

Sermon Notes

ST. MATTHEW

April 23 & 24, 2022



Greetings Friends,

Last week was so great here at St. Matthew—the whole week! Worship was so good and so powerful. Right now, I am torn between 2 things. Part of me wants to do it again and part of me wants...some peace and quiet. We all yearn for peace and quiet, at least some of the time. We live in a noisy, intrusive world to the point when moments of silence may feel terrifying. Even when we are relaxing, there's a good chance that the telephone will ring – a sales pitch for something we don't need – or the doorbell ring, or the computer ping or the cell phone buzz. Even if we decide to get away from everything, getting there can be stressful. When we hear that Jesus appeared to his disciples after the Resurrection and said, "Peace be with you," it sounds like a wonderful invitation, even a gift. And it is. It is a gift and it is also a choice. We will dig into that idea today.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Bill Hugo

WORSHIP NOTES: Christ is risen! HE IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA! Thank you to the Children's Choir for their Easter anthem addition to the 10:00 worship service, and to all worship assistants for their leadership throughout the weekend. To God be the glory!

GIVING TO THE LORD

Weekly Worship Attendance: 198
April Tithes & Offerings to date: \$18,298
April Budgeted Offerings: \$30,123

Prayers for the Week of April 24

Helen Benson is 102 years old today. **Marilyn Kirk** is having double hernia surgery on Monday. **Mary Nehring** has been diagnosed with aggressive cancer.

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

Monday, April 25

4:30 PM DCLC BOARD MEETING
6:00 PM MUSICAL REHEARSAL

Tuesday, April 26

7:30 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY ONLINE
6:00 PM MUSICAL REHEARSAL

Wednesday, April 27

10:00 AM WOMEN'S GROUP
4:30 PM CONFIRMATION
6:00 PM MUSICAL REHEARSAL
6:30 PM BLT MEETING
6:45 PM HAND IN HAND
7:00 PM TEEN MINISTRY

Thursday, April 28

7:00 PM "BRIGHT STAR" MUSICAL

Friday, April 29

7:00 PM "BRIGHT STAR" MUSICAL

Saturday, April 30

5:30 PM WORSHIP SERVICE
7:00 PM "BRIGHT STAR" MUSICAL

Sunday, May 1

8:30 AM YOUTH/ADULT CHOIR
8:30 AM ADULT BIBLE CLASS (live & on ZOOM)
9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN/YOUTH
10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE
2:00 PM "BRIGHT STAR" MUSICAL

TAKE HOME DETAILS AVAILABLE IN NARTHEX

Pick one up today!

St. Matthew Altar Guild has a smaller version of the Easter gardens. If you wish to contribute for the plants, please mark "Flowers" on a plain envelope (found at the Welcome Desk) and sign your name. — Thank you!

Copies of the **NewsScene** are available monthly at the Welcome Desk. If you would like a copy mailed to you or put in your church mailbox please contact the church office.

Has your eyesight changed? Learn how to adapt: You are all encouraged to attend a Health and Wellness Event at St Matthew!

This will be on Tuesday, May 10th at 12 NOON for a light lunch, followed by an informational EYE HEALTH PRESENTATION at 1:00 in the Fellowship Hall. We will have a special speaker that day from VISION LOSS RESOURCES, an informational presentation to learn about eye diseases and how to cope with vision loss and resources available.

ATTENDANCE SIGN UP IS REQUIRED – REGISTER BY MAY 1 - Light lunch option begins at noon – sign up required by May 1 -CONTACT PARISH NURSE KATHY ROSENBERG - CALL OR TEXT TO 612-296-1812 OR EMAIL AT KATHY.ROSENBERG@STMATTHEW-CH.ORG

Yardwork Service Available!

Youth attending the National Youth Gathering this summer are ready to help with your spring yard cleanup. For a suggested donation of \$50, a crew of two youth and an adult supervisor will rake, trim, clean, plant, remove anything you'd like! You'll be amazed at what can be done in 2 hours! Crews are available Saturdays, May 14 & 21 and Sunday, May 15. Please contact Karrie Kikeh - karriekikeh@gmail.com or 651-483-5113 to have a reservation request form sent to you.

Thanks to all who have donated the crosses which are mounted on the front door entry walls. They demonstrate the significance of what the cross of Calvary means for believers. Thanks to Carl and Florence Molin and Will Hugo for placing the crosses. More crosses came in and were placed with the help of Aiden Neaderhiser. We have room for many more crosses and encourage you to donate one or more. Bring them to the church office Thank you and blessings to everyone.

"BRIGHT STAR" UPDATE! Tickets for our spring musical productions of "Bright Star" (which start this week) are on sale! Please see Carol Blase when you are in the building, or call her (763-788-9427), or e-mail her (carolblase@juno.com) to purchase your tickets (\$10 each). Performances are Thursdays through Sundays, April 28-May1 and May 5-8. Please see the posters around the building for further info. Our teens are also offering a tasty lasagna dinner for the Saturday, May 7th performance, serving at 6:00 p.m. (\$10). This dinner will support their trip this summer to the National Youth Gathering.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR MEMBERS are reminded that we do not have rehearsal this week Wednesday, due to spring musical commitments.

In May Women's Group will move to 11:00 am on Wednesdays .

All are welcome to attend Helen Benson's birthday party on Sunday, April 24th at 11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall.