

The Third Sunday of Epiphany Holy Eucharist January 21, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.

Welcome to Saint Matthew's Church

We hope you encounter the risen Lord Jesus in today's worship service. Our liturgy originated in 1549 in England and features Biblical patterns of worship and prayers rooted in The Ancient Apostolic faith and the Reformation. The entire congregation participates in the worship service using the Book of Common Prayer. If you would like to learn more, please let one of our clergy know to schedule an appointment or a pastoral visit.

Our current weekly worship schedule is as follows:

Sundays:

8am Holy Eucharist in the Church. This is a shorter service due to the absence of music.

11am Holy Eucharist in the Church with music, and livestream Virtual. If you prefer to receive the Sacrament in your pew, please let the usher know so the Clergy can accommodate your request.

Last Sunday of the Month: (Normally)

11 am Morning Prayer—In church and livestream Virtual. This is usually a lay-led praise worship service with a brief homily.

Home Communion is available by request. Please contact the church office or the Rector.

Virtual Participants are encouraged to follow the services using the virtual bulletin and a Book of Common Prayer. Please contact the Parish Office if you have any questions.

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All baptized and believing Christians are welcome to receive communion at the Lord's table. If you are not baptized, or if you would prefer to receive a blessing, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers available, please ask the clergy.



Saint Matthew's Church

Third Sunday of Epiphany
January 21, 2024 • Eleven O'clock
The Holy Eucharist



The Organ Prelude

The Processional Hymn #550 "Jesus calls us, o'er the tumult"

The Acclamation

Celebrant: I will make you as a light for the nations,

People: That my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.

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The Collect of the Day (kneeling, said in unison)

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

ESV

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19 "I said, How I would set you among my sons, and give you a pleasant land, a heritage most beautiful of all nations. And I thought you would call me, My Father, and would not turn from following me.20 Surely, as a treacherous wife leaves her husband, so have you been treacherous to me, O house of Israel, declares the Lord."21 A voice on the bare heights is heard, the weeping and pleading of Israel's sons because they have perverted their way; they have forgotten the Lord their God.22 "Return, O faithless sons; I will heal your faithlessness." "Behold, we come to you, for you are the Lord our God.23 Truly the hills are a delusion, the orgies on the mountains. Truly in the Lord our God is the salvation of Israel.24 "But from our youth the shameful thing has devoured all for which our fathers labored, their flocks and their herds, their sons and their daughters. 25 Let us lie down in our shame, and let our dishonor cover us. For we have sinned against the Lord our God, we and our fathers, from our youth even to this day, and we have not obeyed the voice of the Lord our God."4 "If you return, O Israel, declares the Lord, to me you should return. If you remove your detestable things from my presence, and do not waver,2 and if you swear, 'As the Lord lives,' in truth, in justice, and in righteousness, then nations shall bless themselves in him, and in him shall they glory."3 For thus says the Lord to the men of Judah and Jerusalem: "Break up your fallow ground, and sow not among thorns.4 Circumcise yourselves to the Lord; remove the foreskin of your hearts, O men of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem; lest my wrath go forth like fire, and burn with none to quench it, because of the evil of your deeds."

Psalm 130 (standing, sung)

- 1 Out of the deep have I called unto you, O Lord; *Lord, hear my voice.
- 2 O let your ears consider well *the voice of my supplications.
- 3 If you, Lord, were to mark what is done amiss, *O Lord, who could abide it?
- 4 For there is mercy with you; *therefore you shall be feared.
- 5 I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; *in his word is my trust.
- 6 My soul waits for the Lord, *more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.
- 7 O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy, * and with him is plenteous redemption;
- 8 And he shall redeem Israel *from all their sins.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; * as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 7:17-24 ESV p. 955

17 Only let each person lead the life that the Lord has assigned to him, and to which God has called him. This is my rule in all the churches. 18 Was anyone at the time of his call already circumcised? Let him not seek to remove the marks of circumcision. Was anyone at the time of his call uncircumcised? Let him not seek circumcision. 19 For neither circumcision counts for anything nor uncircumcision, but keeping the commandments of God. 20

Each one should remain in the condition in which he was called. 21 Were you a bondservant when called? Do not be concerned about it. (But if you can gain your freedom, avail yourself of the opportunity.) 22 For he who was called in the Lord as a bondservant is a freedman of the Lord. Likewise he who was free when called is a bondservant of Christ. 23 You were bought with a price; do not become bondservants of men. 24 So, brothers, in whatever condition each was called, there let him remain with God.

