



St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

A Neighborhood Church with a Worldwide Community

ASCENSION SUNDAY
June 1, 2025, 10:30 a.m.

Please stand if you are able during the portions indicated by a +. The congregation is invited to say the words in **bold** and to sing along to the music printed in the bulletin.

If we hold the service inside due to weather, please be aware that we live-stream our services on Facebook and your image may appear in the video. If you do not want your image to appear, please speak to an usher.

GATHERING

+ Welcome

+ Opening Hymn

“Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise”

Hail the day that sees him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!
See! he lifts his hands a - bove; Al - le - lu - ia!
Lord be - yond our mor - tal sight, Al - le - lu - ia!

glo - rious to his na - tive skies; Al - le - lu - ia!
See! he shows the prints of love: Al - le - lu - ia!
raise our hearts to reach thy height, Al - le - lu - ia!

Christ, a - while to mor - tals given, Al - le - lu - ia!
Hark! his gra - cious lips be - stow, Al - le - lu - ia!
there thy face un - cloud - ed see, Al - le - lu - ia!

en - ters now the high - est heaven! Al - le - lu - ia!
bless - ings on his Church be - low. Al - le - lu - ia!
find our heaven of heavens in thee. Al - le - lu - ia!

Words: Charles Wesley (1707–1788), alt. Music: *Llanfair*, Robert Williams (1781–1821).
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+ Acclamation

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

+ Collect (Prayer) for Purity (*said by all*)

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

+ Gloria in excelsis

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

+ **Collect of the Day**

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Savior Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to his promise, he abides with his Church on earth, even to the end of the ages; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

WORD *Please be seated.*

First Lesson *Acts 1:1–11*

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. “This,” he said, “is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 47 *(please remain seated ~ congregation sings verses in **bold**)*



J Michael Compton.

Clap your hands, /all you peoples; *
shout to God with a /cry of joy.
For the Lord Most High is /to be feared; *
he is the great King over /all the earth.

He subdues the /peoples under us, *
and the nations /under our feet.
He chooses our inheri-/tance for us, *
the pride of Jacob /whom he loves.

God has gone up /with a shout, *
the Lord with the /sound of the ram’s-horn.
Sing praises to /God, sing praises; *
sing praises to our /King, sing praises.

The Psalms are prayers and songs to God from ancient Jewish worship that speak so powerfully to the human condition that they were incorporated into the Bible. Sometimes, they lift up voices of joyful praise. Other times, they speak from the places of deepest lament and sorrow.

For God is King of /all the earth; *
sing praises with /all your skill.
God reigns o-/ver the nations; *
God sits upon his /holy throne.

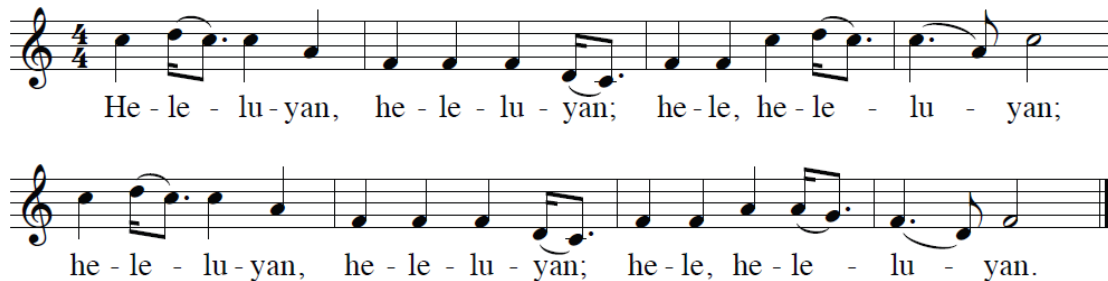
The nobles of the peoples have gath-/ered together *
with the people of the /God of Abraham.
The rulers of the earth be-/long to God, *
and he is high-/ly exalted.

Second Lesson *Ephesians 1:15–23*

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

+ Gospel Acclamation (*cantor begins, all repeat "Alleluia"*)



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+ Gospel Reading *Luke 24:44–53*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

followed by silence

+ Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

+ Prayers of the People

Place your hands together in prayer and move them back and forth.

