

Welcome to St. Matthew's Lutheran Church

June 4, 2023



Welcome to worship. Today is Holy Trinity Sunday. We welcome you to worship in the name of God the Creator, Jesus the Savior, and the Holy Spirit, who sustains our faith and empowers us for discipleship. Amen. 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.

We welcome guest preacher Pastor Randy Koeller today, sharing the Gospel Message. Pastor Randy Koeller and his wife, Arline, came to St. Matthew's in 2018 after he retired from 33 years of ordained ministry in Kansas and South Dakota. He grew up in this area, graduating from Martin Luther High School. Randy and Arline have three adult children and a host of grand-pets.

Graduating Seniors to be Celebrated today with a cake reception to follow. We have been blessed by the service and participation of this group of young people. We will miss them as they begin a new chapter full of opportunities and discovery.

A library book has been donated to the church library by Dee & Don Birschel in honor of Logan Bratz's 8th birthday.

Altar flowers have been provided by Paul and Jen Kramer in honor of Emily's high school graduation.

MICAH Tosa Task Force One-on-One Discussions, Sunday June 4th – You're Invited
We at St. Matthew's are holding a listening session to discern what issues are important to the community that we should work on. Please come to participate in one-on-one discussions being held on Sunday, June 4, from 10:45 AM to 11:45 AM in Fellowship Hall. Please contact Conor Williams, Carl Johnson or Carl Lund if you have any questions or would like more information.

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 Classes are back! 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.

Bulletin Insert for Sunday, June 4, 2023

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

Wednesday, June 7th from 5:00-9:00pm at The Landing at Hoyt Park, 1800 N. Swan Blvd. Wauwatosa

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!

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. We will go over plans and schedules. **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

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.

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>

**Sign Up
Now!**





Bridging the Gap so Our Mission Trip Youth Can Get to Kentucky!

June 18-24--With this year's trip coming up soon, and after reviewing our budget based on recent fundraisers, we are coming to you with a special ask. 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!

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



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 may be addressed to Al Van Lith or Nancy Herrell. The deadline for applications is **June 15, 2023**.

Annual Mother's Day Diaper Collection – THANK YOU! Collection ends today

We're collecting diapers of all sizes (*but sizes 4-6 especially needed!*) as well as unscented diaper wipes and diaper rash creams to St. Matt's May 7th through June 4th. Please leave donations in the collection area outside the church office. Thank you.

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.

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

Wednesday Bible study with Pastor Ann will be on summer hiatus until fall, when it will resume meeting on the Wednesday after Labor Day, September 6.

YTD Financial Results as of:	05/28/23
General Fund Receipts	\$398,421
General Fund Budget (total monthly)	\$395,111
Over/(Under) Budget	\$3,310
 Benevolence Disbursements	 \$63,988
 Building Fund Balance	 \$180,410

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

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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