



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	Jarod Christy & Sonny French
Greeters	Curtis & Sharon Gace
Ushers	Dillon Mosier & Robert Sindlinger
Counters	Marie Fischer
Acolyte	Alex Vaz
Altar Guild	Janie McElroy & Rose Jackson



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	David Honerkamp
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.

Comfort

✠ **The family of Don Weidner who passes away Monday evening. (Friend of the Helds)**

Strength & Healing

- ✠ **Mark Monroe-suffered a major stroke but improving with physical therapy (brother of Mary Gibbs)**
- ✠ All of those, especially those in our congregation, suffering from COVID right now
- ✠ Phillip & Holly Williamson- COVID
- ✠ Clarence Meal- lung cancer diagnosis (friend of Bettye Carter)
- ✠ Grace Meyer Ballard- COVID (cousin of Jane McElroy)
- ✠ Caiden Pali- 5yr old with COVID (grandson of Bill & Brenda Pali)
- ✠ Dave Nahrwold- beginning chemo for bladder cancer.(Elisabeth Held's father)
- ✠ Jeanie Cowger- recently re-diagnosed with cancer (step-family to Cowger family)
- ✠ Joan Mikecz- recurrent lung infections (sister of Jeanne Held)
- ✠ Anne McIlhany- oxygen issues

Cancer/Long Term Healing

- ✠ **Ceci- finished chemo & radiation, now on quarterly monitoring, still tired and having kidney issues (Jim Gibbs' great niece)**
- ✠ Sandra Randolph- chronic fatigue syndrome (Sharon Gace's cousin)
- ✠ Carson Thelen- cancer has spread & there are no more treatment options, going on hospice (Holly Williamson's neighbor)
- ✠ Rev. David Oberdieck- diagnosed with kidney cancer (seminary class mate of Pastor Bogs)
- ✠ Christina Cross- multiple health issues (Dan Cross' sister)
- ✠ Andrue Barnwell- cancer (cousin of Gayle Bogs)
- ✠ Isdell Birnbaum- stage 4 cancer, under hospice care
- ✠ Phyllis Smith- cancer (Bryce Koslan's cousin)
- ✠ Kevin Clark- broken neck & back (Korey Clark's brother)
- ✠ Linda Kimmel Winders- tumor in colon (Ray Reed's cousin)
- ✠ Nellie Vick- inoperable cancer (friend of Lester Sentesi)
- ✠ Eugene File- lung cancer (friend of B.J. & Rose Jackson)

- ✕ 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
- ✕ Marian Piracci- 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—child w/ brain cancer (friend of Mark Johnson)
- ✕ David Saville—MS (nephew of Louie Pali)

Our Shut Ins

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



General Prayer

- ✕ Sean Bourgeois & Garrett Johnson— personal guidance
- ✕ The family of Ali Lowitzer - strength & understanding during difficult times & 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 a safe & healthy pregnancy for Sisilie & Chris Lawrence, due in December.
- ✕ For the safety of those serving in the military:Greggrie O'Garro (Navy)-Bahrain (Claire O'Garro's son); Anthony Valles (Army)- Ft. Hood (Nancy Baeza's grandson), Chris Crowley-Navy on USS Roosevelt (son-in-law of Nicole Poppenhusen); Timothy & Benjamin Menz (sons of Paul Menz)

Celebrations

Birthdays: 8/19 Becky Mendez

Baptism Anniversaries: 8/15 Brent Harvey, Jonathan LaShomb, & Richard Maximus LaShomb; 8/19 Richard LaShomb; 8/20 Ean Cowger

Wedding Anniversaries: 8/17 Dalhardt & Rose Goebel (36 yrs); 8/20 Carolyn & Gary McCorquodale (44 yrs)



Truth in a Post-Truth World

September 25, 2021
Zion Lutheran Church
Tomball, TX

About this topic:

We no longer live in a post-modern society in which everyone has their own truth. Truth is no longer a subjective reality. We live in a post-truth world. What does this mean? Let Dr. Adam Francisco of Concordia University Chicago tell you what it means to declare, define, and defend the absolute truth of the Gospel in a post-truth world so that we may give a reason for the hope that is within us.

What is a Higher Things Retreat?

Picture the sanctuary filled with teenagers, eager for the organ to begin the opening lines of the liturgy or their favorite hymns, listening intently as they learn how their Lutheran faith applies to their lives and relationships, and laughing as they horse around playing games and getting to know other youth from the area. This Retreat will give youth and adults a glimpse of what happens at a Higher Things youth conference and what a typical conference day looks like!

\$30

Register Today!

www.higherthings.org

Please see Gayle Bogs for more information!!



Flowers are given to the glory of God in honor of Lorna Sentesi's birthday by all of her kids & grandkids!