

# SAINT MATTHEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

April 5, 2026



*He is  
Risen!*

Death could not  
hold him.

Rejoice in the  
resurrection of  
Jesus Christ.

MATTHEW 28

***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 the empowerment of the Holy Spirit.***

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**Saint Matthews United Methodist Church**  
**Rev. Tamara Ingram, Senior Pastor**  
**Rev. Torey Haynes, Associate Pastor**  
*Community Easter Sunrise Service*  
**ORDER OF SERVICE**

**6:00AM**

**Musician: Rev. McLaughlin, New Zion Voices of Vision Choir Director**

Light of Christ

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Opening Selection

New Zion Voices of Vision

Children's Moments

**Scripture**

**Matthew 18:1-10**

Introduction of Speaker

Musical Selection

New Zion Voices of Vision

**The Easter Message**

**Rev. William F. Wright, Jr.**  
Senior Pastor, New Zion Missionary Baptist Church

Altar Prayer

Invitational Selection

New Zion Voices of Vision

Pastoral Prayer

Invitation to Salvation

Offertory Prayer

Offertory Response

"All Things Come Of Thee"

Light of Christ to the World

Benediction

**Digital Options for Worship Services:**

**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>

**Saint Matthews United Methodist Church**  
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**ORDER OF SERVICE**  
**11AM**  
**Musician – Richard Nixon**

Light of Christ

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Congregational Hymn "Up From The Grave He Arose" (UMH #322)

Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed #881 (Traditional)

Children's Moment

**Scripture** **Matthew 27:62 - Matthew 28:15** Dana Lyles

Musical Selection "Rise Again" Sanctuary Choir

**Sermon** **Pastor Ingram**

Altar Prayer

Invitational Selection

Pastoral Prayer

Invitation to Salvation - Invitation to Join SMUMC

Welcome Guests

Service of Word and Table II p.12

The Great Thanksgiving p.13

Offertory Prayer

Offertory Response "All Things Come Of Thee"

Light of Christ to the World

Benediction

**ATTENDANCE**  
**SUNDAY, March 29, 2026**  
**MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES**  
In Person: 124 Online: 157  
**TOWN HALL MEETING**  
In Person: 104 Zoom: 4

# **WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

## **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

Adult Bible Class: Wednesdays, 11am, Room 20

Men's Bible Study: Tuesdays, 9am, Room 20

Upper Room Bible Class: Thursdays 1:30pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83015849077?pwd=S2RucWc1ejZDaziTa3NqMWJ5QU4rdz09>

Dial In +19292056099, 83015849077#; Passcode: 950687

## **REHEARSALS**

Children's Choir: 6:30pm, Choir Room, Wednesdays, 4/15 & 22

Fellowship Choir: Tuesdays, 6:30pm, Sanctuary

Men's Choir: Mondays, 5pm, Sanctuary

Progressive Adult Choir: Wednesdays, 7:00pm, Sanctuary

Sanctuary Choir: Wednesdays, 12:30pm, Choir Room

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Children/Youth (CHJ Fellowship Hall) & Young Adults (Room 20)

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays, 9:45am

**[No Children/Youth/Young Adult Classes On Easter Sunday]**

Adults (Chapel) – Every Sunday 9:45am

## **IN PERSON EVENTS**

### **CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED ON MONDAY, APRIL 6TH**

#### **UMM BREAKFAST MEETING**

Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup> @8:30am CHJ Fellowship Hall

#### **GIRL SCOUTS MEETING**

Saturdays, April 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> 1:30pm, CHJ Fellowship Hall

#### **BSA TROOP #441**

Tuesdays, April 14<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> @7pm, CHJ Fellowship Hall

#### **UWF FELLOWSHIP TEA**

Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> @11am CHJ Fellowship Hall

#### **USHERS MEETING**

Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> @10am Chapel

**MARRIAGE MINISTRY**  
Tuesday, April 28<sup>th</sup> @6pm  
CHJ Fellowship Hall

**ZOOM MEETINGS**

**HEALTH & WELFARE COMMITTEE**

Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup> @6:30pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88006069478?pwd=5cAF8i61VIR9jC80c5awbGF74znPLu.1>

