



# **Saint Matthew's**

EPISCOPAL CHURCH



**Holy Eucharist - Rite II**  
**The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost**  
**October 29, 2023**  
**10:00 am**

## Welcome to St. Matthew's! We are glad you are here.

The People are invited to read the words in **bold**. If you're joining us from home, please stand, kneel, sing, and pray with us as you're able. No matter where you are, joining in this worship service is a form of prayer that connects you to God and to each other. Whenever two or three are gathered, even virtually, Scripture reminds us that Jesus is present among us.

**Children are most welcome and are encouraged to participate in worship.**

To the parents of children: Relax! God put the wiggle in children. Sit toward the front so your little ones can see and hear. Go ahead and quietly answer their questions. If you don't know the answer, the priest would love to talk to your little one. When you sing the hymns and join in the prayers, you teach little hearts how to be faithful; you are their best model. If you need to leave the service, that's okay. Don't be shy about coming back. It was Jesus who said, "Let the little children come to me."

**Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, there is a place for you at St. Matt's.**

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## + THE WORD OF GOD +

### Prelude

*The hymns can be found in the blue hymnals. Please stand as you are able.*

### Processional Hymn 451

MILES LANE

"All hail the power of Jesus' Name!"

*Celebrant*

Blessed be the One who creates all things.

*People*

**The Holy One's love is new every morning.**

*Celebrant*

This is the day the Creator has made.

*People*

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

# Gloria – S 279

*Sung by all*

*setting by Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)*



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, —



— and peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, hea - ven - ly King,



al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the



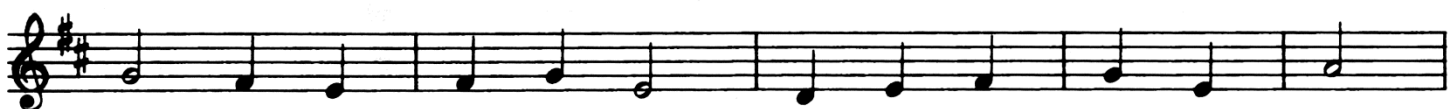
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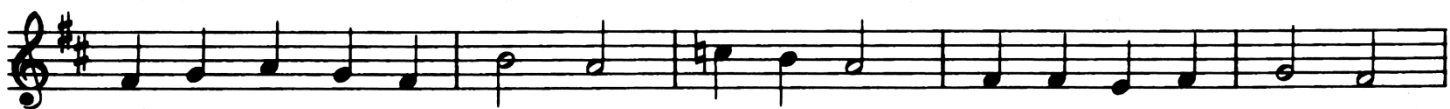
world: have mer - cy on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: — re - ceive our prayer. 6. For you a -



lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - men.

## **The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant*           The Creator be with you.  
*People*               **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*The congregation may be seated.*

## **The First Reading**

**Leviticus 19:1-2,15-18**

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying:

Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy.

You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the LORD.

You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

*Lector*           The Word of the Lord.  
*People*           **Thanks be to God.**

# Psalm 1

chant by Frederick A. Gore Ousley (1825–89)

<sup>1</sup> Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, \*  
nor lingered in the way of sinners,  
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

<sup>2</sup> Their delight is in the law of the LORD, \*  
and they meditate on his law day and night.

<sup>3</sup> They are like trees planted by streams of water,  
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; \*  
everything they do shall prosper.

<sup>4</sup> It is not so with the wicked; \*  
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

<sup>5</sup> Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, \*  
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

<sup>6</sup> For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, \*  
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

## The Second Reading

## 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children.

So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

*Lector*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

*Children in Pre-K - 7th Grade may proceed to their classrooms for Church School at the beginning of the hymn.*

*Please stand as you are able.*

**Sequence Hymn 707**

HOLLINGSIDE

“Take my life, and let it be”

## The Holy Gospel

Matthew 22:34-46

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” He said to him, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: “What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?” They said to him, “The son of David.” He said to them, “How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

‘The Lord said to my Lord,  
“Sit at my right hand,  
until I put your enemies under your feet”’?

