

# Christian Formation 3-8-26



## *Children's Formation* 10:15 between the services!

**Infants through 5K** New Location: The Nursery

**1st - 5th Grade:** The Large Classroom: Adults are always welcome to accompany kids or just stop by. We love when you visit!

## *Youth Sunday Morning* Youth Room, 10:15 am.

**Adults: Christian Formation 10:15 am.** Join us for enriching study and faithful conversations, led by clergy and parish members who bring thoughtful insight and experience to our shared exploration of the Christian life. Grab coffee and join us in the Library or the Kelly Room!

**EYC! Episcopal Youth Community.** 5:30 pm w/Derek, Education Bldng.

**Bible, Bread & Wine** tonight in the Kelly Room at 5:30 pm for a deep dive into the day's Holy Scripture, with Eucharist. And snacks!

## *Wednesday Evenings In Lent*

**Love & Forgiveness: An Exploration** Join us for a Lenten Program led by Father Paul on Wednesdays in Lent (February 25–March 25). **Dinner at 5:30 pm, program at 6:30 pm, concluding with Eucharist.** Forgiveness invites us to acknowledge our hurt and suspend our desire for retribution, freeing both ourselves and others from bondage to anger. In a real sense, forgiveness is an act of self-love. Come, explore.

**Compline** Every evening [www.facebook.com/groups/stmattsc](http://www.facebook.com/groups/stmattsc). Starts between 9:15 and 10pm. We gather together in prayer to re-ground ourselves in the acceptance, hope, and strength we find in the beautiful Anglican rite of Compline.

## → *Full-Day Summer Camps* for Rising 5K–2nd Grade

May 26–July 31, 8:30 am–4:30 pm. Nine themed weeks of faith-based learning, arts, STEM, and fun. **Play. Learn. Create. Explore. Repeat!** Details & registration: [stmatthewsepiscopal.org/preschool/summercamp](http://stmatthewsepiscopal.org/preschool/summercamp)

## *Women's Bible Study* Study Guides available in the Narthex!

**Morning Edition** started Tues, Jan. 13, at 11:00 am, in the library. We are reading the Old Testament Book of Ephesians. Questions? Contact Kathy Ellis 864-587-7321 or Cathy Whitworth 864-590-3418.

**Evening Edition - New!** started Tues, Jan. 13th. We meet at 6:30 PM on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of each month to study Ephesians: A Strange Way to Save the World. If this sounds like something you'd love, we would be thrilled to have you! Call or text Mary Paul at 864-504-5375 to jump in.

**The Brotherhood of St. Matthew** Join us on the **Second Tuesday of each month** at 6:30 pm in the Library. New projects coming up.

## *The Candlelit Agape Meal - volunteers appreciated*

Join us Wednesday, April 1, during Holy Week for our beloved candlelit Agape Meal. It is a simple, beautiful meal of olives, wine, breads, cheeses, and other delicacies, shared in worship and fellowship before the deeply meaningful days that follow. **The Hospitality Team would be grateful for help** with setup, serving, and cleanup. If you would like to assist, please contact any member of the Hospitality Team, or Grace Keller at [gdkeller52@gmail.com](mailto:gdkeller52@gmail.com).

**Help Wanted Greeters, Ushers, Altar Guild, Coffee Hosts, Lay Eucharistic Minister, Acolytes, Readers, Crucifers...** There is always room for more helping hands and smiling faces at St. Matthew's. You know that wonderful moment when the door "magically" opens and a friendly face welcomes you in. It's a beautiful way to begin the morning, on either side of the door. Whether you feel called to welcome, usher, prepare the altar, host coffee hour, or bring Eucharist to our homebound friends, your presence makes a difference. See the bulletin board in the hallway for more information.

**Parish Recipes - New!** After our Soup-er Stew-ependous Epiphany Supper, we decided those wonderful recipes deserved to be shared. Parish favorites are now being published in the Grapevine and on the Parish Life page of our website. Have one to add? Send it to Susan Englert at [sgenglert@gmail.com](mailto:sgenglert@gmail.com) and start cooking from St. Matthew's collection online.

**The Parish Photo Album** See highlights from parish life here: [stmatthewsepiscopal.org/learn-connect/parishlife](http://stmatthewsepiscopal.org/learn-connect/parishlife). Email your photos to Susan Englert, [sgenglert@gmail.com](mailto:sgenglert@gmail.com).

**Need a New Name Tag?** If you're a new member or need to replace a beloved but worn cross-stitched name tag, we've got you covered. See the order sheet in the lobby.

## *The Grapevine, St. Matthew's biweekly newsletter*

Subscribe & see what's happening at [grapevine@stmatthewsepiscopal.org](mailto:grapevine@stmatthewsepiscopal.org)

**Stewardship Strong** Significantly higher prices mean more people are struggling to put food on the table. Your generous stewardship dollars help St. Matthew's Food Pantry to feed tens of thousands of vulnerable women, children and men each year. Through our partnership with U.S. government programs, local groceries, and your food donations, we can offer those in need boxes filled with a variety of healthy fresh and canned foods. Watch The Grapevine for more ways your generosity supports Christ's mission at St. Matthew's. **To learn more or give today**, scan the code or visit [stmatthewsepiscopal.org/giving](http://stmatthewsepiscopal.org/giving). Contact the church at (864) 576-0424 or [jbird@stmatthewsepiscopal.org](mailto:jbird@stmatthewsepiscopal.org).

