

Welcome to St. Matthew's Lutheran Church

June 18, 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.

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.

A large-print bulletin is available from an usher. If it's helpful to you or someone you are worshiping with, please take one.

Child for Baptism: **Palmer Charlotte Carroll**, child of Emily & Daniel Carroll, Wauwatosa, was born May 27, 2022. Sponsors are Erin Carroll and Nicholas Kopp.

Leaving this morning for Kentucky are the youth and adult chaperones in the Youth Mission trip group. Please keep them in your prayers for a safe and successful week of work and fellowship.

Run to Rebuild Mission Trip Begins June 18th

Ethan Antczak	Kate Iding
Kate Charlson	Kateri Kirchner
Merrigian Cook	Kylie MacIntosh
Calli Dahlgren	Eli Schaar
Jake Dahlgren	Owen Schaar
Clare Kasdorf	Sophia Searing
Jeremiah Finley	Stephen Searing
Claire Foley	Sam Slager
Julia Fossum	Lila Thomas
Tyler Goeckermann	Victoria Vorpagel
Jinru Granger	Grace Williams
Annie Hyland	Michaela Wolter

Adult Chaperones:

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

Trip Leader:

Gretchen Haugse

Bulletin Insert for Sunday, June 18, 2023

Saints Gathering for June will be on Wednesday, June 21: *Please sign up today!*
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.

Weeding Wednesdays return! Consider joining us to help weed our flower gardens around church **this Wednesday from 7:00-8:00pm**. Bring whatever garden tools you'd normally use to remove weeds. You'll be advised where around the grounds your work might be needed most. One hour **x** several people = lots of weeds removed!



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

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—or use the QR code!

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

We still need volunteers! Looking forward to having you join our team! Use the QR code on the far right to sign up to help.

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



**Sign Up
Now!**



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.

Next meeting: Wednesday, July 12, 11:00-1:00 at Uncle Julio's Restaurant, 245 S. Moorland Rd., Brookfield (in Brookfield Square parking lot)

Look for the St. Matt's table top sign. These gatherings are for everyone and all are always welcome! Bring a Friend!

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, July 23 In Worship 9:30am

Sunday, August 20 - In Worship 9:30am

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.

Altar Flower & Library Book Sign-Up: You are invited to sign up for altar flowers or a library book for a special occasion which will be noted in the bulletin. Flowers are \$35 and will be ordered from Alfa Flower shop by the office staff. Please make out a check and mark it for altar flowers. You can sign up to donate a book to the library. A book will be chosen for the occasion and you will be notified of which book was chosen. Library books are \$20. This is a great way to support St. Matthew's worship and library ministries in a meaningful way. The Sign-up Book is at the Welcome Center.

Monday Morning Men’s Bible Study: Come join us from 6:30-7:30 am on Monday mornings to study and discuss scripture. Matthew 4:4 – *Jesus answered: “It is written: ‘Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.’”* We meet in the Upper room at St. Matthew’s. All men are welcome! Start your new year off right!

Can You Support Our Scholarship Program for El Salvador?

Pan de Vida, our sister parish in El Salvador, is asking for our help to make sure the children of their congregation have the opportunity to attend school. Many families in the congregation struggle to get by, and the costs of education are out of reach for them. Yet education is what lifts kids out of poverty. We invite you to be part of the scholarship program to expand opportunity for the kids of Pan de Vida. There are 39 students, ranging from kindergarten through university who need assistance. Tuition costs by grade level are:

- Grade School - \$200 - \$250
- Middle School - \$300 - \$350
- High School - \$450
- University - \$1600

We welcome one-time or ongoing donations of any amount. Education is a gift of the future to these families. We appreciate your support of the Pan de Vida Scholarship Fund!. If you have any questions, please talk to Gretchen Hauge.

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YTD Financial Results as of:	06/11/23
General Fund Receipts	\$431,985
General Fund Budget (total monthly)	\$395,111
Over/(Under) Budget	\$36,874
 Benevolence Disbursements	 \$74,648
 Building Fund Balance	 \$182,863

Pastoral Staff: Karen Natterstad, Interim Lead;
Ann Williams, Associate Pastor
Volunteer Ministries/Small Groups/Adult Education: Sue Swing
Youth Ministries & Children’s Education: Gretchen Hauge, 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



Link thru your smart phone camera to give to St. Matthew’s