

Sermon Notes

ST. MATTHEW

June 26 & 27, 2021



Reset Refresh Renew

Greetings Friends,

One of the things that strikes me about the stories in chapter 5 of Mark's Gospel is the way Mark highlights the idea of touch. The synagogue ruler wants Jesus to touch his dying daughter and save her. A woman reaches out to touch Jesus' robe to be healed. So many people are pushing up against and touching Jesus He couldn't figure out who was who. At the synagogue ruler's house he took the 12 year old girl by the hand and restored her life.

COVID-19 has taken much from us. One of the things we missed during these 15+ months was the blessing of touch. We couldn't touch those who didn't live in our house. No handshakes, no hugs, no picking up the new -born grandchildren and holding them. "Skin Hunger" is a new phrase that came out of COVID 19. It refers to our need to be touched and all that we missed by not touching and being touched during quarantine. Today let's look at the power of touch, especially Jesus' touch.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Bill Hugo

GIVING TO THE LORD

Weekly Worship Attendance: 66

June Tithes & Offerings to date: \$23,181

June Budgeted Offerings: \$28,885

Quarterly giving statements are available upon request. Please contact the church office if you would like one.

WORSHIP NOTES: Saturday=Our thanks to Marilyn Lueth for sharing her keyboard talents with us this evening. Sunday=Thanks to the music team and to all other worship assistants for their leadership throughout the weekend. To God be the glory!

Prayers for the Week of June 27

Mel and Joan Kuehni are celebrating 65 years of marriage. **Les Linngren** is in hospice. **Barry Tolbert** has suffered a stroke.

Bill Hugo, Pastor † Carol Blase, Coordinator of Music
Brenda Hugo, Coordinator of Children's Ministries † Faustina Allen, Director of Teen Ministries
Kathy Rosenberg, Parish Nurse † Sarai Kretschman, Pastoral Care Assistant † Martin Cornes, Vicar
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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, June 28

STAFF RETREAT

Tuesday, June 29

7:30 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY ONLINE

Wednesday, June 30

7:00 PM TEEN MINISTRY

Saturday, July 3

5:30 PM WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, July 4

INDEPENDENCE DAY

8:30 AM ADULT BIBLE CLASS on ZOOM

9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL- CHILDREN/YOUTH

10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE IN PERSON & ONLINE

Please let the church office know if you have someone in your family who is graduating.



Read-Aloud Bible Stories are on the St. Matthew Facebook page!

You may need to scroll down past recent posts to find all five volumes of the series; 25 stories geared for young children! The stories will remain on the St. Matthew FB page through July.

Donations Welcome! Columbia Heights is celebrating 100 years with a party at Huset Park on July 17. St. Matthew will be hosting a duck pond with prizes (and advertising for VBS) at this celebration. If you would like to **donate your time (11:00am-2:00pm)** please contact Brenda.



TAKE HOME DETAILS AVAILABLE IN NARTHEX

Pick one up today!

ANNOUNCING...

Children's Ministries: (contact: brenda.hugo@stmatthew-ch.org)



Summer Sunday School

Through Aug. 29, 9:00-9:45 am; "The Non-Avengers: Bible Heroes Who Forgave" *Note: *There will be no SSS on July 4*

The Non-Avenger we learned about today? [Joseph](#)

Engineer JOY as a VBS Volunteer!

Four Days: Sun., July 25–Wed., July 28

Evening Event Time: 6:30P.M.-8:00P.M.

Contact Brenda at brenda.hugo@stmatthew-ch.org



Key Positions Yet to be Filled

(as of this writing - subject to change)

- 1 Crew co-leader mixed ages (w/Brad C.), *grade 11-adult*
- 4-6 STANDBY co-leaders mixed ages, *grade 11-adult (The STANDBY co-leader folks would train in with the other crew co-leads, but may or may not have a crew, depending on registrations. Be available all 4 evenings, just in case.)*
- 1 - Imagination Station Clean Team (w/Deb S.), *grade 6 - adult*
- 2 - Games Clean Team, *grade 6 - adult*
- 1-2 Building Security (Mon., Wed.), *grade 11-adult*

Other Positions it would be nice to have in place. The more the merrier!

- Wrap-Up assistant (1-2), *grade 6-12*
- Wrap-Up Tech (1), *grade 11-adult*
- Snack Team assistants (1-3), *grade 6 - adult*
- Games co-lead (w/ Kristen L.), *Days 2-4, grade 11-adult*
- Floaters (Sun., Wed.), *grade 11-adult*
- Optional 2nd assistant - Imagination Station, *grade 6-12*
- Optional Drama characters (Tues.), Peter & John, *grade 9-adult*

COMING SOON – Watch emails/St. Matthew website/St. Matthew FB page for VBS registration forms for families to be posted soon! **Pre-registration is strongly encouraged** because space may be limited (*unless more folks come aboard as Train Crew Co-Leaders*).