

St. Matthew's Weekly Bulletin Update

Welcome to Worship at St. Matthew's June 10, 2018



In the name of our creating, redeeming and empowering God, a warm welcome to members and guests who gather today for worship and Christian fellowship. May we be blessed as we bless God and one another.

Introduction to the Day: *A house divided against itself cannot stand. Jesus makes this observation in light of charges that he is possessed. He is possessed, not by a demon, but by the Holy Spirit. We who have received the Holy Spirit through baptism have been joined to Christ's death and resurrection and knit together in the body of Christ. Those with whom we sing and pray this day are sisters and brothers of the Lord. With them we go forth in peace to do the will of God.*

Join us for Holy Communion: All are invited to the Table of our Lord Jesus Christ to receive the real presence of Christ in bread and wine at the 7:30 service. St. Matthew's welcomes children to receive the sacrament with parental support. Children or others not communing are always invited forward for a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available if you ask your communion server. Those who desire juice instead of regular wine, please tell this to the communion assistant. Due to the weight of the communion trays, you may be asked to take your glass of wine from the tray as it is presented to you.

Children for Baptism: (8:30) **Calli Rae Clark**, child of Brittani & Matt Clark, Wauwatosa, was born October 18, 2017. Sponsors are Kelly & Timothy Bargaenquast and Jennifer Clark. **Jack**, age 8 and **Ryan**, age 5 are Calli's big brothers.

(10:15) **Rowan Ward**, child of Bryan & Jory Ward, Wauwatosa, was born December 8, 2017. Sponsors are Jake & Katie Hamus.

(10:15) **Garner Reed Tanem**, child of Justinn & Jena Tanem, Wauwatosa, was born March 24, 2018. Sponsors are Carmen Tanem and Michelle & John Tanem. Garner joins siblings Piper, age 4, Ebben, who is 3, and Yara, 1 year old.

A library book has been donated to the church library by Dee & Don Birschel in honor of their grandson Logan Bratz's 4th birthday.

Flowers at the altar have been given by Ann & Peter Langenstroer in honor of their 26th wedding anniversary.

St. Matthew's Ev. Lutheran Church

Bulletin Announcements - June 10, 2018



Help Celebrate Our Graduating Seniors on June 10th!

On Sunday, June 10th at the 10:15 worship service, we will recognize and celebrate St. Matthew's Class of 2018, with a cake reception to follow. We have been blessed by the service and participation of this group of young people. They have sung and rung in our choirs, acted pageants and dramas, assisted in Sunday School and VBS, and participated in mission trips and other service events. We will miss them as they begin a new chapter full of opportunities and discovery, and we wish them Godspeed on all that awaits them!

Youth Mission Trip Commissioning

Today: After months of planning, the youth mission trip begins next Saturday, June 16. Today at the 10:15 a.m. service, the participants, both youth and adults, will be commissioned in preparation for their week of service. Please keep the group in your prayers.

Service Time Changes for Summer!

Beginning Sunday, June 10, the service time changes to 7:30, 8:30 and 10:15 a.m. through Labor Day weekend. Remember, the last service begins earlier in summer!

WOOF WOOF! Dog Park Outing:

Calling all dogs and dog-lovers! Join us for a casual meet-up at the Currie Park dog exercise area on Sunday, June 10. We'll meet at the dog exercise area at Currie Park (near Mayfair Rd and Menomonee River Parkway) at 1:00 p.m. and let the dogs run, play and socialize while we all do the same ourselves!! No need to RSVP - just come to the park and look for the group with a balloon. NOTE: outing will be cancelled if inclement weather or extremely wet conditions. Sponsored by the Fellowship Committee.

Needed: Quiet Sacs Volunteer

Thank you to the Dupee family for their work in re-stocking and organizing the Quiet Sacs this past year! **A new volunteer(s) is needed.** Re-fill Quiet Sacs used in worship about 2 times per month. This can be done whenever church is open and whenever it works in your schedule. All supplies are provided. Time commitment is about 1 1/2-2 hours per month. This is a great volunteer task to do with kids who are home for the summer! Contact Sue Swing; sueswing@sbcglobal.net

Week of June 11 - 16

Monday: *Confirmation Camp - Pine Lake*

6:30, Monday Morn. Men's Study

9:30, LaLeche League Meeting

7:00, Church Council Meeting

Tuesday: *Confirmation Camp - Pine Lake*

7:00 Mt. Meru Coffee Project

7:00, Stephen Ministry Meeting

Wednesday: *Conf. Camp - Pine Lake*

10:00, Morning Bible Study w/ Pr. Matt

Thursday: *Conf. Camp - Pine Lake*

9:00, Stephen Ministry

6:00, Senior Choir Picnic at Thomaes'

Saturday:

Youth Mission Trip Departure

9:30, ELCA Hearing on Women &
Justice Social Statement

Prayer Walk Group Meet on Monday mornings outdoors. A great way to start your day and your week! You are welcome! Call Anne DeWitt for where to meet: 414-840-8222

Just One More Ministry, a food recovery program begun at St. Matthew's and operated by member Chris Capper, recently hit a milestone of being on pace to rescuing 1 MILLION pounds of food in 2018. From now until June 16th, any donations to JOMM are matched through the gifts of a significant donor, up to \$50,000. If you choose to donate, you can also donate through St. Matthew's, simply put JOMM on the memo line.

