

SAINT MATTHEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, August 2, 2026



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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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR - 160th Anniversary Homecoming Celebration
Sunday, September 20th, Worship Services 10am & 3pm
Annual Revival, September 21-23, nightly 6:30pm
(details page 9)**



Saint Matthews United Methodist Church
Rev. Tamara Ingram, Senior Pastor
Rev. Torey Haynes, Associate Pastor
ORDER OF SERVICE



8:30AM

Musicians – William Brooker and Stephan Brooker

Light of Christ

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Praise & Worship

Progressive Adult Choir

Children's Moment

Scripture

Matthew 28:16-20 (NKJV)

John Williams

Musical Selection

Progressive Adult Choir

Sermon

“Be a Witness”

Pastor Ingram

Altar Prayer

Invitational Selection

Progressive Adult Choir

Pastoral Prayer

Invitation to Salvation

Invitation to Join SMUMC

Welcome Guests

The Great Thanksgiving p.13

Offertory Prayer

Offertory Response

“All Things Come Of Thee”

Light of Christ to the World

Benediction

***** Sermon Series: “To Be or Not To Be....The Church!” *****

Digital Options for Worship Services:

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

YOUTUBE <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7Q7QThei60HaiaJWc6ZCpQ>

Saint Matthews United Methodist Church
Rev. Tamara Ingram, Senior Pastor
Rev. Torey Haynes, Associate Pastor
ORDER OF SERVICE
11AM

Musician – Richard Nixon

Light of Christ

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Congregational Hymn

“Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior” UMH #351

Affirmation of Faith

Apostles’ Creed #881 (Traditional)

Doxology

“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH #95

Children’s Moment

Scripture

Matthew 28:16-20 (NKJV)

Peggie Horton

Musical Selection

“Christ Is All”

Sanctuary Choir

Sermon

“Be a Witness”

Pastor Ingram

Altar Prayer

Invitational Selection

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Welcome Guests

Service of Word and Table II p.12

The Great Thanksgiving p.13

Offertory Prayer

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“All Things Come of Thee”

Light of Christ to the World

Benediction

SUNDAY, July 26, 2026
MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES
In Person: 98 Online: 91

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Adult Bible Class: On break until September 9th

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

Upper Room Bible Class: On break until September 10th

REHEARSALS

Children's Choir: 6:30pm, Choir Room, Wednesdays, TBD

Fellowship Choir: Fridays, 6:30pm, Sanctuary

Men's Choir: Mondays, 5pm, Sanctuary

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

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

Youth Choir: 6:30pm, Chapel/Choir Room, Wednesdays, TBD

SUNDAY SCHOOL

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

1st & 2nd Sundays, 9:45am

Adults (Chapel) – Every Sunday 9:45am

For 10am Worship Services, the Adult Class meets at 9am

IN PERSON EVENTS

OUTREACH MINISTRY MEETING

Thursday, August 20th @6:30pm, Room 20

GIRL SCOUTS MEETING

Saturday, August 25th @1:30pm, CHJ Fellowship Hall

FRIENDS, FAITH & FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY

Sunday, August 30th @10am, Under tent located on MLK Parking lot

ZOOM MEETINGS

HEALTH & WELFARE COMMITTEE

Monday, August 3rd @6:30pm

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

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

JOIN PASTOR TAMMY <i>"PRAISE & PRAYER"</i> <i>TUESDAYS</i>		1st Tuesdays Monthly Next event, August 4, 2026 @7am Via Zoom <u>https://us02web.zoom.us</u> <u>/s/82293573333</u> or Dial 1-929-205-6099 ID 82293573333# Passcode 583845
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BACK TO SCHOOL BASH PLANNING COMMITTEE

Thursday, August 6th @7pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84103185620?pwd=uFKC6aT29wVb2XbT9PFaxTdKyHQeKx.1>

Dial in +1-929-205-6099, 84103185620#; Passcode: 305829

NURTURE EDUCATION & CONGREGATIONAL CARE MEETING

Tuesday, August 11th @6:30pm

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

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

TRUSTEES MEETING

Tuesday, August 18th @6:30pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87065901144?pwd=NFxg43bltVOawMkm8R4q2ewqbAGUqX.1>

Dial in +1-929-205-6099, 87065901144#; Passcode: 450383

NEWSLETTER TEAM

August, August 24th @6:30pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89011663862?pwd=sCgiCWLbo8xBFNQiodtZaLXAU2Mwkm.1>

Dial in +1-929-205-6099, 89011663862#; Passcode: 888477

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS: The beautiful altar flowers are given in the loving memory of Clarence and Thelma McRae, by Carl, Sharon, Anthony, Ivie Bibbs and Bailey Moore.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS are due in the church office on the Tuesday @12pm (noon) before the Sunday it is to be published, for example the Aug 9th bulletin due date is Tuesday, Aug 4th. Special Sunday services, announcements are due two weeks before the Sunday publication, i.e. for Homecoming, Sept 20th bulletin due on Tuesday, Sept 8th @noon.

