# SAINT MATTHEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**April 14, 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 Luke 24:36b-48

Children's Moments

Musical Selection Progressive Adult Choir

Sermon "Let The Evidence Speak For Itself!" 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: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/s/82293573333">https://us02web.zoom.us/s/82293573333</a>

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

FACEBOOK <a href="https://www.facebook.com/stmatthewsgreensboro">https://www.facebook.com/stmatthewsgreensboro</a>

YOUTUBE <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7Q7QTHei60HaiaJWc6ZCpQ">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7Q7QTHei60HaiaJWc6ZCpQ</a>

# Rev. Rodvegas Ingram, Pastor 11AM ORDER OF SERVICE

Musicians – Edna Johnson & Rochelle Joyner

Light of Christ "Holy Is Thy Name"

Call to Worship

Invocation

Opening Hymn "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" Sanctuary Choir

Scripture Luke 24:36b-48

Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed (Traditional) UMH#881

Children's Moments

Hymn of Preparation "If My People" Sanctuary Choir

Sermon "Let The Evidence Speak For Itself!" Pastor Ingram

Invitation

Invitational Selection "Because He Lives" Sanctuary 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 "Shalom to You"

Benediction

## ATTENDANCE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday, April 7, 2024
Online Viewers: 88 In Person: 133
(online viewers total for entire day)

### **ACOLYTE SCHEDULE**

Date	8:30am Service	11am Service
April 14 <sup>th</sup>	Jessica Lewis	Kallyn Bethel
April 21st	Ryan & Darren Edgerton	Joshua Lewis
April 28 <sup>th</sup>	Karlah Burton	Lydia McNeill
May 5 <sup>th</sup>	Karlah Burton	Brooke Lilly

### **WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

Adult Bible Class: Wednesdays, @11am, Room 20 Children's Choir rehearsal @6:30pm, Choir Room, Wednesday: Fellowship Choir rehearsal: Tuesdays, @6:30pm, Sanctuary Handbell Choir rehearsal: Thursdays, @6pm, Fellowship Hall (starting back 4/18)

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: 4/17
Sunday School: Children (Room 20), Youth (Lounge) - 1st, 2nd, 3rd Sundays
Adults (Chapel) – Every Sunday @9:45am

Upper Room Bible Class: Thursdays @ 1:30pm <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83015849077?pwd=S2RucWc1ejZDazlTa3NqMWJ5QU4rdz09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83015849077?pwd=S2RucWc1ejZDazlTa3NqMWJ5QU4rdz09</a>

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### <u>IN PERSON</u>

### FELLOWSHIP CHOIR - 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CONCERT

Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup> @3pm, Sanctuary (reception to follow in Coley Hooker Jr. Fellowship Hall)

### **USHERS' MEETING**

Saturday, April 20th @10am, Chapel

### **CROCHET & KNITTING MEETING**

Saturday, April 20th @10am, Room 20

### SHEPHERDING MEETING

Saturday, April 20th @11am, CHJ Fellowship Hall

### **MARRIAGE MINISTRY**

Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> @6pm, CHJ Fellowship Hall

### **UWIF TEA**

Saturday, April 27th @1pm, CHJ Fellowship Hall

### **CREATION CARE – PLASTICS & HUMAN HEALTH**

Saturday, April 27th @11am, Chapel

### **ACOLYTE TRAINING**

Sunday, April 28th @12:30pm, Sanctuary

### **ZOOM**

### **ENRICHMENT BOARD**

Thursday, April 18th @ 6pm

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84387875024?pwd=aDZYVytVRnNuWjdIOEgzWjdtc2x2Zz09

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### **COLLABORATION TEAM FOR AUGUST EVENT**

Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> @6pm

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81276206767?pwd=L0NmNk1PbkhaQVhaUHBjMW1LKzJHZz09

Dial in +1-929-205-6099, 81276206767#; Passcode: 541549

### NURTURE EDUCATION MEETING

Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 6:30pm

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

Dial in +1-929-205-6099, 88511791560#; Passcode: 419287

### **NEWSLETTER TEAM**

Monday, April 29th @ 6pm

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87524952331?pwd=cjF1RIVoYkg1b0dnK3NxTWRIT1ovdz09

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## <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

### **ALTAR FLOWERS:**

The beautiful altar flowers on display are given in memory of Earl R. Brown (Father), Alvesta S. Glover (Grandmother), Earl & Jessie Brown (Grandparents), Sherman Glover (Uncle) and in honor of Honora G. Brown (Mother), Venita (Brown) Thornton (Birthday Girl), Richard & Preston Thornton (Sons), and Helen S. Robbins ("Aunt") by Venita (Brown) Thornton and Family.

ACOLYTE ALERT: God is always doing something new. Are you interested or have you ever served as an acolyte? If yes, our ministry really needs adult acolytes for special services and funerals. For more information, please contact Gina Bethel and Cheryl Little 336-338-1958. Thank you.

