

Christian Formation 9-13-26



The Sunday Schedule

9:00 - 9:45 Christian Formation

Preschool: 6mo – 5K will go to the Nursery.

Elementary: 1st – 5th grade. Meet your teacher in the Narthex at 9 am.

Teens: EYC Room. Meet your teacher in the Narthex at 9 am.

Adults: Fr. Paul and Holy Grounds in the St. Matthew's Kitchen.
Andy Donnan leads "What Does It Mean to be The Church?", Kelly Rm.

10:00 One Sunday Service

Cookie Party right after church in the Narthex. Join us to celebrate the time we had with Derek Langley, and wish him well on his move to Tampa, Fla.

Evening

EYC at 5:30 pm w/Derek.

Bible, Bread & Wine w/Father Paul at 5:30 pm in the Kelly Rm.

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

Wednesday Evening Holy Eucharist with Healing

6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. A quietly moving service rich in prayers of adoration, thanksgiving, petition, intercession, praise, and faith.

St. Matthew's Sunday: Pledge cards blessed next week!

One week remains in St. Matthew's 2026/27 stewardship campaign. Before the week gets away from you, pause for a moment: Have you already returned your pledge card? If not, could you take care of that one task this week?

Next Sunday, we'll bless our pledge cards on the altar. It's a simple but meaningful reminder that our gifts are more than financial contributions. They are expressions of our hearts and our commitment to doing the Lord's work together. Each gift, joined with those of others, becomes a force for good.

And don't forget our potluck luncheon after church in the gym! If you haven't joined us for one yet, you're in for a treat. Tell us what you're bringing through MealTrain: <https://www.mealtrain.com/potlucks/l47lg6>

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

Morning Edition, 11 am. Study Guides will be made available. Kathy Ellis 864-587-7321, Cathy Whitworth 864-590-3418, or Jeannette Ford 864-978-4137.

Evening Edition, same Tuesdays, at 6:30 pm. Same agenda.

The Grapevine, St. Matthew's biweekly newsletter

Subscribe to The Grapevine at grapevine@stmatthewsepiscopal.org

Support our PreSchool Teachers & Students!

St. Matthew's Preschool greatly appreciates your support! One simple way to help our teachers and students is by donating some of the everyday supplies they use in the classroom. We would be grateful for donations of:

+Paper towels

+Baby wipes

+8.5 x 11 laminating sheets

+Tissues

Donations may be brought to the Church Office. Thank you so much for supporting our PreSchool!

It's Not Too Late to Enroll! If you're still searching for a preschool, or you have a friend looking for placement for their child, we'd be delighted to help. Learn more and register at stmatthewsepiscopal.org/preschool/what-makes-us-special

The Brotherhood of St. Matthew is Calling all Men

Join us the Second Tuesday of every month at 6:30 in the Library for projects and fellowship.

Congregational Service Project

Help us support our neighbors in need. We are collecting feminine hygiene products for clients of our Food Pantry and for people experiencing homelessness in Spartanburg. Walmart offers retail packages starting as low as \$6, and options for teens for about \$2. Donations collected through November. Cash donations are also welcome. Please place cash in the offering plate marked "Product Drive", or drop it off at the church office.

Questions? Please contact Don Davis at donaldsdavissr@aol.com.

Acolyte Training Sunday, Oct. 4 at 11:30 am

Each week at St. Matthew's, you see our dedicated acolytes serving in many ways – lighting candles, carrying crosses, torches and chalices, bearing the chalice, reading Scripture, greeting people. We welcome people of all ages to take part in this important and meaningful ministry. Sign up on the sheet across from the kitchen to attend our acolyte training session – a light lunch will be served before class. For more information, contact Debbie Richardson through the church office.

Cursillo Currently registering for Cursillo #151, September 17-20, 2026, Camp Gravatt. Contact Leesa Simmons or Jane Bird in the Church office for more information on this lively group.

Stewardship: Simply visit stmatthewsepiscopal.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 or jbird@stmatthewsepiscopal.org.