Welcome to Worship at St. Matthew's

November 6, 2022



Welcome! "Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob!" (Psalm 81:1, ESV). Welcome to this opportunity to praise God. **Welcome to worship on All Saints' Day!** Today we saints on earth join with the saints in heaven to sing praises around God's throne.

Holy Communion: All are welcome to come forward at the time of communion to receive God's gift of grace. Gluten free wafers as well as juice are available for those with specific dietary needs. Speak to an usher if you need assistance coming forward.

Flowers at the altar are given by John, Connie and Hannah Malloy in memory of John's father Andrew T. Malloy, Jr.

Child for Baptism: (11:00) **Lana Joan Ordonez**, child of Lauren & Victor Ordonez, Elm Grove. Sponsors are Sarah Hensel and Roderic Hodges. Lana's siblings are Archer, age 7, Callan, age 5 and Marin, age 2. Maternal grandparents are St. Matthew's members Diane & Wes Rineck.

All Saints Sunday – November 6th Remembering with Thanksgiving

During our All Saints Sunday Remembrance on November 6th we will hold up those whose lives have walked the paths before us and beside us in faith. Thank you for your participation in this remembrance.

Stewardship Appeal currently in progress "Forward in Faith" November 13 Consecration Sunday

Stewardship packets have been mailed to member households. When you receive yours, please read the letter, pray over your response, and help us to move "Forward in Faith." Extra packets are available at the display in the Upper Commons.



Today: Adult Education in the Upper Room, 9:45-10:45am All Saints Reflections with Pastor Ann & the Healing Prayer Team

Who are the saints in your lives? Whose presence has revealed God's love, mercy, or hope to you? What is it that you find yourself missing or grieving as we celebrate the saints? During our adult forum, join us as we gather and share what feels "saintly" about those most important to us, sharing stories about the ways we've noticed saints and what gives us hope even in the midst of death. Sharing is optional and up to you, but all are encouraged to gather among the great cloud of witnesses among us!

Bulletin Announcement Insert – November 6, 2022

Daylight Saving Time is now in effect. If you set back your clocks one hour on Saturday evening before retiring then you will arrive at church on time.

Tuesday is Election Day! All citizens 18 and over, remember to take a few moments to go to your local polling place and vote your conscience.

New Member classes continue today in the Choir Room on the second floor: Classes are held on Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:45. Dates are October 30th, November 6th and November 13th. New Members will be received on Sunday, November 20th at the 8:30 service. Childcare is available in the Nursery on all class

The St. Matthew's Women's Group is having a meeting on Sunday Nov 6th 9:45-



10:40am in Fellowship Hall. All women who are members and non-members are welcome to join! This month we'll be exploring the topic of transition. Transitions are a guaranteed part of life. At times they are anticipated, others times they come out of nowhere and seem to have no end. During the meeting we'll be discussing identifying, coping, growing, and appreciating all kinds of transitions.

Spark Story Bibles now available for PreK-1st Grade Families:

dates. See Sue Swing or the pastors with guestions.

We are including our youngest children in a bible distribution by giving all families with kids from birth to 1st grade The Spark Story Bible, which uses art and creative storytelling to recount favorite bible stories. We're happy to be sharing this special version of scripture with our little ones! Bibles are available for pick-up at the display in the Upper Commons. (one per family, please)

Special Congregational Meeting – Sunday, November 13th, 9:45 am

The church council has called this meeting to approve changes to the constitution that are needed. These changes were described in an adult forum held on Oct. 16, which is now available on Youtube.com/StMattsTosa (using this link:

https://youtu.be/266koeBjNag). Please plan to come to the Special Meeting to vote, as we need a quorum in attendance in order to vote.

Vitamin Collection: Thank you to Jennifer Demar of Guatemala Service Project for sharing with us at Adult Education on October 9. It was very inspiring to hear about all the fine work this group is doing. Let's keep collecting those children's and prenatal vitamins until the beginning of December when she returns to distribute them.

Kids for Christ and Disciples of Christ: It's time for us to gather again for food, games, prayer and fun!

