

Welcome to St. Matthew's!

Are you in search of the spiritual meaning of life? Are you looking for a church where you can grow and express your spirituality? Do you want a faith community that cares about you, and where you can serve? Are you looking for meaningful involvement where you can express your gifts and talents? Do you want to experience God and have a deeper relationship with him and with his people? Do you want to grow into God's Word? Are you concerned about the issues facing life today and how your faith matters in your every day life? All of these questions and those upon your mind are a part of our ministry at St. Matthew's.

I invite you to be part of this growing ministry concerned about proclaiming God's Word, about caring for you and your children, about doing justice and reaching out beyond our doors. There are many ways to serve in and through St. Matthew's.

This booklet serves as a quick source of information and provides the name of a contact person for most activities and ministries at St. Matthew's. It is designed to assist you in two ways. First, it can help you identify the growing number of ways you can be served by the ministries of St. Matthew's through educational, spiritual growth, recreational and support groups.

Second, it can assist you in identifying how you can return God's gracious gifts by offering your gifts, skills, time and energy in service to the church and those around you. We encourage you to get involved in ministry to help make St. Matthew's and our community a better place to live and worship. The activities and ministries vary in the amount of time, skill and commitment needed. We are sure you will find a match that's right for you.

God calls each of us into ministry as we make up this unique community of faith called St. Matthew's. We strive to be an open and welcoming community and rejoice in what you bring to us and what we can give to you. We are blessed by your ministry with us. May you come to further know God's love in Jesus Christ as we say and do the Gospel. God's blessings to you.

Pastor Gary Erickson

About the Staff:

Pastor Gary Erickson has been the Senior Pastor at St. Matthew's since 1982. His involvement is in every aspect of the ministry to the Congregation with special responsibilities in Stewardship, Property, Worship & Music, Men's Ministries and Administration.

Pastor Chris Manke is one of our Associate Pastors. He was ordained and installed in June of 1996 at St. Matthew's. His involvement is in every aspect of the ministry to the Congregation with special responsibilities in Youth and Family Ministries, Education, Fellowship, Discipleship, Confirmation, Technology, Global Ministries, Social Ministries and Administration.

Pastor Margaret Schoewe is one of our Associate Pastors. She was ordained in May of 2006, and installed at St. Matthew's in June of that year. Her call is a half time call involving all aspects of the ministry to the Congregation with special emphasis on pastoral care, spiritual formation and eco-justice.

Our Music Staff is composed of **John Paradowski**: Minister of Music, Organist, Adult Handbell Choirs and New Generation Youth Choir. **David Mohr**: Senior Choir. **Jeff Reeves**: Praise Kids! Preschool and Early Elementary Choir, New Creation, 3-6 grade Choir, Youth Handbell Choirs. **Haley Picotte**: Praise Kids!

The Education Staff includes **Gretchen Hauge**: Sunday School Coordinator and Youth Ministry, **Donna Gardner Manke**: Children's Ministry, **Sue Swing**: Adult Education and Volunteer Ministries, **Jane Sandstrom**: Older Adult Ministry and **Bev Etzelmueller**: Volunteer Church Librarian.

The Office Staff is **Sonja Mohr**: Communications Secretary, **Holly Jurss**: Finance Secretary, and **Jill Due**: Assistant Communications Secretary. Tim Ireland and Bob Gardner are our Custodians.

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WORSHIP MINISTRY

LAY READERS
Sue Swing
414/774-0441

Read the appointed first and second lessons for the day. A copy of the lessons is sent in the mail a few days prior to the person's scheduled Sunday.

ACOLYTES
Pastor Gary
414/774-0441

Light the candles for worship and assist with the distribution of communion.

BREAD BAKERS
Sue Swing
414/774-0441

Bake small loaves of bread used for communion. An easy recipe is provided for your convenience.

**COMMUNION
PREPARERS**
Sue Hansen
414/258-8812

Prepare the elements for communion and clean up the communion ware after the service. Preparers work in teams of 2-3. Training is provided by Sue Hansen; Altar Guild.

