

SAINT MATTHEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

January 21, 2024



The Mission of Saint Matthews United Methodist Church is to nurture our members, reach out to others, and witness to the Glory of God through empowerment of the Holy Spirit.

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Rev. Rodvegas Ingram, Pastor
8:30AM
ORDER OF SERVICE
Musicians – William Brooker & Stephan Brooker

Light of Christ

Call to Worship

Invocation

Praise & Worship

Progressive Adult Choir

Scripture

Mark 1:14-20

Liturgical Arts

Children's Moments

Musical Selection

Progressive Adult Choir

Sermon

Pastor Ingram

Invitation

Progressive Adult Choir

Pastoral Prayer

Invitation – Church Membership

Welcome Guests

Offertory Prayer

Blessing of the Offering/Offertory Response

“All Things Come Of Thee”

Light of Christ to the World

Benediction

Worship via Live Stream:

ZOOM

Video: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82293573333>

Audio: Dial 1-929-205-6099, ID 82293573333#, Passcode 583845

FACEBOOK

<https://www.facebook.com/stmatthewsgreensboro>

YOUTUBE

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7Q7QTHEi60HaiaJWc6ZCpQ>

Rev. Rodvegas Ingram, Pastor
11AM
ORDER OF SERVICE
Musicians – Rosanne Roberts & Joshua Scott

Light of Christ

Call to Worship

Invocation

Opening Hymn

Fellowship Choir

Scripture

Mark 1:14-20

Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed (Traditional) UMH#881

Liturgical Arts

Children's Moments

Inspirational Hymn

Fellowship Choir

Sermon

Pastor Ingram

Invitation

Hymn of Invitation

Fellowship Choir

Pastoral Prayer

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ATTENDANCE - WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday, January 14, 2024

Morning Worship Services

Online Viewers: 49

In Person: 117

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Adult Bible Class: Wednesdays, @11am, Room 20
Children's Choir rehearsal @6:30pm, Choir Room, Wednesdays: 1/17, 1/24
Fellowship Choir rehearsal: Tuesdays, @6:30pm, Sanctuary
Men's Chorus rehearsal: Mondays @5pm, Sanctuary
Progressive Adult Choir rehearsal: Wednesdays @7:00pm, Sanctuary
Sanctuary Choir rehearsal: Wednesdays @5pm, Choir Room
Youth Choir rehearsal @7:30, Choir Room, Wednesdays: 1/10, 1/17, 1/24
Sunday School: Children (Room 20), Youth (Lounge) - 1st, 2nd, 3rd Sundays
Adults (Chapel) – Every Sunday @10am
Upper Room Bible Class: Thursdays @ 1:30pm
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83015849077?pwd=S2RucWc1ejZDaziTa3NgMWJ5QU4rdz09>
Dial In +19292056099,83015849077#; Passcode: 950687

IN PERSON

MARRIAGE MINISTRY MEETING

Tuesday, January 23rd @6pm, Fellowship Hall

LOVING HANDS CROCHET & KNITTING MINISTRY ORIENTATION

Saturday, January 27th @10:30am -12pm, Room 20

ACOLYTE TRAINING

Sunday, January 28th @1pm, Sanctuary

ZOOM

NEWSLETTER TEAM

Monday, January 29th @ 6pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87524952331?pwd=cjF1RlVoYkg1b0dnK3NxTWRT1ovdz09>

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NURTURE EDUCATION MEETING

Tuesday, January 30th @ 6:15pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88511791560?pwd=ZDFKYzVhMmtrUDZZTXQxNFBieFZLQT09>

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS The beautiful flowers are given in memory of Mr. Warren and Mrs. Evelyn Leonard by Howard Drake.

ACOLYTE TRAINING on Sunday, January 28, 2024 @1:00pm in the Sanctuary. Anyone interested in serving with the Acolyte Ministry is welcome to attend. For more information, please contact Gina Bethel or Cheryl Little.

2024 LAY SERVANT TRAINING

- Northern Piedmont Lay Servant Training February 24, 25, and March 2, 3
- Registration is ONLINE! [Click here to register today](#) for Lay Servant Training. Registration is open through February 12, 2024.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY extended to the family of Anthony Purvis, who died on Monday, January 15th. Funeral services were held on Saturday, January 20th with visitation at 12:30pm and homegoing service at 1pm. Please keep the family in prayer.

