

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!

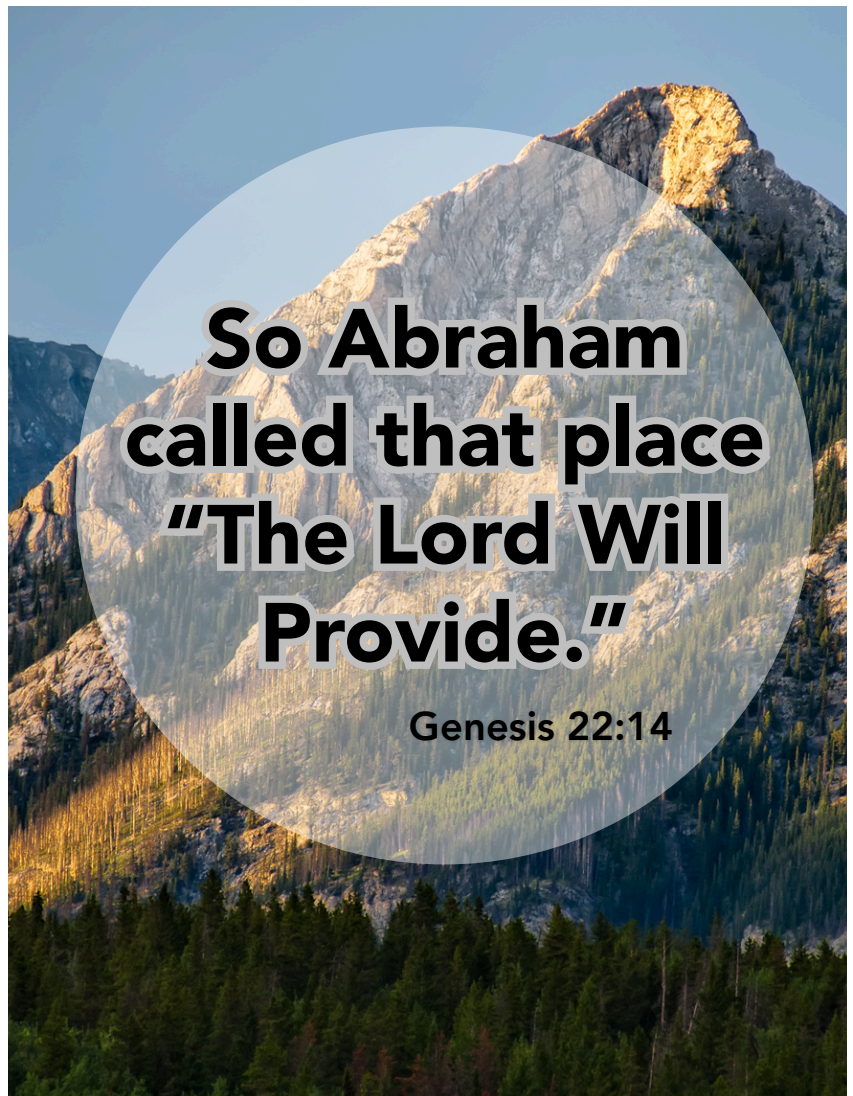
We are delighted that
you are worshipping with
us today, and we offer a
special welcome to our
guests.

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.



**So Abraham
called that place
“The Lord Will
Provide.”**

Genesis 22:14

June 28, 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, July 5

Happy Fourth of July!

While there is no programming this week, coffee will be there to enjoy before worship.



Combined Worship

10:00am in the Sanctuary

A thoughtful blend of both the Branch and Traditional Worship.



DONATIONS FOR VBS

To help us shine a light on Jesus at VBS Illumination Station, we need your help!

Please save small to medium glass jars (such as jam, salsa, pickles, etc.) to be used for crafts – no lids required.

You can bring jars to the office or place them in the purple bin in the Narthex before or after combined worship.

THANK YOU!



