



St. Matthew News & Notes

A Warm Welcome to You!

We welcome you to St. Matthew! We are glad to share with you the blessings of God's holy Word. If you have no church home, we invite you to consider membership at St. Matthew. Please fill out the Record of Fellowship book found at the end of the pew and sign our guest book in the Narthex (entryway). We hope to see you again soon. Come often to be given the gifts our Lord has to give!

Worship Information

Elders	Jason Christy & Jarod Christy
Greeters	Jim & Mary Gibbs
Ushers	Luke Tusing, Jr. & Steve Roberts
Counters	Joe & Shirley Michka
Acolyte	James Pierce
Altar Guild	Angie Mendez & Gayle Bogs



At St. Matthew, we encourage families to worship God together – it is a part of His plan. We do recognize, however, the special needs of our youngest church attendees. While we encourage children to be present in worship, if they are a distraction to you or others, we invite you to take advantage of the **Nursery** located in the Sunday School wing north of the Sanctuary which is equipped with a speaker so mom and dad can attend to their child's needs and still participate in the service. Or you may visit the **Cry Room** located on the south side of the narthex, where the **Restroom** is located as well, which is equipped with a changing table and a rocking chair for the times you may just need to step out for a brief moment.

Any **prayer requests** may be made using the prayer request card on the shelf in the narthex (entryway) or in the pews. These will be prayed for during "The Prayer of the Church."

We're Here to Assist You

Church Office Hours: Monday–Thursday – 8:00 am–4:00 pm
Appointments for counsel, home visits or hospital calls may be requested with Pastor by phone at any time.

Pastor	Rev. Dr. Ronald Bogs	Congregation President
Assoc. Pastor	Rev. Arturo Mendez Vacant
Parish Secretary	Cindy Doty	Congregation Vice President
Organist	Michael Held David Honerkamp
Board of Elders	Jason Christy	Congregation Secretary
Board of Trustees	Eugene Meyer Christina Cross
Board of Edu		Congregation Treasurer
Board of Evangelism	Sylvia Christy Dan Cross
Board of Stewardship		

Prayers for Our Church Family & Friends

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people. . . . This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

–1 Timothy 2:1-4

Please remember those whose needs have been reported with prayers, cards and visits. Most requests will be listed for *THREE* Sundays unless updated. **BOLD FONT** indicates request is new or has been updated this Sunday.

Thanksgiving

✘ **Pastor Mendez & family- complete recovery from COVID**

Comfort

✘ **For the family of Katrina Marx, age 48, who passed away 1/11 (Shirley Michka's niece)**

Strength & Healing

- ✘ **Lillian Hill- hospitalized in Arizona with COVID**
- ✘ **Rose Goebel- recovering from heart procedure**
- ✘ Cora Berry- hospitalized with pneumonia, blood clot, & high cholesterol (Nicole Poppenhusen's mom)
- ✘ Mauro Gonzalez- recovering from a collapsed lung (friend of Hannah Bogs)

Cancer/Long Term Healing

- ✘ Ceci- successful removal of tumor, following up with chemo & radiation (Jim Gibbs' great niece)
- ✘ Nellie Vick- inoperable cancer (friend of Lester Sentesi)
- ✘ Eugene File- lung cancer, at home with chemo (friend of B.J. & Rose Jackson)
- ✘ Don Weidner- on hospice for colon cancer (friend of the Helds)
- ✘ Andrue Barnwell- bone cancer (cousin of Gayle Bogs)
- ✘ Sherry Adams- stage 2 lung cancer (Lester Sentesi's co-worker)
- ✘ Clarence Bourgeois- plaque on the brain & heart problems (father of Sean Bourgeois-Shirley Coyle's great grandson)
- ✘ Marian Martins- cancer (Nadine Reed's mother)
- ✘ Isdell Birnbaum- colon cancer
- ✘ Brenda Pali- arthritis pain
- ✘ Verna Oltjen- cancer (member of Aikman/Baumgartner families)
- ✘ Marian Piracci- undergoing treatment for compromised neurological functions (niece of Langleys' son-in-law)
- ✘ Lani Henderson- cancer treatment (friend of Marie Fischer)
- ✘ Vic Vaz- leukemia (husband of Sheila Vaz)