CREATION CARE TIP:

Hot food or drink in single-use cups and take-out containers made of what is often called "Styrofoam" leach toxins (Styrene and Benzene—both suspected carcinogens and known neurotoxins). Some ultimately will be absorbed into our bloodstream and tissues. Keep that in mind. **Demand and use alternatives** (glass, ceramic, aluminum, even multiple-use plastic ware). Speak up for your health and the health of the environment.

"THE MESSENGER" newsletter deadline for the February edition articles is January 22! Please submit your information and pictures to Wanda Edgerton at ponice1@yahoo.com.

MARRIAGE MINISTRY is a new ministry in 2024 that will begin on Tuesday, January 23, 2024, at 6pm – 7pm in the Coley Hooker Jr. Fellowship Hall. There will be meeting sessions every 4th Tuesday of each month through November 2024 (December TBD). For more information, please contact Mary Glover, Chairperson.

"LOVING HANDS CROCHET & KNITTING MINISTRY" will hold an orientation on Saturday, January 27th at 10:30am – 12pm. This ministry is open to all with varying degrees of crocheting and knitting skills as well as those who want to learn to crochet. We will teach you. All are welcome. If interested, please contact Ramona Miller ramonamiller01@gmail.com or call 336-509-0850.

SAMARITAN GARDEN (COMMUNITY GARDEN) CLEAN UP DAY is Saturday, February 10, 2024 from 11 am to 2 pm. Volunteers are needed! First crops are anticipated to be planted on or around February 15th. We hope to see you in the garden. Thank you! Creation Care Ministry

**OFFICE OF
SUSTAINABILITY AND
RESILIENCY/CITY OF
GREENSBORO**

collects and composts food waste offering residents a convenient option to reduce accumulation in local landfills when composting at home isn't an option. See the accompanying flyer for a list of acceptable and non-acceptable items. To date, the program has successfully prevented and estimated 1,280 pounds of food waste from local landfills. Please remember the 3 R's...Reduce, Reuse, Recycle! Drop off site is equipped with two fully labeled green carts for amassing food waste; Deep Roots Market, 600 N. Eugene St. SMUMC is a *Green Church* (2023) as designated by the Western NC Annual Conference.

Compost Here

Acceptable

Not Acceptable

✓ Fruits/Vegetables	✗ Plastic
✓ Meat, bones included	✗ Styrofoam
✓ Shellfish, shells included	✗ Glass
✓ Dairy, egg shells included	✗ Metal
✓ Coffee grounds	✗ Clothing
✓ Unbleached coffee filters	✗ Laytex/ Rubber Gloves
✓ Unbleached paper towels	✗ Foil
✓ Certified compostable serve ware	✗ Straws
	✗ Soft Drink and Coffee Cups

No Trash



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NOW IS THE TIME

GBHEM SCHOLARSHIPS offers financial aid to United Methodist students pursuing undergraduate and graduate degrees. Every year an average of \$5.5 million to help students in the United States and abroad pursue their dreams through higher education is awarded. GBHEM opens pathways for students of all backgrounds to earn their degrees and serve as the next generation of leaders for the church and the world.

The application period is now – March 30 for fall term awards only. All complete and qualified applications are reviewed and placed for consideration in the best available scholarship categories:

- General Scholarships
- HBCU Scholarships
- Ministry Scholarship

Funding for scholarships is made possible through the generosity of our fellow United Methodists and through decades of sound financial stewardship.

Learn more at this link: <https://www.gbhem.org/>

Apply at this link:

<https://www.gbhem.org/scholarships/scholarships/apply/#:~:text=The%20general%20application%20for%20all,for%20fall%20term%20awards%20only>.

Submitted by E. A. McGirt

WNCC & NP DISTRICT EVENTS

THE 2024 WNCC EQUIP AND CONNECT CONFERENCE will be held 1/21-1/25/2024 at a computer near you. Please register for these sessions as soon as possible as this is a conference-wide opportunity (see link).

[Equip & Connect 2024 \(wnccumc.org\)](https://wnccumc.org)

WNCC RACIAL EQUITY AND JUSTICE SUMMIT

The purpose of the WNCC Racial Equity and Justice Summit is to convene leaders from across the conference who are committed to racial equity and justice ministries for an in-person gathering to fellowship, network, build capacity and develop collective action steps.

The Summit is sponsored by Equity and Justice Ministries of the Western North Carolina Conference and Boundless Impact.

The Summit will take place at Fellowship Center at University City UMC, 3835 West W.T. Harris Blvd, Charlotte on Saturday, January 27, 2024 from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm. Registration opens at 9:30 am. There is no charge for the Summit and lunch is included. Registration is required, see link:

<https://wnc-reg.brtaapp.com/WNCCRacialEquityandJusticeSummit>

Pastors Rodvegas and Tammy Ingram will render music for this event.