BULLETIN FEEDBACK

It has come to my attention that the weekly bulletin is not a tool that the majority of the congregation uses. Going back to paper copies distributed in person is not a viable option. With that in mind, I am looking at an alternative means to communicate announcements, weekly activities, events, reminders, etc. Currently, there is no timeline to make this change. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the church office.

~Debi McClendon, Administrative Assistant

CREATION CARE TIP

Start with something. Choose one or two easy changes to make, perhaps swapping single-use water bottles for a reusable one or refusing plastic bags. Commit to your action and allow it to lead you to another “something” you can do for Earth.

SUPPORT OUR PASTORS

Pastor Haynes will preach for the following churches:

- Holmes Grove UMC (1100 Alamance Church Rd): Tuesday, August 4th @7pm.
- Bass Chapel UMC (5075 Bass Chapel Rd): Sunday, August 9 @2:30pm
- New Goshen UMC (3300 Randleman Rd): Tuesday, August 11th @7pm.

Pastor Ingram will be the revivalist at St. Peters UMC (Randleman NC) on Sunday, September 6th @2:30pm

THANK YOU. On behalf of the Trustees of St. Matthew's UMC, we would like to acknowledge and show appreciation to Mr. Coley Hooker for funding the newly installed handicap ramp at the Coley Hooker Jr. Fellowship Hall (CHJFH) parking lot entrance. Mr. Hooker has been a consistent, dedicated member for over 60 years. His energy and commitment to the church are endless and we continue to be blessed by his unwavering support. Please join us in extending a sincere thank you to one of our most outstanding members. Thank you to Mr. Coley Hooker!! ~Wilmote Gibbs, Trustees Chair

BACK TO SCHOOL BASH & BOOKBAG DRIVE

SMUMC is preparing for our annual Back to School Bash & Bookbag Drive on August 15th.

We provide local students with bookbags and school supplies to help prepare them for the new school year.

Monetary donations are being accepted through August 3rd by cash, check or online. Make checks payable to St. Matthews United Methodist Church. Please list "Backpack/Bookbag Program" in the memo section of your check, on the church envelope or in 'Other' section for online giving.



We need volunteers!! If interested use this link to sign up <https://forms.gle/hwHneEQWQQBq93bc9> or contact Ramona Miller at ramonamiller01@gmail.com. Thank you for your generosity.

ONE MATTERS AWARD INTERVIEW VIDEO

Lory Beth Huffman, General Board of Discipleship of the WNCC, presented the "One Matters" award to St. Matthews on Sunday, May 24th during the 11am worship service. Our church received this award because of the significant change in Confession of Faith new members from zero (2024) to thirty-one (2025, including 8 confirmands) and the baptisms from zero (2024) to eight (2025: 5 ages 0-12 and 3 ages 13+). After service, Rev. Huffman interviewed Rev. Tamara Ingram and Ms. Debi McClendon to gain insight into how the church accomplished such a significant change. A video recording of this interview is available on the WNCC website (use link) <https://www.wnccumc.org/ac2026-awards>

GREET OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Let's connect with our newest church members. There are pictures of our members that joined January 2025 through June 2026, on the bulletin board outside the church office. This is a means of introducing them to the congregation, so say hello when you see a new face in person.



Saint Matthews United Methodist Church
Greensboro, NC

FirstFruits Drama Ministry
presents

Sunday, August 2, 2026
3:00 p.m.

Holmes Grove UMC

*****Revival*****

1100 Alamance Church Rd.
Greensboro, NC 27406

Come enjoy this remarkable performance and bring a friend!

APPORTIONMENT CAMPAIGN

Week 1-6 Total	\$3,685.75
Week 7: 7/14 -7/20	\$140.00
Total campaign collection to date	\$3,825.75

YEAR TO DATE REPORT

2026 Conference Apportionments	\$30,634.00
Payments issued before campaign	(\$6,126.80)
Payment issued 7/15/26	<u>(\$3,685.75)</u>
Balance due to Conference	\$20,821.45

*****Thank you for going beyond your tithes/pledges to make sure our apportionments are paid. Any amount is welcomed.***



The excitement is
building...
clock is ticking...
more to come...

We need your
help!

160th Anniversary Donations: To help offset some of the anniversary expenses, we are requesting that each family consider giving a special donation of \$160. Feel free to pay for this in increments. We thank you for this sacrificial offering over and above your tithes/pledges.

Preparation for Homecoming Dinner: We will offer a vegan option only to those that preorder and we need servers as well as those willing to set up/cleanup for the dinner on September 20th. If you are vegan and/or if you can volunteer to serve, please contact either Vallerie Boger-Bass or Ouida Scarborough (see church directory for contact information).

