

Sermon Notes

**ST. MATTHEW**

July 10 & 11, 2021



Reset Refresh Renew

Greetings Friends,

There have been many who have tried to silence the voice of God. They did it in Esther's day, Jeremiah's day, Daniel's day. They're doing it today. And often we are the ones silencing, sometimes unintentionally, the voice of God.

In today's reading from Amos, we see Amaziah trying to silence God by silencing the prophet Amos who is pointing out the sins of the nation.

In Mark's Gospel, we see King Herod trying to silence the voice of God first by silencing John the Baptist and then by silencing Jesus as his father had tried to do a few decades before.

In the Epistle reading, we hear Paul telling us all this great stuff about Jesus—things we should be saying, but things we often silence by our own fear. Let's learn to make God loud today.

Grace and Peace and alleluia!,

Pastor Bill Hugo

***GIVING TO THE LORD***

Weekly Worship Attendance: 49

July Tithes & Offerings to date: \$5,847

July Budgeted Offerings: \$28,885

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

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**WORSHIP NOTES:** Our thanks to the music team (10:00 a.m.) and to all other worship assistants for their leadership throughout the weekend. To God be the glory!

**Prayers for the Week of July 11**

Joan Kuehni is hospitalized following a heart attack, Addie Boe's husband, Phillip Boe, has entered hospice care.

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

### Tuesday, July 13

7:30 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY ONLINE

### Wednesday, July 14

6:30 PM BEFRIENDERS  
7:00 PM TEEN MINISTRY

### Saturday, July 17

5:30 PM WORSHIP SERVICE

### Sunday, July 18

8:30 AM ADULT BIBLE CLASS IN PERSON & on ZOOM  
9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL- CHILDREN/YOUTH  
10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE IN PERSON & ONLINE



**Count Down!** The Read-Aloud Bible Stories series (5 Volumes, 25 stories) will be removed from the St. Matthew FB page by the end of the month. You may need to scroll down past recent posts to find the stories.

**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.



### Summer Sunday School

Through Aug. 29, 9:00-9:45 am; "The Non-Avengers: Bible Heroes Who Forgave"

The Non-Avenger we learned about today?  
**David.**

TAKE HOME DETAILS AVAILABLE IN NARTHEX

Pick one up today!

## ANNOUNCING...

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

## 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](mailto:brenda.hugo@stmatthew-ch.org)



### Key Positions Yet to be Filled

(as of this writing - subject to change)

- 2-3 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.)
- 2 - Clean Team. (Games Station) grade 6 - adult
- 1-2 Building Security (Mon., Wed.), grade 11-adult

There are a few other volunteer positions available which would be nice to have people in place. The more the merrier!

### Spread the word! Rocky Railway VBS Participant registration is available

via emails/St. Matthew website/St. Matthew FB page/paper forms at St. Matthew or call the church office to pre-register for VBS! **Pre-registration is strongly encouraged** because space may be limited (unless more folks come aboard as Train Crew Co-Leaders). **Pick up some flyers** to hand to friends/neighbors by the VBS board/table.



Since we have completed the Bible study/discussion of Season One of 'The Chosen,' I am offering the St. Matthew DVD on loan. Please contact me if you wish to borrow it. OR you may purchase your own set (along with all kinds of other merchandise from the series) at [www.thechosengifts.com](http://www.thechosengifts.com) The series can also be viewed for free when you download the free app on your ipad or iphone, search 'The Chosen.' Season One is also on YouTube – but Season Two (and future seasons) will only be on the app. FYI – the 8<sup>th</sup> (last) episode of Season Two premieres tonight (Sunday, July 11) at 7:00pm via livestream on Facebook and YouTube.