

Saint Matthew's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Holy Eucharist - Rite II
The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost
November 13, 2022
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.

+ THE WORD OF GOD +

Prelude

Through Moaning Pines

Harry T. Burleigh (1866–1949)

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

Processional Hymn 482

SLANE

“Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy”

Celebrant

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity *(said by all)*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria – S280

Sung by all

setting by Robert Powell (b. 1932)

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty 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 Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the 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 Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The congregation is seated.

The First Reading

Malachi 4:1-2a

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 9

The First Song of Isaiah

Sung by the choir

Surely, it is God who saves me; *

I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, *
and he will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing *
from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say, *

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;

Make his deeds known among the peoples; *
see that they remember that his Name is exalted.
Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, *
and this is known in all the world.
Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, *
for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Second Reading

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

Sequence Hymn 592

CARLISLE

“Teach me, my God and King”

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

The Holy Gospel

Luke 21:5-19

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

The Intercessor begins, the People respond with the words in bold.

Beloved of God, do not be weary in doing what is right. It is right to give God thanks and praise: therefore, let us say, “Sing to the Lord a new song: **O God, you have done marvelous things!**”

O God, remember your mercy and faithfulness to your Church. We pray especially for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Jeff and Laura, our Bishops, for Marissa, our Rector, for our Vestry, Officers, and lay leaders, and for all God's people. Give us your words and your wisdom. May we have the strength to bear the name of Jesus in all circumstances.

Sing to the Lord a new song:

O God, you have done marvelous things!

O God, remember your mercy and faithfulness to this nation. Save us from arrogance and self-reliance. Grant us to be a nation that favors peace over war, life rather than death.

Sing to the Lord a new song:

O God, you have done marvelous things!

O God, remember your mercy and faithfulness to all of creation. May the seas and their creatures noisily praise you: may the rivers clap their hands and the hills ring out with joy before you, their Creator.

Sing to the Lord a new song:

O God, you have done marvelous things!

O God, remember your mercy and faithfulness to our community, to the towns and cities in which we live. We pray that there may be work enough for all our citizens, that they might earn a living that promotes dignity and health.

Sing to the Lord a new song:

O God, you have done marvelous things!

O God, remember your mercy and faithfulness to all your children, especially those who are sick and suffering, Peter, Sandie, Liz, Ann, Jack, Pat, Dick, Joanne, Brooks, Scott, Martin, Ann, Melinda, Donnie, Aaron, Mary Lou, Charles, Dann, Paula Harrison and family. Come to them, Lover of Souls, with healing in your wings.

Sing to the Lord a new song:

O God, you have done marvelous things!

O God, remember your mercy and faithfulness to all who died, especially Collette Dunham, sister-in-law of Pam Ely. Bless them for their endurance. May they forever rest in that land where the sound of weeping is heard no more.

Sing to the Lord a new song:

O God, you have done marvelous things!

Let us pray for our friends, who are celebrating birthdays this week, especially A.J. Preisano, that as children of light they might be filled with your joy and peace.

Sing to the Lord a new song:

O God, you have done marvelous things!

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

Grant us, Lord God, a vision of your world as your love would have it:
a world where the weak are protected, and none go hungry or poor;
a world where the riches of creation are shared, and everyone can enjoy them;
a world where different races and cultures live in harmony and mutual respect;
a world where peace is built with justice, and justice is guided by love.

Give us the inspiration and courage to build it, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

—*Author Unknown*

Celebrant Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask:
Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which
we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son
Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Confession

Then the Celebrant says Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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

Celebrant and People say together

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. 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.**

Please stand as you are able.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

+ THE HOLY COMMUNION +

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

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

Offertory Anthem

Harry T. Burleigh (1866–1949)

My Lord, what a morning

My Lord, what a morning
My Lord, what a morning
Oh, my Lord, what a morning
When the stars begin to fall.

Done quit all my worldly ways
Gonna join that heavenly band.

My Lord, what a morning
My Lord, what a morning
Oh, my Lord, what a morning
When the stars begin to fall.



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 out of the COVID season and into the new life God promises.

Visit www.stmatthewswilton.org/offerings. 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 our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right, and good and joyful to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in our image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus – S129

Sung by all

setting by Robert Powell (b. 1932)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. _____

The people remain standing or kneel. The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, Gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word made mortal flesh in Jesus.

Born into the human family and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People say together

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your children, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **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.

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Fraction Anthem – S169

Sung by all

setting by Ray W. Urwin (b. 1950)

Cantor or Choir
My flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in -
deed, says the Lord. *1 All* My Lord. *2 Cantor or Choir* Those who eat my
flesh and drink my blood dwell in me and I in them. *All* My
flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord.

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. The Ushers will help you move toward the center in single file, socially distanced, lines. 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.

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.