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?” No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## The Sermon

The Rev. Marissa Rohrbach

## Profession of Faith

We believe in God, who creates all things,  
who embraces all things, who celebrates all things,  
who is present in every part of the fabric of creation.

We believe in God as the source of all life,  
who baptizes this planet with living water.

We believe in Jesus Christ, the suffering one, the poor one,  
the malnourished one, the climate refugee,  
who loves and cares for this world  
and who suffers with it.

And we believe in Jesus Christ, the seed of life,  
who came to reconcile and renew this world  
and everything in it.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the breath of God,  
who moves with God  
and who moves among and with us today.

We believe in everlasting life in God.

And we believe in the hope that one day  
God will put an end to death and all destructive forces.

## Prayers of the People

*The People respond with the words in bold.*

*Intercessor* Friends, the Lord has been our refuge from one generation to another. Let us pray to our God, saying, “Show your servants your works, O Lord, *and be gracious to us.*”

*Intercessor* We pray for the leaders of the Church. Give bishops, priests, deacons, lay leaders, and all of God’s people gentle and loving hearts. Empower us to share the gospel and ourselves with those in need. Show your servants your works, O Lord,

*People* **And be gracious to us.**



*Intercessor* We pray for all humankind. Prosper the work of our hands. May all those who work earn a fair wage. May those without work find strength and encouragement in your love. Give us hearts to respect the dignity of every human being. Show your servants your works, O Lord,

*People* **And be gracious to us.**

*Intercessor* We pray for all creation. You brought forth the mountains. You gave birth to the land and the earth. You gave life and movement to the waters and seas. And you charged us to be good stewards of your creation. Give us the desire and will to care for all you have made. Show your servants your works, O Lord,

*People* **And be gracious to us.**

*Intercessor* We pray for the areas in which we live. For the towns and communities where we make our homes. O God, we want to obey what you command. Help us to love our neighbors as ourselves. Show your servants your works, O Lord,

*People* **And be gracious to us.**

*Intercessor* We pray for the afflicted and the suffering. And we pray for those who weep and mourn. Nurse them back to health as a mother tenderly nurses her children. We pray especially for Callen, Thomas, James, Diana, James, Carol, Susan, Lee, Arlene, Barbara, Mike, Jack, Chuck, Joan, David, Peter, Liz, Ann, Jack, Pat, Kathy, Dick, Scott, Martin, Ann, Melinda, Aaron, Dann and Presiding Bishop Michael Curry. We also remember those we name now either silently or aloud. Show your servants your works, O Lord,

*People* **And be gracious to us.**

*Intercessor* We pray for those who have died. Though we wake from this life like a mortal dream, you promise to raise us to life immortal through your Son. May your graciousness, O Lord, be upon us. Show your servants your works, O Lord,

*People* **And be gracious to us.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*The People may add their own intercessions either silently or aloud. Silence may be kept.*

*The Celebrant says the following prayer*

Jesus, Master, Rabbi and Friend, as I look upon your crucified face, I am reminded of your love for humanity. You took on all the ills, social injustices, and social inequities of your time. I daresay these same problems have become so much of our life in the 21st century. To you there are no color differences, everybody is made the same according to God's plan. There are no rich or poor in the sight of God nor are there the social injustices that man has made in the name of religion. As I ponder and meditate your crucified face, I am reminded of the ills of imperialism, colonialism, and domination. So I pray for strength in my lifetime to loosen some burdens of society. Because I know that if I do your work it will help heal your scarred, tormented, crucified face. Please give me the strength, intelligence, and love to be able to take over where you left off many years ago. For I know if I carry this yoke, I am doing the work of the Father and above all things living the golden rule of "love your neighbors as you love yourself. For you are the Way, the Truth, and the Light." Give me strength to help others to do Your work to make the world a better place. **Amen.**

—Damon Syphers

*Then the Celebrant adds a concluding Collect*

Hasten, O Father, the coming of your kingdom; and grant that we your servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

## **The Confession**

*Then the Celebrant says* Let us confess our sins against God and God's creation.

