

SAINT MATTHEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, October 18, 2026

LAITY SUNDAY 2026

Together
by Grace

Be GROUNDED in Love

Ephesians 3:17 (NRSV)

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
ORDER OF SERVICE



10AM

Musicians – Rosanne Roberts & Malichi Taylor

Praise & Worship	Fellowship Choir
Light of Christ	
Call to Worship	Jasmine Williams
Opening Prayer	Jasmine Williams
Musical Selection	Fellowship Choir
Apostles' Creed	Traditional Version UMH#881
Doxology	"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow?"
Children's Moment	
Laity Presentation	

Scripture	Matthew 6:24-34 (NKJV)	Don Gripper
Musical Selection		Fellowship Choir
Sermon	"Stewardship of Our Resources - The Stewardship of Trust"	Pastor Ingram

Altar Prayer	
Invitational Selection	Fellowship Choir
Pastoral Prayer	
Invitation to Salvation/Recommitment	
Invitation to Join SMUMC	
Welcome Guests	
Offertory Prayer	
Offertory Response	"All Things Come Of Thee"
Light of Christ to the World	

Sermon Series - "Faithful with What God Has Given Us"

[1 Cor. 4:2 - "Moreover, it is required in stewards that one be found faithful.]

Digital Options for Worship Services:

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

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

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Charge Conference
11:30am (In person - Sanctuary)
Or Join Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82293573333?pwd=ZStvY3NNZ29oQVNnTHZWdnQxdmU5UT09>

Dial in +1-929-205-6099, 82293573333#; Passcode: 583845

Agenda

Opening Prayer
Statement of Purpose
Report on Nominations and Leadership Development
Recommendation of Certified Lay Servants
Finance Committee Report
Pastor's Report
Church Council Report
SPPRC Report
Trustees Report
Annual Conference Report
"Be The Church" – 160 Community Hours Challenge
Closing Prayer

SUNDAY, October 11, 2026
MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES
In Person: 108 Online: 249

REMEMBER TO WEAR PINK
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25TH
FOR BOTH WORSHIP SERVICES

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=S2RucWc1ejZDazlTa3NqMWJ5QU4rdz09>

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REHEARSALS

Children's Choir: 6:30pm, Sanctuary, 10/21

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: 6pm, Chapel, Wednesdays

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

BSA TROOP#441 MEETING

Tuesdays, October 20th @7pm, CHJ Fellowship Hall

UWF GENERAL BODY MEETING

Saturday, October 24th @10am - Noon, CHJ Fellowship Hall

GIRL SCOUTS MEETING

Saturday, October 24th @1:30pm – 3pm, Room 20

TRUNK OR TREAT

Saturday, October 24th @4pm – 6pm, Britton St. Parking Lot

FELLOWSHIP CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT REHEARSAL

Sunday, October 25th @2pm, Sanctuary

MARRIAGE MINISTRY

Tuesday, October 27th @6pm, CHJ Fellowship Hall

ZOOM MEETINGS

NEWSLETTER TEAM

Monday, October 26th @6:30pm

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

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS are in honor and memory of all past Sanctuary Choir members.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Thank you to everyone that took a picture for the 2026 directory. If you missed out, you may submit your family/individual picture no later than Thursday, October 22nd to smumcgreensboro@gmail.com. There is a \$20 fee to submit your picture and receive a directory. Make checks payable to St. Matthews UMC include "160th Anniversary" on the other line of your envelope or in other box for online option. For more information, please contact Ouida Scarborough.

CREATION CARE NEWS

October tip: Weave love of creation and neighbor into your worshipping community's practices through liturgy, fellowship, education, and contemplation. See to it that creation justice is not just an occasional program or a single campaign or the purview of one committee but a dimension of the congregation's shared life.

DONATIONS for **STEPS OF HOPE** are being accepted through the end of October. The event, held on September 13, 2026, has raised over 100k to support programs of Greensboro Urban Ministry! Follow the link, [DONATE - Greensboro Urban Ministry](#). ***Psalm 107:9: "For he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things."*** For more information, please contact Karlah Burton.

OCTOBER IS BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH!



Join the SMUMC Health & Welfare Committee as we acknowledge October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Let us honor those we've lost and stand with those we love as we uplift our community with prayers for hope and healing. Wear pink on **Sunday, October 25th** to show your support and help spread awareness.