BEARING FRUIT THAT WILL LAST:

HEALTHY PARTNERSHIPS FOR SUSTAINABLE MINISTRIES

[A Special Event for the Northern Piedmont, Uwharrie, and Yadkin Valley Districts]

YOU are invited to join other key leaders from our area to explore models and key tools to strengthen ministry partnerships, space usage, and sustainability for fruitful ministry in your local church!

When: Sunday, January 21, 2024, 3:00pm to 4:30pm

Where: Christ United Methodist Church, 410 N Holden Road, Greensboro

For: Clergy, Council Chairs, Finance Chairs, Lay Leaders, SPRC Chairs, Trustee Chairs, & District Location & Building Team

Leaders: District Superintendents and staff of the Northern Piedmont, Uwharrie, and Yadkin Valley Districts

Registration link: <https://wnc-reg.brtaapp.com/BearingFruitthatwillLast2024>

SAINT MATTHEWS UMC
FUNDS REPORT - DECEMBER 2023

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
PLEDGE	\$21,144.00
TITHES	\$13,682.09
OFFERINGS	\$8,337.70
BACKPACK PROGRAM DONATIONS	\$2.00
BENNETT COLLEGE	\$550.00
BUILDING FUND	\$500.00
BURGMAN PROJECT	\$5,100.00
CHRISTMAS ANGELS	\$25.00
CHRISTMAS OFFERING	\$100.00
COMMUNION	\$10.00
EDUCATION ENDOWMENT SCHOLARSHIP	\$150.00
FEES OFFSET ONLINE	\$38.75
FOOD PANTRY	\$6,606.00
INSURANCE DIVIDENDS	\$162.87
LITURGICAL ARTS MINISTRY	\$65.00
MEDIA CAMPAIGN	\$500.00
MOBILE MEALS	\$100.00
PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND	\$100.00
PRINTING COSTS PAID	\$41.30
PROGRESSIVE ADULT CHOIR	\$60.00
RENOVATION	\$50.00
SANCTUARY CHOIR	\$25.00
SILVER PLATE OFFERING	\$190.00
STEAM PROGRAM	\$50.00
SUNDAY SCHOOL	\$39.00
UMCOR UKRAINE	\$100.00
GRAND TOTAL	\$57,728.71



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS



Tim Hemingway	1/1	Mildred King	1/11
Clive Dixon	1/2	Joi Lownes Baker	1/12
Sue McLeod	1/2	Jackie Phifer	1/13
Josh Brown	1/4	J. C. Bigelow	1/16
Ciera Sibert	1/5	Annette D. Coward	1/16
Kimber Wilson	1/5	LaRoy Dubois	1/16
Zata Yourse	1/5	Kharis Baker	1/21
Margaret Burton	1/6	DeBora Graham	1/22
Faye McAdoo	1/7	Carolyn Clarke	1/23
Lennox Brown	1/8	Jodie McCollum	1/24
Connie Hammond	1/8	Reagan Coley	1/26
Hoyte Phifer	1/8	Franklynne Brewer	1/29
Sharon Lassiter	1/9	Ramona Payne	1/30
Shirley Ballard Foster	1/10	Elliott Dixon	1/31
Rev. Rodvegas Ingram	1/11		

THE FOOD PANTRY

Please remember the Food Pantry with your financial contributions and/or food items. We need canned meats, canned vegetables, rice, cereals, peanut butter, jelly, and other nonperishable food items.

[Please check the expiration dates before contributing your food items. We are not allowed to distribute outdated food.]

You may also make donations in honor of your birthday. Your help in keeping the food pantry going is greatly appreciated!

Monday – Wednesday, 10am – 12 noon

[Patrons are now served at Sanctuary doors in breezeway]

STEWARDSHIP VERSE

1 Corinthians 4:2 (NKJV)

Moreover, it is required in stewards that one be found faithful.

Known Sick and Shut-In Members

Let us remember our sick and shut-in members through our prayers, calls, and visits. To ensure that our church can extend every caring ministry to our members in a time of need, we ask that if you or family members are going to the hospital, at home sick, or experiencing a crisis, please contact Pastor Rodvegas Ingram or your shepherd.

Nella Black 4202 Lord Jeff Dr. Greensboro, NC 27405	Eleanora Caldwell 1200 Bellevue St Greensboro, NC 27406
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