The Sequence Hymn #661 "They cast their nets in Galilee"

All standing, the Deacon reads the Gospel, first saying:

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

The Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

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14 Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, 15 and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel." 16 Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. 17 And Jesus said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men." 18 And immediately they left their nets and followed him. 19 And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. 20 And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

After the Gospel, the Deacon says:

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. E. Ragland Coxe

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The Ministration of Communion

The Prayer of Humble Access

The Agnus Dei

Communion will be received and consumed at the Communion Rail. Please dip the wafer you receive in the chalice, but not your finger!

Hymnal S158 or

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The Communion Hymn #321 "My God, thy table now is spread"

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The Recessional Hymn #537 "Christ for the world we sing"

Dismissal

Officiant Alleluia, Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Organ Postlude

Quarterly Financial Status (through December 2023)				
		Actual		Budgeted
December Total Revenue	\$	47,741	\$	26,740
December Pledge Revenue	\$	46,089	\$	18,667
December Expenses	\$	35,192	\$	26,992
YTD Total Revenue	\$	275,274	\$	320,875
YTD Total Pledge Revenue	\$	260,590	\$	224,000
YTD Expenses	\$	343,871	\$	323,899

The Altar Flowers have been given By Tom and Libby Dickinson To the Glory of God and In Appreciation of the Christian Witness of her Parents, The Late Paul Peet and Catherine Pickens Anderson

- Please join us after the service for Fellowship Time in the Parish Hall.
- The **DOK** will meet today at 3:30 p.m.
- The **Annual Parish Meeting** is NEXT Sunday, January 28th, immediately following the 11:00am Service. Nominations are now closed as we have, yet again, an excellent slate of candidates to be elected: For Jr. Warden, Mr. Steve Smith. For Vestry we have Mrs. Jane Early, Mrs. Mary Beth Gardner, and Mrs. Shari Stokes.
- On February 1st at 6:00 PM at the Purple Fish, Lillian Brunson will be leading the next **Grief Share** Session. "GriefShare is a Biblically based 13-week program to help the hurting in our congregation and community deal with the grief of losing a loved one to death. The goal of the program is to help participants move from "Mourning to Joy". Anyone in the community is welcome to join. There is a \$25.00 fee to cover materials. Any questions, contact Lillian Brunson through the church office.
- On February 3rd from 10am-12pm, there will be an <u>important</u> Altar Guild Meeting. We will have a Q&A session and the Clergy will review the current standards for Altar and Sacristy. We will discuss the need for improved coordination and communication for scheduling. This meeting is open to all current and anyone wanting to learn about this important ministry.
- Starting Sunday February 18th, **The Marriage Course** is being offered from 5:30-7:30pm in the Parish Hall for all couples seeking to strengthen their marriage. The course is like a date night supper and conversations at a private table. Child care is not provided due to space constraints, but some couples may want to house-pool. Please contact Rags or Suiter with any questions.
- Please support Girl Scout Troop #88 and buy **Girl Scout cookies**. The profits from selling cookies help support the scouting program. See the Brunson family during fellowship to order or buy cookies. Cookies are still \$4.00 a box.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer 1/21/24

In the ACNA Cycle of Prayer, today we pray for The Rev. Canon Andrew Gross, Canon for Communications in the ACNA, and his wife, Summer.

Camp Jubilee

O merciful Lord, Creator of heaven and earth: We humbly pray that your gracious providence will assist our Diocese in acquiring the land you have chosen for Camp Jubilee. Give us grace to honor you by being faithful stewards of all your good gifts through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Church of the Resurrection, North Charleston, The Rev. Mark Avera, The Rev. Rich Giersch and their congregation.

