

Sermon Notes

ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH

November 13 & 14, 2021



Greetings Friends,

Over the past year and a half—as we have gone through Covid and racial injustice and political nastiness—I have noticed that there are some people who are just better than others at being hopeful. And as I think about it more, I realize that these people have some skills that others don't have. Today I'm calling these **hoping skills**.

As we look at our Gospel reading today and see these on-going troubles that Jesus is talking about, it is important that we develop our hoping skills.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Bill Hugo

WORSHIP NOTES: Our thanks to Karrie Kikeh for sharing her keyboard talents with us, and to all other worship assistants for their leadership throughout the weekend. To God be the glory!

The Altar Flowers are from Bernice Fuehrer and Kevin Fuehrer in memory of Lester Fuehrer and Michael Fuehrer and all of our veterans who serve our country each day and in the past. God bless our veterans.

Prayers for the Week of November 14

Dorothy Smith is having laser eye surgery this week. **Loretta Bargmann** (Carol Blase's cousin) entered heaven this week.

GIVING TO THE LORD

Weekly Worship Attendance: 92
November Tithes & Offerings to date: \$4,932
November Budgeted Offerings: \$28,885

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, November 15

6:30 PM FACILITIES & PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, November 16

7:30 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY ONLINE

Wednesday, November 17

1:00 PM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

4:30 PM CONFIRMATION

5:30 PM BYO SUPPER

5:30 PM CHILDREN'S CHOIR

6:00 PM DISCIPLESHIP VISION BOARD

6:30 PM GRIEFSHARE

6:45 PM HAND IN HAND

7:00 PM TEEN MINISTRY

Thursday, November 18

9:30 AM FALL WOMEN'S GROUP

6:30 PM YOUTH/ADULT CHOIR

7:30 PM CHRISTMAS CANTATA REHEARSAL

Saturday, November 20

5:30 PM WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, November 21

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

9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL-CHILDREN/YOUTH

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

ANNUAL VOTERS' MEETING will be held immediately following worship on Sunday, Nov. 21st in the fellowship hall. Election of Discipleship Vision Board members and discussion and ratification of the church's 2022 budget are important items on the agenda.



TAKE HOME DETAILS AVAILABLE IN NARTHEX

Pick one up today!

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

Check the St. Matthew Facebook page for a presentation from the L.I.F.T. Intergenerational Sunday school event on Reformation Day (Oct. 31).

CHANGE – This Wednesday, Nov. 17, will be the last night for Hand in Hand and Confirmation classes for *this* set (Set 2 begins Jan. 5). CHECK WITH LEADERS for schedule changes with Children's Choir and Youth Group. Watch for times for in-person and on-line Wednesday Thanksgiving and Advent worship services.



Help Us "Spruce" Up the Church! contact Jason Zemke at 763-571-4776.

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT CHOIR rehearsals will begin on Wednesday, Dec. 1, 7:00 p.m. in the choir room. These four rehearsals will concentrate on accessible music to be presented on Dec. 24, 11:00 p.m. All singers are invited and encouraged to join us. Questions? Please speak with Carol Blase at 763-788-9427 or carolblase@juno.com. Thanks in advance for your support!

Join us for our **December "Follow Activity"** on Saturday, December 11th from 1-2 pm. We will be caroling on Central Avenue and distributing hats, mittens and scarves to those in need. We are looking for donations of NEW mittens, hats, and scarves. Contact the church office with any questions.

