



# 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	Sonny & Joyce French
Ushers	Luke Tusing, Jr. & Randy Bogs
Counters	Barbara Newbould & Luke Tusing, Jr.
Acolyte	Cody Williamson
Altar Guild	Robert & Melissa Sindlinger



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.

### Comfort

✠ **The family of Jo Moudine Reed, Ray Reed's mother, who passed away on Monday, November 23rd.**

### Strength & Healing

- ✠ Debbie Blanton- in rehab after a stroke, doing well (Shirley Coyle's daughter)
- ✠ Terry Wilson- hospitalized for COVID (friend of Marie Fischer)
- ✠ Don Weidner- on hospice for colon cancer (friend of the Helds)
- ✠ Family/Friends of the Helds affected by Dallas COVID outbreak
- ✠ Mauro Gonzalez- health problems (friend of Hannah Bogs & Becky Mendez)
- ✠ Michael Johnson- health issues (Shirley Coyle's son)

### Cancer/Long Term Healing

- ✠ Andrue Barnwell- 21 yr old diagnosed with bone cancer from Missouri here at MD Anderson (cousin of Gayle Bogs)
- ✠ Sherry Adams- diagnosed with stage 2 lung cancer (Lester Sentesi's co-worker)
- ✠ Emma Hodges- 101 yrs old in hospital with general health concerns (Shirley Coyle's aunt)
- ✠ Clarence Bourgeois- plaque on the brain & heart problems (father of Sean Bourgeois-Shirley Coyle's great grandson)
- ✠ Evelyn McWhorter- 99 year old patient at Regent Care Center on Gosling (Joyce Bolinger's mom)
- ✠ Ceci- treatments for abdominal cancer (Jim Gibbs' great niece)
- ✠ Marian Martins- cancer (Nadine Reed's mother)
- ✠ Isdell Birnbaum- colon cancer
- ✠ Eugene File- lung cancer (friend of B.J. & Rose Jackson)
- ✠ 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)
- ✠ Darlene Morrow- started chemo (coupon lady)
- ✠ 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 sister)
- ✘ Chrissy 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)
- ✘ 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)
- ✘ 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, 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
- ✘ 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: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:** 11/30 Jane McElroy
- ✘ **Baptism Anniversaries:** 11/29 Patsy Hodges; 12/1 Jami Gause & Joe Michka; 12/3 Nancy Baeza; 12/5 Holly Williamson
- ✘ **Wedding Anniversaries:** 12/2 David & Kristyn Christie (14 yrs)

"Christians engage in adopting not only because we desire to raise children but also—and above all—because the Most High desires their survival and salvation. We adopt because we have been so adopted. We adopt because little ones need homes. We adopt because we have homes and families to share. Life issues mean more than just political debates. Life issues involve more than just personal choices or someone else's problems. Life issues are always people and Gospel." Rev. Michael W. Salemink, Executive Director of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)



## **CHILDREN'S PROGRAM**



Join us on Sunday on Dec. 13 at 4 pm for our Christmas Program, "From Heaven Above To Earth I Come". Going with the theme of hymns from the pastors' sermons during Advent, the youth will bring to light Martin Luther's beloved Christmas Hymn, "From Heaven Above To Earth I Come." Rehearsals start next Sunday Nov. 29 during Sunday school.

## **Advent Schedule**

Advent Services: December 2, 9, 16 & 23 -12:00pm Worship for those who cannot attend the evening service, 7:15 pm Hymn Sing, & 7:30 pm Worship  
 Christmas Eve: December 24 - 6:30 pm candlelight with The Lord's Supper  
 Christmas Day: December 25 - 10:00 am with The Lord's Supper  
 New Years Eve: December 31 - 6:30 pm with The Lord's Supper



\*\*Advent Meals: Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic we will not be having Advent meals this year.\*\*

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