Welcome to St. Matthew's Lutheran Church

June 11, 2023



Welcome to worship. Members and guests, we're so glad you're here, for your presence expands and enlivens our worship. Let us praise God together! Guests, please fill out a yellow welcome card and hand it to an usher.

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.

Altar flowers have been provided by Lois and Ed Bross in honor of their 62nd wedding anniversary.

Summer Office Hours: On Fridays, we close at 12 noon. Summer hours are 8:00-12:00, 1:00-4:30 Monday – Thursday, and 8:00-12 noon on Fridays.

Baptism Class Today: Baptism classes are back for parents wanting to schedule a baptism at Saint Matt's. You'll learn about what baptism means from one of the pastors, have an opportunity to ask questions about what will happen on the day of your child's baptism, and meet other parents. If you are thinking about baptism or have a baby due soon, sign up in the office! The first of these classes will be held on Sunday, June 11 at 10:30 am. with Pastor Ann. The next class will be held in September.

Adult Mission Trip 2023 - Come to a planning meeting on Sunday morning June 11 We are planning a kickoff meeting for those who are interested in going on an adult mission trip. Info Meeting: Sunday, June 11 After the 9:30 service in the conference room This will be a self-funded trip that will not only bring together a group of adults with a common purpose but also give us time for fellowship with each other. If you have any questions, you can contact Al Land at mktval@wi.rr.com or Al Van Lith at al@stmattslutheran.org

Thanks! Thanks! Thanks!

- from the earth for saving it from hundreds and and hundreds of pounds of clothing now recycled through Betr Earth.
- from people in need who will receive clothes and shoes that would have been discarded.
- from the babies who are now being kept clean and dry with 1086 diapers and 22 packages of wipes.
- to the people of St. Matthew's for donating to the Reformation diaper drive and BETR earth recycling.
- from the Social Ministry committee for supporting our efforts to do God's work through St. Matthew's ministries.

Bulletin Insert for Sunday, June 11, 2023

Run to Rebuild Mission Trip Begins June 18th

Early next Sunday morning, this year's mission trip group will load up the bus and begin the trip to Kentucky, where they will spend the week repairing and rebuilding homes that were damaged or destroyed by record breaking floods last summer. They will be working in Appalachian communities where poverty rates are high and flood damage was severe. We are thankful to the congregation for your support of this meaningful experience, and we appreciate your prayers for our week of service (June 18-24).

Those participating in this year's trip are listed below.

Ethan Antczak Kate Charlson Merrigian Cook Calli Dahlgren Jake Dahlgren Clare Kasdorf Jeremiah Finley Claire Foley Julia Fossum Tyler Goeckermann Jinru Granger Annie Hyland

Kate Iding Kateri Kirchner Kylie MacIntosh Eli Schaar Owen Schaar Sophia Searing Stephen Searing Sam Slager Lila Thomas Victoria Vorpagel Grace Williams Michaela Wolter

Adult Chaperones:

Jenna Antczak Patti Foley Kevin Slager Thaurra Stalling Tom Templeman Mike Wolter

Trip Leader: Gretchen Haugse



Bridging the Gap so Our Mission Trip Youth Can Get to **Kentucky!** June 18-24 -- To keep this meaningful experience affordable for our youth, we are hoping that you will consider helping us close our funding gap by making a donation of any amount to the Youth Mission Trip to Kentucky. Check out our bulletin board in the commons where you will find more information about the work we will be doing in Kentucky in June as well donation envelopes for those of you wishing to make a contribution.

Eat at Jose's Blue Sombrero & Support the Youth Mission Trip to Kentucky! Certificates Available in Church Office

Planning to eat at Jose's Blue Sombrero in the village? Then stop in the office to buy some gift certificates to pay for your meal. The certificates cost \$5 a piece and are worth \$5 toward the food that you purchase. St. Matthew's earns \$1 for every certificate, which supports the Youth Mission Trip. Certificates are available in the office Thanks for your support!

St. Matthew's Summer Meet Ups: We meet up at various locations in the community throughout the summer for fun & conversation.

Wednesday, June 14th from 9:00-11:00am at Colectivo, 6745 W. Wells St., Wauwatosa. Look for the St. Matt's table top sign. These gatherings are for everyone and all are always welcome! Bring a Friend! Next gathering after this one is July 12th.

Saints Gathering for June will be on Wednesday, June 21:

Wisconsin Lighthouses with Ken & Barb Wardius

Ken and Barb Wardius, authors and photographers of the book "Wisconsin Lighthouses – A Photographic and Historical Guide," will be our speakers at the June 21 Saints gathering. Their presentation will cover a third of the lighthouses in Wisconsin and is perfect for anyone interested in lighthouses, maritime history or simply breathtaking photography. The program is approximately 45 minutes in length and features many stunning images in a combination of lecture, storytelling and music. There will also be time for questions and answers. As usual, a box lunch will be available at a suggested donation of \$11/person. Guests and friends are welcome always. Sign up at the Welcome Center or in the church office.



Jeff, John and Jesus invite you to a time of sharing as we continue to learn and welcome all into the community of Christ. Come to hear the stories that Jeff and John have to share. Maybe you have some to share, too! Two summer evening opportunities for this:

Tuesday June 20, 6:30-8:00 Thursday, July 13, 6:30-8:00

Schedule of Healing Services for the summer

Those desiring special healing prayers for themselves and/or other are invited to come forward, along with their support persons or family members.

Sunday, June 11 In Worship 9:30am Sunday, July 23 In Worship 9:30am Sunday, August 20 - In Worship 9:30am

Vacation Bible School 2023: July 31 – August 4

Those entering Jr. K through 5th grades will gather mornings for a week of fellowship and fun with the theme:

"Operation Restoration: Mending God's World" Registration is open to all right now at this link:

https://bit.ly/3BKEKqp-VBS

We still need volunteers! Looking forward to having you join our team! Go to our website for an easy way to access this link to sign up to help.

https://bit.ly/41NV3x3-helpVBS



Erickson Scholarship Applicants: Apply now for scholarship consideration

It is time to apply or renew your application for a scholarship from the Rev. Gary and Susan Erickson scholarship Fund for the 2023-2024 school year. Eligibility is based on:

- 1) Students studying at a theological seminary;
- 2) Students enrolled in a bachelor of arts music program with intent to work in church related music:
- 3) Students enrolled in ELCA college or any Lutheran college.

Applications can be found at the church office or online at www.stmattslutheran.org (> About > Foundation) or request the document by email to <office@stmattslutheran.org> Any questions regarding the scholarship or application my be addressed to Al Van Lith or Nancy Herrell. The deadline for applications is **June 15, 2023.**

Thank you for your support of the Mt. Meru Coffee Project.

Thank you for your support of the Mt. Meru Coffee Project. Your purchase enables farmers in the Mt. Meru region of Tanzania to better support their families and enjoy a higher standard of living. In addition to our regular premium coffee in drip grind and bean, regular or decaf, one of the unique coffees we offer is our extra premium Peaberry coffee. This coffee is derived from berries that have a single bean. These beans are lightly roasted for an extra special flavor and are less acidic. This coffee comes in regular only, drip or bean. For those who want a regular coffee but would like something less acidic, this is a good choice. Stop by the coffee cart during the coffee hour for more information or to place an order.

YTD Financial Results as of:	06/04/23
General Fund Receipts	\$422,323
General Fund Budget (total monthly)	\$395,111
Over/(Under) Budget	\$27,213
Benevolence Disbursements	\$74,648
Building Fund Balance	\$181,498

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: Jeff Reeves, Amy Dankwardt, Heide Hughes

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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