

# St. Matthew's Weekly Bulletin Update

## Welcome to Worship at St. Matthew's July 22, 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:** *The gospels report Mary Magdalene was one of the women of Galilee who followed Jesus. She was present at Jesus' crucifixion and his burial. When she went to the tomb on the first day of the week to anoint Jesus' body, she was the first person to whom the risen Lord appeared. She returned to the disciples with the news and has been called*

*"the apostle to the apostles" for her proclamation of the resurrection. Through the centuries, in the Western church she has been the object of misconceptions about her life and her relationship to Jesus. Now we recover her role as leader among Jesus' followers. Because John's gospel describes Mary as weeping at the tomb, she is often portrayed in art with red eyes. Icons depict her standing by the tomb and holding a bright red egg, a symbol of the resurrection.*

**John Paradowski, our Minister of Music,** is one among the faculty for The Association of Lutheran Church Musicians, the ELCA, and Lutheran Summer Music, at a four-day skill-strengthening gathering for church musicians at Valparaiso University. The team of presenters will lead group learning sessions on the many topics related to effective leadership of the church's song. John is leading sessions in Handbells in Worship and Choral Rehearsal Techniques for the church choir and director.

**We welcome Matthew Thorne** today who will be leading the congregation on Piano and Organ today while John is away. Matthew is a student at Carthage College in Kenosha. Please make him feel welcome.

**Communion:** All baptized Christians who celebrate the real presence of Christ in the bread and wine are invited to the Lord's Table at the 8:30 service. 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.

**Altar flowers have been given by** Leslie & Pat Gardner in honor of their 30th wedding anniversary.

**A Library book** has been given to the church library by Joe, Abby and Emily Chiesa in honor of Lisa Chiesa's 50th birthday.

# St. Matthew's Ev. Lutheran Church

## Bulletin Announcements - July 22, 2018



**Attention Golfers, Sign Up Now!** 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. The cost is \$73 and includes lunch.**

**Sign Up Now at the Welcome Center.** There are tee times beginning at 10 a.m. Where is Kettle Hills? Look them up at [KettleHills.com](http://KettleHills.com). See Jim Bowen or call 414-614-2799 if you have questions.

**HOLE SPONSORS are needed for this event!** If you are able to help with this, please contact Jerry Wirtz at 414-350-2338. Help to support the next Youth Mission trip by sponsoring one of the holes on the Golf Outing.

**Fellowship Event at The Landing, July 29th** - Join us for an afternoon picnic & game gathering at The Landing (Hoyt Park) from 12:30 to 2:00 on Sunday, July 29. Bring a picnic or buy a lunch and join in some fellowship at The Landing. We'll have some games (board & lawn) but feel free to bring one of your favorites. Look for the blue balloons. Contact Laura Hyland with questions ([LAN.1067@GMAIL.COM](mailto:LAN.1067@GMAIL.COM) or 703.231.4153).

**Baptism Class scheduled for Tuesday, July 24:** Pastor Chris will be holding a baptism class to those people planning a baptism in the next few months for a child joining their family. It will begin at 7 p.m. and last about an hour. Please contact the church office if you plan to attend so that we have enough materials for all who come.

**Plastic Lids needed for Vacation Bible School:** We are collecting round plastic lids, e.g. from sour cream, cottage cheese, margarine containers. It's okay if there's printing on them. They'll be used as the base for suncatchers. There is a box outside the church office to collect these. Thanks!

### **Prayer Cards**

Thank you for using the blue prayer cards for concerns to be lifted before the congregation, pastors and prayer chain. Please make sure you have permission from those you are listing by name on the prayer cards.

## Week of July 23 - 28

### Monday:

6:30, Monday Morn. Men's Study

10:15, Staff Meeting

11:00, Program Staff Meeting

1:00, Caregivers Support Group

### Tuesday:

6:00, LAC Board Meeting

7:00, Baptism Class

7:00, Stephen Ministry

### Wednesday:

10:30, Cross Lunch people leave

### Thursday:

9:00, Stephen Ministry

### Friday:

2:00, Office Closes

**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

**Nursery News: Welcome back Emily Chiesa** as our Sunday morning Nursery Attendant. Emily will be working from 8:00-11:30 on Sunday mornings until late August when she returns to school in Eau Claire.

