

ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH

October 3 & 4, 2020



Sermon Notes

Greetings Friends,

We wrapped up our week of being—a week of being with Jesus. We looked at the importance of being with Jesus in His Word, in prayer, in worship, in solitude, in sacrifice (fasting) and in fellowship (just having fun with other people). We learned the relationship between our being and our doing and saw that **our doing flows from who we are and who we are becoming as we spend time with Jesus.**

I would love to hear how your week went. Where were the joys and challenges in the Red Letter Challenge this week? Where did you see God acting?

This week we are moving into one of those things that flows from who we are and who we are becoming as we spend time with Jesus—Forgiving.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Bill Hugo

WORSHIP NOTES: The choir will present a response to the Old Testament and Gospel lessons for today in a setting by Jaroslav Vajda and K. Lee Scott. Our thanks to the choir, the Music Team, and all other worship assistants for their leadership in worship over the weekend. To God be the glory!

Prayers for the Week of October 4

Judy Miller passed away this Tuesday. **Mary Ebert** has been diagnosed with breast cancer. **Danna Nelson** has returned home from the hospital.

GIVING TO THE LORD

Weekly Worship Attendance: 62
September Tithes & Offerings to date: \$20,609
September Budgeted Offerings: \$30,783

Bill Hugo, Pastor † Carol Blase, Coordinator of Music
Brenda Hugo, Coordinator of Children's Ministries † Faustina Allen, Director of Teen Ministries
Kathy Rosenberg and Rose Davis, Parish Nurses † Sarai Kretschman, Pastoral Care Assistant
Julie Allen, Office Manager † Julie Sventek, Director - DCLC - 763-789-4030

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Tuesday, October 6

6:30 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday, October 7

4:30 PM CONFIRMATION

4:30 PM HAND IN HAND

5:30 PM BYO SUPPER

5:30 PM FIBER MINISTRY

5:35 PM CHILDREN'S CHOIR

6:10 PM YOUTH/ADULT CHOIR

6:30 PM GRIEFSHARE

6:30 PM LAY MINISTERS

7:00 PM TEEN MINISTRY

Thursday, October 8

9:30 AM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY on ZOOM
(and in person in the lounge)

1:45 PM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Saturday, October 10

5:30 PM WORSHIP

Sunday, October 11

8:30 AM ADULT BIBLE CLASS on ZOOM

9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00 AM WORSHIP ON-SITE & ONLINE

1:30PM YOUTH HAYRIDE & BONFIRE

LOOKING AHEAD: First Christmas cantata rehearsal of the season will be on Thursday, Oct. 15th, 7:30 p.m. All singers are invited and encouraged to join us in presenting a new work, "Peace", for worship on Sunday, Dec. 6. Please speak with Carol Blase if you have questions, especially about choir precautions during COVID.

A FALL CLEAN-UP DAY will be held on Oct. 17th, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. here at St. Matthew. Volunteers are needed for raking, cleaning, and sweeping (all ages). Please speak with Doug Rosenberg at 612-206-2983 for further information.

TAKE HOME DETAILS AVAILABLE IN NARTHEX

Pick one up today!



All youth are invited for a fun outdoor fall event!

A hayride and bonfire at Bunker Hill Stables on Sunday Oct. 11th 1:30-3:30pm. Please see Faustina Allen to reserve your spot, cost for this event is \$10.

NO POLKA DINNER: Due to ongoing gathering restrictions during the pandemic, there will be no polka dinner this year. However, Chuck Thiel and the Jolly Ramblers will still be here to lead music for our annual **polka service on Saturday, Oct. 24th, 5:30 p.m.**



Women's Bible Class is being held in the Lounge and on ZOOM from 9:30-11:30. Study materials may be picked up in the Church Office.

In-Person Sunday School

(Contact person, Brenda: 763-788-9427, brenda.hugo@stmatthew-ch.org)

• Due to COVID-19 and other circumstances, the 'Little Lambs' Sunday school class (*birth-age 3 and parents*) has been suspended. I will look at the potential to 'ReBoot' this class in January if there is interest in participation and leadership. I have resources for your family between now and then if so desired.

The 'Good News Crew' (grades PreK-4) and 'Sojourner' (grades 5-6) classes are being held in-person. If you have children in these age groups, and are unable to attend due to COVID-19, I can email to you the lesson plans to 'do' at home. Just let Brenda know. (*'Sojourner' lesson plans are also appropriate for older children*)

VBS/Family Event Finances: The fiscal year is coming to an end. It would be nice to clear this debt. Fundraising was cut short because of COVID-19 *AFTER* non-perishable supplies were purchased for the VBS event. We will use the supplies next summer. We switched to a one-day event in August which did add expenses.

Bad News: we are about \$1325 short on funding for these events

Good News: once we reach that goal, a much smaller \$ amount will be needed next year because most of the 2021 purchases have already been made.

Donations Checks may be made payable to St. Matthew with 'VBS' on the memo line, and dropped off or mailed to St. Matthew. Cash is also welcome. Thank you!