St. Matthew's Men's Softball Team

plays on Tuesday evenings and alternates between Hart Park, 72nd & State Streets and Whitman Middle School's North Field (111th & Center St.). Michael Kruse is the manager. Here's the schedule for the next couple of weeks:

Tuesday, June 12 at 7:30 p.m. at Whitman North vs. Bethany-Calvary

Tuesday, June 19, a Double-Header

8:30 p.m. Hart Park vs. Bethany/Calvary

9:30 at Hart Park vs. 1st Congregational

Tuesday, June 26 at 6:30 p.m. at Whitman vs. 1st Congregational

Bible Study ends June 20

Lunch offered at 11:15 a.m.

Saints - Come and join us for lunch

Wednesday Morning Bible Study continues through June 20, each Wednesday morning from 10:00-11:00 a.m. with Pastor Matt. On June 20, all are welcome to stay after bible study for a season-ending lunch in the Upper Commons. Julia Murphy is putting together the lunch and also invites any Saints that might wish to come out for a lunch to also attend. Sign up at the Welcome Center or in Bible Study for the June 20 lunch.

Summer Office Schedule: The office closes beginning June 8 Fridays at 2 p.m. all summer through Labor Day weekend. Office hours are Mon-Thurs., 8:30-12:00, 1:00-4:30; and Fridays, 8:30-12:00 and 1:00-2:00.

Call ahead if you plan to stop by over the lunch hour to see if anyone will be there to assist you.

Upcoming Events

Summer Worship Schedule Changes

Beginning on June 10 the summer schedule will go into effect; 7:30, 8:30 and 10:15 services. During the summer months St. Matthew's has had the tradition of changing the 11:00 service time to 10:15. The 7:30 worship service will continue throughout the summer months.

This 7:30 service, during the summer only, will be a shortened 30-35 minutes prayer service with a Gospel message and music, celebrating Holy Communion on the 1st, 2nd and 5th Sundays of the month. We hope that offering this early service will help to accommodate your busy summer life which can include Sunday worship.

Chocolate and Coffee for Sale:

LWR Fair Trade Chocolate available at St. Matthew's: "Divine Chocolate" - Chocolate made with Fair Trade certified Cocoa beans grown by a farmer owned cooperative in Ghana, is available for purchase the **2nd & 4th Sundays of each month** at the Mt. Meru Coffee/LWR Chocolate Project table, in several delicious flavors. **Large Bars are \$3.50 each and small bars are \$1.50 each.**

Mt. Meru Coffee - Mmmmm...

Delicious Mt. Meru coffee is available for sale each 2nd & 4th Sunday. This product which is purchased at a fair price from the local farmers who live in the area of Tanzania where we have a partnership relationship. Stop by the display in the Commons and see! K-cups for single cup coffee brewing (like Keurigs) are also available.

St. Matthew's Week of Service is coming together!

Consider serving through some pre-planned service activities, do a project of your own and submit a photo through our facebook page, or consider getting together and working with friends, neighbors, or family to complete an act of random service/kindness.

Here are the scheduled events we have so far:

Monday June 18th-- 9 a.m.--Noon Weeding/Work time at Alice's Garden. Bring gloves, non-disposable water bottle, and any tools for weeding you might like to use.

Tuesday June 19th -- 9 a.m.--Noon Weeding/Work time at Alice's Garden. Bring gloves, non-disposable water bottle, and any tools for weeding you might like to use.

Wednesday, June 20th-- 11:30 a.m.--1:15 p.m. Serve the Noon Run Meal at Marquette University. We need 3 volunteers to provide support for the main chef and to eat and serve with guests who attend the regular lunches. Wear closed-toed shoes.

Saturday, June 23rd-- Morning Paint Day at Cross Lutheran. Join members of the St. Matt's Softball team as they undertake painting projects at Cross. Bring painting tools and messable clothes. Start Time still TBD.

Sunday, June 24th--Offering of Letters See Bulletin for more information!

**Socks, Sandwiches, and
Something Sweet
Help Needed for Mission
Trip Outreach to Homeless**

Your help is needed to fill care bags that will be distributed to some of the many homeless residents of Washington, D.C. by our mission trip group.

Each bag will contain a sandwich, a piece of chocolate, and a pair of socks. (Socks are greatly needed and much appreciated by the homeless population).

Monetary donations can be made to St. Matthew's and marked "Mission Trip Care Bags." Donations of men's socks can be left in the bin outside the church office.

Thank you for helping us serve those who are often overlooked or ignored. ***All donations due by Wednesday June 13. Thank you!***

**Sunday Morning Volunteers
St. Matthew's uses Ministry
Scheduler Pro (MSP)** an on-line scheduling program to schedule our Sunday morning volunteers. The summer schedule runs from June 10 - September 2 and is available on-line.

If you need the log in information, have questions or would like to become part of the Sunday morning volunteer ministry please contact Sue Swing; sueswing@sbcglobal.net 414-774-0441.

