

Christian Formation 8-2-26



UPCOMING: September 6th we resume Two Sunday Services at 9 am and 11:15 am with Christian Formation between.

***Children's Formation* From 10 am to Eucharist.**

Infants through 5k: The Nursery

1st - 5th Grade: The Large Classroom: Adults always welcome!

EYC!* Episcopal Youth Community. **Resumes August 9*

Bible, Bread & Wine this evening at 5:30 pm with Fr. Paul in the Kelly Room unless otherwise announced in church. Join us for light snacks, deep conversations, and Holy Eucharist. Please let Lindsay know if you can host in your home, or text her at 303-870-2108 with questions!

Compline Every evening www.facebook.com/groups/stmattsc. 9:15 pm.

***Service of Interment of Ashes* for Maxine Wood, Aug. 9 after church.**

This brief service completes the resting of Maxine's ashes, following the fuller memorial service held earlier this year. All who wish to hold Maxine, and those who loved her, in prayer are warmly invited to attend.

Wanted Nursery Caregiver. St. Matthew's is seeking someone with a heart for children to assist with overseeing the nursery. This person would work with Melissa Pellin and serve about every third Sunday morning. This is a paid position: \$100 every Sunday served. Interview and background check required. Please contact Rob Rhoden at r_rhoden@hotmail.com, or Melissa Pellin at melissapellin@yahoo.com for more information.

Preschool Fall Enrollment is Open! It's not too early — or too late — to register your child for the fall school year at The PreSchool at St. Matthew's. Enrollment is open throughout the year, with no registration deadline, and we would love to welcome new families into our preschool community. With caring teachers, a nurturing environment, and a focus on helping children grow socially, emotionally, and spiritually, The PreSchool at St. Matthew's is a wonderful place to begin. Find us and register here: stmattwsepiscopal.org/preschool/what-makes-us-special.

***Blessing of the Backpacks* August 9 during worship.** We invite students, teachers, administrators, classroom aides, office staff, cafeteria workers, bus drivers, custodians, librarians, counselors, and all who serve in education — from preschool through graduate school — to bring backpacks, book bags, and yourselves to the altar as we ask God's blessing on a new school year.

The Prayer for the Calling of Our New Rector

Gracious Father, whose Word declares there is a season for everything and a time for every matter under heaven, we humbly ask Your Holy Spirit to guide the minds and hearts of our family of Saint Matthew's as we seek and choose a new rector. We pray You will help us receive a faithful pastor who will care for Your people and equip us in our ministries, such that we may continue to preach, teach, heal, and make disciples with joy and thanksgiving for the glory of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Food Pantry Needs Just a quick ask for diapers (sizes 3, 4, and 5) and dog & cat food! Please bring to office or church on Sundays. Thank you!

The Brotherhood of St. Matthew is Calling all Men

As a fellowship and service organization, we want to welcome new men as we seek to serve our parish and the surrounding community. We meet the Second Tuesday of every month at 6:30 in the Library Conference Room.

Women's Bible Study 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month, in the Library.

Morning Edition, will resume in September. Kathy Ellis 864-587-7321 or Cathy Whitworth 864-590-3418.

Evening Edition, at 6:30 pm. Mary Paul at 864-504-5375.

The Parish Photo Album So much has happened in the last two months. Our photo album runneth over. Please send your best parish life photos to Susan at sgenglert@gmail.com so they can be added to our Pixieset collections (stmattwsepiscopal.org/learn-connect/parishlife) and shared on social media!

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@stmattwsepiscopal.org

Stewardship Strong Summer often brings travel, family visits, and a different pace of life. If you're away from St. Matthew's this season, recurring online giving is a simple way to keep your pledge on track — one less thing to remember while you're enjoying the summer. Simply visit stmattwsepiscopal.org/giving. (you can use the QR code below) choose Recurring, and select the schedule that works best for you. It's secure, convenient, and easy to change at any time. If you have

any questions or need assistance setting up recurring giving, please contact Jane Bird, Church Administrator, at (864) 576-0424.

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