayers & Praises

Sarah Clemmons' sister, Debbie

Paul Thorn

Paul Thorn's mom, Leila

Vicki Gore

The Davis Family

Anna Cobb

Beth Shoemaker's sister, Dorinda

Shoemaker's son-in-law, Larry

Mike Shull's mom, Christine

Bonnie Lynch's mom, Jocelle

Maya Powers' mom, Leya

Elinor DeYoung

Brian and Nancy Leach

Sue Edmonds

Ethel Sherrill