

St. Matthew News Bulletin



January 9-10, 2021 + The Baptism of our Lord
St. Matthew Lutheran Church + The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

Welcome in Jesus' name to all visitors, guests and members

Safe worship practices during COVID-19

A summary of our adjusted worship and communion practices is provided on the table as you enter.

❖ **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH** _____

Prayers of the congregation

- ... pray for the family of Viola Vogel who died January 2nd.
- ... pray for the family of Jackie Hedberg whose daughter Christina Hedberg passed away.
- ... pray the Heavenly Father would guard our hearts so we are not tempted.

Prayers for members

- ... for Tom Schaaf, Ellie Torres, Helen Pragman, Jim Haney, Donna Underwood, Debbie Fuchs, JoAnn Davis, Kathy & Jim Alyea

Prayers for family and friends

- ... prayers for Marilyn Harding (friend of the York's), Shirley Vanzandt (friend of Linda Sanders), Joe & Tanya Lusher (son and daughter in law of Charles & Ann Lusher), Dan Fulcher (friend of Charles & Ann Lusher's), Tim McAllister.

Worship & Christian Education – Weekend of January 2 & 3

Attendance: 44, 55 & 43 (142 Total) Communion: 42, 45 & 34 (121 Total) Visitors: 3, 10
Sun. School Attendance: 8 Adults: 19
AM Bible: 12 Midweek: 47

Our Gifts to the Lord

Last Sunday Offering: \$ 4,780 Saturday: \$2,822 Needed Weekly: \$
YTD Offering: \$7,602 YTD Expenses: \$22,815 YTD Budget: \$

Welcome New Member

We welcome Sumiko Weir into membership at St. Matthew on December 20th. God's peace be with you!

Valentine Care Packages for College Students

Our LWML is meeting January 26th to pack boxes full of goodies for St. Matthew students living away from home. If you have a student that you would like us to send a package to please provide their address to the church office.

Lee's Summit North Food Pantry

The Mission Board is suspending food collection for Lee's Summit North until the kids return to school. We want to thank the congregation for their generous donations and support for this project. Hopefully the kids will return soon and we can start again. *The Mission Board*

Adult Bible Classes – Sunday and Wednesday

We currently hold multiple classes for youth and adults here in the Family Life Center. Sunday morning at 9:30 Pastor Andrews teaches the Gospel of Matthew. Wednesday morning Pastor Otto teaches on the Book of Proverbs in person and online at 10:00. Wednesday evening Pastor Nicolaus teaches on Angels and Demons at 7:00. We meet in person and masks are required. The Sunday 9:30 class can also be accessed online.

Sunday School and Midweek Classes

Sunday morning all children meet in the Preschool Gathering Space at 9:30 for one common class. We also host a virtual Sunday School parents can lead at home (link available from Pastor Andrews). Wednesday evening at 7:00 we offer separate classrooms with Bible teaching for Grades K-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, and adults. Students in grades 5-6 and 7-8 may participate simultaneously online if needed.

Birthdays This Week

Today: Christopher Snyder, Marc Hoefler, Peyton O'Donnell Monday: Kinlie Smith, Rachel Langsdale, Rachel Plate, Shereline Brattin Tuesday: Charles Lusher, Gary Osborn, Glenda Schmidt, Matthias McClain, Nick Langsdale Wednesday: Dennis Cromley, Emily Gerhart, Fred Poese, Kristin Shriver Thursday: Nicole Reidlinger Friday: Frank Homan, Matthew Hull, Sandra Walker, Susie Hagedorn Saturday: Emily Stuhrenberg

Anniversaries This Week

None this week

❖ SERVING OTHERS _____

Hope House Collection for January

Needs: Cough drops, chap stick and over the counter cold and flu medication for adults and children. Donation box is in the narthex.

Lee's Summit Social Services

During January we will be collecting canned vegetables. Donations may be put inside the wooden cupboard next to the Sanctuary doors.

Prayer Requests

You may request prayer from our Prayer Partners ministry in which requests are shared through email. Submit prayers requests to Carrol McAllister at cammac2@swbell.net.