

## Sermon Notes

# ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH

September 11 & 12, 2021



Greetings Friends,

Welcome to the kick off of our new discipleship year! Our theme is "Follow." In Matthew 16:24, Jesus told His disciples (and therefore us), "If anyone would come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me."

We are called to follow Jesus. This is the highest, grandest calling we can have. It is also the hardest and most humbling. And it is the most joyful and peaceful calling we will ever have.

At St. Matthew, we divide our following Jesus into three parts. We follow Jesus by:

- being known by love
- living by faith
- being a voice of hope

This year we are looking intently at what it means to follow Jesus, specifically in the areas of love, faith and hope. We will see that this impacts most other areas of our lives as well.

Grace and Peace,  
Pastor Bill Hugo

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**WORSHIP NOTES:** Thanks to music team members, skit presenters, and to all other worship assistants for their leadership today. To God be the glory!

### Prayers for the Week of September 11

Jean True is hospitalized. Glen Gunderman (Brenda Hugo's father) has been diagnosed with lung cancer. Karyn Naber is leaving this week for Cambridge, England.

***GIVING TO THE LORD***  
Weekly Worship Attendance: 55  
September Tithes & Offerings to date: \$5,771  
September Budgeted Offerings: \$28,885

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, Pastor  
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## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Tuesday, September 14

7:30 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY ONLINE

### Wednesday, September 15

4:30 PM CONFIRMATION

5:30 PM BYO SUPPER

5:30 PM CHILDREN'S CHOIR

6:00 PM DISCIPLESHIP VISION BOARD

6:00 PM YOUTH/ADULT CHOIR

6:45 PM HAND IN HAND

6:30 PM GRIEFSHARE

7:00 PM TEEN MINISTRY

### Thursday, September 16

1:00 PM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

### Saturday, September 17

5:30 PM WORSHIP SERVICE

### Sunday, September 19

8:30 AM ADULT BIBLE CLASS *live and on ZOOM*

9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL—CHILDREN/YOUTH

10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE (CONFIRMATION SUNDAY) *online and in-person*

6:30 PM NAMI ONLINE PRESENTATION

**NEW CHOIR SEASON** begins on Wednesday! Children's Choir meets at 5:30 and teens/adults rehearse at 6:00 p.m., both in the choir room. Please speak with Carol Blase (763-788-9427 or [carolblase@juno.com](mailto:carolblase@juno.com)) if you have any questions. All are invited and encouraged to attend!



TAKE HOME DETAILS AVAILABLE IN NARTHEX

*Pick one up today!*

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

### **Children's Ministries – Looking Ahead**

Sept. 12 – No Sunday School Today! Remember to get your family pictures taken today.

Wednesday, Sept. 15 – start of Wed. classes/activities/choirs (*Heads up: \$2 Simple Suppers are on HOLD due to Covid. Bring a sack lunch.*)

Sept. 19 – First Sunday under the new theme “Follow”

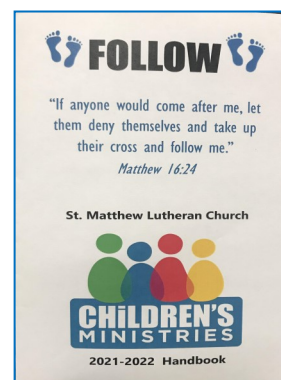
### **Fall Children's Ministries Staffing needs:**

Sundays: Shepherd (1) for the Sojourner class

Wednesdays: Gym supervisors (2-3), Hand in Hand leader (1) and Hand in Hand assistant (1)

(Contact to discuss positions: [brenda.hugo@stmatthew-ch.org](mailto:brenda.hugo@stmatthew-ch.org), or call 763-788-9427)

Did you get it? The new **Children's Ministries packets**



were mailed to families with children in grades 6 and younger. If it didn't arrive, please contact the church office with your updated mailing address. The packet information is also available on the church website ([www.stmatthew-ch.org](http://www.stmatthew-ch.org)) and will soon be on the Children's Ministries bulletin board on the main level.