June brings a new model of service to the Cross Food Pantry Beginning in June, the weekly food pantry with our partners at Cross Lutheran church will adjust to become a Choice shopping pantry. Guests will now have the ability to choose selected pantry items based on their personal preferences and choices, as well as the ability to refuse items they won't consume or don't currently need, which allows for more food to be shared with pantry shoppers.

When St. Matthew's serves lunch on the 4th Wednesday of each month, Cross, led by Food Justice Intern Wyatt Meyer, is looking for 3-5 volunteers from St. Matthew's to be personal shoppers with guests, volunteering from 1-3:30 p.m. If you are interested in serving in this way, please speak with Pastor Matt, who can help you get connected and begin training.

Join in the fun, food and fellowship of the Outreach for Hope Family Bike Ride on Saturday, September 8, 2018: Hundreds of riders will enjoy the beautiful scenery of the Glacial Drumlin Trail (Waukesha Ride) or the Interurban Trail (Ozaukee Ride) while pedaling to raise funds for ministries throughout the Greater Milwaukee Synod. All ages and abilities are welcome to participate. Due to unanticipated delays with a new web platform for registration, the link will not be available until the middle of June. Updates and information are available on the website: ofhbikeride.com

Have a vacation this summer and looking for a responsible person to stay in your home and care for your pets?

I love animals and have years of experience caring for dogs, cats, reptiles, rodents, and birds. \$35 per night. Text or call - Monika Swing (414)-870-2569 Please make sure to leave a voice mail message if you would like a call back!

Men, if you are interested in living a full life, one not ensnared by the deceptions of this world, one filled with the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23) then please join us every Monday morning to study the Word so we may try to abide in it. The Monday Morning Men's Bible Study meets each Monday morning at 6:30 a.m. at church in the Upper Room.

Attention Golfers, Save the Date!

Friday, August 3, 2018 is the 7th Annual Biehn/Ireland Memorial Outing which benefits the Youth Mission Trip. The event will be held at Kettle Hills Golf course. **New this year, all female golfers are invited to join in on the fun.**

Watch for more details in future bulletins and The Voice newsletter. See Jim Bowen or call 414-614-2799 if you have questions.

Have you considered hosting an AFS student? Our local Wauwatosa AFS Chapter is searching for two more host families within the Tosa East high school boundaries ready to take on the adventure of hosting an international student for the 2018-19 school year. All sorts of families make great host families – single adults, single parents, families with younger children, families with grown children, and retirees!! For more information, contact local volunteer, Diane Dray at 4drays@wi.rr.com or go to the website www.afsusa.org and submit an interest form to learn more. Take on the mission of the WWI and WWII ambulance drivers, the American Field Service, and promote world peace through intercultural

Stephen Ministry

We all need a concerned, caring person at difficult times in our lives but during those times it seems that everyone has advice. Most often, it isn't advice we need -- it's just someone who will listen and help us sort things out. Our congregation has 15 trained lay people, Stephen Ministers, who offer a ministry of Christian caring here at St. Matthew's. They are prepared to provide care simply by listening instead of telling you what to do. The conversations are completely confidential. Being heard can bring a great sense of relief and clarity to a situation or relationship. To ask a few questions and learn more talk with a Stephen Leader, Pastor Ann or visit the Stephen Ministry Center and talk with a Stephen Minister from 9:45-10:45 any Sunday. Or, write your question and contact info on a blue prayer card or on the Stephen Ministry card located in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.

Need a ride to the Gubernatorial Forum at Country Springs? On Monday, June 11th, WISDOM and her affiliates will be hosting a Gubernatorial Candidate Forum from 6:00-8:00 pm at the Country Springs Hotel in Pewaukee, WI. A school bus has been chartered to pick up people and transport them from the inner city of Milwaukee to the Forum and back. The bus will pick up at the Welford Sanders Enterprise Center (where Project RETURN, WISDOM and MICAHA have their offices - 2821 N. 4th St.). The bus will leave at 4:30 pm and return after the Forum. If you are interested in riding the bus to the event please RSVP to me ASAP. Space is limited on the bus to 50 passengers and if we have more than we will need to reserve a second bus, which needs to happen by the end of the day on Thursday. Should you have any questions feel free to contact me at 414-218-2238. Wendel Hruska Executive Director, Project Return

Fair Trade Items to be Offered in Support of Global Partnerships; After many years of supporting global ministries through the sale of fair trade goods, the Third World Shop at Capitol Drive Lutheran Church has closed. Their large remaining inventory has been given to St. Matthew's and the items will be available to you in the commons for a few Sundays. Included are a large selection of jewelry, baskets, pottery, crosses, textiles, and other interesting and beautiful items from countries in Africa, South and Central America, and Asia. Proceeds from the money that is given for these goods will be given to our global partnerships in Tanzania and El Salvador. Consider doing your shopping for graduations, Father's Day, end of year teacher gifts, etc. in a way that benefits others!

Be Part of the Summer Music! Would you like to share a musical offering with the congregation during worship this summer? We would love to hear the talents that God have given you to share with all, vocal and instrumental. See John Paradowski to sign up or go to the Sign-Up panel in the bulletin for a time to share your gift with the congregation and give praise and thanks to God through your music.

