

Saint Matthew's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Holy Eucharist - Rite II
The Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost
November 14, 2021
10:00am

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

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

Our Father who art in Heaven, BWV 636

Please stand as you are able.

Entrance Hymn 462

YORK

"The Lord will come and not be slow"

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

The Celebrant says

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.**

The People remain standing.

Gloria

Sung by all

setting by Peter Crisafulli

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Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo-ple on earth. — Lord God, hea - ven-ly King, al -
- might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.
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Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us; — you are seat - ed at the right
hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For

you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, —
 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 may be seated.

The First Reading

On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters; but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the LORD had closed her womb. Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the LORD had closed her womb. So it went on year by year; as often as she went up to the house of the LORD, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. Her husband Elkanah said to her,

1 Samuel 1:4-20

“Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?”

After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the LORD. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the LORD. She was deeply distressed and prayed to the LORD, and wept bitterly. She made this vow: “O LORD of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head.”

As she continued praying before the LORD, Eli observed her mouth. Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk. So Eli said to her, “How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine.” But Hannah answered, “No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the LORD. Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time.” Then Eli answered, “Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him.” And she said, “Let your servant find favor in your sight.” Then the woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer.

They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the LORD; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the LORD remembered her. In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, “I have asked him of the LORD.”

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Hannah's Song of Thanksgiving *sung by the Choir*

Hannah prayed and said,

“My heart exults in the LORD;
my strength is exalted in my God.

My mouth derides my enemies,
because I rejoice in my victory.

“There is no Holy One like the LORD,
no one besides you;
there is no Rock like our God.

Talk no more so very proudly,
let not arrogance come from your mouth;
for the LORD is a God of knowledge,
and by him actions are weighed.

The bows of the mighty are broken,
but the feeble gird on strength.

Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread,
but those who were hungry are fat with spoil.

The barren has borne seven,
but she who has many children is forlorn.

The LORD kills and brings to life;
he brings down to Sheol and raises up.

The LORD makes poor and makes rich;
he brings low, he also exalts.

He raises up the poor from the dust;
he lifts the needy from the ash heap,
to make them sit with princes
and inherit a seat of honor.

For the pillars of the earth are the LORD's,
and on them he has set the world.

“He will guard the feet of his faithful ones,
but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness;
for not by might does one prevail.

The LORD! His adversaries shall be shattered;
the Most High will thunder in heaven.

The LORD will judge the ends of the earth;
he will give strength to his king,
and exalt the power of his anointed.”

The Second Reading

Hebrews 10:11-25

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,

“This is the covenant that I will make with them
after those days, says the Lord:

I will put my laws in their hearts,
and I will write them on their minds,”

he also adds,

“I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.”

Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our

bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

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

Please stand as you are able.

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

Sequence Hymn 575

VATER UNSER IM HIMMELREICH

“Before thy throne, O God, we kneel”

The Holy Gospel

Mark 13:1-8

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

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, “Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they

will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs.”

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

The Sermon

Meg Stapleton Smith

The Nicene Creed

All standing, the Celebrant and People say together

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.

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| <i>Intercessor</i> | Let us pray for the Church and for the world.
God of love, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; |
| <i>People</i> | That we all may be one. |
| <i>Intercessor</i> | Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; |
| <i>People</i> | That your Name may be glorified by all people. |
| <i>Intercessor</i> | We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; and especially for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Ian and Laura, our Bishops, for Marissa, our Rector, and for Don, our Deacon; |
| <i>People</i> | That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments. |
| <i>Intercessor</i> | We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; |
| <i>People</i> | That there may be justice and peace on the earth. |
| <i>Intercessor</i> | Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; |
| <i>People</i> | That our works may find favor in your sight. |

Intercessor We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially for Brooks, Peter, Jennifer, Brian, Bobby, Martin, Marge, Vinny, Ann, Bruce, Melinda, Rob, Jane, Nancy, Ken, Dawn, Donnie, David, James, Aaron, Petra, Richard, Mary Lou, Charles, Kathy, Dann and those we now name (*the people are invited to offer their own intercessions*); and we remember before you those who serve in the military, especially Matthew and those we now name (*the people are invited to offer their own intercessions*); have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Intercessor We pray also for those who have died, [especially _____] and those we now name (*the people are invited to offer their own intercessions*); give to the departed eternal rest;

People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Intercessor We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Intercessor We thank you Lord, for all the blessings of this life, [especially _____]; let us pray to the Lord;

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor

Grant the Bishop Transition Committee the gifts of wisdom, humility, and empathy as they discern your will for a new shepherd, inspirational leader, and willing advocate as we further your work in the Episcopal Church in Connecticut. **Amen.**

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

Ever present God, you called us to be in relationship with one another and promised to dwell wherever two or three are gathered. In our community, we are many different people; we come from many different places, have many different cultures. Open our hearts that we may be bold in finding the riches of inclusion and the treasures of diversity among us. We pray in faith. **Amen.**

—The Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr.