Dial in +1-929-205-6099, 88006069478#; Passcode: 330731

**NURTURE EDUCATION & CONGREGATIONAL CARE**

Monday, April 14<sup>th</sup> @6:30pm

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

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

**SHEPHERDING MEETING**

Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> @11am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85713332331?pwd=bie9PInob5GpitMxfzLfBa77jaD0Ax.1>

Dial in +1-929-205-6099, 85713332331#; Passcode: 436168

**NEWSLETTER TEAM**

Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup> @6:30pm

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

Dial in +1-929-205-6099, 87524952331#; Passcode: 327637

**JOIN  
PASTOR  
TAMMY**

**“PRAISE  
&  
PRAYER”**

**TUESDAYS**



**1<sup>st</sup> Tuesdays  
Monthly**

**Next event,  
April 7, 2026  
@7am**

**Via Zoom**

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

Or

**Dial 1-929-205-6099  
ID 8229357333#  
Passcode 583845**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ALTAR FLOWERS**: The altar flowers are given in recognition of our daughters Lori and Jennifer, and our grandsons Weston and Walker by Steve and Carlyn Bowden.

## **ATTENTION ALL SENIORS!**

It's spring . . . time once again for ***Music, Movement, and Meditation***. Join us on Wednesdays, April 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> then again on May 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 - 10:45 in the Sanctuary. Invite a friend to come along and enjoy this fun and inspirational time together around the altar. Gwen Poole

## **CONFIRMATION CLASS**

Calling all youth 11 years old and up, our next SMUMC confirmation class with Pastor Tammy will be held on Sundays, 4/12, 4/26, 5/3 & 5/17 @12:30pm – 1:30pm in the Chapel and on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> @11am – noon in the CHJ Fellowship Hall. Please contact the church office to enroll.

## **CREATION CARE**

**April tip:** Through the waters of baptism, we are reminded of God's renewing grace and gift of water that literally keeps us alive. Working to keep water safe, clean, and available to all is a sacred trust. Check out your own water usage with this tool at [watercalculator.org](http://watercalculator.org), which also gives practical tips for reducing use.

**BISHOP'S CLIMATE SUMMIT** is being held on Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at Maple Springs UMC (2569 Reynolda Road, Winston-Salem). Church leaders and all interested people are invited to attend. Keynote Speaker: Rev. Dr. Melanie L. Harris, professor of Black Feminist and Womanist Theologies and African American Studies at Wake Forest University and its Divinity School. Karlah Burton will co-host a workshop focused on the WNCC Green Church Initiative. Praise God! Follow Jesus into our warming world! Learn about good stewardship of the Earth! The cost is \$10 for students and \$25 for adults. Follow the link to register:

[2026 Bishop's Climate Summit - Registration and Payment Form.](#)

**HEALTH & WELFARE COMMITTEE** is exploring new opportunities to support the physical well-being of our congregation. We invite all members to complete a short survey about potential activities such as chair yoga, walking groups, and other gentle exercise options, that could help us stay active and healthy together. Your input is important and will help us design programs that meet the needs of our church family. Please take a few minutes to share your thoughts and preferences by clicking [here](#) to complete the survey. Thank you for helping us care for the health of our congregation! Jennifer Lewis

**SHEPHERDING SEASON OF PRAYER, FASTING, AND CONNECTION** is April 1<sup>st</sup> – May 7<sup>th</sup>. Throughout the month, Shepherds will reach out to their flocks to provide spiritual support. We invite the congregation to participate in a Special Week of Daily Prayer on May 1<sup>st</sup> – May 6<sup>th</sup> to focus on areas of concern: Our Pastor (May 1), Church Staff (May 2), Leadership Positions (May 3), Church Family (May 4), Local Community (May 5) and Spiritual Growth and Outreach (May 6). We will conclude with our prayer initiative on the National Day of Prayer on May 7<sup>th</sup> with individual prayer around the altar at Noon & 5pm followed by the Worship Service at 6pm. More information and daily prayer guides to follow in upcoming weeks. Sponsored by Shepherding Ministry.

**SINGLES MINISTRY** is asking all who want to participate to join them for an exciting evening at the Barn Dinner Theatre to see “How Great Thou Art”, on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. Reservations and ticket monies are due no later than April 18<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Cynthia McCain.