### Live Streaming of Sunday Morning

**Worship:** Recently we've had some problems with our live streaming on Sunday mornings. We apologize if you have tried to access our services online and haven't been successful. We are calling on all the appropriate experts and trying to resolve the issues as soon as possible.

### Repairers of the Breach Summer

**Needs!** The ROTB Homeless Outreach Center has been opening additional hours because of the heat. Since they are seeing more people, they are going through their supplies very quickly. The biggest needs:

**Fruit cups**

**Large cans of beef stew**

**Gatorade and Powerade**

**Drinking water**

**Bath and face towels**

**8 oz cups for hot coffee (plastic or disposable)**

**Deodorant, trial/travel size**

**Body soap/wash, trial/travel size**

You can bring your donations to St. Matthew's, and Dick Olson has been kind enough to transport these donations as needed. Look for a collection box outside the church office.

### 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, July 24 at Hart Park at 6 p.m.  
vs. St. Bernard**

**Tuesday, July 31 at Whitman North at  
7:50 p.m. vs. Christ King/St.Jude  
8:45 p.m. vs. Our Redeemer**

**Tuesday August 7 at Hart Park at  
8:30 vs. Bethany/Calvary  
9:30 vs. 1st Congregational**

**Summer Office Schedule:** 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

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## **“The Butterfly Lady” comes to speak at August Older Adults Ministry Gathering**

*(Also known as SAINTS!)*

August 15 – Wednesday: We will be having our first ever intergenerational SAINTS event. Our speaker will be Barb Agnew, aka “The Butterfly Lady.” Barb is an expert on butterflies and butterfly habitat local to Milwaukee County. More details on the intergenerational aspect of this meeting to follow. Lunch will follow her presentation.

**ELCAVotes!** *The next opportunity to exercise our freedom and right to vote and participate in the process of government will be the 2018 Partisan Primary, with polling places open on **Tuesday, August 14, 2018.***

This is a Partisan Primary election. You may only vote within one political party. You will be able to vote in non-partisan contests. Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.; many local clerk’s offices offer in-person absentee voting in the weeks prior to the election day.

If you would like an absentee ballot, want to learn more about permanent absentee voting for those confined to a care facility, or think you might need to register or re-register because of a name/address change, you can find forms to fill out in the Upper Commons. You can register on election day in the State of Wisconsin. Visit <https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/> to see sample ballots, find your polling place, and learn more about the details of the Wisconsin election process.

## **Can you Sponsor a Child in Reformation’s Summer Work Program?**

We are continuing our support of children much closer to home by asking for your help in sponsoring kids who participate in Reformation Lutheran Church’s Summer Work Program for youth. Your donation of any amount will help to provide a place of safety and caring to over 50 youth who will come together to learn work skills and life skills in a faith community.

From the end of June through July, the halls and streets of Reformation’s Holy Ground will be alive with the sounds of young people ages 10 to 17, working and serving together. Youth in the summer program attend morning sessions at Reformation that include devotions, community service, and lunch. The experience also includes placements at work sites to introduce the teens to the real world of work.

For completing all the requirements of the program, each of the participants will receive a stipend to help with school expenses. Reformation is asking partner congregations to invest in the futures of these kids by supporting a student. Checks can be made to St. Matthew’s and marked “Reformation Summer Program.” This program could not happen without the support of Reformation’s partners. Thank you for your generosity!

**“Ten Minutes Matter”**

An Invitation for  
silence & reflection -  
July 22 - Upper Room  
9:30 AM Greeting  
9:40 Silence begin  
9:50 Reflection

**Bright Stars of Bethlehem in  
Madison, WI, July 24-25:**

Tuesday, July 24 there will be a 7 p.m. presentation by Rev. Mitri Raheb, *“Hope in the Shadow of the Wall”* at the First Unitarian Society, 900 University Bay Drive in Madison. Wednesday, July 25 there will be a 7 p.m. presentation by Rev. Mitri Raheb and Rev. Everett Mitchell, *“The Black Church and Palestinian Theologies: Intersections of Faith in the Face of Empire”* at Christ the Solid Rock Church, 1502 Parkside Drive in Madison. Dr. Mitri Raheb is the Founder and President of Dar al-Kalima University College of Art and Culture in Bethlehem. Dr. Raheb is the most widely published Palestinian theologian to date.