- ✠ Leon Lilley- Leukemia
- ✠ Chryssa Sharp-ovarian cancer (cousin of Karen Mavus)
- ✠ Paul Kron- cancer treatments (husband of Marilyn Kron)
- ✠ JoAnn Roberts- chronic Leukemia Stage 1 (Steve Roberts' wife)
- ✠ Loraine Lambert-cancer (friend of Shirley Coyle)
- ✠ Miranda Rodriguez- bipolar disorder(Shirley Coyle's friend)
- ✠ Betty Carroll- cancer treatment with dementia(Cathy Coyle's aunt)
- ✠ Mary Ellen Zwahr–seizures (cousin of Brenda Pali)
- ✠ Odet Mendez–possible breast cancer (sister of Arturo Mendez)
- ✠ Dan–immune disorder (neighbor of Steve Roberts)
- ✠ Aileen Mercer–macular degeneration, back pain, shingles
- ✠ Matthew Piserelle–no treatment (brother of Phillip Williamson)
- ✠ Charlie Garton–5 yr old w/ brain cancer (friend of Mark Johnson)
- ✠ David Saville–MS (nephew of Louie Pali)
- ✠ Carolyn Nitché–lymphoma (aunt of Nicole Poppenhusen)

Our Shut Ins

- ✠ Louise Simmons; Richard & Karen Mavus; Bill Pali; Aileen Mercer, Gloria Meyer, Jim Musgrove, Olivia Getschmann, Arthur Bolinger, Mario Reyes, Marcia Carr



General Prayer

- ✠ Healthy pregnancy for Ashley Christy due in February
- ✠ Sean Bourgeois & Garrett Johnson– personal guidance
- ✠ The family of Ali Lowitzer for strength & understanding during difficult times and for her safe return home (granddaughter of Mary Davis).
- ✠ Georgiann & Ron Mallory & Barry Rosenberg–continued strength
- ✠ Michael & Guy Johnson- continued healing (Shirley Coyle's sons)
- ✠ For the safety of those serving in the military:Greggrie O'Garro (Navy)-Bahrain (Claire O'Garro's son); Anthony Valles (Army)-Poland (Nancy Baeza's grandson), Brittney Herrington (Navy)–Belgium (daughter of Nicole Poppenhusen); Joel Berry-Bolen (Navy)–submarine in Pacific (son of Nicole Poppenhusen); Timothy & Benjamin Menz (sons of Paul Menz)

Celebrations

- ✠ **Birthdays:** 1/19 Scott Christy; 1/20 Cody Williamson; 1/21 Troy Lilley; 1/23 Annie Mae Byars & Marilyn Holland
- ✠ **Baptism Anniversaries:** 1/22 Jack Lutsch
- ✠ **Wedding Anniversaries:** 1/17 Mark & Anamarie LaShomb (18 yrs)

“Abortion isn’t something happening in another state or county or city. It is happening right in our backyards. And now we know many [who have had abortions] attend churches regularly and are sitting in our church pews looking for answers. May the Lord provide the answers needed to send a message of hope and forgiveness as well as proclaiming abortion to not be in God’s will.” Virginia J. Flo, Minnesota Regional Director & National Conference Director for Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org



Stewardship Every Sunday



1 Corinthians 6:19b-20 – “You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.” God owns everything, including our very selves. We were made to serve Him and glorify Him and will never truly be happy or find our fulfillment until we learn that lesson. Jesus has redeemed us and brought us back into the Kingdom of the Father, and that has set us free to serve Him in joy, generosity, liberty, and faith.

The Lutheran Hour - Radio

KHCB 105.7 FM Sun 12:30 PM

KKHT 100.7 FM Sun 6:30 PM

KSEV 700 AM Sun 6:30 AM



January 10

"The Backstory Behind a Bible 'Contradiction'"
 Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler
 (Mark 2:13-28)

January 17

"Lost in Wonder, Love, and Praise!"
 Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer
 (Mark 3)