



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	David Honerkamp & Curtis Gace
Greeters	Sylvia Christy & Jean Hinz
Ushers	Randy Bogs & Jason Christy
Counters	Nancy Baeza
Acolyte	
Altar Guild	Hannah Bogs & Becky Mendez



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

✠ **Debbie Blanton- didn't lose big toe (Shirley Coyle's daughter)**

Strength & Healing

- ✠ **Jennifer Harris- recovering from COVID-19 (Shirley Coyle's granddaughter-in-law)**
- ✠ **Brenda Pali- arthritis pain**
- ✠ Chris Lowrance- had stint placed after 3 heart attacks (brother of Jami Gause)
- ✠ Sue Daniels- brain aneurysm (friend of Jenny Turner)
- ✠ Jake Fodderie- brain tumor (nephew to Christina & Dan Cross)
- ✠ Sharol Aikman- in ICU with blood clots in her lungs
- ✠ David Berger- complications after brain surgery
- ✠ Jimmie Lindsay- recovering from COVID (friend of Scott Christy)
- ✠ Tristan Berry- recovering in ICU from major accident and brain surgery (Nicole Poppenhusen's nephew)

Cancer/Long Term Healing

- ✠ Rose Goebel- recovering from a broken foot
- ✠ Dennis Vogt- serious health issues (the Held's son-in-law)
- ✠ Carson Thelen- 16yr old with cancer (neighbor of Holly Williamson)
- ✠ Verna Oltjen- cancer (member of Aikman/Baumgartner families)
- ✠ Marian Piracci- seizures (niece of Langleys' son-in-law)
- ✠ Linda Muckerheide- liver failure (mother of Held's son-in-law)
- ✠ Lani Henderson- cancer treatment (friend of Marie Fischer)
- ✠ Darlene Morrow- started chemo (coupon lady)
- ✠ Jim Musgrove- recovering at home from health issues
- ✠ Olivia Getschmann- recovering in rehab at The Heights in Tomball
- ✠ Arthur Bolinger- recovering in hospital from hip surgery after a fall
- ✠ William Stoughton- cancer (friend of Lester Sentesi)
- ✠ Scott McCasland- hospitalized (friend of Rose & BJ Jackson)
- ✠ Vic Vaz- leukemia (husband of Sheila Vaz)
- ✠ Rylie McKay- child in remission (friend of Aaron Lilley)
- ✠ Leon Lilley- Leukemia
- ✠ Margie Schindewolf Miller- hospice (Shirley Coyle's step-sister)
- ✠ Harold Ramsey- lung cancer (the Holland's friend)

- ✘ Chryssa Sharp-ovarian cancer (cousin of Karen Mavus)
- ✘ Paul Kron- cancer treatments (husband of Marilyn Kron)
- ✘ Kathy Glenn- chemo for breast cancer (friend of Pamela Lilley)
- ✘ 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)
- ✘ George Cook- cancer (husband of Jenny Turner's friend)
- ✘ Josephina- breast cancer (co-worker & friend of Amanda Goss)
- ✘ Maria Kent-chemo (sister of Christina Cross)
- ✘ Mary Ellen Zwahr-seizures (cousin of Brenda Pali)
- ✘ Lauryn Criswell-brain tumor (Jenny Turner's friend's daughter)
- ✘ Odet Mendez-possible breast cancer (sister of Arturo Mendez)
- ✘ Sharron Frank-breast cancer (neighbor of The Goss')
- ✘ 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)
- ✘ Marion Christy-Alzheimers (mother of Scott Christy)
- ✘ Janet Murray-lupus (friend of Curtis & Sharon Gace)
- ✘ Carolyn Nitche-lymphoma (aunt of Nicole Poppenhusen)

Our Shut Ins

- ✘ Louise Simmons; Richard & Karen Mavus; Bill Pali;
Aileen Mercer, Gloria Meyer



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).
- ✘ Georgiann & Ron Mallory & Barry Rosenberg-continued strength
- ✘ Guy Johnson- continued healing (Shirley Coyle's son)
- ✘ Dalton Courtright-growth (great grandson of Shirley Kuhlman)
- ✘ For the safety of those serving in the military: Anthony Valles (Army)- Ft. Hood (Nancy Baeza's grandson), Brittney Herrington (Navy)-Belgium (daughter of Nicole Poppenhusen); Joel Berry-Bolen (Navy)-submarine in Pacific (son of Nicole Poppenhusen); Derreck Fischer (Army)-Fort Bragg (son of Marie Fischer)

Celebrations

- ✘ **Birthdays:** 7/24 Jordan Christy & Mikaela Reese
- ✘ **Baptism Anniversaries:** 7/25 AJ Parsalaw
- ✘ **Wedding Anniversaries:** 7/21 Scott & Sylvia Chriisty (41 years)

Bible Classes and Sunday School To Resume

We will once again attempt to return to normalcy depending on the circumstances as was the case when we made the attempt for July. On Sunday, August 2 we will offer our Sunday morning Bible Classes and Sunday School at 8:45 am and Divine Service at 10 am. On Wednesday, August 5 we will offer our Wednesday 10 am and 7 pm Bible Classes as well. We are offering these classes for those who want to attend. If you are of a high risk, we would encourage you to do what you believe you need to do for your own health and safety. Because there are those who have been attending the regular Bible Classes, and we do not want anyone to miss the continuation of those studies (Sunday - James; Wed. am - Revelation; Wed. pm - Worship), we will begin something new or use one topic studies. If you have something in mind you would like to study, please let the pastors know.

Coupon Volunteer

Looking for someone to fill in for Shirley Coyle during this pandemic to take the coupons collected here at the church to Cypress Trails Methodist Church about once a month.

Lutherans For Life



"Lifting each other up, as we share our faith in Christ Who came to make all things new, is the only hope we have. Let us not waste this life God has given us, but let us move forward in faith, together, knowing that ultimately the gates of hell will not prevail against those who love God." Abbott Tryphon, Vashon Island, Washington – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org

Stewardship Every Sunday

Rom. 8:18 – "For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us." It is very easy to get caught up in the present and lose track of our ultimate destiny in the Kingdom of God. St. Paul encourages us to keep eternity in mind. This certainly has an application to our support for the Gospel. If we keep our focus on "the glory to be revealed," we will see our tithes and offerings in a new light.



St. Matthew Lutheran Church of Westfield is a congregation of Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. Visit the LCMS website at www.lcms.org. We also sponsor *The Lutheran Hour* on radio (Sundays on KSEV (700 AM) at 6:30 am, KHCB (105.7 FM) at 12:30 pm, and KKHT (100.7 FM) at 6:30 pm).

Visit our website at www.stmatthewlcms.com!