**Sundae Social**, a Fundraiser to benefit Greater Tosa Interfaith, will be held on Monday, August 6 from 2:00-3:30 p.m. at Hart Park Square, 6600 W. River Parkway in Wauwatosa. Start with a scoop of delicious Gilles Frozen Custard, then choose from a variety of scrumptious toppings to make your own creation. Suggested donation is \$5.00. All proceeds from event will be given by Greater Tosa Interfaith. RSVP requested by calling 414-476-8787.

**WEEDING WEDNESDAYS!**

**An announcement from St. Matthew’s Garden Crew!** In an effort to better control the weed population on the grounds of St. Matthew’s, we’re holding “Weeding Wednesdays” on these dates this summer! We’ll organize at 7:00pm at the “shed” in our parking lot on the following dates and weed for 1 hour: **Wednesday, July 25**

**Wednesday, August 8**

**Wednesday, August 22**

Please reply to Bob Zwaska at [zwaska@wi.rr.com](mailto:zwaska@wi.rr.com) or return the sign up panel to the offering basket or 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, July 22 After the 10:15 a.m. service**

**Sunday, August 19 after the 10:15 service**

**Sunday, September 30 after the 8:30 service**

**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. Updates and information are available on the website: [ofhbikeride.com](http://ofhbikeride.com)

## **Vacation Bible School**

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 is now open to everyone, community members welcome!**

**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.

## **Caregivers Group meets 2nd and 4th Monday afternoons - *Sharing joys and challenges***

The caregivers group will meet on the following dates at 1 p.m. in the Upper Room. The group is facilitated by Sharon Thiel, and you are welcome to attend. Next Date: July 23

### **Volunteer Needed for the Upper**

**Kitchen!** Do you like to organize things? Do you get satisfaction from creating a sense of order in a room? A volunteer is needed to organize and maintain the Upper Kitchen. Right now, some cupboards and drawers need to be cleaned out and organized. After that, check the kitchen about once per month to keep the cupboards, closets and drawers tidy. This can be done whenever it is convenient for you and when the church is open. Please contact Sue Swing; [sueswing@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sueswing@sbcglobal.net) or sign up on the panel in the bulletin.

**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 9:45-10:15 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.

## **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 are on vacation and cannot make your scheduled date to serve, please request a sub!*

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](mailto:sueswing@sbcglobal.net) 414-774-0441.

**Have you considered joining The Lutheran A Cappella Choir of Milwaukee?** If you love to sing and have some musical talents, we want you to audition for the Lutheran A Cappella choir of Milwaukee for the 2018-19 year! Singers of all voice parts and of all faiths are welcome to audition. And one of the perks for St. Matthew's people is that the LAC rehearses right here at St. Matthew's on Tuesday evenings. We will begin our exciting 2018-19 season in late August. We have scheduled dates this summer when auditions will be held:

Wednesday, Aug. 1 - 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 14 - 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Auditions are by appointment only. Email the director, David Mohr, at [director@lutheranacappella.org](mailto:director@lutheranacappella.org). If these dates are not convenient you may schedule a mutually convenient alternate date.

**Vacation Bible School Snacks Needed!** Please consider signing up to bring a snack for Vacation Bible School. There is a sign-up board outside the church office. Please bring the snacks by Friday, July 27 if possible so that volunteer kitchen staff can begin to inventory and organize the snacks for hundreds of children and volunteers during VBS, July 30 - August 3, 2018. Thank you, St. Matthew's people, for your support of this event! Snacks should be delivered to the main kitchen on the lower level; look for the red signs for where to put your donations.

## 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](http://jomministry.org) and click on "volunteer" - you can sign up right there!

***Guest House:*** Special thanks to Jennifer Wills for helping to serve dinner on July 8. 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](mailto:johnsoncr@cdmsmith.com) to sign-up. *Now Seeking volunteers for September 9 and October 14.*

***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](mailto: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, July 25, 2018.** Pick up a card in worship on the Sunday prior to the meal to donate food.

