

# SAINT MATTHEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, August 23, 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 - 160<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Homecoming Celebration  
Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, Worship Services 10am & 3pm  
Annual Revival, September 21-23, nightly 6:45pm  
(see detailed information pages 7- 8)**



**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

Liturgical Arts

Children's Moment

Pastor Haynes

**Scripture**                      **Ephesians 2:4-10 (NKJV)**

Maliyah Vannoy

Musical Selection

Progressive Adult Choir

**Sermon**

**Pastor Ingram**

Altar Prayer

Invitational Selection

Progressive Adult Choir

Pastoral Prayer

Invitation to Salvation

Invitation to Join SMUMC

Welcome Guests

Offertory Prayer

Offertory Response

“All Things Come Of Thee”

Light of Christ to the World

Benediction

**Digital Options for Worship Services:**

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

**YOUTUBE**    <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7Q7QTHei60HaiaJWc6ZCpQ>

**Sermon Series:** Roots – Rediscovering Our United Methodist Heritage

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**11AM**  
**Musician – Rev. John Henry**

Praise & Worship

Light of Christ

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Opening Selections

Children's Choir

Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed #881 (Traditional)

Doxology

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH #95

Liturgical Arts

Children's Moment

Ernestine Taylor

**Scripture**

**Ephesians 2:4-10 (NKJV)**

Afeni Brown

Musical Selection

Youth Choir

**Sermon**

**Pastor Ingram**

Altar Prayer

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Pastoral Prayer

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**SUNDAY, August 16, 2026**  
**MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES**  
In Person: 182 Online: 161



# **WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

## **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

Adult Bible Class: On break until September 9<sup>th</sup>

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

Upper Room Bible Class: On break until September 10<sup>th</sup>

## **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: **Thursdays, 4:30pm, Choir Room**

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

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

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

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

Adults (Chapel) – Every Sunday 9:45am

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

## **IN PERSON EVENTS**

### **HOMEcoming MASS CHOIR REHEARSALS (AUGUST)**

Wednesday, 8/26 @6:00pm-7:30pm and

Friday 8/28 @6:00pm-7:00pm, Sanctuary

### **FELLOWSHIP CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT REHEARSAL**

Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> @2pm, Sanctuary

### **GIRL SCOUTS MEETING**

Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup> @1:30pm, CHJ Fellowship Hall

### **FRIENDS, FAITH & FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY**

Sunday, August 30<sup>th</sup> @10am, Under tent located on MLK Parking lot

## **ZOOM MEETINGS**

### **NEWSLETTER TEAM**

Monday, August 24<sup>th</sup> @6:30pm

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

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

### **LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT TEAM**

Wednesday, August 26<sup>th</sup> @7pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86843472335?pwd=mbxowOIHOecxPsibSHbbuKhZNVc0er.1>

Dial in +1-929-205-6099, 86843472335#; Passcode: 212998

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ALTAR FLOWERS** The beautiful flowers on display today are in honor and extended blessings to our children Jamila and Carlton and granddaughter, Billy Fairley-Thornton and in memory of our parents and grandparents, Ransom and Marybelle Varnado and Charlie W. and Dora Lee Fairley by Joyce V. and C. Edmund Fairley.

### **CREATION CARE NEWS**

**August tip: Act for the good of all.** Individual actions have a collective impact. For example, when one person installs solar panels or buys an EV, it signals that renewable energy is desirable. When more individuals buy in, that creates demand, which drives down cost, expands investment, creates jobs, and pressures politicians to deliver for their constituents. Apply the same principle to all the places you can act for good.

**Adopt-A-Street/City of Greensboro.** Is your ministry area interested in volunteering? Four, one-hour clean ups per year OR one per quarter are requested. The first cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup> from 8:30am – 10am (Homecoming Weekend)! After the second clean up, SMUMC will be eligible for an Adopt-A-Street sign! For more details, please see Karlah Burton, Creation Care Ministry. Thank you!

You are invited to participate in a 4-week online book study, ***Love in a Time of Climate Change: Honoring Creation, Establishing Justice*** (Revised Edition), by UMC pastor, Rev. Sharon Delgado beginning on Tuesday, September 22, 2026. For more information about the study and to register to attend, visit <https://forms.gle/3r9uYTGRr193z6ET6>.

## **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. Please say hello!

## **SUPPORT OUR PASTOR**

Pastor Ingram will be the revivalist at St. Peters UMC (8705 Hwy 220 Business, Randleman) on Sunday, September 6<sup>th</sup> @2:30pm. The Progressive Adult Choir will render music.

## **APPORTIONMENT CAMPAIGN**

|                                   |            |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Week 1-6 Total                    | \$3,685.75 |
| Week 7: 7/14-7/20                 | \$140.00   |
| Week 8: 7/21-7/27                 | \$0.00     |
| Week 9: 7/29-8/2                  | \$100.00   |
| Week 10: 8/3-8/9                  | \$46.45    |
| Total campaign collection to date | \$3,972.20 |

## **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.*







**SAINT MATTHEWS**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

COME HOME TO

*Remember, Rejoice & Renew:*



CELEBRATING  
**160**  
— YEARS —  
OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

YOU ARE A CHOSEN PEOPLE, A ROYAL PRIESTHOOD, A HOLY NATION,  
GOD'S SPECIAL POSSESSION,  
THAT YOU MAY DECLARE THE PRAISES OF HIM  
WHO CALLED YOU OUT OF DARKNESS INTO HIS WONDERFUL LIGHT.  
DEUTERONOMY 7:9

