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TOP 3 Sunday, July 19th

1 Children's Ministry NEWS!

July 26 – Promotion Sunday & Backpack Blessing

Children will move up to their new Sunday School classes. Students are invited to place their backpacks at the altar before worship for a special blessing during the service.

August 9 – 3rd Grade Bible Presentation

3rd Graders will receive their bibles during worship service. If you have a rising 3rd grader, please contact Laura Rivera ASAP to order their personalized Bible.

August 9 – Acolyte & Cross Bearer Training

For students in grades 3–12 during the Sunday School hour. Meet in the Traditional Sanctuary.

2 Digital Pictorial Directory now AVAILABLE!

Stay connected with your St. Matthew's church family through our online pictorial directory. Simply scan the QR code, follow the instructions to download the free Instant Church Directory app, and log in using the email address listed in the directory! If you need assistance with this, please contact Christin Campbell (769-234-5284) or Tim Rigby (601-951-1258).



3 WNL is back SOON!

Mark your calendars AUGUST 12TH, Wednesday Night Live returns. We will have a family game night, dinner & fellowship. Regular classes will begin the following week, more info to come. We can't wait to welcome everyone back for another great season of fellowship, learning, and community at St. Matthew's!

Check-in with us!



Prayer Requests?

prayer@stm-umc.org

This week...

Monday:

Adult Art Class @ 10am
Flower Ministry @ 10am
Senior Game Day @ 2pm

Tuesday:

Pillowcase Pals @ 1pm
Age-less Aerobics @ 2pm
Pickleball @ 6pm

Wednesday:

Older Adult Breakfast @ 9am
Youth: MS History
+ Civil Rights Museums
Choir Practice @ 6:30pm

Thursday:

Card Care Ministry @ 9:30am
Age-less Aerobics @ 2pm

Friday:

Youth: Top Golf

Sunday:

Sunday School @ 9:15am
Traditional Service @ 10:30am
Intersection Service @ 10:30am
Cub Scouts @ 2pm
WAGS @ 3pm

Our Presence: July 12th

Traditional: 206
Intersection: 35
Youth Mission Trip: 10
Online: 104
Total: 345

Memorials

In memory of Mark Armstrong
from Kay Varner
from Gwen Ross

Weekday Ministry is Hiring!

Weekday Ministry is hiring After School Teachers! With flexible hours (2–6 PM), weekday schedules, and hourly pay. Apply today and help create a fun, safe after-school environment! Questions? Reach out to Cindy Casteel (Director) at 601-856-4860 or cindycasteel@stm-umc.org.

Upcoming Youth Events

There's still plenty happening this summer, and we'd love for students to be part of it! Mark your calendars for these upcoming events:

- **July 22** – Mississippi History Museum & Civil Rights Museum Trip
- **July 24** – Topgolf Outing
- **August 2** | 2:00–5:00 p.m. – Youth Pool Party

For more information about any of these events, contact Mary Beth. We hope to see you there!

St. Matthew's Family Night at the Ballpark

Cheer on the Mississippi Mud Monsters with your St. Matthew's family on Friday, August 14th!

Arrive: 5:30 p.m. gates open

Game Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Trustmark Park

Cost: \$28 per person

Children 3 and under attend free

Includes: All-you-can-eat picnic dinner, reserved seating, and post-game fireworks show



Scan the QR code to reserve your spot. Don't miss this fun night of baseball, food, and fellowship!

Blessing Bags

Our Children's Ministry has packed Blessing Bags for the congregation to share with those in need. Pick up one or more bags, keep them in your car, and offer them when you encounter someone experiencing homelessness or hardship. Each bag contains basic necessities assembled with love by the children of St. Matthew's. As you give, take a moment to pray for the recipient and remind them that God loves them.