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,

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Hymn 672

BANGOR

“O very God of very God”



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/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.

Doxology at the Presentation

THE OLD HUNDREDTH

Please stand as you are able.

**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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Sung by all

setting by Peter Crisafulli

Ho - ly, ho - ly,

ho - ly Lord, _____. God of power and might,

heaven 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.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

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

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,
We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Matthew and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
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 forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

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

Fraction Anthem

Sung by all

setting by Peter Crisafulli

Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sins of the world: have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a-way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome to come forward, as directed by the ushers, to receive communion or a blessing. Please come forward socially distanced and in a single file line to the center where you will be given the bread with your hands open and extended or to receive a blessing (cross your arms across your chest). Let the priest know if you need a gluten free wafer by first extending your hands palms down. Once you have received the bread, please return to your pew with the bread in your hand; there you may slip the bread into your mouth under your mask. If you would like to have communion brought to you in your pew, please let an usher know.

Anthem

Call to remembrance

Richard Farrant (c. 1525-80)

Call to remembrance, O Lord,
Thy tender mercies
and Thy loving kindness,
which hath been ever of old,
O remember not the sins and offences of my youth:
but according to Thy mercy
think Thou on me, O Lord,
for Thy goodness.

Psalm 25 vv. 5-6

Communion Hymn 686

NETTLETON

“Come, thou fount of every blessing”

If you are joining us from home or have not received communion, please 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.

The People stand as they are able.

The Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant

Let us pray.

People

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Parish Announcements

The Blessing

Celebrant The Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God strengthen you 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.**

Dismissal Hymn 665

MICHAEL

“All my hope on God is founded”

*The Celebrant or the Deacon offers the dismissal to which the people respond,
Thanks be to God.*

Postlude

Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911)

Grand Choeur alla Händel

Worship Leaders

Celebrant

The Rev. Marissa Rohrbach

Preacher

Meg Stapleton Smith

Deacon

The Rev. Deacon Don Burr

Lectors

Kellogg Pettibone, Caroline DeAngelis

Intercessor

Anne Newton

Organist

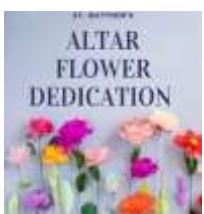
Andrew Leslie Cooper

Choir

St. Matthew's Church Choir

Counters

Dave Gortz, Rob Kyle



Altar Flower Dedication You can celebrate or memorialize your loved ones with flower dedications. Let us know the date you would like and any colors or flowers you want (we will do our best) and the Flower Guild will make a beautiful vase arrangement and delivery to your home (local addresses only please). We will announce the dedication in church and on our social media. A \$75 donation is suggested. Please email Jennifer Angerame at theangerames@gmail.com with questions.

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: *Brooks, Peter, Jennifer, Brian, Bobby, Martin, Marge, Vinny, Ann, Bruce, Melinda, Rob, Jane, Nancy, Ken, Dawn, Donnie, David, James, Aaron, Petra, Kathy, Richard Douthitt, Mary Lou Mannix, Charles Kennedy and Dann Pompa. 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.



It's The Most Wonderful Time of the Year...

The beloved **St. Matthew's Christmas Pageant** is returning again. We are prepping the beautiful costumes and will be teaming up with Andrew and the choir to put on a dazzling performance on Sunday December 19th during the 10am service. If you or your child wants to participate, please email Samantha (samantha@stmatthewswilton.org)

Roles: Narrators, Isaiah, Gabriel, Mary, Joseph, Elizabeth, Innkeeper, Angels, Shepherds and Kings. We will also need adults to assist with one rehearsal, running lines and costume fitting. Tis the season!

Upcoming Joint Youth Events:

Nov 14 | Sunday | 11:30-1pm | Youth Group | 9-12th Grade

Nov 16 | Tuesday | 6-7:30pm | Youth Group | 6-8th Grade

Nov 21 | Sunday | 11:30am – 1pm | Confirmation with Mentors

Nov 28 | Sunday | Advent Bags for Sale! | \$20/bag limited supply. Email in orders to samantha@stmatthewswilton.org

Ministry Needs:

- Volunteer Church School Teachers (Sunday's during service from 10:15-10:45am)
- Christmas Pageant (December 19th)

Please email samantha@stmatthewswilton.org for additional information.

From the Mission Team:



OPEN DOORS COULD USE YOUR HELP ON THANKSGIVING: Open Doors is doing a special in-person Thanksgiving dinner on Thanksgiving Day, and they want to invite folks from St. Matthew's Wilton who'd like to volunteer!