Summer Choir will be held on Sunday, July 1: On this day singers are invited to gather in the Choir Room at 9:30 a.m., where we will learn an anthem to be shared during the 10:15 a.m. service that same day. Youth and Adults are welcome. The summer choir will be led by David Mohr.

The St. Matthew's Meal Outreach Ministry

Just One More: Volunteers assemble packaged meals to be picked up by area churches and programs **each weekday morning at 9:00 a.m.** Food packing takes place at 6442 River Parkway, Wauwatosa. Call the JOMM office at 414-292-5112; OR go online to the JOMM website: jomministry.org and click on "volunteer" - you can sign up right there!

Guest House: Three to four volunteers are needed each month to prepare and serve a dinner for 85 men at the Guest House, a homeless shelter in Milwaukee. Please contact Carl Johnson by phone 414-771-1023, by text 312-209-4248, or by email johnsoncr@cdmsmith.com to sign-up.

Repairers of the Breach: We supply 100 bag lunches for the homeless twice a month. We pack the lunches at church on the **2nd and 4th Sunday mornings at 9:45 a.m.** Volunteers are needed to provide beverages, fruit, chips and sweets and/or pack the lunches. Contact Tom Geib (414-321-3391).

Serenity Inn: Volunteers prepare and serve 6-8 residents the second Sunday of each month. Volunteers carpool meeting at church at 5:15 returning at 7:15.

Coordinator: Rachel Vetter; rcvetter@gmail.com.

Cross Lutheran Lunch Program We serve 300-400 people on the fourth Wednesday of each month at Cross Lutheran Church, 1821 N. 16th Street. We carpool from St. Matthew's at 10:45 a.m. and serve beginning at about 11:30 and returning to St. Matt's at about 1:00. **Next Meal: Wednesday, June 27, 2018.** Pick up a card in worship on the Sunday prior to the meal to donate food.

Vacation Bible School dates set for 2018!

Vacation Bible School is the biggest event of the summer at St. Matthew's. Mark your calendars now for July 30 - August 3, 2018, from 8:45-11:45 a.m. each morning for ages (going into) 4K through 5th grade. Your friends, neighbors, cousins and family members are welcome!

Registration for VBS has now begun!

Members can sign up now until June 15

when registration will open to all community members also.

Volunteers, adults & youth, needed!

Sign up on a volunteer form now, and spend the week being a part of this exciting, unique and wonderful ministry at St. Matthew's.

Look for volunteer forms and registration forms at the Welcome Center or across from the church office.

Healing Service Schedule: All are welcome at monthly healing services

Healing services are offered monthly at St. Matthew's at a variety of times to give all the opportunity to come forward for healing prayer for themselves or others. You can share your concern with the pastor/leader at the altar, and then he/she along with the healing ministries will lay on hands and give a special prayer for your concern. Your concern can be general if you don't wish to share specifically.

Sunday, June 17 After the 10:15 a.m. service

(Father's Day)

Sunday, July 22 After the 10:15 a.m. service

(Healing in Gospel)

Attention Youth!

Volunteer opportunity this summer at Milwaukee Curling Club in Cedarburg, June 25-29

Assistance is needed for **iCan Bike Camp**, a program that teaches individuals with disabilities how to ride a conventional bike and become lifelong independent riders! This camp utilizes adapted bicycles, a specialized program and a trained staff to teach individuals with disabilities how to ride a bike. Camp riders attend a 75-minute session each day for five consecutive days and are partnered with community volunteers (Bike Helper/Runner) who provide physical assistance, encouragement and serve as a spotter. ***Please note new location!*** Volunteer Requirements for BIKE HELPERS/RUNNERS:

- **At least 15 years old (unless accompanied by an adult)**
- **Able to attend 90 minutes (same session) EACH day of the camp (includes 15 minutes of training/daily debriefing)**
- **Able to provide physical, emotional and motivation support to assigned rider**
- **Able & willing to get some exercise (light jogging/running) for a great cause**

To register as a volunteer click on the following link: <http://assew.org/bikecamp2018>. At the bottom of the page there is a volunteer sign-up section. Click on the camp option (Milw. Curling Club) and register to help! Volunteer forms need to be completed and returned prior to the start of camp to: heather@assew.org.

Hearing on ELCA Statement on Women & Justice to be held at St. Matthew's

The ELCA Task Force on Women and Justice: One in Christ has been at work since 2012 and brought the work to a crucial stage: On November 15, 2017 it released the Draft of a Social Statement on Women and Justice. The comment period on the Draft is open until September 30, 2018.

Our Greater Milwaukee Synod will be hosting a second hearing on the draft at St. Matthew's on Saturday, June 16th from 9:30--11:00 a.m. Materials to prepare for this conversation are located on the synod website, where you can also learn more and register for the June 16th event. (www.milwaukee-synod.org)

Sunday, June 24th--Join us in an Offering of Letters to encourage faithful response in the passing of the Farm Bill

This year, Bread for the World's Advocacy Campaign Focuses on advocating for just and fair provisions in the Farm Bill, which must be passed in 2018 for the next 5 years! After Worship and during the coffee hour, take a moment to write, text, or even call your representatives in Congress and the Senate and share your opinions on the Farm Bill.

