

First Sunday after the Epiphany: Baptism of Our Lord Sunday, January 8, 2023



NEWCOMERS RECEPTION SUNDAY, JANUARY 29, 3PM

Are you new to St. Matt's or just want to learn more? Join us at the home of Justin and Sara Warnick for conversation and treats. We'd love to have the opportunity to get to know you better. Please email the church office for directions at Office@stmtts.org.



CHILI & CORNBREAD COOK-OFF SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, 10:30AM

The St. Matt's Chili and Cornbread Cook-Off is making a come back! Start testing recipes now so you are ready to bring your best. Prizes will be awarded in a variety of categories. More details coming soon.

WELCOME

We know that going to church or to a new church for the first time can be nerve-racking. We want to help make your first experience at St. Matthew's a great one!

If this is your first visit to Saint Matthew's, we welcome you. Please join us between services for coffee, tea and refreshments in the Parish Hall. For more information about our community, visit our website www.stmtts.org. We are so glad you are here!



COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All baptized Christians are welcome to participate in communion. If you would like to receive, simply place one hand on top of the other, palms up, and the priest will place bread in your hand. You may then consume the wafer. If for any reason you prefer to receive a blessing, simply cross your arms across your chest and the priest will give you a blessing. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

Would you like to learn more about baptism? Please contact the church office via email at Office@stmtts.org or phone at 703-430-2121.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER LIST

The Saint Matthew's intercessory prayer list is for those in or related to our community who are in need of prayer. It is designed so that all members of our community can pray for each other on an ongoing basis. In order to pray for those on the list, simply ask God to be with them and help them in any way needed - God knows what is going on, so we don't need to.

Please pray for the following:

James, Sean, Joe, Deb, Donald, Ellsworth, Cheri, Ian, Brian, Will, Beltrane family, Terry, Teressa, Caroline, Shelby, Tom Jr., Verdun, John, Candace, victims of violence, Emma, Mary Margaret, Sam, Amber, Yimam family, Fredericks family, Ann, E, Laura, Will, William, Frank, Florence, Jerry, Warren, Eddie, Janice, Charlie, Dillon family, Zach, Amy, Julia, Langenkamp family, Nicholas, Crystal, Paulo, Mary W., Jon, Joyce, John S., Panita. McKeown family, Deepak, Hurricane victims, Vicki, Greg, Mary Ann, Sharp family, Anthony, Carston, Huxton, Jos, Reatha, Lea, Athena, Kathleen, Derek, Heriberto, Rosaura, Matthew, Denise, Bellamy family, Jose, Pete, Regina, Neil, Annie, MaryLea, Bonnie, Artur, Alan, Nishah, Marty, Damar, Jeremy, and Kveron.

If you or someone you care about are in need of Pastoral Care, please call 703-430-2121.

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Offertory

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All things come of thee, O Lord,

And of thine own have we given thee.

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9:30 AM SERVICE

The Word of God

Opening Song

Opening Prayer (stand through the Gospel)

Song • My Jesus

Song • Chain Breaker

Gospel • Matthew 3:13-17

Sermon

The Reverend Mary Margaret Winn

Prayers of the People

Peace

Announcements & Welcome

The Holy Communion

Offertory

(An offertory plate is not passed at this service. If you wish to make a donation, the collection plate can be found at the back of the church, or donations are accepted online at www.stmtts.org/give)

Great Thanksgiving (stand through Communion)

Eucharistic Prayer

Sanctus • Well Done

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

Song • Rescue

Closing Prayer (stand through dismissal)

Blessing

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Dismissal

11 AM SERVICE

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SEND OFF CELEBRATION FOR REV. MARY MARGARET SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 12PM

Join us today at noon to wish a fond farewell to Rev. Mary Margaret. Grilled cheese sandwiches, a selection of salads, and soups will be served. Cards are welcome.



FLOWER DEDICATION STMTTS.ORG/FLOWERS

JOIN FAITH FACTORY

Flower dedications are welcome to honor special occasions like baptisms, birthdays, & anniversaries. Please use the link above to submit a dedication.

Always fun, sometimes messy, lessons on faith. Sundays at 9:30 & 11 am! Pre-K through 5th grade. COFFEE HOUR KIDS F Sundays between the 9:30 and 11 am services. Games and events for kids while parents enjoy fellowship and a cup of coffee or two! **NEW YEARS GAMES** SUN JAN 1 Minute to Win It Wacky Games! Join us for games and New Years fun! SUN S NAL THREE KINGS DAY! Three Kings Day Celebration Join us to celebrate Three Kings Day! SUN JAN 15 DISNEY'S STRANGE WORLD Join us to watch Disney's new movie Strange World! CHILI COOK OFF! Bring your favorite chili and/or cornbread and come vote to see whose chili reigns supreme! **EVENTS** LEGO PARTY! Brick building fun

Come and create some

stmtts.org/events



STUDENT MISSION TRIP JULY 9-15, 2023

This summer, St. Matthew's Students (rising 6th graders - recent high school graduates) will partner with Group Mission in Erie, PA to repair and transform homes while deepening their faith and building new relationships with peers and youth leaders.

Find more information or register today at stmtts.org/youth-mission-trip.

A \$50 deposit is due to reserve your spot. Friends are always welcome!



DINNER AND A MOVIE FRIDAY, JAN. 13, 6PM-10PM

Student Connections at St. Matt's presents dinner and a movie night! Middle and high school students are invited for an evening of games, dinner, and a movie. More details coming soon.

Contact Ron Whitt or Kassidy at Journey@stmtts.org for more info.