**ZOOM VIEWING FOR SUNDAY SERVICES ENDS** on Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>. All congregants that use this tool are encouraged to view Worship services via YouTube or Facebook. Contact church office if you need help.





## **CELEBRATING 160 YEARS: HONORING OUR PAST, SHAPING OUR FUTURE**



In preparation for our 160<sup>th</sup> Church Milestone, Archives & History Ministry wants to preserve our history by sharing and/or displaying your stories, artifacts and articles of interest (see specific request below):

### **SMUMC ORGAN STORIES**



It is not conjecturing to reference that Saint Matthews Methodist Episcopal Church had a pipe organ that was used to bless its congregation and community with music. The grand question is, **WHAT HAPPENED TO IT?** Folklore says it was donated by one of its musicians who won the lottery then purchased it from a foreign country.

No one talks about it! Here's your chance to tell your organ story; please record any memories you, a family member or friend, have about this instrument and its mysterious disposal. If anyone has a picture, please share it for copying. Insert your handwritten or typed story and email it to Albertina McGirt at [hefavorsme7@triad.r.r.com](mailto:hefavorsme7@triad.r.r.com) by April 30, 2026.

**“THE FUTURE OUTLOOK”** was a newspaper published by a SMUMC member, James Franklin Johnson. The paper was a major VOICE for African Americans in Greensboro from 1941-1972. The paper covered local people and events in the city and county including schools and colleges, i.e. Bennett College and North Carolina A&T as well as subjects of national and international interest. Its address was listed as 1301 Market Street. We are asking for those that still have copies of this paper to donate dated clippings, entire papers, or submit photocopies to display during our 160<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. Contributors should make sure that their name and contact information are attached, and tell why you kept the newspapers (optional). A marked box will be provided to collect these items June 1 - July 31, 2026.

### **HEARING DEVICE STORIES**

Hearing devices were installed on back pews for hearing impaired members and friends at Saint Matthews Methodist Episcopal Church. There was a consciousness about those with physical challenges before it became fashionable. Does anyone have a picture of this device or a souvenir? How did it operate? This would be a great 160<sup>th</sup> Anniversary exhibition. **Please Share If Possible and Tell Your Story.**

Words of  
Wisdom  
Wednesdays

Weekly Devotion – Lunchtime Lenten Inspirations

When: Every Wednesday through April 1, 2026

Time: 12 Noon via Phone Tree

*(You must be signed up for Phone Tree calls to participate – expect a call on Wednesday @noon from 336-272-4506)*

Sponsored by SMUMC Shepherding Ministry

**DEVOTION ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup>**

**Scripture:** *Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in my house, and thus put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts; see if will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing. MALACHI 3:10*

We're all busy. We all have the same twenty-four hours in a day. Most of our "to-dos" are good things-caring for family, school, working hard to pay the bills or volunteering. But are we doing what God would have us do with our time? Even good things can crowd out space for grace. If we're constantly anxious, stretched thin or so tied to our calendar that we can't stop to help someone in need, then maybe we're not seeking God's counsel enough.

This verse from Malachi isn't just about money, it's about trust. What would it look like to tithe our time? I have a friend who is never too busy to help someone in need. God, more than her calendar, is her timepiece.

She gives freely of her hours, and somehow, she always seems full of peace, joy and purpose. When we give God the first portion of our time, he blesses it. We will never have more time, but perhaps our time will mean more.

**Think:** What is one way we can "tithe" our time this week to show God and others that they matter more than our busy schedules?

**Sacrifice:** Visit or send a card to someone who is sick, elderly, or lonely.

**40 DAYS, 40 ITEMS LENTEN CHALLENGE: FILL THE FOOD PANTRY!!!**

It's not too late to participate in this challenge. You can still make your monetary donations in person on Easter Sunday, use the online option or mail to the church. Remember to select special on your envelopes or other for online, then fill in "Food Pantry".

**UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH** invites the congregation to participate in a very special church-wide project: “Rooted in Love: A Legacy of Faith.”

We are asking you to honor and/or remember your mother or a mother figure by sharing a personal story that reflects: “A lesson she taught you about faith”, “Words of wisdom she often repeated”, “A time her prayers carried you through”, “Instructions she gave about serving God”, or “How she modeled Christian love in action”.