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|  <p><b>COMMUNITY<br/>BLOCK PARTY<br/>EXTRAVAGANZA</b><br/>SEPTEMBER 19, 2026<br/>3:00 PM – 6:00 PM</p> |  <p><b>HOMECOMING SERVICE</b><br/>SEPTEMBER 20, 2026<br/>10:00 AM<br/>(DINNER IMMEDIATELY<br/>AFTER SERVICE)<br/>EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE<br/>3:00 PM</p> |  <p><b>REVIVAL 2026</b><br/>SEPTEMBER 21-23, 2026<br/>PRAISE &amp; WORSHIP<br/>AT 6:45 PM<br/>REVIVAL<br/>AT 7:00 PM</p> |  <p>600 E. Florida Street<br/>Greensboro, NC 27406</p>  <p>(336) 272-4505</p>  <p>stmatrchurch.com</p> |
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REVEREND TAMARA INGRAM  
SENIOR PASTOR



REVEREND TOREY HAYNES  
ASSOCIATE PASTOR

**160<sup>th</sup> 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 20<sup>th</sup>. 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:

Thank you to everyone that used the link to express their interest in getting a 160<sup>th</sup> Anniversary T-shirt. We are almost at our goal minimum of 40 shirts...only 10 more shirt orders needed. Once we hit that goal, the order link will be closed. Don't miss out! Please complete information on this link <https://forms.gle/GzUcurSkKMqGU7XJ7>. Each person will be contacted via email to confirm their order. Payment is due when you pick up the shirt(s). We will wear the Anniversary T-shirts on Sunday August 30<sup>th</sup> at the 10am outdoor worship service.

## **160<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY HOMECOMING CELEBRATION**

### **Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>**

Adopt-A-Street Clean Up, 8:30am – 10am

Starts at CHJ Fellowship Hall Parking Lot

Community Block Party Extravaganza, 3pm – 6pm

CHJ Fellowship Hall Parking Lot

### **Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup>**

Morning Worship Service 10am (dinner immediately after service)

Evening Worship Service 3pm

Guest speaker: Rev. Dr. Darryl Aaron, Pastor of Providence Baptist Church

### **Monday - Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Annual Revival nightly at 6:45pm

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

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

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

### **2026 CHURCH DIRECTORY**

Our Church is doing a 2026 pictorial directory based on past feedback and in conjunction with our 160th Anniversary. We want everyone to get a new picture made so that our new directory will be complete.

**IT WON'T BE COMPLETE WITHOUT YOU!**

Booking an appointment is required to take pictures at the church on  
Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup> – Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>.

You may sign up in person on Sundays 8/23, 8/30, 9/6 & 9/13  
after both services or register online 8/16 – 9/13 via link on church email

### **HOMECOMING MASS CHOIR REHEARSALS**

Wednesdays (6:00pm-7:30pm) - 8/26, 9/2, & 9/9

With musicians Freddy Dixon & Will Brooker

Fridays (6:00pm-7:00pm) - 8/28, 9/4, & 9/11

With musician Rosanne Roberts

Final Rehearsal - Friday (6:00pm-7:30pm) - 9/18

ALL musicians



## 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**  
**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 Requests

Inell Artis, Margaret Burton, Warmoth Gibbs, Wilhemina Hendrick,  
Floyd Royal, James Sibert and Mary Swan



## *Did You Know*

**SMUMC Generational Ministry** is a combination of groups from different ages and backgrounds that come together to do works in the church and our communities demonstrating God's love to His people on earth. The ministry groups consist of the Adults (35+), Every Young Group (75+), Children (2-12), Marriage, Singles, Youth (13-18), Young adults (19-35) and Widows/Widowers.

This week we highlight Singles Ministry (Cynthia McCain, Coordinator), whose goal is to fellowship together to celebrate singleness and strengthen each other to do the work of the church. At the beginning of the year, the group gathered at Golden Corral to plan their 2026 activities. To date, the singles read collectively and did a book review on "Theo of Golden" by Allen Levi. In May, the ministry sponsored a "Fellowship and Faith: Night at the Barn Dinner" opened to all to see the production of "How Great Thou Art".

## *COMMUNITY EVENTS*

### **FREE CHAIR YOGA CLASS for SENIORS!**

**TUESDAYS 1pm at Holmes Grove UMC** (1100 Alamance Church Rd)

Improve balance and strength, have some fun, fellowship and learn how to develop a healthy and productive lifestyle. Lunch provided for those that register; to register use email [holmesgroveis4u@gmail.com](mailto:holmesgroveis4u@gmail.com).



**STEPS**  
— of —  
**HOPE**  
A Greensboro Urban Ministry Walk

Sunday, September 13  
@ Barber Park

Registration and entertainment begin at 1:30pm  
Walk begins at 2:30pm

WALK. GIVE. CHANGE THE WORLD.

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*Greensboro*  
**CROP HUNGER WALK**

Location: Barber Park, 1500 Barber Park Drive (Gso)

OCTOBER 4, 2026

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Registration starts at 1:30 pm; Walk starts at 2:30 pm



# 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 | Jerrold 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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**ARTS/MUSICIANS**

**Liturgical Arts Ministry**

**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.”