

ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH

May 16 & 17, 2020

RISE!

Sermon Notes

Greetings Friends, Christ is Risen! He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

Famous Last words: Italian artist Raphael's last word was simply: "Happy." Blues singer Bessie Smith died saying, "I'm going, but I'm going in the name of the Lord." William Henry Seward, architect of the Alaska Purchase, was asked if he had any final words. He replied, "Nothing, only 'love one another.'" When Harriet Tubman was dying in 1913, she gathered her family around and they sang together. Her last words were, "Swing low, sweet chariot." Today in our Gospel lesson we get to hear a section of Jesus' parting words to His disciples. What He says to them is important for us today.

Grace and Peace and Alleluia!,
Pastor Bill Hugo

WORSHIP NOTES: Our thanks to the musicians and to other worship assistants for their leadership in the recording process for this weekend. To God be the glory! Christ is risen! HE IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!

Prayers for the Week of May 17

We pray for **Erv Fristad** and family at the death of his sister **Iris Elaine Albertson** is hospitalized following a fall. **Candy Nelson's** mother has shingles. **Gary Rohweder** (Dan Nelson's brother) is hospitalized. **Bill Norman's** cancer has recurred.

GIVING TO THE LORD

Weekly Worship Attendance: 0
May Tithes & Offerings to date: \$8,663
May Budgeted Offerings: \$30,783

Bill Hugo, Pastor † Carol Blase, Coordinator of Music
Brenda Hugo, Coordinator of Children's Ministries † Faustina Allen, Director of Teen Ministries
Kathy Rosenberg and Rose Davis, Parish Nurses † Sarai Kretschman, Pastoral Care Assistant
Julie Allen, Office Manager † Julie Sventek, Director - DCLC - 763-789-4030

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, May 18

FACILITY & PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, May 19

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY WILL NOT MEET

Wednesday, May 20

7:00 PM TEEN MINISTRY on ZOOM

Thursday, May 21

10:00 AM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY WILL BE on ZOOM

Contact Dorothy Brutlag if you would like to join in
dorothybrutlag@gmail.com 763-572-0894

Sunday, May 24

9:00 AM BIBLE CLASS on ZOOM

10:00 AM WORSHIP ONLINE

TAKE HOME DETAILS AVAILABLE IN NARTHEX

Pick one up today!



Lutheran Witness renewal time is here! If you would like to continue receiving your subscription or would like to begin receiving the Lutheran Witness, please contact the church office. The annual cost for a subscription is \$19.68 and payment can be sent to the church office.

DATE CHANGE – In an attempt to dodge COVID-19, the dates for VBS (Vacation Bible School - Rocky Railway) have been moved to:

Sun., Aug. 2 – Thurs., Aug. 6, evenings

Volunteer positions are available for kids finishing 5th grade – adults. (*leads, assistants, teaching, non-teaching*) Volunteer info and application forms are available on the St. Matthew website.

Financial Donations are being accepted. We are about a third of the way to our goal (\$3500)! Please make checks payable to 'St. Matthew' and put 'VBS' on the memo line. Checks may be mailed or dropped off at St. Matthew. Thank you for your support!!!

Contact: brenda.hugo@stmatthew-ch.org with any questions you may have.

Got kids? Let Brenda know you would like to be included on her Children's Ministries email list to receive information/lessons/activities by contacting her at brenda.hugo@stmatthew-ch.org

Old VBS banduras are available for free (*some new/never worn, some used/washed*). I don't know if they have any effect as a face mask, but I guess they might be better than nothing. They are on the narrow table across from the Welcome Desk in the church gathering area if you want to stop by and pick some up. Please refrain from picking through them – please only take the ones you touch. Thank you.

Safe Giving: As we continue to take precautions to be safe given our current environment and cannot gather together as a church family, please prayerfully consider giving electronically. Our new GivePlus+ system is even easier than before. You can elect one-time or recurring contributions; and choose from among all the various giving areas including missions, general operating, savings, building and DCLC. Signing up is simple; go to the **Electronic Giving link found on our St Matthew website** for more information or to schedule your contributions today.



Trust in the Lord

FOREVER,

for the Lord God

is an everlasting rock.

Isaiah 26:4, ESV