<u>CALLING ALL YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS:</u> "How do we make our church more welcoming?" Let your voice be heard. Let's get together to share your ideas for your church. We will meet in the Lounge: Young Adults – Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> @6:30pm – 7:30pm; Youth – Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> @6pm – 7pm. Pastor Ingram

### "HAPPY EARTH MONTH"

on behalf of the SMUMC Creation Care Ministry"

### THANK YOU,

Creation Care Ministry members, for time spent working in the Samaritan Garden on Saturday, April 6, 2024! Spring Blessings!



### **CREATION CARE TIP:**

**Tell your friends what you are doing** to greatly reduce the plastic waste in your life. Talk about why that change is important to you. Recount your changes as steps in a journey and invite them to join you in tackling the problem. Encourage them; avoid creating any embarrassment.

#### **COMMUNITY RECYCLING EVENT**

Guilford Cty Spring Clean Up
Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>
8 am to 12 pm
Eastern Guilford Middle
435 Peeden Road
Gibsonville, NC

https://www.guilfordcountync.gov/our-county/planningdevelopment/environmental-services/recycling

**MEDIA UPDATE**: When connecting to SMUMC network inside the building, and if a virus or issue is detected, the device used to connect to the network will be blocked. Please make sure that you use a device that is virus free.

### **NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER:** May 2, 2024

Guided prayers will be provided the week of April 24th in the bulletin. On May 2<sup>nd</sup>, we are asking all to pray these guided prayers wherever you are at 9:00am, 12noon, and 3:00pm. Then meet in the Sanctuary at 6:00pm on May 2<sup>nd</sup> with hearts and minds united for corporate prayer and congregational singing.

On April 21 and April 28, Prayer Boards with instructions will be distributed to each member after each service.

Sponsored by: Shepherding Ministry and Upper Room Bible Study

### **OUR VISION**

"Saint Matthews UMC is a historical cornerstone of the community that aspires to close generational and spiritual gaps through Prayer, Worship, and Dynamic Programs while exploring opportunities to extend God's Love into our diverse world."

### **ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE UPDATE:**

Did you know that we have a sizable following on Facebook of 421 followers? FB reaches 1000 people per week; we have the potential to increase followers. Fifty-three percent are located in Greensboro, with the remaining forty-seven percent spanning from New York to Charlotte plus 2 other countries. WE WANT EVEN MORE! Please use your FB account to follow us and tell your friends to follow us also.

Every week we receive messages/greetings from our online congregation. Message from Sunday (4/7): "May God bless you all from Washington, GA" - Mary Lee Dunn.

### TRUSTEES REMINDER:

Pre-Covid the Board of Trustees established a policy/rule that food is not allowed in the church on the Sanctuary side and this policy/rule still stands. If you have a meeting, rehearsal or event that requires food, please request to use the Fellowship Hall.

The only exception to this policy is for the church's employees who are allowed to eat in their offices; they have been given specific guidelines to follow.

We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

**THANKS** to all who contributed to our food pantry by participating in the 40-day Lenten period. We received a lot of food, and we have a well-stocked pantry to help our community. We are thankful that God has blessed us so we can bless others. We pray we will continue to hear the cry of the needy as we continue the work of this ministry. Again, thanks to you all.

If you spend yourselves on behalf of the hungry, and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday. Isaiah 58:20 The Food Pantry Staff

REVISED LUNCH AND LEARN: "Responsible aging: Myths vs. Realities", Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am-1pm, St. James Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall (820 Ross Ave. GSO). Due to limited seating, RSVP is required for a free box lunch, please call 336.447.3998 or email rsvp4lunchandlearn@gmail.com.



### **APRIL BIRTHDAYS**



Karine Crosby	4/6	Jasmine Cornelius	4/20
Owen T. Guess	4/7	Crystal Marcus	4/20
Annye Wright	4/9	Samuel D'Silva	4/21
Gina Bethel	4/11	Zuri Ferguson	4/21
Karen Guy	4/11	Frank Glover	4/21
Lydia Gibson Cecil	4/12	Antione Morgan	4/21
Elijah Morrison	4/12	Brenda Caldwell Neal	4/22
Mary Baynes	4/13	Brandan Izzard	4/23
Russell Gibson	4/13	Sharon Bigelow	4/25
Hilda Allen	4/14	Andrena Coleman	4/26
Carlton Fairley	4/15	Joyce Palm-Harris	4/27
Cornelia McCombs	4/15	Shandrea Walden	4/27
Calvin Williamson II	4/16	Maliyah Vannoy	4/29
Fleming Brewer	4/18	Scott Vannoy	4/29
Wilhemina Hendrick	4/18	•	

### THE FOOD PANTRY

Please remember the Food Pantry with your financial contributions and/or food items. Your help in keeping the food pantry active is greatly appreciated! [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]

### **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.

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Greensboro, NC 27407	Reidsville, NC 27320
Rev. Diana Jones	Helen Kennedy
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### UPCOMING EVENTS









"Bridging Generational and Spiritual Gaps Through Prayer, Faith, and Ministry."