~Health & Welfare Committee



TRUNK OR TREAT is Saturday, October 24th at 4pm – 6pm. Donations are now being accepted: you may bring bags of individually wrapped candies to place in the designated receptacle in front of the multi-purpose office or submit a financial donation by selecting select other on your envelope/ online option and write in “Trunk or Treat”. Thank you for your support.

UPPER ROOM BIBLE STUDY Please join us for our upcoming sessions of The Upper Room Bible Study Class on Thursday afternoons at 1:30 via ZOOM. We gather to explore scripture, share fellowship and grow together in faith. We use The Upper Room Magazine as our text and the Bible as our guide as we discuss the accompanying questions after each lesson. Hope to see you soon.

~Jean Brown

UPPER ROOM SUBSCRIBERS:

It is time to place your orders for 2027. Please note there has been a slight increase in price: Regular (small): \$11.00 and Large Print: \$13.00. Please place your new orders, changes, or cancellations during October and November 2026.

New subscribers are always welcome! Thank you for your continued support of the Upper Room Ministry.

~Joyce Palm-Harris, Upper Room Coordinator

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH will have their executive board meeting on Thursday, October 22nd via Zoom at 7pm and the General Body Meeting is Saturday, October 24th in the Coley Hooker Jr. Fellowship Hall at 10am. At 11am, please join us for a special presentation about the latest updates to Medicare 2027 enrollment.

~Pam Moye, UWF President

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

- To the family of Wilhemina Hendrick, who passed away on Monday, October 12th. Her services will be held in her hometown of Enfield, NC. Condolences may be sent to c/o Jarold Hendrick (son), 4902 Shady Pine Dr., Greensboro NC 27455
- To the family of Eugene Miller, who passed away on Tuesday, October 13th. His services are pending. Condolences may be sent to Mrs. Miriam James-Miller, 104 Fisher Park Circle, Greensboro NC 27401.

SAINT MATTHEWS UMC FUNDS REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2026

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
PLEDGE	\$1,354.50
TITHES	\$23,864.48
OFFERINGS	\$5,844.75
AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION	\$60.00
APPORTIONMENTS	\$518.85
BACKPACK PROGRAM DONATIONS	\$150.00
BLOCK PARTY DONATIONS	\$988.02
BUILDING FUND	\$100.00
CANCER FUND	\$60.00
COMMUNION	\$10.00
FEES OFFSET ONLINE	\$15.86
FELLOWSHIP CHOIR	\$870.00
FOOD PANTRY	\$1,112.00
LITURGICAL ARTS MINISTRY	\$300.00
REVIVAL/ HOMECOMING	\$3,551.40
SAM'S CLUB BILLS PAID	\$91.00
SILVER PLATE OFFERING	\$239.00
SUNDAY SCHOOL	\$99.00
UMCOR UKRAINE	\$60.00
UMM	\$500.00
GRAND TOTAL	\$39,788.86

APPORTIONMENT CAMPAIGN

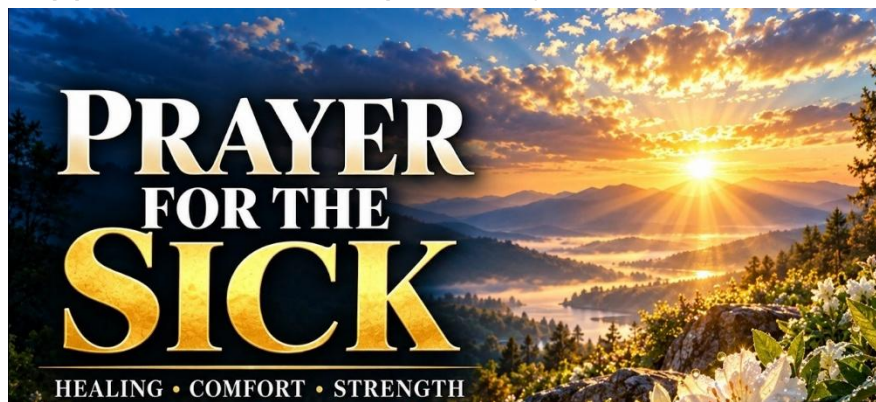
Donations: 6/3/26 – 9/27/26	\$10,909.30
Week 18: 9/28 -10/4	\$0.00
Week 19: 10/5 -10/10	<u>\$0.00</u>
Total campaign collection to date	\$10,909.30