*Silence may be kept. The people may stand or kneel.*

*Celebrant and People say together*

**Merciful and sustaining God,**

**we have sinned against you.**

**We confess our lack of gratitude**

**for the beauty and bounty of your creation:**

**teach us to see that your earth sustains us and all that lives.**

**We confess that we have misused your earth:**

**grant us amendment of life.**

**We confess that we have been intemperate in our appetites:**

**strengthen us in self-control.**

**We confess that we have taken the abundance of your world for**

**granted: make us urgent now for its protection.**

**Forgive and renew us now through our Savior Jesus Christ,**

**by the power of the Holy Spirit, with whom you live and reign, one**

**God, now and for ever. Amen.**

*The Celebrant says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## **The Peace**

*Celebrant*

The God of heaven has made a home on earth.

*People*

**Christ dwells among us and is one with us.**

*Celebrant*

The peace of Christ be always with you.

*People*

**And also with you.**

# + THE HOLY COMMUNION +

*Celebrant says an Offertory sentence, the congregation may be seated.*

O Lord our God, you are worthy to receive glory and honor and power;  
because you have created all things, and by your will they were created and  
have their being. *Revelation 4:11*

## Offertory Anthem

Joseph Joubert (b. 1958)

*Give me your hand*

*O give me your hand,  
Give me your hand,  
All I want is the love of God;  
Give me your hand,  
Give me your hand,  
You must be loving at God's command.*

You say you're aiming for the skies,  
You must be loving at God's command.  
Why don't you quit your telling lies?  
You must be loving at God's command.

*Refrain*

You say the Lord has set you free,  
You must be loving at God's command.  
Why don't you let your neighbor be?  
You must be loving at God's command.

*Refrain*

Some seek God's face but don't seek right,  
You must be loving at God's command.  
Pray in the day but none at night,  
You must be loving at God's command.

*Refrain*

*Whether you've joined us today from near or far, in person or online, please consider making a gift of thanksgiving to support the work of God at St. Matthew's. Be part of God's mission with us as we make our way into the new life God promises.*

*Visit [www.stmatthewswilton.org/offering](http://www.stmatthewswilton.org/offering). Designate it as a gift or as part of your pledge. No gift is too small. All gifts honor the God who honors us with life, breath, love, and salvation.*



*Please stand as you are able.*

**Doxology at the Presentation**    *Sung by all*    THE OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God all creatures here below,  
Praise God above ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

*Celebrant*            The Lord be with you.

*People*                **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*            Lift up your hearts.

*People*                **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant*            Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*                **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

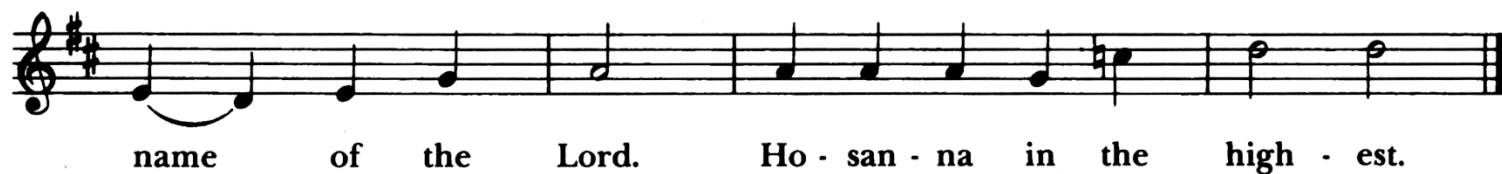
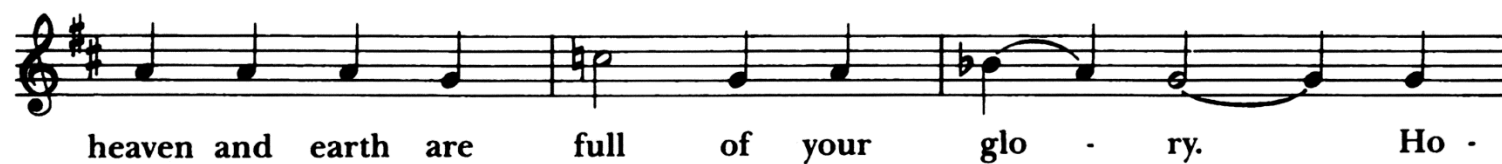
Praise and thanks are yours, our Creating God. From the dust of the earth you shaped human beings in your own image, and you filled the earth and seas and skies with a myriad of wonders. Yet we consistently turn your generosity into our scarcity, your elegance into our meanness, and your simplicity into our corruption. Though we poison and destroy your good Creation, you continue to offer us your abundance. In your mercy, you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus, transforming death into life.

