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### **TOP 3 for Sunday, October 5th**

## Children's Ministry Announcements

Mark your calendars! On Sunday, October 19, join us for a special day filled with Grandparents Breakfast, Children's Sabbath, and Pumpkin Decorating. Then, don't miss our annual Fall Fest on Sunday, October 26—a fun time for all ages!

### Stewardship

We are beginning our Stewardship Season here at St. Matthew's, and we know that God has given us all that we need. In the same way that God provided the Israelites with manna in the wilderness and gave them their daily bread, if we all share the load together, we have all we need. Find out how each of us can do our part here at St. Matthew's by visiting - www.stm-umc.org/stewardship

## Youth Spaghetti Lunch Fundraiser

Join us for the Youth Spaghetti
Lunch Fundraiser on Sunday,
October 5 at 11:30 a.m.,
immediately following the
morning worship service.
Everyone is invited! Come enjoy
a delicious meal and be sure to
check out the silent auction
with themed baskets to bid on.

### **Seasoned Saints**

The Seasoned Saints are pleased to welcome our own Kathy Helstrom, founder of St. Matthew's Pillowcase Pals Ministry, as we meet for lunch on Tuesday, October 14. Kathy's dream for this ministry has blessed countless others with beautiful creations—not only pillowcases, but also walker caddies, tote bags, teddy bears, bibs, Bible covers, throws, angel wraps, preemie caps, eyeglass cases, and more! Please join us in Hart Hall for coffee and good company at 11:30 prior to the luncheon at noon. The cost is \$10. Reservations and additional information are available by contacting Kaye Schloemer at 601-573-1469 or email kischloemer23@gmail.com.

### **Pet Blessing**

Bring your pets for our Pet Blessing on Sunday, October 19th at 2:00 pm. All pets are welcome to receive a special blessing on the front lawn of the church. Don't miss this joyful time of celebrating God's creatures!

### Our Presence: Sept. 28, 2025

10:30 am Traditional Service: 223 10:30 am Intersection: 75 Online Worship Total: 145 Worship Total: 443

### **District Charge Conference**

The District Charge Conference will be held at Galloway Memorial UMC on Tuesday, October 21st at 6:00 pm. All are invited to attend!

### This week...

#### Monday:

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

#### Tuesday:

Ageless Aerobics @ 2pm Pickleball @ 6pm

### Wednesday:

Older Adults Breakfast @ 9am (Denny's, Ridgeland location) No WNL - Fall Break Choir Rehearsal @ 6:30 pm

#### Thursday:

Card Care @ 9:30am Ladies' Bible Study @ 12pm Ageless Aerobics @ 2pm Pickleball @ 6pm

### Sunday:

Sunday School @ 9:15am Traditional Worship @ 10:30am Intersection Worship @ 10:30am United Women in Faith @ 3pm Men of Faith @ 3pm

### Ladies' Weekly Bible Study

Join us every Thursday at Noon, in the Youth Lounge at our South Property. We are currently reading "Good Enough" by Kate Bowler and Jessica Richie. Join our GroupMe to get updates or contact Laura Rivera.

### 2025 Flower Calendar

To reserve a date for flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one, or to mark a special occasion contact the church office: 601-856-9581. The Narthex may be available if the Sanctuary is booked.

> Sanctuary: \$120 Narthex: \$60 Intersection: \$60

### 100th Birthday

The Family of Luther Hamilton invites you to join in a come and go birthday celebration on October 12<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm in Perry Fellowship Hall. Please no gifts.

### October Prayer Focus: Pastors

This month we thank God for our pastors, Andy and Brian, who faithfully shepherd our church with knowledge, wisdom, and love (Jeremiah 3:15). We pray for their renewal and strength (Galatians 6:9), and for their families who support them. Let's also show our gratitude during Pastor Appreciation Month—through notes, calls, kind words, and especially by being present in worship, serving, and giving.

### **Older Adult Activities**

Breakfast at Denny's (Ridgeland) Each Wednesday in October @ 9am

#### Game Day

Monday 10/6 @ 2pm

### Lunch @ Cock of the Walk

Friday 10/10 @ 11:30am

### **Seasoned Saints**

Tuesday 10/14 @ Noon

#### Game Day

Monday 10/20 @ 2pm

#### **Pillow Case Pals**

Tuesday 10/21 @ 1pm

#### **Trip to Vicksburg**

Friday 10/24

### **Movie Day**

Monday 10/27 @ 1pm

**Contact Joyce Titus** for more info, RSVPs, & transportation (601-214-4826)

### No WNL - October 8th

There will be no Wednesday Night Live on October 8 due to Fall Break. We'll resume on October 15 with dinner and our regular activities. Enjoy your Fall Break!