Learn more and share your voice with elected leaders on June 24th--we'll provide the writing materials and details you can include!

Coffee available for purchased in the church office this summer: Are you a regular buyer of Mt. Meru Coffee from coffee farmers in Tanzania? Or have you yet to try it? Well, now it's going to be readily available for purchase in the church office. It sells for \$10/bag, and is available in drip and whole bean, regular and decaf. There are also some available in K-cups which we can order for you. Help support this important partnership with Tanzania coffee growers. Mmmm, justice never tasted so good!

Jambo Rafiki! (Greetings friends)

One of the benevolence organizations we support at St. Matthew's is The Tanzanian Connection. This important ministry is launching a community focused Tool Shed in the Meru Tanzania area this summer. It's plan is to target "the poorest of the poor" by providing simple necessary tools for daily living. The Pamoja Tool Shed (Pamoja is the word for together) will provide resources and tools to the needy of the community. Villagers can borrow tools as needed, as well as obtain educational materials through the Pamoja Tool Shed regarding raising crops. Increasing the availability of tools and farming equipment, coupled with education, will lead to an increase in efficiency and better crop yield supporting people in their daily needs.

Please support **The Tanzanian Connection** and its Pamoja Tool Shed through a monetary gift for the purchase of tools for the tool shed.

The most needed tools are wheelbarrow's (\$50), pick axes (\$25) , hoes (\$10), rakes (\$10), backpack sprayers (\$50), machetes (\$10), axes (\$10), hammers (\$5), tool box (\$10), shovels (\$5), Solar Power bank / Flash lights (\$25), and hoses (\$5).

Thanks for helping our brothers and sisters in Tanzania to meet their basic needs in life by supporting The Tanzania Connection and its Pamoja Tool Shed. **Asante sana!**

A Ride to Church is Needed: Can you provide transportation to church for a long-time St. Matt's member? She would love to come to church at any service time that you may be attending. Contact Theresa Krahn at 414-778-0708. She lives near Hwy. 100 & Greenfield Ave. Thanks.

Grounding One's Self in the Universe, in Love- Walking the Labyrinth of Alice's Garden Urban Farm.

The Labyrinth path invites us to slow down, to ponder, to listen, to receive guidance, healing, inspiration...

Summer 2018 - Individuals & Groups are welcome to walk the Labyrinth whenever the Garden is open.

On Wednesday evenings & some Sunday afternoons this summer Cheri Johnson,

Spiritual Caretaker, will host the labyrinth & offer a thought for focus:

Summer Wednesday Evenings, 6-8pm, beginning June 6

Summer Sundays, noon-2pm:
Sundays, June 10 & July 8, 22; August 5, 19

Please contact Cheri (cmjrev1983@gmail.com) if you would like to schedule another time for a group, such as Church Council, Youth Group, Prayer Group...OR if you would like to help maintain the path.

Synod Support: Your help is needed - Your gift will be matched TWICE!

One of the organizations that we support yearly with our benevolence dollars, is our Synod – The Greater Milwaukee Synod of Wisconsin. Our synod, led by our Bishop, Paul Erickson, supports the ministries of our ELCA Lutheran congregations throughout the South Eastern region of Wisconsin (from the Illinois border north to Sheboygan and from the lake west to Oconomowoc).

This year we have a special opportunity for you to donate to our synod with each of your dollars being matched TWICE (once by St. Matthew's benevolence dollars and again by a family at church).

The Synod's work involves ministries such as supporting us through the clergy Call process, financially helping inner city ministries such as our partners Reformation and Cross, supporting financially our national church ELCA and all of its ministries, offering education opportunities to clergy and congregations, and helping congregations that are in crisis. These are just a few of the ways the Greater Milwaukee Synod helps us and other congregations in our area continue to do the important work that the church is called to do.

Please consider making a donation to the important work our synod does and have it matched twice over. All donations labeled for Synod Support will be matched. Thank you for supporting the work of our Greater Milwaukee Synod!



Greater Milwaukee Synod

Congratulations to St. Matthew's High School Graduates of 2018

Watch your next Voice newsletter dated July 1 for a photo display of these fine young people

Hannah Agpoon

I am graduating from Wauwatosa East High School and have been an active member of the Tosa East Environmental Club, Best Buddies, and National Honor Society for the past four years. I am also a cellist in the symphony orchestra at my school and have loved my time in our school's art program. I have been on the youth mission trips to Denver, New Orleans, and New Jersey with St. Matt's and have volunteered at Vacation Bible School for several years. In the fall, I will be attending Grinnell College, where I plan on pursuing a degree in the liberal arts.

Angela Cox

I am graduating from Wauwatosa East High School this year. During high school I was a part of the Tosa East Players, International Thespian Society, National Honor Society, Student Council, marching band, and the Feminist Club. At St. Matthew's I have had the pleasure of being a part of choir and attending the mission trip to New Orleans. I will be continuing my education at Marymount Manhattan College in the fall, and would like to thank the St. Matthew's community for supporting and guiding me through the years.