Through the Spirit you continue to call us into covenant with you—for the restoration of Creation and the reconciliation of all people.

And so we give you thanks, rejoicing with all of Creation, as we join the saints and angels in their unending hymn:

## Sanctus – S 131

*Sung by all setting by Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)*



On the night that Jesus was betrayed, he took bread, and gave thanks to God. He broke the bread, gave it to his friends and said: “Take and eat, for this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

He took the wine, and gave thanks to God, Creator. He gave it to his friends saying: “This is my blood of the new covenant, shed for you and for all creation for the forgiveness of sins. Every time you drink of the wine, do this in remembrance of me.”

So we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People say together*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Merciful God, we come to this table seeking reconciliation: with you, with one another, and with all creation. Through these mysteries reconcile us to our world and empower us to restore your Creation and fulfill your will. Send your life-giving Spirit upon us, and upon this bread and wine. Stir in us the creative and redeem the destructive.

Heal your stricken world, that the soil, the skies, and the seas may be filled with your life anew.

Fill every heart with the sure and certain hope that we shall enter into the fullness of your joy, when your whole Creation is justified by faith and sanctified by love, and you are all in all. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, everlasting God, now and forever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

*Celebrant and People*

**Our Father, who art in heaven,**

**hallowed be thy Name,**

**thy kingdom come,**

**thy will be done,**

**on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses,**

**as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.**

**Amen.**

# The Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

## Fraction Anthem – S155

*Sung by all*

*setting by Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)*



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is  
sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*The Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All are welcome to come forward, as directed by ushers, to receive communion or a blessing. Please wait for the Ushers and follow their instructions. When you reach the center of the space, please open your hands and lay them flat to receive the bread or cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing. You may then choose to drink from the silver chalice to your left or intinct (dip the wafer in the wine) in the clay chalice to your right. If you do not wish to receive wine, simply pass the cup, and make your way back to your seat. We believe Jesus is fully present in both the bread and the wine, so if you receive the bread, you have participated fully in communion. Let the Priest know if you need a gluten free wafer by first extending your palms down. If you would like to have communion brought to your pew, please let an Usher know.*



*Jesu, Jesu*

*Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,  
show us how to serve the neighbors  
we have from you.*

Kneels at the feet of his friends,  
silently washes their feet,  
Master who acts as a slave to them.

*Refrain*

Neighbors are rich and poor,  
neighbors are black and white,  
neighbors are nearby and far away.

*Refrain*

These are the ones we should serve,  
these are the ones we should love.  
All are neighbors to us and you.

*Refrain*

Loving puts us on our knees,  
serving as though we were slaves;  
this is the way we should live with you.

*Refrain*

*All sing the following hymn, either sitting or kneeling.*

**Communion Hymn 336**

WERDE MUNTER

“Come with us, O blessed Jesus”

*If you are joining from home or have not received communion, you may offer this prayer to the Lord.*

**The Act of Reception**

Saint Augustine's Prayer Book (2<sup>nd</sup> ed)

*The Celebrant and the People say together*

In union, Blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory.

I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace.