*Correction made from previous report

YEAR TO DATE REPORT

2026 Conference Apportionments	\$30,634.00
Payments issued before campaign	(\$6,126.80)
Payment issued 7/15/26	(\$3,685.75)
Payment issued 9/2/26	(\$6,673.74)
Balance due to Conference	\$14,147.71

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



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

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, Roslyn McLean
and Mary Swan



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS



Anthony Bibbs	10/2	Bruce Hill	10/17
Unwana Eyo	10/3	Brandis Williamson	10/17
Jaylah Gibson	10/3	Afeni Brown	10/18
Matthew Caldwell	10/4	Dianne Bellamy Small	10/18
Nicholas Caldwell	10/4	John Williams Jr.	10/18
Inell Artis	10/6	Ajalyn Baker	10/20
Joel B Caldwell III	10/6	Olga Phifer	10/20
Payton Allen	10/8	Gianna Brown	10/21
Ryan McLeod	10/8	Jarold Hendrick	10/22
George McNeill	10/8	Kathay Phifer	10/22
Derek Allen Robbins	10/8	Jada Wright	10/22
Colette Waddell	10/8	Alga Jackson	10/23
Sonya Borders	10/9	Jacqueline Gibson	10/26
Karlah Burton	10/10	Carmen Forbes	10/27
Peggie Horton	10/10	Aleighbya Nowlin	10/27
Maryam James	10/10	Charles Brown	10/28
Bernadine Minor	10/10	Kimberly Brown	10/28
Duvall Nowlin	10/10	Juanita Hope	10/28
Debra Curtis	10/12	Vallerie Boger-Bass	10/28
Bennie Jackson III	10/12	Amindi Patron	10/28
Lucas Brown	10/13	Nancy Stern	10/28
April Whitfield	10/14	Elaine Thorpe	10/28
Myra Waddell	10/16	Wesley Simpson	10/31
Shelby Fogan	10/17		

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

VOTING INFORMATION



SMUMC, let's show our commitment. After casting your vote, take a selfie wearing the "I Voted" sticker then send your photo via text (336-272-4505) or email to the church office (smattumc600@gmail.com). In addition, you may send in a picture of a person/persons you helped with voter registration (the person's written permission required). The pictures will be displayed in the Narthex.



THE PULPIT FORUM
OF GREENSBORO & VICINITY

NAACP
Greensboro Branch

A COMMUNITY & CONGREGATIONAL MOVEMENT
TO RECLAIM VOTING!

FAITH-ACTION RALLY

WED. OCT 21, 6P

PROVIDENCE BAPTIST CHURCH
1106 Tuscaloosa St.

Join the pre-march
FAITH FAMILY REUNION
Featuring choirs, keynote speakers,
and food vendors!

The Black Action March: Souls to the Polls

is Sunday, October 25th
starting 1pm from Providence
Baptist Church (1106
Tuscaloosa St) to Barber Park
for early voting. SMUMC is
supporting this movement.



GUILFORD COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

EARLY VOTING

November 3, 2026 General Election

EARLY VOTING
October 15–October 31, 2026

SCAN QR CODE FOR:

- ✓ Directions
- ✓ Election Updates
- ✓ Interactive Map
- ✓ Sample Ballot
- ✓ Site Information
- ✓ Voter Registration

NEED MORE INFORMATION?
www.guilfordelections.org
336-641-3836

EARLY VOTING SCHEDULE	
DATES	HOURS
Thurs., Oct. 15 & Fri., Oct. 16	8:00 AM - 7:30 PM
Sat., October 17 - Sun., Oct. 18	CLOSED
Mon., Oct. 19 - Fri., Oct. 23	8:00 AM - 7:30 PM
Sat., Oct. 24 & Sun., Oct. 25	10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Mon., Oct. 26 - Fri., Oct. 30	8:00 AM - 7:30 PM
Sat., Oct. 31 (Final Day)	8:00 AM - 3:00 PM



★ **ELECTION DAY** ★
TUESDAY,
NOVEMBER 3, 2026

Vote at your
assigned precinct

6:30 AM–7:30 PM

COMMUNITY EVENTS



COLLINS GROVE
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*151st
Church
Anniversary*

Sunday, October 25, 2026
• 11:00 AM •

*Celebrating Family and Friends,
our HBCUs, and 'The Divine Nine'*

Please join us as we welcome the community,
where we share the goodness of Jesus Christ!

Sunday meal will follow

Host Pastor
Rev. Dr. Carl Manuel Jr.

5210 Collins Grove Church Rd
Greensboro, NC
336-668-0529



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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.”