Jacob Dillie

Jacob is graduating as one of four valedictorians for Milwaukee Lutheran High School's class of 2018. He was very involved in his four years of school there, participating in sports (cross country and baseball), as well as Student Council, National Honor Society and Symphonic Band, where he was the percussion section leader. Jacob enjoyed volunteering at St. Matthew's as an acolyte. He is involved in mentoring through the Junior Red Knight baseball program where he coaches camps and his own U13 baseball team. Jacob has a strong interest in applied math and science and will be pursuing a double major in economics and computer science at UW Madison this fall.

Matthew Doberstein

In high school, I competed in both cross country and track, lettering five times. I am also an alum and teacher's assistant for Tosa East's We The People or APPSE team, which placed 19th at Nationals last April. I have also participated in two mission trips with St. Matt's. Next year, I will be attending the University of Minnesota- Twin Cities where I hope to major in Statistics with an emphasis in Actuarial Studies. I would like to thank the St. Matthew's Congregation for all of their support and guidance as I continue onto the next chapter in my life!

Sydney Evans

Sydney is a four year Varsity Track and Cross Country runner and a captain. She represented both sport on the Student Athletic Advisory Committee. She is a member of the Environmental Club (TEEC), a member of National Honor Society, and in 2013 received the Wauwatosa Youth Commission Award. Sydney volunteers through TEEC and through the church. Last summer she served on the mission trip to New Jersey. Sydney will attend the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point in the fall to major in Forestry-Conservation and Management with a minor in Botany. She will be running for UWSP in cross country and track.

Lauren Fassbender

Lauren graduated from Wauwatosa West High School with honors. This fall, Lauren will be attending UW-Madison, majoring in Art Education. She has been involved in many art classes throughout high school that have inspired her to go into this career. She also has helped out at St. Matthew's as an acolyte and in the tie-dye art room at VBS for the past 4+ years, and participated in the mission trip to New Jersey last year. In addition, she has been a swimmer on the Tosa West Swim team and played cello in the Tosa West Orchestra. In her free time, she enjoys playing with her dog Daisy, reading a good book, and spending time with friends.

Emma Kessler

I am graduating from Wauwatosa East. During high school, I was involved in Key Club and German Club as well as a member of National Honor Society, German Honor Society, and International Thespian Society. I also was very involved with the theatre program, the Tosa East Players, and was a cast and crew member of many shows including Beauty and the Beast, Pippin, and Footloose. I plan to continue my theatre studies by pursuing a double major in Theatre Arts and Business Management at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities in the fall.

Tyler Michaelson

My favorite experience at St. Matthew's was being in New Creation and New Generation Choirs and being in the musicals. I was involved in choir for 10 years! This summer I will be going on my third Youth Mission Trip. These trips have given me the opportunity to experience new and different places and people. Some of my accomplishments at Wauwatosa East include running cross country for 4 years, playing lacrosse for 1 year, playing in Marching Band for 4 years, and going on band trips to Rome and Washington DC. In Fall 2018 I will be attending the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and plan to study art and design.

Abby Mucha

I have spent the last four years of my life at Rufus King International High School and enjoyed (almost) every minute of it. After completing the IB Diploma Program I am now headed out to California in order to pursue a career in film. I will be attending Studio School that is located on the L.A. Center Studio lots. I will be working towards a BFA in Film and Digital Content with an emphasis on directing. It has always been a dream of mine to be able to work collaboratively with others who share my same passion for the entertainment industry.

Carmen Prantil

I am a recent graduate of Wauwatosa East High School and am dedicated to serving both in my school and my community. While at Tosa East, I was involved in National Honor Society, German Honor Society, German Club, the German American Partnership Program, The Cardinal News, Best Buddies, the Tosa East Environmental Club, Mu Alpha Theta, and Key Club. Outside of school, I have volunteered many hours at St. Matt's and participated in the Denver, CO and New Orleans, LA mission trips. I plan to pursue a degree in Architecture an Environmental Design with a minor in German Studies at the University of Minnesota - Twin Cities in the fall.

Emma Ralfs

Emma is a graduate from Brookfield East High School. She has been involved in many HS activities including basketball, volleyball, soccer, key club, French club, National Honor Society, student council, DECA, big buddies & others. She received the Marine Corps Distinguished Athlete Award (Female) earlier this month. Emma will be attending Northwood University in Midland, Michigan, where she will major in MIS and be a member of the women's basketball team. Emma's first college adventure is a trip to the Dominion Republic for a basketball tournament in August.

Kenzie Schmidt

Kenzie is the daughter of Paul and Julie Schmidt and is graduating from Menomonee Falls High School with honors. During high school, Kenzie played Alto Saxophone with her high school Wind Symphony and Jazz Band. This year she co-wrote and co-directed her school's 68th annual production of Band Revue. Additionally through band she has traveled to London to perform in the London New Years Day Parade and Disney World to perform at Festival Disney. Kenzie was a member of the MFHS Mountain Biking team for 3 years and now works at Allis Bike and Fitness in West Allis. She recently earned her Girl Scout Gold Award. Kenzie will be attending Appalachian State University in Boone, North Carolina to study Music Therapy, with a minor in Spanish. After college, Kenzie hopes to work in a pediatric setting and maybe own a bike shop.