(hands at forehead) **God be in my head and in my thinking.**
(hands at mouth) **God be in my mouth and in my speaking.**
(hands at heart) **God be in my heart and in my loving.**
(hands open palms up) **God be in my hands and in my helping.**

O God, you have promised to hear us when we pray in the name of your Son. Therefore we pray with confidence and trust in this Easter season:

Enliven the Church for its mission
that we may be salt of the earth and a light to the world.

Breathe new life into your people.

Give us power to embody the teachings of Christ in word and action.

The Nicene Creed is a confession of faith from the fourth century that affirms the two great mysteries of Christian faith: that ultimate reality (God) is a community of love (the Trinity) and that God joins us in our life and suffering (the Incarnation of Jesus). We say it in unity with followers of Jesus around the world and across the ages.

Creator of all, lead us in the ways of justice and peace.

May we respect the dignity of every human being.

Awaken in us a sense of wonder for the earth and all that is in it.

Teach us to use its resources rightly in the service of others.

God of truth, inspire with your wisdom those whose decisions affect the lives of others.

That they may lead with integrity, courage and compassion.

Bless those whose lives are linked with ours.

May we serve Christ in one another, and love one another as he loves us.

God of hope; comfort and restore all who suffer in body, mind or spirit.

May they know the power of your healing love.

In the midst of strife and divisions amongst us.

May we be instruments of your peace.

We remember with thanksgiving those who have died in the faith of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone.

We commend them to your mercy.

Give comfort to those who mourn.

Bring them peace in their time of loss.

We pray especially for Susan, Howard, and family, Kevin, Craig and family, Wendy, Cindy, Bridget, Cathy, Winnie, Kristine, Laura, Katrina, Larry and Pam, Ray, Lance and Chris, Rosie, Birdie, Pat, Nancy, Bonnie, Chris, Sarah, and family, Elaine, Evelynne, Callum and Boden, June, Jarrett, Jon, Martha, James and Barbara, Richard, Larry, Tom and Elaine, Nevin, Judy, Ruth and family, Jewel, Ken, Michael, Michele, Gail. Are there others you would like to pray for?

We praise you for Matthew, Beatrice, and all your saints who have entered your eternal glory.

May their lives inspire and encourage us.

Risen Lord, you have called us to serve you.

Grant that we may walk in your presence:

your love in our hearts,

your truth in our minds,

your strength in our wills;

It is in your name we pray. Amen.

Confession and Absolution (*please kneel as you are able*)

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word and deed,

by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us;

that we may delight in your will,

and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

+ **Peace**

The peace of Christ be always with you.
And also with you.

Announcements

TABLE

Offertory

Let us walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

"I Love to Tell the Story"



I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best
Of Je - sus and His glo - ry, Of Je - sus and His love,
Seem hun - ger-ing and thirst-ing to hear it, like the rest.
I love to tell the sto - ry, Be - cause I know it's true;
And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,
It sat - is-fies my long-ings as noth - ing else would do.
'Twill be the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.
I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry.
To tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and His love.

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+ **Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord. After his glorious resurrection he openly appeared to his disciples, and in their sight ascended into heaven, to prepare a place for us; that where he is, there we might also be, and reign with him in glory.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

+ **Sanctus and benedictus**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and folk-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff ends with a double bar line. The second staff continues the melody. The third staff ends with a double bar line. The fourth staff continues the melody and ends with a double bar line.

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Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

+ **The Lord's Prayer**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

+ **The Breaking of the Bread**

+ **Fraction Anthem** (*spoken*)

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

+ **Invitation to Communion**

The table of bread and wine is now made ready. It is the table of company with Jesus and all those who love him. So come to this table you who have much faith, and you who would like to have more. You who have been to this sacrament often and you who have not been in a long time. You who have tried to follow Jesus and you who have failed. Come, it is Christ who invites us to meet Him here.

Communion

All are welcome at Christ's table, without exception.

Please stay in your place; the communion ministers will bring communion to you.

We offer bread broken from a common loaf and wine from a common cup. The church teaches that you have received fully if you only receive the bread. If you choose to receive the wine, you are encouraged to drink directly from the common cup rather than to dip. There are also individually-wrapped gluten-free wafers and a pewter chalice reserved for gluten-free. Please indicate to the clergy if you would prefer this option.