**COMMUNION
ASSISTANTS**
Sue Swing
414/774-0441

Help the Pastors with distribution of bread and wine during communion. Training is provided by the pastors.

**SOUND SYSTEM/
LIGHTING**
Ed Bross
262/797-9260

Work the sound board in the balcony and/or the lights during worship. Training will be provided.

**CHURCH
DECORATION**
Brian Smith
414/536-1324

Utilize your artistic talents to decorate the Sanctuary for festival occasions.

MUSIC MINISTRY

PRAISE KIDS
Haley Picotte
Jeff Reeves
Church Office
414/774-0441

A beginning singing experience for children in 4K-Grade2. The group meets on Thursdays from 4:00-5:00 p.m., October through May. The hour includes singing, games and rhythm activities; plus snack and social time. The children sing at the 8:30 service several times throughout the year.

**NEW CREATION
CHOIR**
Jeff Reeves
John Paradowski
Church Office
414/774-0441

This choir is for children in grades 3-6, with rehearsals on Wednesdays from 7:00-8:00 p.m. The group sings monthly. A musical is presented each year in the spring. The group also participates in the Christmas pageant and other special worship services.

**NEW GENERATION
CHOIR**
John Paradowski
414/774-0441

This choir is for students in grades 7-12. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 6-6:45 p.m. The choir sings monthly at the 11:00 service.

SENIOR CHOIR
David Mohr
414/774-1775

The adult choir rehearses on Thursdays from 7:30-9:00 p.m. The choir sings at the 8:30 service on the first two Sundays of the month, at the 11:00 service on the 3rd and 4th Sundays, and for special worship services.

GODSBELLS
Jeff Reeves
414/774-0441

This handchime choir is for students in grades 4-6; rehearsing on Tuesdays from 6:00-6:45 p.m. The group plays at worship monthly.

**RIGHTEOUS
RINGERS**
Jeff Reeves
414/774-0441

This handbell choir is for students in grades 7-12. Rehearsals are on Tuesdays from 7:00-7:45 p.m. The group plays in worship on a regular basis.

MUSIC MINISTRY continued

- BELLS ANGELS** This adult handbell choir meets on Thursday evenings from 6:30-7:20 p.m. They play at 8:30 or 11:00 worship on a regular basis.
John Paradowski
414/774-0441
- The EmbELLishments** The beginning adult handbell choir meets on Tuesday mornings from 9:30-10:45 a.m. They play at various times throughout the year.
John Paradowski
414/774-0441
- A CABELLA RINGERS** Experienced group ringing advanced Ensemble handbell music.
John Paradowski
414/774-0441
- INSTRUMENTALIST FOR WORSHIP** Share your musical talent by providing special music during the worship service, or by accompanying one of the choirs.
John Paradowski
414/774-0441
- WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE** Assist in creating, planning and evaluating the corporate worship of the congregation. In cooperation with the staff of St. Matthew's, the committee works to provide members the opportunity to experience God in a meaningful setting of word, sacrament and music.
Brian Smith
414/536-1324

HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

HOSPITALITY HOSTS

Sue Swing
Church Office
414/774-0441

Our Hosts (Greeters & Information Center Hosts) are stationed at the main parking lot entrance, in the Commons and at the Information Center where they welcome all who enter God's house for worship. They also answer questions and give directions.

USHERS

Sue Swing
414/774-0441

Ushers work in teams to welcome people for worship, hand out bulletins, help seat people, collect the offering, and help assure that worship services run smoothly.

COFFEE HOSTS

Sue Swing
414/774-0441

Coffee Hosts serve coffee, juice and baked goods during the fellowship time in the Commons following the 8:30 service. They provide the baked goods. Working in teams, they are responsible for set up and clean up.

NURSERY HELPERS

Sue Swing
414/774-0441

Provide childcare in the church nursery (room 102 in the Education wing) during 8:30 & 11:00 services, the Education hour and special events or services. One to three adults or teens are assigned to each service time.