Eliza C. Soczka

While attending Tosa West, I participated in cross country, basketball, track, and played the violin in orchestra. I was a member of the National Honor Society, Spanish National Honor Society, Key Club member and am graduating with honors. In fall, I will be attending UW-Madison where I will be studying environmental science with an emphasis on renewable energy and water quality. I would like to thank the pastors, Gretchen Haugse, and the St. Matthew's congregation for the continuous support of my journey of faith and a special "shout-out" to Terri Suchy for making the past several years assisting her in her classroom during VBS one of my most favorite memories at St. Matt's!

Annika Strand

I am very excited to be graduating from Wauwatosa West High School. Throughout high school, I have been involved in many activities, such as Key Club, National Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, soccer, Alpine Ski Team, and more. One of my favorite experiences from my years at high school was my involvement in the We The People Program (APPSE), in which we took first place at the State Competition and competed at the National Competition in Washington, D.C. I have had the great privilege to have been involved in three mission trips with St. Matthew's. I am thrilled to be attending the University of Wisconsin-Madison this fall.

Claudia Strand

I am graduating as a co-valedictorian from Wauwatosa West High School. In school, I was involved in Key Club, National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, APPSE, Mu Alpha Theta, soccer, and alpine ski racing. Through St. Matthew's I have had the opportunity to participate in choir as well as three mission trips to Denver, New Orleans, and New Jersey. I will be attending the University of Wisconsin-Madison in the fall and plan to study actuarial science.

Jenna Strand

I am graduating with honors from Wauwatosa West High School. During my years at Tosa West, I was involved in Key Club, National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, APPSE, soccer, and the Wauwatosa ski race team. One of my favorite memories is competing at Mount La Crosse for the ski team State Championships my Junior year. I will be attending the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and am very excited to see what the future has in store for me. I am very thankful for all that St. Matthew's has provided me, such as the opportunity to go on three youth mission trips.

Luke Templeman

During Luke's four years at Wauwatosa East High School, he participated in National Honor Society, Link Crew, Spanish Honor Society and soccer. He has really enjoyed being a part of the St. Matthew's family and has gone on the youth mission trips to Denver, New Orleans and New Jersey. He will also be participating in the trip to Washington DC this summer. Luke will be attending the University of Wisconsin-Madison in the fall as a student in the School of Engineering.

Joseph Wehrley

I have been delighted to be a part of the St. Matt's community for 18 years now, and will miss it. Over the past few years, I have been lucky enough to participate on a mission trip to New Orleans, and got the opportunity to help out in the 3 and 4 year old Sunday School class, which have given me a great appreciation for and desire to volunteer. I have graduated from Wauwatosa West High School with honors, and this fall, I am looking forward to starting school at Macalester College in St. Paul, Minnesota. While there, I would like to pursue a double major in political science and astrophysics, with a minor in German.

Ben Zeuske

Ben lives in Hartland with his parents and two younger brothers. Ben graduated from Arrowhead High School, achieving honors during his last semester. Ben is an active volunteer in his community. He does office work for the Wisconsin Upside Down foundation. He helped at the Lake Country Caring donation site. He also maintained equipment in the Aurora Summit physical therapy department. Ben excelled as a pitcher in the Lake Country Youth Baseball & Softball organization. He played on teams for eight years, contributing as pitcher & shortstop to win several championships. Ben also served as assistant coach for his brother's team. After graduation Ben will take a gap year off from schooling to work and to consider his future options.

Also Graduating this year: Elizabeth Bueckers, Dominique Evans, Cameron Holton, Meredith Jambura, Sam Janisch, Emily Koranda, Jessica Marty, Savannah Nielson, Sam Odrzywolski, Karinna Piwek, Sally Salkin, Mitchell Weinberg-Kinsey.

FIRST READING: Genesis 3:8-15

[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" ¹⁰He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." ¹¹He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" ¹²The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." ¹³Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." ¹⁴The LORD God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this,
 cursed are you among all animals
 and among all wild creatures;
 upon your belly you shall go,
 and dust you shall eat
 all the days of your life.

¹⁵I will put enmity between you and the woman,
 and between your offspring and hers;
 he will strike your head,
 and you will strike his heel."

Psalms 130

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, ¹⁴because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight

momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

^{5:1}For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

GOSPEL: Mark 3:20-35

[Jesus] went home; and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. ²¹When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." ²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." ²³And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

²⁸"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—³⁰for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

³¹Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. ³²A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." ³³And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" ³⁴And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers!" ³⁵Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

Next Sunday's Readings: Ezekiel 17:22-24; Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15; 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 [11-13] 14-17; Mark 4:26-34.

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Volunteer for Vacation Bible School 2018

Join the adventure July 30 - August 3, 2018

from 8:45-11:45 a.m.

VBS at St. Matthew's is an incredible experience for the children of St Matthew's and a fantastic outreach for the children of our community. Each year we continue to grow our attendance number, but not our number of adult volunteers. **Adults, we ask that you prayerfully consider signing up to teach VBS or be a Tour Guide.** Please feel free to give me a call if you have questions or schedule limitations.