If you do not wish to receive bread and wine, but would like a blessing, please cross your hands over your chest.

+ **Post-Communion Prayer**

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*After we experience this foretaste of
God's great heavenly banquet, to
which people from every tribe and
nation are invited, we are sent
forward into the world to
participate in God's healing of all
creation. When the liturgy ends,
our lives of service and worship
continue beyond these doors, shaped
by how God has met us here.*

SENDING

+ **Sending of Eucharistic Visitors** (*when requested*)

N., in the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that N., to whom you go, may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

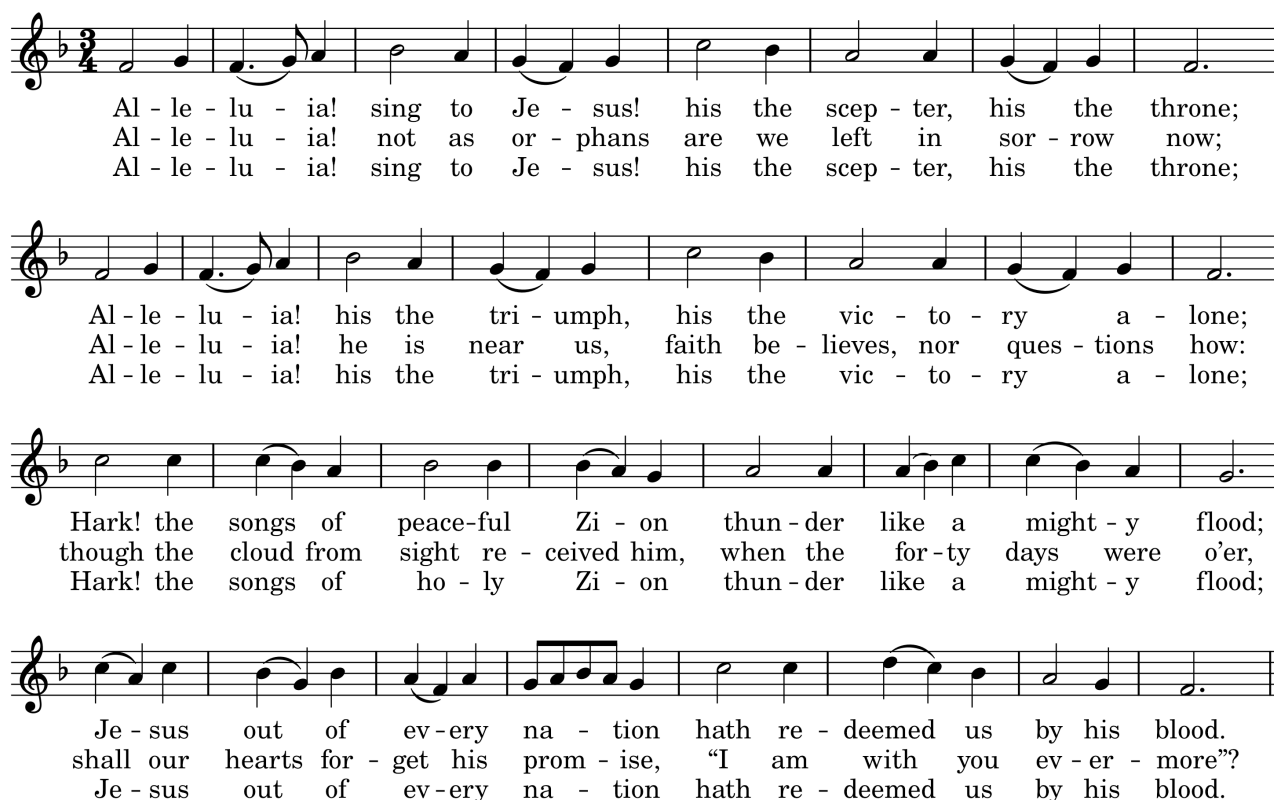
We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

+ **Blessing**

Go forth into the world in peace. Be strong and of good courage. Hold fast to that which is good. Render no one evil for evil. Strengthen the faint-hearted. Support the weak. Help the afflicted. Honor all people. Love and serve the Risen Christ in whom we live and move and have our being. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

+ Closing Hymn

“Alleluia, Sing to Jesus”



Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the scep - ter, his the throne;
 Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we left in sor - row now;
 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the scep - ter, his the throne;

Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone;
 Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how:
 Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone;

Hark! the songs of peace-ful Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood;
 though the cloud from sight re - ceived him, when the for - ty days were o'er,
 Hark! the songs of ho - ly Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood;

Je - sus out of ev - ery na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.
 shall our hearts for - get his prom - ise, “I am with you ev - er - more”?
 Je - sus out of ev - ery na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.

Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837–1898). Music: *Hyfrydol*, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811–1887).
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+ The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve our God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

If you are new to St. Matthew's and would like to learn more about our church, you are invited to come forward immediately after the service for a seven-minute welcome led by Joan Hershbell.

If you would like the prayer team to pray for you, another person or family, or a local or global situation, please come forward following the service for Healing Prayer from Sherry Latty.

Scripture readings next week (Pentecost Sunday):

Acts 2:1-21 (in many languages); Psalm 104:25-35, 37; Romans 8:14-17; John 14:8-17, 25-27



Announcements

Faith Formation

Faith Formation is on hiatus until September, except for the Sunday Morning Book Group, which will meet at 9:15 am in the Gathering Room this week and next until they have finished their book. For more information on Sunday School, please contact Mia Millares at kids@stmatthewsmn.org. For more information on the Faith Forum, please contact Chris Lilley at chrisl@stmatthewsmn.org. For more information on the Sunday Morning Book Group, please contact Linda López at lindablopez@gmail.com.

Sunday Evening Contemplative Worship

Our final contemplative evening worship for the spring is this afternoon at 5:00 pm in the sanctuary. Within the spaces and silences offered by a sparer liturgy, we will light candles, pray, Dwell in the Word, and chant to bring us closer to our risen and ascended Lord. All are welcome!

Outdoor Worship

Our outdoor worship begins today, in the grove of trees on the north side of College Park, across the street from our church, past the playground and tennis courts. In case of bad weather, an announcement will be sent over CCB and we will return to the sanctuary. We encourage people to bring an extra chair or blanket to share with guests who may not have one. Please place them by the welcome flag near the front, where ushers and other friendly folks can help people find them, and also provide hand sanitizer, sunblock, a first aid kit, and outdoor toys. If you share a chair, please collect it after the service. For those who prefer to worship inside, we will also hold a said Eucharist in the chapel at 9:00 am each Sunday.

Pentecost Readers

Next Sunday we will celebrate the Day of Pentecost, where we will listen to the first reading read by many people simultaneously in many languages, giving a taste of what happened at the first Pentecost. Our goal is to have as many readers as possible, so if you can speak a language other than English, please consider participating. Remember that readers are all speaking at the same time so we won't be able to tell if your language skills are less than perfect! Please contact Linda López as soon as possible if you are interested at lindablopez@gmail.com.

Family Gathering to Bring in the Summer

Families participating in Children's Faith Formation this year are invited to meet at Jake and Elizabeth Anderson's house in the Como Park neighborhood at 12:00 noon for a BBQ and family fun in their yard! If you have any questions, find Jake, Elizabeth, or Mia.

Church Repair Days

Our building needs some routine maintenance, including but not limited to caulking exterior windows, doors, and moldings, painting window frames, replacing filters on drinking fountains, and rewiring light fixtures for LED bulbs. We will tackle these projects this **Friday, June 6**, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm, and **Saturday, June 7**, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm. Lunch will be provided both days. All are invited to help out! If you have an interest in helping, please respond to danielawhite1124@gmail.com and please specify "church."

Como Zoo Family and Intergenerational Gathering

Join us for an intergenerational gathering at Como Zoo this **Saturday, June 7**, at 10:00 am! We will have a scavenger hunt based on the Creation Story, and have a chance for fun with St. Matthew's families and kids! To RSVP or if you have any questions, please contact Mia at kids@stmatthewsmn.org.

Mini Golf at Can Can Wonderland

Join us for a youth group mini golf at Can Can Wonderland next **Sunday, June 8**, at 12:00 noon! To RSVP or if you have any questions, please contact Mia at kids@stmatthewsmn.org.

Musicians Needed

While our services are held in College Park, our music is accompanied by instruments played by folks just like you. If you play an instrument but it has been a long time, or if you are just starting out, playing hymns for the church is a great outlet! Please reach out to our Music Director at jmichaelcompton@aol.com.