Come Lord Jesus, and dwell in my heart in the fullness of your strength; be my wisdom and guide me in right pathways; conform my life and actions to the image of your holiness; and, in the power of your gracious might, rule over every hostile power that threatens or disturbs the growth of your kingdom, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

*The People stand or kneel.*

*Celebrant*

Let us pray.

*People*

**Faithful God**

**in the wonder of your wisdom and love**

**you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels, and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life.**

**We thank you for feeding us with this bread.**

**May it strengthen us**

**that by the power of the Holy Spirit**

**we may embody your desire**

**and be renewed for your service**

**through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

**Parish Announcements**

# The Blessing

*The Celebrant blesses the People*

May God light in us a holy fire: Light a fire that is worthy of our ancestors. Light a fire that is worthy of our children. Light a fire that is worthy of our fathers. Light a fire that is worthy of our mothers. Light a fire that is worthy of God. Now let us go in peace, lighting a holy fire wherever we go. And the blessing of God who creates, redeems, and sanctifies be with you this day and always. **Amen.**

## Recessional Hymn 551

FESTAL SONG

“Rise up, ye saints of God!”

## Dismissal

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Go in peace to love and serve God’s Creation.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

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### Worship Leaders

*Celebrant & Preacher*  
*Eucharistic Ministers*  
*Lectors*  
*Intercessor*  
*Music Director*  
*Choir*  
*Altar Guild*  
*Counters*

The Rev. Marissa Rohrbach  
Bill Brautigam, Beth Baker  
Sharon Pearson, John Pearson  
Amy Gubner  
Andrew Leslie Cooper  
St. Matthew’s Church Choir  
Char Griffin, Jen DeAngelis  
Brian Angerame, Dave Gortz

**Prayer Requests** *Specific prayer requests will be kept on the prayer list for six weeks. Please call or email the office if you have additions or deletions to the prayer list. You are encouraged to offer your own prayers silently or aloud as indicated in the Prayers of the People.*

Today and through the week, we remember all those who have been commended to our prayers. For those who are sick or in need: *Callen, Thomas, James, Diana, James, Carol, Susan, Lee, Arlene, Barbara, Mike, Jack, Chuck, David, Joan, Peter, Liz, Ann, Jack, Pat, Kathy, Dick, Scott, Martin, Ann, Melinda, Aaron, Dann and Presiding Bishop Michael Curry. For those serving in the military, Matthew Comeau.* In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Emmanuel, Weston; Christ & Holy Trinity, Westport; The health and well-being of persons employed by The Episcopal Church; the Presiding Bishop and the President of the House of Deputies of The Episcopal Church.

## Weekly Calendar – October 29 – November 5

Sunday, **October 29**

10:00am

**The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost**

Holy Eucharist – Rite II

Monday, **October 30**

7:00pm

EFM (Virtual)

7:00pm

Vestry Meeting

Tuesday, **October 31**

11:00am

Staff meeting

Wednesday, **November 1**

7:30pm

Social Justice & Racial Healing group

Thursday, **November 2**

7:30-9:00pm

St. Matthew's Church Choir rehearsal

Friday, **November 3**

7:30pm

The Arts at St. Matthew's Concert

Saturday, **November 4**

9:00am – 12:00pm

WEPCO Fall Clean Up Day

Sunday, **November 5**

10:00am

**The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost**

Holy Eucharist – Rite II

11:30

A Conversation with The Rev. Ranjit Mathews,  
Canon to the Ordinary

12:00pm

Confirmation Class to Chapel on the Green



## Fauré's Requiem

St. Matthew's Church Choir, conducted by Andrew Leslie Cooper, presents the timeless *Requiem* by Gabriel Fauré (1845–1924) on Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30pm. In addition to this inimitable classic, this concert will feature solo music for voices and organ.

This event is part of The Arts at St. Matthew's 2023–24 season and is ticketed at \$30 per person, \$10 for students. To purchase tickets or subscriptions for the other concerts in the 2023–24 series, visit the link below or scan the QR code.

All attendees are welcome to stay for a reception afterwards in the Lounge, where light refreshments will be served.

