

Welcome to Worship at St. Matthew's

November 13, 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.

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 Kait & Dave McCullough, in celebration of the baptismal birthdays of all three of their children, Preston, Danica and Zoe.

Child for Baptism: (11:00) **Zoe Kathleen Radcliffe**, child of Jennifer & Kevin Radcliffe, was born May 20, 2022. Sponsors are Mackenzie Hoffman and Brian Radcliffe. Maternal grandparents are St. Matthew's members Scott & Michele Hoffman.

A Library book has been given to the church library by Joel & Gail Freeborn in honor of Annie Freeborn's 12th birthday.

A Healing Prayer Service will be held after the 11:00 service. All those desiring special healing prayers for themselves or others are invited to attend.

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.



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. Join us in the worship space to help the church council conduct this important piece of business.

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!

Bulletin Announcement Insert – November 13, 2022

New Member classes continue today in the Upper Room on the second floor:

Today's class is the third one, held from 9:45-10:45. New Members will be received on Sunday, November 20th at the 8:30 service. Childcare is available in the Nursery on all class dates. See Sue Swing or the pastors with questions.

The Giving Tree is Now Up in the Upper Commons. It's time to think about Christmas gifts for those in need. Our Giving Tree recipients are the same as last year:

Cross Lutheran Church, Milwaukee

They reach out to the community and the people who live in it.

Reformation Lutheran Church, Milwaukee

Toys will go to youth in Reformation's neighborhood

Allies for Teens in Foster Care

Allies supplements the educational and social needs for teens living in group foster homes in the Milwaukee area. Items such as hats, gloves, socks, and art supplies.

Eras Senior Network

Seniors and adults with disabilities are supported by volunteers of all ages to help them maintain their independence. \$10 gift cards from stores like Walmart, Walgreens, Pick 'n Save, etc., as well as books of forever stamps.

All gifts are needed no later than Sunday, December 4th to reach our partners in time for their giving events. Gift cards and stamps should be delivered to the office. Other gifts may be placed by the tree outside the sanctuary. Thank you for your love and generosity to others.

Here's the Link for purchasing online. How convenient! Have the item sent to church, and you're all done! Deadline: December 4th <https://signup.com/go/oJXLFaD> (If the link isn't working yet, it will be soon; check again in a few days)

Men's Breakfast Coming Soon!

Gather with the guys on **Saturday, December 3rd from 8:00-9:30 am** for breakfast and a speaker. We welcome Community Warehouse-Partners in Hope to our table and hope you can join us! Sign up at the Welcome Center in the Commons or contact Conor Williams for more info: conorw1@me.com Volunteers needed for set up, food purchase & preparation and clean up. All are welcome!

You are invited on Saturday, Nov. 19th for our next QM Blitz gathering

We will meet in Fellowship Hall from 9:00 - 1:30 PM - come when you can! All are welcome and please ask a friend to come for part or all of the day. Bring your own lunch and beverage. Easy tasks for all - contact Bev Etzelmueller at 262-250-3969 or bevetz@sbcglobal.net with questions. See you there!

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

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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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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.

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!

Guest House Hygiene Drive, sponsored by Michael Baumler, student at Wisconsin Lutheran College and member of St. Matthew's. Help the clients of Guest House with necessary hygiene items. See the list below for most-needed items. Collection continues through November.

- Waterproof Toiletry Bags
- Men's & Women's Body Wash, shampoo, conditioner (full-size)
- Hair products for men and women of color (Cantu, Shea Moisture, Palmers, cocoa & shea butter)
- Disposable Razors
- Q-tips & Cotton Balls
- Sunscreen
- Oral hygiene products such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, mouthwash
- General \$10 gifts cards to Walmart, Pick n' Save, Walgreens, CVS
- Restaurant gifts (Subway's, McDonalds)
- Bus tickets (M-card Lite)
- Shaving Cream
- Lotion
- Deodorant

Please place items in the collection bins outside the church office. Thank you!!

Join us for 7:00pm Thanksgiving Eve Worship Wednesday Nov. 23

While this holiday witnesses many households gathering for a festive meal, Christians recognize that the source of all good things is the God who provides us with all that we need and more. We offer thanks to God for the bounty of the land and seek to share these riches with all in need. Please bring food items to share with the hungry. The service will include special music from the Senior Choir. Stay after the service for Pie!

Pie Social follows Thanksgiving Worship!

Thanksgiving Eve is a festive time where we give thanks, offer our offerings of food and money, and a time when we take time and celebrate with PIE! Volunteers are needed to host and serve the delicious pies that are paired with your choice of cream (ice or whipped), coffee and milk. ***Please sign up at the Welcome Center*** if you can help with this fun event. We need a number of pies to supplement our supply of apple, pumpkin, and cherry. Pies can be dropped off in the kitchen before Wednesday night worship.

Save the Date for Church Decorating! Saturday, December 3rd beginning at 9am. We hope you will add this to your calendar and join in the fun.

YTD Financial Results as of:	11/06/22
General Fund Receipts	\$754,362
General Fund Budget	\$892,761
Over/(Under) Budget	(\$138,399)
 Benevolence Disbursements	 \$124,156
 Building Fund Balance	 \$175,058