ANNIVERSARY T-SHIRTS: The Fellowship Choir is considering placing another order of shirts for those that missed the opportunity to order in May. However, the minimum to place a new order is 40 shirts. Interested? Please complete information on this link <https://forms.gle/GzUcurSkKMqGU7XJ7>. This is to collect information only; not guaranteed order placement. We are encouraged to wear the t-shirts again for the Faith, Friends and Fellowship Sunday on August 30th at 10am. This will be an outdoor tent service in the CHJ Fellowship Hall parking lot.

160th Anniversary Homecoming Celebration

Sunday, September 20th

Morning Worship Services 10am

Evening Worship Service 3pm w/Rev. Dr. Darryl Aaron

Pastor of Providence Baptist Church

Annual Revival, September 21-23, nightly 6:30pm

Monday (9/21) – Rev. Kim Foster (Bethel & Liberty Grove UMCs)
w/guest accompaniment Greensboro Cluster Choir

Tuesday (9/22) – Rev. Pam Blackstock (St. Paul UMC, Winston-Salem)

Wednesday (9/23) – Rev. Russell Alexander (Memorial UMC, High Point)

Known Sick and Shut-In Members

Let us remember our sick and shut-in members through our prayers, calls, and visits. Their contact information can be found in the Church directory.

Eleanora Caldwell
Annette Coward
Rev. James Curry
Charles Edgerton
Warmoth Gibbs
Beverly Johnson
Billy Johnson

Cynthia Smith-Mclver
Pat Spain
Julius Tucker
Janie Wheeler
Gertrude Whittle
Annye 'Pete' Wright

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 Tamara Ingram and/or your shepherd.

Prayer Request

Inell Artis
Margaret Burton
Wilhemina Hendrick
Mary Swan

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Bethel Glenola UMC Annual Revival (3229 Old Glenola Rd./Archdale)

Sunday, August 2 @3pm; dinner is served at 1:30pm

Guest speaker: Rev. Donald Jenkins (former pastor of St. Paul UMC)

Monday, August 3 – Tuesday, August 4 @7pm nightly

Rev. Dr. Howard L. Woods, Jr. (Ebenezer Baptist Church/Gso)

Holmes Grove UMC Annual Revival (1100 Alamance Church Rd/Gso)

Sunday, August 2

@9:15am: Revival Worship Service

@3pm: St. Matthews UMC FirstFruits Drama presents "The Glory Train"

Tuesday, August 4

@5:30pm – 7pm: Neighborhood Night-Out

@7pm: Revival Service w/Rev. Torey Haynes as guest speaker



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



Munira Morris	8/1	Jamila Fairley	8/18
Latasha Bass	8/3	Cheryl Little	8/18
Candun Butler	8/3	Ouida Scarborough	8/19
Mary Glover	8/3	Nichelle Curtis	8/20
Joshua Lewis	8/3	Karen Gilliam	8/20
Irish Spencer	8/3	Cynthia McCain	8/20
Calvin McCain	8/5	Janie Wheeler	8/20
Lonnie Phifer	8/5	Jacqueline Lownes	8/21
Jennifer Lewis	8/6	Sharon Bibbs	8/22
Ashleigh Odom	8/8	Dwayne Mims	8/22
Kwisha Phifer-Lovett	8/9	Kristine McNeill	8/24
Darren Edgerton	8/10	Angela Walden	8/24
Shirley Hymon-Parker	8/10	Ernest Allen	8/26
Sheila Farmer	8/11	Jerrod Hendrick	8/26
Eleanora Caldwell	8/13	Giada Naylor	8/26
Albertina McGirt	8/13	Zahra Jarrell	8/28
Michelle Mebane	8/13	Kennedy McLeod	8/28
Renee Royal	8/13	Helen Robbins	8/28
Ryan Edgerton	8/14	Ebone' Allen	8/29
Sheila Matlock	8/14	Malik Matthews	8/29
Treana Bowling	8/17	Jennifer Bowden	8/30

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.
(\$1 for each birth year or 1 non-perishable item for each birth year)

FOOD PANTRY HOURS

Tuesday and Wednesday, 10am – 12noon
Patrons are served at Sanctuary doors in breezeway

Saint Matthews Staff Contact Information
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(Appointments required for other times)
Office Closed Friday

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Gwen Poole

Musician-Children's Choir

Kimberly Brown

Musicians-Fellowship Choir

Rosanne Roberts

Malichi Taylor

Musician-Men's Choir

Richard Nixon

Musicians-Progressive Adult Choir

William Brooker

Stephan Brooker

Musicians-Sanctuary Choir

Freddye Dixon

Richard Nixon

Musician-Youth Choir

Candun Butler



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