SPECIAL MEAL PROVIDERS

Sue Swing
414/774-0441

Members bring home cooked meals to families or individuals experiencing the birth of a baby, cancer concerns, recent hospitalization, chronic or extended illness, etc. Volunteers are assigned a date by a meal coordinator.

HELP WITH A FELLOWSHIP EVENT

Teresa Wooster
Church Office
414/774-0441

If you have a knack for planning/organizing events, like to help behind the scenes, or have ideas for social events – your help would be greatly appreciated. Game nights, movie nights, family outings, Christmas caroling, pie socials – the possibilities are endless.

HOSPITALITY MINISTRY continued

FELLOWSHIP
COMMITTEE
Teresa Wooster
Church Office

414/774-0441

Oversees the planning and facilitation of St. Matthew's larger social events, including the annual church picnic, Thanksgiving pie social, caroling, game nights, etc. The committee welcomes your ideas for future events, as well as your help in making the events a success.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRY

SUNDAY SCHOOL
Gretchen Haugse
414/774-0441

Classes for ages 3 through grade 8 are held during the Education Hour, 9:45-10:45 a.m., September through May. Register in person or call the church office.

TEACH SUNDAY SCHOOL
Gretchen Haugse
414/774-0441

Sunday School teachers are the backbone of our Children's Education Ministry. Detailed curriculum materials, including Biblical background on each story, are provided to all teachers. If you enjoy working with children, this is a very rewarding ministry.

CO-TEACH OR ASSIST WITH SUNDAY SCHOOL
Gretchen Haugse
414/774-0441

Co-teachers and assistants support Sunday School teachers by helping with class activities and classroom management. Co-teachers may be responsible for teaching part of the lesson or preparing for an activity on a regular or rotating basis.

LEADER FOR ROTATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL
Gretchen Haugse
414/774-0441

This is our Sunday School program for 1st-5th graders. Volunteers are needed to teach six-week sessions in our art, drama, music, games and reflection rooms. Detailed materials and Bible background provided. This is your chance to teach without committing to a whole year!

SHEPHERD FOR ROTATIONAL MODEL SUNDAY SCHOOL
Gretchen Haugse
414/774-0441

Adults are needed to guide classes from site to site and provide assistance to the teachers. It is preferred that this be a year-long commitment so relationships can be formed between the shepherd and the class. No planning is involved; just a willingness to get to know the children.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRY continued

HELP WITH SUNDAY SCHOOL EVENTS

Gretchen Hauge
414/774-0441

Volunteers are needed to help set up for special events and to supervise activities during the events. These include big group events for Rotational Sunday School every six weeks during the Education Hour, the annual Sunday School picnic in June and the bi-annual Christmas program.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

Gretchen Hauge
414/774-0441

Substitute teachers are called upon on an as-needed basis to teach a class in the absence of the regular teacher. In the case of teacher illness substitutes are sometimes needed on short notice. Teaching materials are provided.

YOUTH FORUM

Gretchen Hauge
414/774-0441

A Sunday morning educational and fellowship hour for youth in grades 9-12. The group meets in the Youth Lounge during the Education Hour.

CONFIRMATION 7th-8th-9th grade

Pastor Gary or
Pastor Chris
414/774-0441

Classes meet on Wednesday evenings 7:00-8:30 p.m., September through Ash Wednesday for grades 7-8 and September to November for 9th graders. Large and small group sessions, working with a mentor and service projects are included.

CHURCH LIBRARY HELPERS

Bev Etzelmuller
262/250-3969

Work in our church library on Sunday mornings, helping to check out books, CD's and videos, re-shelving items and assisting library patrons. Choose your own dates to volunteer by signing up on the desk calendar in the library.

ADULT EDUCATION

Church Office
Sue Swing
414/774-0441

On-going Bible study, small groups and forums are scheduled on a regular basis throughout the year, primarily on Sunday mornings during the Education Hour.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRY continued

TEACH AN
ADULT CLASS
Sue Swing
414/774-0441

Take an active role in our Adult Education by facilitating a class or study/discussion group on Sunday morning.

VACATION
BIBLE SCHOOL
Donna Gardner Manke
414/774-5707

Our annual summer church school for children ages 3 years through 5th grade, held one week in the mornings, usually at the end of July or beginning of August.

ASSIST WITH
VACATION BIBLE
SCHOOL
Donna Gardner Manke
414/774-5707

Loving adult and teen volunteers with big hearts for children are needed to make VBS a success. Teachers are needed for all age groups. Many other volunteers are needed to serve as Tour Guides, help prepare and serve snacks, provide child care, build and/or paint scenery, etc.

EDUCATION
COMMITTEE
Erin Margerie
414/774-0441

This committee oversees the budget and activities for Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, Confirmation, adult education classes, and the church library. It plans and sponsors special events for Sunday School children and their families.

ADULT
EDUCATION &
SMALL GROUPS
Julie Schmidt
262/252-7219

Facilitates adult education opportunities with a focus on small group interaction. This team also oversees the home based small group ministry, providing support and study resources.

ADULT BIBLE
STUDY
Pastor Margaret
414/774-0441

Adult Bible study on Wednesday mornings with a focus on the Lectionary.

YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY

KIDS FOR CHRIST

Grades 1-3

DISCIPLES OF

CHRIST Grades 4-5

Donna Gardner Manke

414/774-5707

KFC and DOC each meet about once a month for fellowship, devotions, crafts, games, food and fun. Adult helpers are appreciated.

Friends are always welcome to attend. Check the bulletin or VOICE for exact dates and times.

JUNIOR HIGH GROUP

Grades 6-8

SENIOR HIGH GROUP

Grades 9-12

Gretchen Haugse

414/774-0441

Monthly activities, outings, retreats and trips are planned throughout the year. Adults can help out by attending events to provide mentorship and friendship. Dates and times vary so you can be involved at times convenient to your schedule.

HELP WITH TRANSPORTATION

Gretchen Haugse

414/774-0441

If you are 21 or older and have a good driving record, you can help provide transportation to and from various activities and events. A fun-loving attitude and an ability to concentrate in the midst of noise are helpful.

FACILITATOR FOR YOUTH FORUM/ SMALL GROUPS

Gretchen Haugse

414/774-0441

If you are interested in working with Sr. High Youth on a regular basis, consider facilitating a small group. Group members will decide together which activities and/or studies they would like to pursue. Adult participation is also welcome in Youth Forum, which meets on Sunday mornings.

YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY continued

YOUTH BOARD
Cathy Laszewski
414/774-0441

This group is responsible for overseeing all the youth activities, retreats, service projects, fund-raising efforts and the yearly summer mission project. Its goal is to provide opportunities that will enhance the healthy development of our youth and to create a safe environment for building relationships in a Christian community.

FAMILY CAMP
Pastor Chris
414/774-0441

An annual event at Camp Imago Dei near Clintonville, usually the 2nd weekend in August. The weekend begins on Friday evening and ends Sunday morning after worship. Join us for great fun and fellowship, worship, campfires, craft projects, games, swimming, boating, etc.

**CROSSWAYS
CAMPING
MINISTRIES**
Church Office or
920/882-0023

Camps are located near Wild Rose and Clintonville, WI. Sessions for all ages run from June to mid-August. Most are one week in length. Information on church scholarships and application forms can be obtained in the church office. www.crosswayscamps.org

SMALL GROUPS MINISTRY

HOME GROUPS

Sue Swing
414/774-0441

These are small groups (7-12) people that meet in their homes about once a month for fellowship, study, support and service. All are facilitated by lay leaders. Each group determines its own format, which may include Bible study, book discussions, topical studies, movies & discussion. A key element is also participation in service projects through St. Matthew's and in the community.