**We need your help this Wednesday, July 25 at Cross!** Have you ever served at Cross Lutheran Church on the days we serve lunch? We need people to volunteer on the 4th Wednesday of the month to help serve lunch to the Cross neighborhood people. The time is approx. 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. and we carpool from St. Matthew's. Please don't assume we have enough people!

**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 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!

### **Quiet Sacs in Worship**

Thank you to the Wurzburger family who are re-stocking our Quiet Sacs that are used in worship. After worship, please remember to place used Quiet Sacs on the bottom of the cart so they can re-fill them and make sure they are ready for the next child!

**Alice's Garden:** The community is invited to join Alice's Garden Spiritual Caretaker, Cheri M. Johnson, in the garden each Wednesday. for a time of walking, reflecting, searching, renewing in the labyrinth. Stop by whenever you are able, during the two hour window, from 6-8 p.m. and nourish your own life-journey. The Garden is located at 2136 N 21st St, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53205



**Greater Milwaukee Synod**

### **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!

# Mary Magdalene, Apostle to the Apostle

July 22, 2018

## First Reading - Ruth 1:6-18

Then she started to return with her daughters-in-law from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the Lord had had consideration for his people and given them food. <sup>7</sup>So she set out from the place where she had been living, she and her two daughters-in-law, and they went on their way to go back to the land of Judah. <sup>8</sup>But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, 'Go back each of you to your mother's house. May the Lord deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me.' <sup>9</sup>The Lord grant that you may find security, each of you in the house of your husband.' Then she kissed them, and they wept aloud. <sup>10</sup>They said to her, 'No, we will return with you to your people.' <sup>11</sup>But Naomi said, 'Turn back, my daughters, why will you go with me? Do I still have sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? <sup>12</sup>Turn back, my daughters, go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. Even if I thought there was hope for me, even if I should have a husband tonight and bear sons, <sup>13</sup>would you then wait until they were grown? Would you then refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, it has been far more bitter for me than for you, because the hand of the Lord has turned against me.' <sup>14</sup>Then they wept aloud again. Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her.

<sup>15</sup> So she said, 'See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law.' <sup>16</sup>But Ruth said,

'Do not press me to leave you  
or to turn back from following you!

Where you go, I will go;  
where you lodge, I will lodge;  
your people shall be my people,  
and your God my God.

<sup>17</sup> Where you die, I will die—  
there will I be buried.

May the Lord do thus and so to me,  
and more as well,

if even death parts me from you!

<sup>18</sup>When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her.

**Second Reading - Acts 13:26-33a** (*not printed due to space constraints*)

## Gospel Reading - John 20:1-2, 11-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. <sup>2</sup>So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.'

<sup>11</sup> But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; <sup>12</sup>and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. <sup>13</sup>They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' <sup>14</sup>When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>15</sup>Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' <sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). <sup>17</sup>Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."' <sup>18</sup>Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

**Cover Art: "Mary Magdalene announces the Risen Christ" from St. Albans Psalter.**

# Vacation Bible School Registration Form

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

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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 15<sup>th</sup>.** We may need to cut off registrations, if class sizes get too big (especially K4 & K5). **Registrations will not be accepted after July 27<sup>th</sup>.**

## 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; 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>***

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.***

# 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 \_\_\_\_\_



## St. Matthew's Weekly Sign-Up Panel July 22, 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.

- I/We plan to attend the **Saints Gathering** on Wednesday, August 15 beginning at 11:30 a.m. Number signing up \_\_\_\_\_
- YES, I can help with **Weeding Wednesday** on the following dates for one hour beginning at 7 p.m. Circle those you plan to come to: July 25; August 8; Aug. 22
- I/We plan to attend the **Baptism Class** on Tuesday July 24.
- Yes, I can help to **organize and maintain the Upper Kitchen**.
- 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.

**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](http://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](http://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](mailto: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
Financial Bookkeeper & Administrator	Al Van Lith
Office Assistant	Jill Due
Communications Secretary	Sonja Mohr
Custodian	Marsha Olson
Janitor	Robert Gardner
Janitor	Dave Fagerberg
Pastor Emeritus	The Rev. Gary Erickson