

Sermon Notes

ST. MATTHEW

March 6 & 7, 2021

REboot

Reset Refresh Renew

Greetings Friends,

When one of my kids was in kindergarten, the teacher used a “stop and think about it” chair. If you got in trouble you had to spend some time in the “stop and think about it” chair, thinking about what got you there.

Our Old Testament and Gospel readings today direct us toward the “stop and think about it” chair. And then they gloriously pick us up out of the chair, forgive us and make us boldly loved and boldly loving.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Bill Hugo

Don't forget to set your clocks forward one hour next Saturday!

WORSHIP NOTES: 10:00 a.m. service=Combined Choirs will sing short responses within the Old Testament lesson for today, summarizing the two tables of the law (Ten Commandments). They will also respond to the Holy Gospel with Jesus' dramatic statement: “Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up!” During the season of Lent, we continue to observe the “putting away” of the Song of Praise as well as our “alleluias”. Many thanks to the choir, music team, and all other worship assistants for their leadership throughout the weekend. To God be the glory!

Prayers for the Week of March 7

Gary Midthun has moved into long-term care. **Mary Ebert** will have surgery a week from Monday.

GIVING TO THE LORD

Weekly Worship Attendance: 57
February Tithes & Offerings to date: \$22,780
February 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, Vicar
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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Tuesday, March 9

7:30 AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY ONLINE

Wednesday, March 10

1:00 PM BEFRIENDERS

5:00 PM CHILDREN'S CHOIR

6:00 PM LENTEN SERVICE

6:30 PM GRIEFSHARE

7:00 PM TEEN MINISTRY

Thursday, March 11

9:30 AM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY IN WILLER ROOM & ON ZOOM

1:45 PM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY ON ZOOM

6:30 PM BEFRIENDERS

6:30 PM YOUTH/ADULT CHOIR

7:30 PM FESTIVAL CHOIR

Saturday, March 13

5:30 PM WORSHIP IN-PERSON

Sunday, March 14

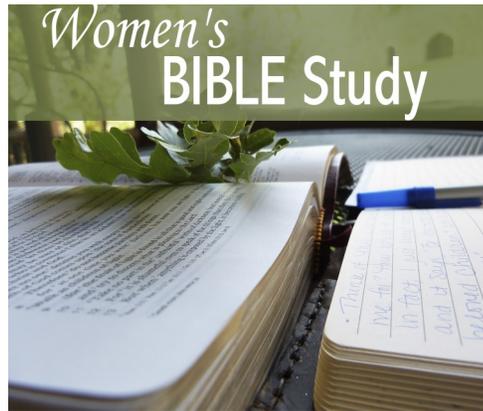
8:30 AM ADULT BIBLE CLASS on ZOOM

9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL—YOUTH/CHILDREN

10:00 AM WORSHIP ONLINE & IN-PERSON

Women's Bible Study:

Thursdays at 9:30 am will begin meeting again in the Willer Room on Thursday, March 11th. They will also continue to offer the study on Zoom for those who would like to join in online. They will be studying the book of Daniel.



Communion cups are available for pick up for anyone who would like to partake of communion as they watch the worship service online. Please call the church office at 763-788-9427.

TAKE HOME DETAILS AVAILABLE IN NARTHEX

Pick one up today!

ANNOUNCING...

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

Good Friday Family Event RESERVATIONS

The Good Friday family event will be virtual this year, but you can participate from home! You will be able to watch the event on Good Friday (April 2), premiering at 1:00 P.M., via the St. Matthew Facebook and YouTube pages, **AND** participate in the virtual tour along with the virtual tour group, when you **reserve a Passport Packet** for your family. Can you view the event without the packet? Of course you can, but it's not as much fun. Here's what to do:

1. On or Before Wednesday, March 24, email Brenda or call the church office to reserve a FREE Passport Packet in your name.
2. State the number of children and adults who will be using the packet.
3. Pick up the packet from St. Matthew on/between Sunday, March 28 – Thursday, April 1 (*Curbside pick-up possible if you pick-up during office hours. If needed, earlier pick-up may be arranged with advance notice.*)
4. Open your Passport Packet immediately prior to viewing the virtual event, and use the items as instructed during your virtual tour.

Good Friday Family Event VOLUNTEERS

Last year the planned family event had to be cancelled because of Covid-19. It is being revised and adapted and will be a RECORDED/interactive event to be shown on St. Matthew Facebook and YouTube pages. There are several opportunities for volunteers:

- Actors – positions filled (*happy dance*)
- Fabric painting – strips of cloth (already cut/torn) need to be neatly painted (fabric paint provided) with the words 'Jesus Loves Me'
- Passport Packet Packing – as reservations come in, Passport Packets will need to be prepped for families to pick up and take home prior to Good Friday.
- Set set-up (Saturday, March 20, 6:30 pm) – Help gather what is needed and set up canopies and curtains and miscellaneous lighting/props to get the set (in the gym) ready for recording
- Set take-down (Sunday, March 21, time tbd) – help take down and put away all set items after the recording session, so the gym is ready for day care use on Monday morning.

Brenda's contact info: brenda.hugo@stmatthew-ch.org or 763-788-9427, Tues-Thurs.