PRAYER CHAIN

Rita Reinke (for info)
414/258-8006
Church Office
414/774-0441
(to request prayers)

The Prayer Chain is a group of believers devoted to interceding with love and compassion for all in need of prayer. This involves the willingness to spend individual time in prayer, at your convenience, in your own home. Most participants receive the prayer requests via e-mail; some by mail.

“SAINTS”

Older Adult
Ministry
Jane Sandstrom
262/790-1652

Seniors Active in New Testament Service presents an opportunity for older adults to “grow ‘down’ into the Word, ‘up’ into Christ and ‘out’ into the world.” Come and be part of this exciting ministry as we build disciples in Christ and relationships with each other.

HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY GROUP

Pastor Ed Winters
414/464-3880

This group is committed to in-depth studying, sharing, praying, and preparing for direct involvement in healing services and visitation ministries. Members meet monthly and also participate in our monthly healing services.

SMALL GROUPS MINISTRY continued

HEALING
SERVICES
Pastor Gary or
Pastor Margaret
414/774-0441

Services are held each month, sometimes as part of Sunday morning worship, and also at other specially designated times. Anointing with oil and the laying on of hands are part of the healing liturgy. Persons may come forward for prayer or blessings on behalf of themselves or another person in need.

BEFRIENDERS
Judy Holmes
414/302-9419

This is part of our ministry that focuses on older adults who are homebound. Befrienders develop a one-to-one relationship with a person who “just needs a friend.” This can be done through phone calls, visits or correspondence. Some Befrienders bring people to worship or other events.

SUPPLEMENTAL
HOME/HOSPITAL
VISITS
Any Pastor
414/774-0441

Do you feel genuine empathy and compassion for those who are dealing with physical, mental or emotional problems? Do you have a knack for offering words of comfort, encouragement or consolation? Would you be comfortable visiting people in the hospital or in their homes? If the answer is “yes”, God may be calling you to use your gifts to reach out to those who are in need.

FIRST FRIDAYS
BOOK GROUP
Danette Braun
414/771-2512
Fred Heim
262/253-0338
Terri Kuhlmann
414/453-5966

This group meets once a month, September-May from 7:00-8:30 p.m. The focus is on enhancing literary skills while relating various works to everyday faith-life issues and ideas. The group welcomes people who love to read and would enjoy active participation in lively stretching and interesting discussions. A book list is made available in fall for the year’s meetings.

SOCIAL MINISTRY

REFORMATION CHURCH PARTNERS

Marge Johnson
414/444-0440

Participate in quarterly projects involving food donations, packing groceries and other activities which focus on relationship development. Saturday mornings.

NEIGHBORHOOD STORE

Reformation Lutheran
414/444-0440

Donate household items, small and large appliances, furniture, etc. for Reformation Lutheran's store. Bring your items to the same area (in the Education Building) as food pantry items. Volunteers are needed to sort clothing at the store.

GREATER TOSA INTERFAITH FOR OLDER ADULTS

414/453-5750

Volunteers provide assistance and services to elderly residents who wish to remain in their homes. Tasks include weekly friendly visits or phone calls, providing transportation to doctor appointments, assistance with shopping, etc.

MICAH Conor Williams Call Church

414/774-0441

Milwaukee Innercity Congregations Allied for Hope is a church-based community leadership development organization. Work with a team whose goal is to strengthen the greater Milwaukee community in areas of justice and equality. Issues being addressed are violence, racism and drug abuse. The MICAH committee at St. Matthew's meets monthly.

SOCIAL MINISTRY COMMITTEE

Gordon Moehling
414/774-0441

This group oversees and supports the many outreach ministries in which our church is involved. The team sets up service opportunities, adult education classes and determines where our benevolence dollars are allocated.

SOCIAL MINISTRY continued

NEXT DOOR
FOUNDATION
414/562-2929

www.nextdoormil.org

The foundation's mission is "to empower children and families to succeed." Volunteers are needed to read with preschoolers once a week, either in the morning or afternoon. Help these central city children discover the joy of reading and pave the way for good reading skills. Members of St. Matthew's participate in the annual "Walk for Children" held in May.