Meanderers Lunch



July 16 | 11:30am

Coronitas Mexican Restaurant



mission opportunity

Help us provide lunch for 50 youth and staff at Greenville Juvenile Detention Center (GJDC) on Friday, July 17 from 10:30am-12:30pm.

Food will need to be delivered to Betsy Boaze by 9:30am or to GJDC at 10:30am on July 17. Anything not needing refrigeration can be brought to the church office by 3:30pm on July 16.



Sign up to help serve or donate food!



Opening Songs

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

Lord I lift Your name on high
Lord I love to sing Your praises
I'm so glad You're in my life
I'm so glad You came to save us

You came from heaven
to earth to show the way
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay
From the cross to the grave,
from the grave to the sky
Lord I lift Your name on high

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From the cross to the grave,
from the grave to the sky
Lord I lift Your name on high

How Great Is Our God

The splendor of a King
Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice
All the earth rejoice

He wraps Himself in light
And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice
Trembles at His voice

How great is our God
Sing with me
How great is our God
And all will see
How great, how great is our God

Age to age He stands
And time is in His hands
Beginning and the end
Beginning and the end

The Godhead Three in One
Father, Spirit, Son
The Lion and the Lamb
The Lion and the Lamb

How great is our God
Sing with me
How great is our God
And all will see
How great, how great is our God

Name above all names
Worthy of our praise
My heart will sing
How great is our God

Name above all names
You are worthy of our praise
And my heart will sing
How great is our God

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

Offertory on "Mercy"

Gordon Young

***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**

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

UMH 140

Scripture Reading

Genesis 22:1-14

Tim Brookshire

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

"God Will Provide"

Rev. Kurt McPherson

***Closing Hymn**

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

UMH 452

Welcoming New Members

Mark & Paula Raymond

UMH 38

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

Recessional on "St. Anne"

Gordon Young

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

Scripture

Genesis 22:1-14

22 Some time later God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!"

"Here I am," he replied.

2 Then God said, "Take your son, your only son, whom you love—Isaac—and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on a mountain I will show you."

3 Early the next morning Abraham got up and loaded his donkey. He took with him two of his servants and his son Isaac. When he had cut enough wood for the burnt offering, he set out for the place God had told him about. 4 On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance. 5 He said to his servants, "Stay here with the donkey while I and the boy go over there. We will worship and then we will come back to you."

6 Abraham took the wood for the burnt offering and placed it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. As the two of them went on together, 7 Isaac spoke up and said to his father Abraham, "Father?"

"Yes, my son?" Abraham replied.

"The fire and wood are here," Isaac said, "but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?"

8 Abraham answered, "God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." And the two of them went on together.

9 When they reached the place God had told him about, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it. He bound his son Isaac and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood.

10 Then he reached out his hand and took the knife to slay his son. 11 But the angel of the Lord called out to him from heaven, "Abraham! Abraham!"

"Here I am," he replied.

12 "Do not lay a hand on the boy," he said. "Do not do anything to him. Now I know that you fear God, because you have not withheld from me your son, your only son."

13 Abraham looked up and there in a thicket he saw a ram caught by its horns. He went over and took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering instead of his son.

14 So Abraham called that place The Lord Will Provide. And to this day it is said, "On the mountain of the Lord it will be provided."



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!



Red Cross Blood Drive

Wednesday, August 19

9:30am-2:30pm

Family Life Center (Gym)

We're **looking** for blood donors! Appointments are now available for our next blood drive on Wednesday, August 19 from 9:30am-2:30pm. Register ahead of time and you'll save time on donation day.



American Red Cross



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

Salkehatchie Summer Service – June & July

Office Closed – July 6 (*in observance of July 4th*)

Meanderers Lunch – July 16

GJDC Lunch – July 17

Vacation Bible School – July 27-31

Washington Center Breakfast – August 4

Promotion Sunday – August 9

Red Cross Blood Drive – August 19

Prayers & Praises

Doyle Yates

Paul Thorn

Paul Thorn's mom, Leila

The Davis Family

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