Volunteers will help in **2-hour shifts** for Thanksgiving Day starting at 9:30-11:30am for cooking and prep work, and then we move into serving dinner with shifts every two hours ending at 7:30pm. Our staff cook leads the volunteers and makes sure that everything is on time, safe, and fun!

We are asking that all volunteers for Thanksgiving dinner be vaccinated to help reduce everyone's risk as people will be eating together unmasked. Serving volunteers must be at least 15 years old, but dining room volunteers may be younger (although still vaccinated); all youth volunteers must be accompanied by an adult. As always, everyone will be masked indoors unless they're eating.

People can sign up to volunteer for Thanksgiving dinner on their own or as a team at https://opendoorsct.galaxydigital.com/need/detail/?need_id=636402.

We created this link for our longtime supporters like St. Matthew's.

For questions, please contact Erin at emcdonough@opendoorshelter.org or Andrea Sato (tomandandreasato@gmail.com).

Please help one of our Mission Partners, **Circle of Care**, as they prepare for the holidays. See below for a list of ideas and bring an unwrapped gift for Circle of Care. Collection bins will be in the Narthex – thank you !

Suggested items for ages 13-17:

- Lego sets for teens
- Board and card games
- Fidget poppers
- Jewelry for young teens
- Pure Vida bracelets
- Fuzzy socks, Blankets
- Microwaveable “Warmies” stuffed animals
- Gift cards – TJ Maxx, Amazon, Target



An Invitation to a Pre-Nicene Liturgy:

St. Matthew's Education for Ministry (EfM) seminar group will be participating in a pre-Nicene (2nd or 3rd century) worship service to include the Liturgy of the Word and Liturgy of the Table on Monday, November 22 from 7:00-9:30pm in the Lounge. All are welcome to this "open session" that will include the liturgy followed by a debriefing of the experience, then a discussion of the texts that the EfM group has read over the previous week (Hebrew Scriptures: Deuteronomy and New Testament: Gospel of Mark). Please RSVP to mentor Sharon Pearson (sharonepearson@gmail.com or 203-984-1228) of your intention to join us. Every baptized person is called to ministry, and EfM provides a four-year curriculum that develops a theologically informed, reflective, and articulate laity.



Episcopal Church in Connecticut Diocesan Convention Update #3: Indigenous Episcopalians and Neighbors

On Saturday, October 23rd, Marissa and our two lay delegates (Pam Ely & Sharon Pearson) attended the 237th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut via Zoom. Here is this week's highlight of the day. One of the resolutions that were adopted was *Resolution 4 Foster Right Relationship: Indigenous Episcopalians and Indigenous Neighbors*. Its actions involve the acknowledgment that we live, work, and worship on the ancestral land of Indigenous Peoples; that we as the Episcopal Church in Connecticut educate ourselves regarding past and present relationships and interactions with Indigenous People in our midst and with our Indigenous neighbors; and begin to explore and implement appropriate ways to foster right relationship with Indigenous Episcopalians and with our Indigenous neighbors. Some of this education has already begun with St. Matthew's involving our Sacred Ground team - so stay tuned for more!

Read the full resolution at <https://ecctconvention.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Resolution-4-Fostering-Right-Relationships.pdf> and watch this beautiful video of stories told through the eyes of several current Episcopalians in Connecticut who have native roots. Link to video: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/wezfyi0ys2mtzxe/ECCT%202021%20Resolution%204.mov?dl=0>

Weekly Calendar – November 14 – November 21

Sunday, November 14

9:00am
10:00am
10:15am
11:30am

The Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Virtual Coffee Hour (Zoom)
Holy Eucharist – Rite 2 (In person & Livestream)
Church School
High School Youth Group

Monday, November 15

7:00pm

Education for Ministry

Tuesday, November 16

11:00am
4:00pm
6:00pm
7:00pm

Staff Meeting
St. Matthew's Cherub's Rehearsal
6th - 8th Grade Youth Group
St. Matthew's Youth Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 18

5:00pm
7:30-9:00pm

St. Matthew's Chorister's Rehearsal
Adult Church Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, November 21

9:00am
10:00am
10:15am
11:30am
11:30am

The Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Virtual Coffee Hour (Zoom)
Holy Eucharist – Rite 2 (In person & Livestream)
Church School
Vestry Meeting
Confirmation Class

**Connection details available on our website, in the e-news,
and in our Parishioner Facebook group.**

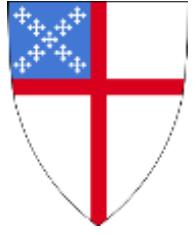
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Need to join the Parishioner Facebook Group? Go here:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/StMatthewsOnline/>

Need something else? Send Marissa a note or be in touch with another member of the staff.

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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