KFC:

1st -3rd graders are invited to join us for Kids for Christ! We will gather in the youth room for pizza. We will then play big group games such as Capture the Flag in the education wing. Please join us for this time of Fellowship and fun. Call the church office to sign up. (It is helpful to know numbers, so we have enough food) Friends are welcome! Cost is \$5.00 Sunday, Nov 20th 12-2pm

Sunday, Dec 4th 12-2pm (combined KFC & DOC)

DOC:

4th – 5th graders are invited to join us for Kids for Christ. We will gather in the youth room for pizza. We will then play big group games including Capture the Flag in the education wing. Please join us for this time of Fellowship and fun. Call the church office to sign up. (It is helpful to know numbers, so we have enough food) Friends are welcome! Cost is \$5.00

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Mission Trip 2023 Info Meeting on November 13th

Plans are underway for Mission Trip 2023 next summer. To find out where we'll be going and what we'll be doing, come to the information meeting on Sunday, November 13th at 12:15. The trip will take place next June and is open to all 9th – 12th Graders. Plan on attending this meeting to learn all the details!

Saints Older Adults Gathering: Wednesday - November 16

"If You Build It, They Will Come" A presentation by David Boucher of Amaranth Bakery & Café - Opened in 2006, Amaranth Bakery & Café quickly established itself as a cafe where delicious food was made from scratch by a baker considered by Kyle Cherek of "Wisconsin Foodie" to be one of the top 3 bakers in the Milwaukee area. High praise for Stephanie Shipley, co-owner of a café whose primary goal is not to be a café or at least to be more than a café. Stephanie and co-owner David Boucher's primary objective was to be a community meeting place where the neighborhood could gather, eat good food, and build relationships.

In addition to hearing this fascinating story, we will be treated to pie baked by Stephanie. What kind of pie? The SAINTS October event included a "Pie Poll" pitting Apple, Pumpkin, and Pecan Pie against each other. Come to the November SAINTS event to taste the winner! Lunch will be available to those who sign up in advance. A suggested donation of \$11 is requested.

A large-print bulletin is available at the Welcome Center. If it's helpful to you or someone you are worshiping with, please take one.

Thanksgiving Food Collection for Cross & Tosa Cares -- Please bring food

It's a tradition at St. Matthew's to make a food collection for Cross and Tosa Cares Food Pantry part of our Thanksgiving observance. This year's collection will be from *Sunday, November 13th through Sunday, November 27th*, including the Thanksgiving Eve service on November 23rd. Cross and Tosa Cares are both experiencing an increase in use, and they appreciate the ongoing support that St. Matthew's provides through frequent food collections. All healthy non-perishable food is welcome, as well as hygiene products, paper products, and cleaning items. Donations can be brought to the food collection area under the coat rack in the elevator hallway across from the office. Thank you for your generosity!

Book Group: You decide which books you wish to read for the discussions you wish to participate in. Discussions begin at 7pm on the dates listed, held at St. Matthew's. Friday, December 2 <u>The One Hundred Years of Lenni and Margot: A Novel</u> by Marianne Cronin, 352 pages.

Full List on our website and also available at church.

YTD Financial Results as of:	10/30/22
General Fund Receipts	\$795,370
General Fund Budget	\$805,712
Over/(Under) Budget	(\$10,342)
Benevolence Disbursements	\$124,156
Building Fund Balance	\$173,168

Pastoral Staff: Karen Natterstad, Interim Lead;

Ann Williams. Associate Pastor

Volunteer Ministries/Small Groups/Adult Education: Sue Swing Youth Ministries & Children's Education: Gretchen Haugse, Lynne

Thomas

Children's Minister: Donna Gardner Manke.

Music Minister: John Paradowski.

Music Staff: David Mohr, Jeff Reeves, Amy Dankwardt, Heide Hughes

Older Adults Coordinator: Julia Murphy. Technology Coordinator: Brian Smith.

Library Coordinator (volunteer) Linda Wunderlich.

Custodial Staff: Marsha Olson, Dave Fagerberg, Bob Gardner.

Office Staff: Al Van Lith, Bridget Smith, Sonja Mohr



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