Questions contact: Donna Gardner Manke 414-813-7077

****Turn in forms to the office****

Adult Volunteer Form

Please check the areas you are interested in helping with...

- Team Teach Jr. K or Sr. K (plan and implement lessons)
- Team Teach 1st-5th grades (plan & teach one lesson taught to 1st-5th grades)
- Tour Guide (take attendance, lead the campers to classes, help teachers w/ crowd control)
- Teacher Assistant (work in a classroom with teachers)
- Nursery Leader (spend time caring for the children of our volunteers)
- Kitchen Helper (prepare snacks - limited number needed)



Name _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Youth Volunteer Form

Please note we may have to limit the number of youth helpers this year. Your preferences are taken into consideration, but some flexibility may be required. **Must sign up by July 20, 2018.*

- Tour Guide (lead children to different sites and help out in the classrooms)
- Teacher Assistant (work in a classroom with teachers)
 - Prefer 4 & 5 year olds
 - Prefer 1st-5th grades
- Nursery Leader (spend time caring for the children of our volunteers)

Name _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Vacation Bible School Registration Form

July 30 – August 3, 2018 from 8:45-11:45 a.m.

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church
1615 N. Wauwatosa Avenue
Wauwatosa, WI 53213

414.774.0441
FAX 414.774.0989
Email: office@stmattslutheran.org

Registration for St. Matthew's members begins now and will be open to nonmembers on June 15th. We may need to cut off registrations, if class sizes get too big (especially K4 & K5). **Registrations will not be accepted after July 27th.**

Family Information:

Name of Parent: _____ Email _____

Address/City/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone _____

Emergency Contact:

*Please note our class offerings and register your child for the **grade he/she will enter in Sept. 2018: K4; K5; 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th***

Child's Name	Grade	Birth date	Health Concerns/Special Needs
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1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Parent Signature _____

Any other pertinent information: *(Use other side if needed)*

If your child desires to be with a certain friend please list on form. K4 & K5 classes will not be able to be rearranged on the first day.



St. Matthew's Weekly Sign-Up Panel June 10, 2018

If you are interested in any of the following activities/events, please check the appropriate box and place this sheet in the offering plate, or turn it in to the church office. This is your opportunity to be involved in some of St. Matthew's ministries.

- Yes, I'd be willing to help at **Cross Lutheran Church** on our **4th Wednesday meal days** in the food pantry as a personal shopper in the afternoon.
- I am interested in **sharing my musical talent in worship** this summer. *Provide name and email address below, please.*
- I'm interested in helping out with **maintaining the Quiet Sacs** twice a month. *(You'll be shown how to do this.)*
- I'm interested in participating in the **Adult Mission Trip to Houston** in October. Please keep me informed.
- Please add my email address to the list of people receiving the **Friday "Bulletin Update,"** a preview of the announcements in the upcoming Sunday's bulletin.
- I would like more information about **servicing at Serenity Inn** occasionally. It is scheduled each second Sunday evening. *(Serenity volunteers serve only dates you choose)*

VBS! Vacation Bible School is July 30 - August 3, 2018 for ages (entering in the fall) 4K - 5K- 1st- 2nd - 3rd - 4th - and 5th graders. St. Matthew's members, sign up now! Community registration begins June 15. Get a registration form at the Welcome Center, across from the church office, or download it from our website: www.stmattslutheran.org.

Adult Helpers and Teachers especially needed! Get a volunteer sign-up form in the main office or at the Welcome Center, or download it from our website: www.stmattslutheran.org

Name _____ Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

For more information on any of these opportunities, please call or email the church office, 414-774-0441 or office@stmattslutheran.org.



St. Matthew's

Ev. Lutheran Church ✠ ELCA

Vision Statement: Guided by God's Spirit and Grace, we are a community of disciples growing in faith, hope and love in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *(What we want to become)*

Mission Statement: 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 into the world to make a difference in Jesus' name. *(What we are going to do)*

Values: 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. *(Who we want to be)*

Ministers	The People of St. Matthew's Ev. Lutheran Church
Lead Pastor	The Rev. Christopher J.P. Manke
Associate Pastor	The Rev. Matthew Schlake-Kruse
Associate Pastor	The Rev. Ann Williams
Music Minister/Organist/New Generation & Adult Handbell Choirs	John R. Paradowski
Director of Youth Ministries & Children's Education Coordinator	Gretchen Haugse
Volunteer Ministries/Small Groups/Adult Education	Sue Swing
Director of Older Adult Ministries	Julia Murphy
Children's Ministry Coordinator	Donna Gardner Manke
Sunday School Support	Jennifer Dugan
Technology Coordinator	Brian Smith
Library Coordinator (Volunteer)	Linda Wunderlich
Senior Choir Director	David Mohr
Youth Handbell Choirs	Jeffrey Reeves
New Creation Choir	Jeffrey Reeves and John Paradowski; Heide Hughes, accompanist
Praise Kids! Directors (Jr. K-2 grades)	Jeff Reeves and Amy Dankwardt
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