Your stories will be compiled into a commemorative booklet for Mother’s Day. Submission forms with guidelines will be available in the Narthex and Multi-purpose Office; deadline is April 12<sup>th</sup>. Contact Pamela Moye or Gail Haynie for additional information.

YOU ARE INVITED TO  
St. Matthews  
United Women In Faith  
Annual  
**SPRING**  
*Tea*

Saturday April 18, 2026  
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
St. Matthew United Methodist Church  
Coley Hooker, Jr. Fellowship Hall  
Theme: My Cup Runneth Over - Psalm 23:5

 Dr. Irish Spencer  
Speaker

 Najm Muhammad  
Guest Saxophonist

## FOOD PANTRY HOURS

**Tuesday and Wednesday, 10am – Noon**  
*(May be altered by holidays and funerals)*

***Patrons are served at Sanctuary doors in breezeway***

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

**The Food Pantry Wagon (to collect your non-perishable items) is located in the hallway outside of the Multi-Purpose Office.**



# APRIL BIRTHDAYS



Karine Crosby	4/6	Calvin Williamson II	4/16
Owen T. Guess	4/7	Fleming Brewer	4/18
Geneva Haynes	4/7	Wilhemina Hendrick	4/18
Annye Wright	4/9	Jasmine Cornelius	4/20
Ocean Pierson	4/10	Samuel D'Silva	4/21
Terene Wood	4/10	Zuri Ferguson	4/21
Gina Bethel	4/11	Frank Glover	4/21
Karen Guy	4/11	Antione Morgan	4/21
Lydia Gibson Cecil	4/12	Brenda C. Caldwell	4/22
Elijah Morrison	4/12	Sharon Bigelow	4/25
Mary Baynes	4/13	Andrena Coleman	4/26
Russell Gibson	4/13	Joyce Palm-Harris	4/27
Hilda Allen	4/14	Shandrea Walden	4/27
Carlton Fairley	4/15	Maliyah Vannoy	4/29
Cornelia McCombs	4/15	Scott Vannoy	4/29

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### FREE SHRED EVENT

Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup>  
9am - 1 pm

Henry K. Burtner American  
Legion Post 53  
7029 Creek Ridge Rd  
(Greensboro)

Sponsored by the Greensboro  
Chamber of Commerce  
Shred any documents  
containing personal information  
(tax records, credit card  
statements, medical  
documents, etc.)

**COMMUNITY HEALTH & WELLNESS FAIR**

*Going back to the community, one person at a time.*

- ✔ HEALTH SCREENINGS & PREVENTION INFORMATION
- ✔ WOMEN'S MAMMOGRAMS
- ✔ CAREGIVER SUPPORT RESOURCES
- ✔ BRAIN HEALTH & HEALTHY AGING INFORMATION
- ✔ DIABETES EDUCATION
- ✔ HANDS-ONLY CPR TRAINING
- ✔ FREE GIVEAWAYS
- ✔ FREE FOOD
- ✔ LIVE MUSIC

**FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 2026**  
11:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
2105 YANCEYVILLE STREET  
GREENSBORO, NC 27405

**(336) 285-3522**  
COACH@ncat.edu  
www.coach.org  
Vendor RSVP Form

MAMMOGRAM SCHOLARSHIPS  
AVAILABLE AT:  
BIT.LY/BREAST-SCHOLARSHIP  
FAX APPLICATION TO: (336) 832-0059.

[CLICK HERE](#)

North Carolina  
Agricultural and Technical  
State University

Register: [bit.ly/HEALTHFAIR2026](https://bit.ly/HEALTHFAIR2026)

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*(Appointments required for other times)*  
**Office Closed Friday**

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**Kimberly Brown**

**Musician-Fellowship Choir**

**Rosanne Roberts**

**Musician-Men's Choir**

**Richard Nixon**

**Musicians-Progressive Adult Choir**

**William Brooker**  
**Stephan Brooker**

**Musician-Sanctuary Choir**

**Freddye Dixon**

**Musician-Youth Choir**

**Candun Butler**



“Bridging Generational and Spiritual Gaps Through Prayer, Faith and Ministry.”