Feasts and Fasts this week

January 21st: Agnes, Martyr at Rome, 304

January 22nd: Vincent, Deacon of Saragossa, Martyr, 304

January 25th: Conversion of Paul the Apostle

January 26th: Timothy and Titus

January 27th :Lydia, Dorcas and Phoebe

More information: https://www.saintmatthews.us/liturgicalcalendar

Parish Prayer List

Evans Howle	Stephanie Benjamin	Doyle Yates
Helen Killion	Hettie Dargan	Gloria Martineau
Johnny Etheridge	Beth Higgins	Debi Sidbury
Minnie Gatewood	Mary Altman	Ruth Barr

Family and Friends Prayer List

Pres. Jimmy Carter	Marc Brockington	Robert Graham
Keith Shepard	Carlin Munnerlyn	Robert Crawford
Jeff Shepard	Judy Melton	Alexander Paul
Bert Peckford	Frankie Tanner	Rev. Jason Hamshaw
Joey Saleeby	Clare Hoole	Tammy Dubose
Susan Sheely	Lisa Wilson	Jim Zorgias
Janice Morris	Ross Thames	Jake LeVine
Carolyn Swallow	Denise Garris	Teresa Chaplain
Sandra Harris	Lynn Brown	Gregg Ervin
Denise Harris	Nancy Harrison	Chip Sims
Archie Bigelow	Roy Martin	Mason Mulligan
David Luther	Carolyn Keese	Elizabeth Mullins
Sandy Wilcox	Joe Riggar	Dot Johnson
Neil Strieff	Tommy Bolger	Adalaya Brasington
David Gravely	Michael Holt	Deanna Edwards
Frankie James	Teressa Moore	Jim Price
Emma Camacho	Grayson Griggs	Johnny Deas
Jim Rushton	Everette Teal	Jim Lavia
Pat Folsom	John Jepertinger	Gra Whitehead
Olin L. Purvis, III	Eloise Taylor	Adalei Deaver
Rachel Sims	Charlotte Roberts	Theresa Nanke
Frances Roberts	Matthew Brunson	Araina Brevard
Zack McKay	Price Cockman	Barrett Byrd
Mirella McKay	Hayes Cockman	Debbie Turbeville
Wanda Scott	Ashli Coballes	Donna Munoz
Linda Hudson	Dan Harper	*Claire Hoole

Family Members on Active Military Service:

ITCM William Heitsman USN, S Sgt. 1st Class David R. Wilson, 82nd Airborne US Army Austin Strickland, US Army (Basic Training)

Our Missionaries:

For the people of our companion parish, Santiago Apostol and their priest, The Reverend Nephtaly Desir. The Rev. Fred Ochieng Onyango of the Anglican Church of Kenya, Diocese of Maseno South.

Birthdays:

January 23: Campbell Coxe and Rev. Frank Stoda
January 27: Betts Bailey

January 27: Janua

Parish Calendar

Monday, January 22 11:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study (TPF)

Wednesday, January 24 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study (TPF & Virtual)

6:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study (Parish Hall)

Sunday, January 28 Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Children's Chapel

11:00 a.m. Morning Prayer (Church & Virtual)
12:00 p.m. Annual Meeting then Fellowship Time

5:00 p.m. Youth Group (TPF)

<u>Today</u> <u>Next Week</u>

USHERS: 11 a.m. William Kirven Sue Reynolds

Stewart Smith Hugh Reynolds

LAY READERS: 8 a.m. Ollie Dewitt (L, P, LEM) Bobby Kilgo (L, P, LEM)

11 a.m. Robby Kilgo (L, LEM) Cathy Howle (L)

Tracy Sutphin (P, LEM) Stewart Smith (O)

CRUCIFER: Caroline Smith Ayden Jones
ALTAR GUILD: Linda Howle Sue Reynolds
Sue Kilgo Linda Howle

VIRTUAL: Joe Ervin Janet Stoda

ALTAR FLOWERS: Tom Dickinson Suiter & Rags Coxe

FELLOWSHIP TIME: Lynn Bottenus Rosanne Brasington & Ollie Dewitt

NURSERY VOLUNTEER: Merry Morgan Smith & Gena Ervin Mary Beth Gardner & Tamara Kirven

BISHOP OF ADOSC: The Rt. Reverend Chip Edgar
RECTOR: The Rev. E. Ragland Coxe
DEACON: The Rev. Frank Stoda, Jr.

ORGANIST & CHOIRMASTER: Dr. Will Carswell
OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR: Jennifer Cashwell
COMMUNICATIONS: Janet Stoda
NURSERY: Mary Ervin
SEXTON: Nathaniel Joe

Vestry:

Sr. Warden-Stewart Smith Jr. Warden-Al Gilpin Treasurer-Sonia Wenteler



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