

# 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	Sonny French & Curtis Gace
Greeters	Melissa Sindlinger
Ushers	Randy Bogs & Nathan Cross
Counters	Carolyn McCorquodale
AcolyteAltar Guild	Mary Pierce
Altar Guild	Karen French & Mikaela Reese



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	Scott Christy
Parish Secretary Cindy Doty	Congregation Vice President
Organist Michael Held	
Board of Elders Jason Christy	Congregation Secretary .
Board of Trustees . Eugene Meyer	Christina Cross
Board of Edu Vacant	Congregation Treasurer
Board of Evangelism Vacant	Dan Cross
Board of Stewardship Vacant	

# 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.

### Strength & Healing

- ★ Lillian Hill-moved to rehab center for physical therapy in Phoenix, AZ
- Shawnee- testing for dystonia (12yr old friend of Hannah Bogs & Becky Mendez)
- Mauro Gonzalez- recovering from surgery (friend of Hannah Bogs)
- Rose Goebel- hospitalized with nerve pain
- John Cauppila- recovering from back surgery (friend of Marie Fischer's family)
- Nancy Baeza- recovering from eye surgery
- Dennis Vogt- recovering from surgery (son-in-law of the Helds)

#### Cancer/Long Term Healing

- Debbie Blanton- recurring health issues
- Nellie Vick- inoperable cancer (friend of Lester Sentesi)
- Eugene File- lung cancer (friend of B.J. & Rose Jackson)
- Don Weidner- on hospice for colon cancer (friend of the Helds)
- Clarence Bourgeois- plaque on the brain & heart problems (father of Sean Bourgeois-Shirley Coyle's great grandson)
- Marian Martins- cancer (Nadine Reed's mother)
- Brenda Pali- arthritis pain
- ¥ Verna Oltjen- cancer (member of Aikman/Baumgartner families)
- Marian Piracci- undergoing treatment for compromised neuological functions (niece of Langleys' son-in-law)
- Lani Henderson- cancer treatment (friend of Marie Fischer)
- ∀ Vic Vaz- lukemia (husband of Sheila Vaz)

- ₱ Paul Kron- cancer treatments (husband of Marilyn Kron)
- JoAnn Roberts- chronic Leukemia Stage 1 (Steve Roberts' wife)
- 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)
- David Saville–MS (nephew of Louie Pali)

#### 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

- 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).
- 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), Chris Crowley-Navy on USS Rosevelt (son-in-law of Nicole Poppenhusen); Joel Berry-Bolen (Navy)—Naval Nuclear Facility in Balston Spa, NY (son of Nicole Poppenhusen); Timothy & Benjamin Menz (sons of Paul Menz)

#### Celebrations

- ➡ Birthdays: 2/16 Mackenzie Gentes; 2/17 Amanda Goss
- Baptism Anniversaries: 2/15 Isabell Pali; 2/18 Jean Hinz
- ★ Confirmation Anniversaries: 2/19 Ashley Christy & Edna Ehrhardt
- Wedding Anniversaries: 2/14 Korey & Carol Clark (31 yrs); 2/17 Bob & Jeanne Langley (48 yrs); 2/18 Lester & Cindy Sentesi (37 urs)

"For the Christian, the crucifixion is the center of the whole, the event that gives voice to a broken, dark, and dying world, and the paradoxical suggestion of life somehow within it. This is why the church calendar sets apart forty days to prepare for the cross. This is why the church marks steeples and graves in memory of the crucifixion. The death of Christ is the occasion that makes way for the last to be first, the guilty to be pardoned, the creature united again to its creator." Jill Carattini, Ravi Zacharias International Ministries – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

# Congregational Assembly Meeting TODAY after Divine Service

#### AGENDA:

- Opening Prayer
- Approve minutes of 12-20-2020 CAM

- Board Reports
- Old Business:
  - -Election of Lay Delegate to the District Convention
  - -Repairs to Fellowship Hall roof and building
- New Business:
  - -Synod Convention Referendum

#### **Stewardship Every Sunday**

Mark 9:6 -- "For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified." Soon enough, the disciples' terror turned into joy, for when Jesus is with us, there is no need to fear. He loves us and cares for us and will never abandon us. That assurance is

the basis of all generosity – for only those who are set free from worry can learn the joy of giving.

\*\*\*If anyone is interested in the Pfizer COVID vaccine it is being offered in Cleveland at Texas Emergency Hospital located at 300 E. Crockett St. Phone numbers are 281-806-7370 or 281-806-7380.

They receive shipments of the vaccine every 3 days. \*\*\*