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## UPCOMING CONCERTS

Friday, Jan 19, 2024, 7:30 PM: Michelle Pauker | American Songbook

Friday, Feb 02, 2024, 7:30 PM: Westminster Choir

Friday, Mar 22, 2024, 7:30 PM: Hildegard, Bach, and Pärt (free)

Friday, Apr 05, 2024, 7:30 PM: Chhandayan | Holi Festival of Colors

Saturday, May 18, 2024, 7:30 PM: La Fiocco

Saturday, Jun 08, 2024, 7:30 PM: Grand Finale — The Bach Family

Tickets and subscriptions available at  
[www.stmatthewswilton.org/aasm-tickets](http://www.stmatthewswilton.org/aasm-tickets)




SPEND SOME  
TIME WITH  
CANON RANJIT



The Rev. Canon Ranjit Mathews, our new Canon to the Ordinary, will be here on November 5th as Guest Preacher and will lead a forum at 11:30am. Please join us! Hear about his work in this new role, share with him the work we do here at St. Matthew's, and learn about his deep commitment to justice and reconciliation.

## **Caring for Creation Holy Eucharist - Monday, Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm**



*Caring for Creation*  
Holy Eucharist  
Monday, November 6th  
7:00pm  
St. Matthew's Episcopal Church  
36 New Canaan Rd.  
Wilton, Connecticut  
*The Rev. Marissa Rokebach, Celebrant*

Join "St. Matthew's & Beyond" Education for Ministry (EfM) group for worship followed by discussion & refreshment

For more information  
Sharon Ely Pearson, EfM mentor [sharoneperson@gmail.com](mailto:sharoneperson@gmail.com)

Have you enjoyed the creation-themed prayers we've been using during this Season of Creation at St. Matthew's? Have they challenged you? Questions? Join us for a service that is totally based (in the Episcopal tradition) of caring for creation. Sponsored by St. Matthew's & Beyond EfM group, after worship we will discuss the liturgy and delve into what it means to care for creation from a faithful perspective. All are welcome!

## **WEPCO needs YOU!**

### **WEPCO Fall Clean Up Day**

**Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup> (9am to Noon**

**Or whatever time you can spare)**



Please volunteer to help clean up the church grounds at WEPCO's Fall Clean Up on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup> from 9am to Noon. We can use volunteers young and old with no green thumb skills required. Join fellow parishioners from STM and WPC along with support from our Scout families to help tidy up our campus as we prepare it for the winter months ahead. There are many projects and chores (light or heavy) that need our TLC. Bring your labelled work gloves, rakes, leaf blowers and tarps (if you have them). Heavier equipment (chainsaws, brush cutters, etc.) are also welcome with proper safety gear and if operated by their owner. Coffee and treats will be provided. It's a great way to share your time and talents! Many hands make light work. Thank You.

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## **St. Matt's Spirited Sisters Fall Events**

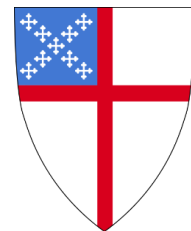
Please join us for our next meeting on Wednesday, November 8 at 7:30. St. Matt's Spirited Sisters is a community of faith for the women of St Matthew's that explores and strengthens our Christian ideals and knowledge, fostering friendship, offering prayer and support for each other, and building a deeper relationship with Christ. We generally meet the second Wednesday of every month to discuss topics of faith by listening to podcasts, reading articles, taking field trips, doing hands-on activities, and learning from each other.

We welcome all the women of St. Matthew's and their friends. Discussion materials will be available prior to the meeting but advanced prep work is not required.

Please Contact Pam Carlson [pamelacarlson@gmail.com](mailto:pamelacarlson@gmail.com) or Stacey Savas [staceysavas70@gmail.com](mailto:staceysavas70@gmail.com) with any questions.

# Worship Schedule at St. Matthew's

Holy Eucharist on Sundays at 10am



*Please keep an eye on our website and social media as well as our e-news. There you'll find information and opportunities to connect for friends and members of all ages.*

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