HABITAT FOR
HUMANITY

Pastor Chris

414/774-0441

Ruth Kallio-Mielke

414/427-5791

Help build new homes.

CARE for Creation
MINISTRY

Pastor Margaret

414/774-0441

This committee is responsible for encouraging existing ministries to consider creation care initiative and celebrating results, networking with other churches and environmental organizations and determining content for St. Matthew's creation care web site. Sample projects include: recycling, salsa, solar panels and the Reformation/St. Matthew's garden.

LUTHER MANOR
AUXILIARY

Sandy Hayes

Patti Granger

Call Church

www.luthermanor.org

This large network of volunteers works to support programs at Luther Manor and to enhance the life of its residents. October is the month that St. Matthew's members provide home-baked cookies for Luther Manor residents.

HUNGER TASK
FORCE

414/777-0483

www.hungertaskforce.org

The Task Force exists to prevent and alleviate hunger, and to promote dignified access to food obtained through normal means. Volunteers are needed to sort food, help with mailings, be a legislative advocate, assist with events, etc.

SOCIAL MINISTRY continued

MEAL OUTREACH MINISTRY Tom Geib 414/321-3391 Chris Capper 262/719-6886	Serving meals to help feed the hungry in the Greater Milwaukee area. There are four programs: <u>Serenity Inns</u> for ex-offenders and addiction; <u>Guest House</u> for the homeless; <u>Cross Lutheran</u> for the Wednesday noon meal program and <u>Repairers of the Breach</u> Bag Lunches.
Serenity Inns/ Guest House	Meal Ministry every second Sunday of the for supper. Servers needed for both programs; Plan to dine with the residents at Serenity Inns.
Cross Meal Ministry	Providing lunch every fourth Wednesday of the month for 350 people at Cross Lutheran Church located at 1821 N. 16 th Street. Servers and food providers needed.
Repairers of the Breach	Prepare bag lunches by providing food donations and packing bag lunches two times per month for this homeless outreach center.
PARTNERSHIP TEAM Pastor Chris Gretchen Hauge 414/774-0441	Meets the first Tuesday of the month to coordinate St. Matthew's partnerships with Tanzania, El Salvador, Cross Lutheran Church and Reformation Lutheran Church

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

SUNDAY MORNING SHARING GROUP
Mary Thomae
414/476-1751

Meets during education hour for informal, lively discussion and sharing. Members take turns facilitating the group. Discussions are centered on a book chosen by the group. Come join us and bring a friend.

WOMEN'S CIRCLES
1 – Arlene Hastings
262/783-4618
2 – Ruth Zarse
262/782-1872
3 – Joyce Heinrich
414/527-7857

Women's Circles are a long-standing tradition at St. Matthew's. The (1) Deborah and (2) Naomi Circles each meet monthly with a focus on fellowship, Bible study and missions. The (3) Joanna circle meets occasionally as members desire. Dates, times and locations of meetings vary.

**HELP PLAN/
ORGANIZE
RETREATS &
EVENTS**
Ginny Cleppe
414/536-0818

Women's Ministry sponsors an annual spring retreat and other events during the year. Your ideas are welcome and help is appreciated to make these events a success.

**LEAD A SHORT-
TERM DISCUSSION
GROUP**
Ginny Cleppe
414/536-0818

Do you have a topic to share? Would you feel comfortable leading or facilitating a discussion for a women's event? Share your gifts or experiences by leading a one-time discussion.

**QUILT
MINISTRY**
Bev Etzelmueller
262/250-3969

"Stitches of Love" creates infant/children's quilts & blankets for physical, emotional, or spiritual need. Donated in Milwaukee area and for worldwide missions. Meets occasionally; September-May. Handiwork done at home. No deadlines; no experience necessary.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY CONTINUED

PRAYER SHAWL
MINISTRY
Jane Sandstrom
262/790-1652

Each shawl is special; created stitch by stitch as the knitters pray for the recipient. Often the recipient is unknown, but the message that many people have been praying for them and will continue to do so is evident. This group meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the Youth Lounge.