Open Church

On Wednesday and Friday afternoons from 2:00 to 5:00 pm, we open our church to anyone who wishes to enter for prayer, rest, or to have a look around. We need volunteers up until the end of June (two volunteers in each one-hour shift). Please sign up at stmatthewsmn.org/open-church.

Spiritual Practice for the Easter Season: The Examen

Become aware of God's presence.

Reflect on the day with gratitude.

What was lifegiving?

What was lifetaking?

Pray into what was lifetaking today.

Look in hope to the day tomorrow.

Prayer list

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of Korea.

ECMN Intercessory Calendar: Please pray for all Ecumenical Ministries throughout the Minnesota, especially for the Minnesota Council of Churches and all those who work with social service agencies.

Prayers: Susan, Howard, and family, Kevin, Craig and family, Wendy, Cindy, Bridget, Cathy, Winnie, Kristine, Laura, Katrina, Larry and Pam, Ray, Lance and Chris, Rosie, Birdie, Pat, Nancy, Bonnie, Chris, Sarah, and family, Elaine, Evelynne, Callum and Boden, June, Jarrett, Jon, Martha, James and Barbara, Richard, Larry, Tom and Elaine, Nevin, Judy, Ruth and family, Jewel, Ken, Michael, Michele, Gail.

Deceased: (*recent*) Mary Monkmeyer, mother of Susan Monkmeyer; (*Parish History*) Mildred W. Gregory, Eli Southworth, Marian (Marnee) Willey Monahan, Larry Brown, Margaret Craig Gaskel, William F. Schwieger, Beddy Hanna, Susan B. Chard, Wells Stewart Marshall Jr., Clara Flannagan, Charles D. Lamb, Henri Verbrugghen, Robert Warren, Hanna C. Keys, Dorothy L. Slind, Ruth Frances Wallace.

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Congregational Calendar

Sunday, June 1 Ascension Sunday

- 9:00 am Said Eucharist (chapel)
- 9:15 am Sunday Morning Book Group (Gathering Room)
- 10:30 am Outdoor Holy Eucharist (College Park)
- 12:00 noon Family Gathering (Jake and Elizabeth Anderson's house)
- 12:00 noon Crafting and Fellowship (College Park)
- 5:00 pm Contemplative Evening Service (sanctuary)

Tuesday, June 3

- 7:00 pm Spiritual Writing Group (library)

Wednesday, June 4

- 12:00 noon Noonday Eucharist and Lunch (Parish Hall or Zoom)
- 2:00 pm Open church
- 5:00 pm Evening Prayer (chapel)

Friday, June 6

- 9:00 am Church repair day
- 2:00 pm Open church
- 5:00 pm Evening Prayer (chapel)

Saturday, June 7

- 9:30 am Centering Prayer (library)
- 10:00 am Como Zoo Family and Intergenerational Gathering
- 10:00 am Church repair day

Sunday, June 8 Pentecost Sunday

- 9:00 am Said Eucharist (chapel)
- 9:15 am Sunday Morning Book Group (Gathering Room)
- 10:30 am Outdoor Holy Eucharist (College Park)
- 11:30 am Reception honoring graduates (College Park)
- 12:00 noon Youth at Can Can Wonderland

All weekdays

- 8:00 am Daily Morning Prayer (Zoom)

*For more information about any of these offerings or the Zoom links,
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Today's worship leaders

Katie White and Elaine Tarone, reader

Gwen Odney, prayer leader

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Laura Bathke, Altar Guild

Sherry Latty, Healing Prayer

Warren Poole, live-streaming

Joan Hershbelle, seven-minute welcome

Jenny Bach and Mary Griffin, counters

Lars Christensen, cantor

Jenny Bach, Peter Cartford, Lars Christensen, David Colwell, Laura Corcoran, Heather Craig,

Kristine Granias, Lynn Jenkins, Judy Jones (on leave), Susan Jones (on leave), Dave McKenna,

Isaac Olurotimi, Christopher Sibilia (on leave), Daniel Sinaga, and Dave Wilkowske, choir

Janet Murphy, flute

Frankie Billing and Dave Colwell, trumpets

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