SUNDAYS AT 10:30 AM Beginning November 6th

DONUTS & DISCOVERY

Middle and high schoolers – Join Genevieve in classroom four at 10:30AM on Sundays starting January 8! Our first series of sessions is called "That's in There?!?" – a look into some of the weirdest and most surprising things you didn't know were in the Bible.



JANUARY SERMON SERIES

It's been said that "Someday" sentences lead people to live small lives through unfulfilled wishes and dreams. It rationalizes the kind of delay and inaction that leads people to wait until it's too late.

In this series on January 15, 22, and 29th we'll be looking for those insights and next steps that help us avoid the number one source of regret in people's lives.





LINK FOOD DELIVERIES STMTTS.ORG/LINK

Make a difference in the lives of families and individuals in our community by delivering food for the LINK Food Pantry. St. Matt's is specifically helping with deliveries the last two weeks of January and March 2023. Visit stmtts.org/LINK to choose a delivery date. Invite a friend - it's a great way to serve together!



BACKPACK BUDDIES STMTTS.ORG/BACKPACKBUDDIES

Join us Tuesdays at noon in the Classroom on the Hill as we pack bags to support families in our community. Learn more ways to help at the link above.





WATCH FOR THE NEW YEAR!

Have you ever had questions about the Bible? Is it really any different than any other book? How much of it can we believe? Isn't it full of contradictions? What's the best way to actually read the Bible?

For the New Year, we thought we'd start with questions like these as we consider what the Bible has to offer 21st century human beings living in a very different world than the one in which it was written.

We hope to see you from 7 to 8PM on Wednesday nights as we use the following conversation starting questions.

January 11th - "What is the Bible's authority? Is the Bible ever wrong?" January 18th - "How do I read the Bible?"

January 25th - The series will conclude as we reflect on specific, practical principles that help us better understand the Bible.





First Sunday after the Epiphany, Year A

The Baptism of our Lord

The Collect:

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

First Lesson: Isaiah 42:1-9

¹ Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. ²He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; ³a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. ⁴He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

⁵ Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: ⁶I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, ⁷to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. ⁸I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. ⁹See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

Psalm: Psalm 29

- ¹ Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, * ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- ² Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; * worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
- ³ The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;

the God of glory thunders; *

the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

- ⁴ The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; * the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.
- ⁵ The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; * the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- ⁶ He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, * and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

- ⁷ The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; * the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- ⁸ The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe * and strips the forests bare.
- ⁹ And in the temple of the Lord * all are crying, "Glory!"
- The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; * the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- ¹¹ The Lord shall give strength to his people; * the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Second Lesson: Acts 10:34-43

³⁴ Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

¹³ Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" ¹⁵But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. ¹⁶And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. ¹⁷And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

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THIS WEEK AT ST. MATT'S

Sunday, January 8th

8:00 am - Rite I Worship Service

9:30 am - Festival Worship Service

10:30 am - Backpack Buddies Packing

10:30 am - That's in There?!? Youth Grp

11:00 am - Classic Worship Service

6:30 pm - Alcoholics Anonymous

6:30 pm - Girl Scout Troop 2274

8:15 pm - Narcotics Anonymous

Monday, January 9th

9:00 am - Classroom of Discovery

12:00 pm - Social Time with Candace

5:00 pm - Girl Scout Troup 2157

7:00 pm - Bread of Life

7:30 pm - Free to Live

8:00 pm - Compline

8:20 pm - Social Time with Kevin

Tuesday, January 10th

9:00 am - All Ages Read Together

9:00 am - Classroom of Discovery

9:00 am - Staff Meeting

12:00 pm - Backpack Buddies Packing

6:30 pm - Alcoholics Anonymous

7:00 pm - Education for Ministry

8:00 pm - Compline

Wednesday, January 11th

9:00 am - Classroom of Discovery

12:00 pm - Alcoholics Anonymous

1:00 pm - Outside Book Group

7:00 pm - Alcoholics Anonymous

7:00 pm - Wednesdays at Church with

Fr. Rob

8:00 pm - Compline

Thursday, January 12th

9:00 am - All Ages Read Together

10:45 pm - Anam Cara

8:00 pm - Compline

Friday, January 13th

6:00 pm - Student Connections: Dinner & a Movie

7:00 pm - Old Dominion Dancers

8:00 pm - Compline

Saturday, January 14th

8:00 am - Men's Group

6:30 pm - Alcoholics Anonymous

7:00 pm - Narcotics Anonymous

8:30 pm - Narcotics Anonymous

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

January 8th: Tina Pyhtila, Austin

Glascock, Everett Hurst January 9th: Maria Tuttle. Grace

Wiseman

January 11th: Michelle Drew, Lauren

Merola, Lucy Barrientos

January 13th: Aidan Ecker January 14th: Jenna Frawley

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

January 9th: Haley & Ted Elliott

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, January 1, 2023

Time or Place	Attendance Online	Attendance In-Person
8:00 AM	12	21
9:30 AM	25	75
11:00 AM	15	27
Faith Factory		8





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WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

In-Person & Online

8:00AM | This is a traditional communion service using Rite I from the Book of Common Prayer.

9:30AM | This is a vibrant communion service with our very own live band. If you are looking for a joyous family service with some of the best music around, this is the service for you.

11:00AM A classic communion service with our fabulous choir. We use Rite II from the Book of Common Prayer.

Compline (evening prayer) Mon.–Fri. at 8pm on Facebook

Online Worship stmtts.org/live

Sunday services are broadcast on Facebook and YouTube.

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