WOMEN'S
MINISTRY
Ginny Cleppe
414/536-0818

This group seeks to increase the opportunities for women to be touched by the life and love of Jesus, and to develop relationships with others in a caring Christian community. The committee plans, implements and supports small and large group gatherings of varying styles and durations to further Christian growth among women.

CRAFT
MINISTRY
Marge Crawford
414/774-4120

Reduce, Repurpose, Recycle
Join in the fun and challenge of taking gently used items such as sweaters, buttons, table cloths, greeting cards and re-invent into mittens, cards, napkins etc... Great fun!!

MEN'S MINISTRY

MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY
Conor Williams
414/443-0735

This group meets every Monday from 6:30-7:30 a.m., except July. Jump-start your week by studying God's Word and how it applies to your life. Members take turns facilitating discussion.

RISE WITH THE GUYS
Greg Laszewski
414/453-4473

Join the men of St. Matthew's for breakfast on a Saturday morning in September, January & May from 7:30-9:00 a.m. Come enjoy good food and great fellowship. Friends are always welcome!

HELP PLAN SPECIAL EVENTS
Greg Laszewski
414/453-4473
Paul Margerie
414/774-4473

Do you like to plan or organize events and/or outings? Would you be willing to help with men's breakfasts, golf outings, fishing trips, sporting events, etc.

MEN'S MINISTRY TEAM
Pastor Gary
414/774-0441

The mission of our Men's Ministry program is to reach out to all men where they are at, so they can grow in Christ and in their commitment to church, family, workplace and community. We provide a variety of opportunities to get involved, including Sunday and weekday morning growth/study groups, service projects, Men in Christ, outings, etc.

MEN'S SOFTBALL TEAM
Barrey Swing
414/425-2968

The men's team is part of a church league. Games are played on Tuesday evenings from April through July. Game times and locations vary. You must be 18 years old to play. No experience is required.

MEN'S GOLF OUTING
Greg Laszewski
414/453-4473

This annual golf outing is sponsored by our Men's Ministry and takes place in the summer.

COMMUNICATION ARTS MINISTRY

DRAMA
PRODUCTION
Church Office
414/774-0441

Participate in or assist with production of the Passion Scenes on Palm Sunday, the Christmas pageant, the Sunday School Christmas program, Sunday school skits, children's musicals, etc. Help is needed in a variety of areas: stage crew, actors, make-up, artists, costume assistants, etc.

HELP SEW/
MAINTAIN
COSTUMES
Gretchen Haugse
414/774-0441

Do you have sewing skills? St. Matthew's has a large collection of costumes. Some are in need of repair. Others need to be created for special productions.

COMPUTER/
DESKTOP
PUBLISHING
Church Office
414/774-0441

Use your technical skills to help create brochures, fliers and pamphlets for various events and areas of ministry at St. Matthew's.

CALLIGRAPHY
SKILLS
414/774-0441

Calligraphy skills are used to write names in the Memorial Book at the end of the year and for occasional projects as needed.

WRITING SKILLS
Church Office
414/774-0441

Use your God given talent to: write dialogues for the Drama Group, write items for our web site, be a reporter for the *Voice*, help create informational materials for committees or ministries.

COMMUNICATION ARTS MINISTRY continued

ART PROJECTS
Church Office
414/774-0441

Use your creative skills to help with projects during the year, such as the Lenten family take-home projects, projects for special Sunday school events, scenery for Vacation Bible School, seasonal crafts for Luther Manor, etc.

**HELP SEW/
MAKE BANNERS**
Gretchen Haugse
414/774-0441

Use your sewing skills or artistic talents to create banners for use in worship, different seasons of the church year, or for festival occasions.

**PHOTOGRAPHY
SKILLS**
Church Office
414/774-0441

Help preserve memories of church activities and ministries by taking photographs. Photos are taken for new members and congregational photo directory four times per year.