Please kneel or sit to sing:

Communion Hymn 53

GOTTES SOHN IST KOMMEN

“Once he came in blessing”

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 (2nd 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.

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant

Let us pray.

People

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Parish Announcements

The Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the People

The Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God give you strength to be Christ's hands and heart in this world. And the blessing of God Almighty, who creates, redeems, and sanctifies be with you this day and always. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn 665

MICHAEL

“All my hope on God is founded”

The Celebrant offers the dismissal to which the people respond,

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

A Jubilee

Harry T. Burleigh (1866–1949)

Worship Leaders

<i>Celebrant & Preacher</i>	The Rev. Marissa Rohrbach
<i>Eucharistic Minister</i>	Sharon Pearson
<i>Torch Bearers</i>	Douglas & Mikey Gubner
<i>Lectors</i>	Kim Hall, Matt Hall
<i>Intercessor</i>	Anna-Kate Reis
<i>Music Director</i>	Andrew Leslie Cooper
<i>Choir</i>	St. Matthew's Church Choir
<i>Counters</i>	Dave Gortz, Rob Kyle

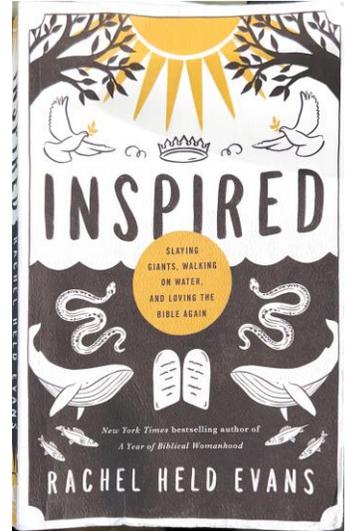
Prayer Requests *Specific prayer requests will be kept on the prayer list for six weeks. Please call or email the office if you have additions or deletions to the prayer list. You are encouraged to offer your own prayers silently or aloud as indicated in the Prayers of the People.*

Today and through the week, we remember all those who have been commended to our prayers. For those who are sick or in need: *Peter, Sandie, Liz, Ann, Jack, Pat, Dick, Joanne, Brooks, Scott, Martin, Ann, Melinda, Donnie, Aaron, Mary Lou Mannix, Charles Kennedy, Dann Pompa, Paula Harrison and family. For those serving in the military, Matthew Comeau.*

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Paul's, Windham; Grace Church, Windsor; St. James', Winsted; All Saints', Wolcott. Ministries with older adults; the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, and the Daughters of the King.

Fall Book Study

Join us in the Alcove at 11:30am today for Session 3 of our examination of how to read the "messy, troubling, weird and ancient Bible" and in the process learn to love and treasure the "magic" and profound wisdom of the God-Inspired Book. The book "Inspired - Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again" by Rachel Held Evans is our guide.



We will continue the lively discussion we've had the past two weeks and tackle the difficult issues such as the meaning and significance of the miracles of Jesus, what is the Kingdom of God really about, and the many biblical views of why bad things happen to good people.

Prior reading of the book is not required, as we will have handouts at every meeting to guide the discussion. We hope you can join us

St. Matt's Women's Group

Introducing a new women's group at St. Matthew's - *St. Matt's Spirited Sisters*. Our goal is to build a community of faith for the women of St. Matthew's by exploring and strengthening our Christian ideals and knowledge, fostering friendship, offering prayer and support for each other, and building a deeper relationship with Christ. We will meet monthly to discuss topics of faith by listening to podcasts, reading articles, taking field trips and learning from each other. We welcome all of the women of St. Matthew's and their friends. Discussion materials will be available prior to meeting, but advanced prep work is not required. Our next meeting is **Wednesday, December 14th at 7:30** in the lounge. Any questions or for more information, contact PamelabCarlson@gmail.com or StaceySavas@optonline.net.

Weekly Calendar – November 6 – November 13

Sunday, November 13

10:00am

10:15am

11:30am-12:30pm

11:30am-12:30pm

1:30pm

The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist – Rite 2

Church School

Fall Book Study

DC Missions Trip Info Meeting

Burial and Holy Eucharist: Andrew Gaillard

Monday, November 14

6:00-7:30pm

7:00-9:00pm

Middle School “Quest” dinner gathering

Education for Ministry

Tuesday, November 15

11:00am

7:00pm

Staff meeting

Finance Committee meeting

Thursday, November 17

7:30pm-9:00pm

St. Matthew’s Church Choir rehearsal

Sunday, November 20th

10:00am

10:15am

11:30am-12:30pm

The Last Sunday after Pentecost

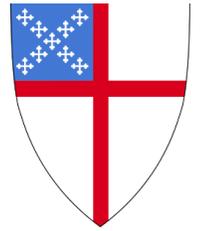
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Worship Schedule at St. Matthew's

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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