**HELP WITH
BULLETIN BOARDS**
Church Office
414/774-0441

Help decorate, maintain and keep current the bulletin boards located around the church and education building. Information to be posted and some supplies are provided.

**COMMUNICATIONS
TEAM**
Sonja Mohr
414/774-0441
sonjamohr@me.com

This team brainstorms and formulates plans to improve communications to highlight the wide variety of ministries of St. Matthew's. Improved hardware and software to update our communications is part of the focus for this team. Your input is welcomed.

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY

STEWARDSHIP
COMMITTEE
Cory Olson
414/774-0441

This committee plans ways that we can share our total stewardship of time, skills, abilities and financial support. The committee coordinates the annual stewardship drive each fall and sponsors the Activities & Ministries Fair held in October.

HISTORICAL
COMMITTEE
Jim Neubauer
Contact thru the
Church Office
414/774-0441

This group keeps records of historical value and arranges displays of historical items.

PROPERTY MINISTRY

PAINTING, PLUMBING,
CARPENTRY,
ELECTRICAL,
HEATING & COOLING,
COMPUTER HARDWARE

Tim Nelson
262/567-9130

Use your time and skills to help maintain our building, work on special projects or help another member in need.

GARDEN CREW
Kelly Mathwick
414/479-0152

The Garden Crew helps to maintain the beauty of the grounds around the church building by planting flowers, weeding, watering, etc. as needed. The work is done on Saturday mornings and during the day on weekdays.

PROPERTY
COMMITTEE
Tim Nelson
262/567-9130

This group is responsible for maintaining the church building and property, and for ensuring that safety and code compliances are followed for the safety of the public. The committee also addresses issues concerning building usage outside the normal worship or fellowship activities.

TECHNOLOGY
TASK FORCE
Randy Suchy
414/774-8119

Join our committee as we determine the technological needs and advancements that would support St. Matthew's ministry.

SUNDAY MORNING
TECHNOLOGY
SUPPORT
Pastor Chris
414/774-0441

Help run and operate equipment on Sunday mornings to support the ministry of St. Matthew's.

PEW TENDERS
Jennifer Kramer
414/871-4929

Work as part of a team to regularly straighten and re-stock the pews in the church. Work is completed at your convenience 1-2 times/month.

PROPERTY MINISTRY CONTINUED

CHURCH
BUILDING
CLEANING
414/774-0441

Volunteer to assist with general cleaning needs on an as needed basis. Complete light house-keeping tasks such as vacuuming and dusting at your convenience.

CHURCH OFFICE MINISTRY

BULLETIN
STUFFERS
Jill Due
414/774-0441

This group collates the Sunday bulletins on Friday mornings at 10:00 a.m. Four to six people are needed each week. There is a sign-up sheet in the church office.

HELP WITH
OFFICE PROJECTS
Church Office
414/774-0441

Help with church mailings – stuffing, collating, affixing stamps and address labels, stapling – and other projects as needs arise. Volunteers often work in small groups of 2-5. Most tasks are done during church office hours; occasionally the work can be done at home.

CHURCH AUDIT
ASSISTANT
Holly Jurss
414/774-0441

Use your skills to assist with the annual auditing of the church books. This task is usually done in late April.

ST. MATTHEW'S VISION, MISSION & VALUES STATEMENTS

Vision Statement (What we want to become)

Guided by God's Spirit, we are a community of disciples growing in faith, hope and love in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Mission (What we are going to do)

*Called to fulfill the Great Commission, St. Matthew's **Welcomes** all to faith in Jesus Christ, **Nurtures** our faith journey, **Equips** us to serve others, and **Sends** us out into the world to make a difference in Jesus' name.*

Values (Who we want to be)

We want to be people who grow in our Spiritual fruitfulness, which is shown through the Fruit of the Spirit:

Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, Self-Control.

New Members – Welcome to St. Matthew's! New members are received into membership throughout the year. Please call the church office at 414/774-0441 to indicate your interest in joining St. Matthew's and to find out when the next series of new member classes will be held.