

SAINT MATTHEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, October 4, 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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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

Pastor Haynes

Liturgical Arts

Scripture

Joshua 1:6-9 (NKJV)

Musical Selection

Progressive Adult Choir

Sermon “Strong in the Word. Courageous in the Walk.” 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

Sermon Series: *Living Out Our UM Vision-Embracing the Holy Spirit's Power to Love Boldly, Serve Joyfully and Lead Courageously*

Digital Options for Worship Services:

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

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

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11AM

Musician – Richard Nixon

Praise & Worship

Light of Christ

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn “My Hope Is Built” Congregation

Affirmation of Faith Apostles’ Creed #881 (Traditional)

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

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Service of Word and Table II p.12

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Light of Christ to the World

Benediction

MARK YOUR CALENDAR & PLAN TO ATTEND

LAITY SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18TH IS A COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE @10AM
(no 8:30am or 11am service on this Sunday)

2026 CHARGE CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD IMMEDIATELY AFTER SERVICE

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>

Dial In +19292056099, 83015849077#; Passcode: 950687

REHEARSALS

Children's Choir: 6:30pm, Sanctuary, 10/14 & 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

UMM BREAKFAST MEETING

Saturday, October 10th @8:30am, CHJ Fellowship Hall

GIRL SCOUTS MEETING

Saturday, October 10th @1:30pm – 3:30pm, CHJ Fellowship Hall

Saturday, October 24th @1:30pm – 3pm, CHJ Fellowship Hall

BSA TROOP#441 MEETING

Tuesdays, October 13th & 20th @7pm, CHJ Fellowship Hall

USHERS MEETING

Saturday, October 17th @10am, Chapel

2026 CHARGE CONFERENCE

Sunday, October 18th @11:30am, Sanctuary

UWF GENERAL BODY MEETING

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

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

HEALTH & WELFARE COMMITTEE

Monday, October 5th @6:30pm

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

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PRAISE & PRAYER W/PASTOR TAMMY

Tuesday, October 6th @7am – 7:15am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/s/82293573333>

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NURTURE EDUCATION & CONGREGATIONAL CARE MEETING

Tuesday, October 13th @6:30pm

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

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

NEWSLETTER TEAM

Monday, October 26th @6:30pm

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

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

**SUNDAY, September 27, 2026
MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES**

In Person: 141 Online: 259

REVIVALS SERVICES, SEPTEMBER 21 – 23, 2026

In Person: 343 Online: 534

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS: The beautiful white orchids for today's services are given with love by Cheryl and Roger Little to honor and remember all of our family members. We are truly blessed!

CREATION CARE NEWS

October tip: According to research, just two hours a week in nature have a positive effect on health and psychological wellbeing—and the benefit holds regardless of age, income, or chronic illness. Build nature time into your routine and your family's. Take a 10-minute nature break, eat lunch outside, talk and walk. Love yourself and your loved ones.

"CALLING ALL ST. MATTHEWS UMC LEADERS", your voices and presence are vital to where God is guiding our church. **If you are named on the Church Leadership List for 2026 and 2027, your attendance is expected** as we align our vision, support one another, and build the future of our community. We truly cannot do this work without you, and we look forward to gathering together! **Mark your calender for the Leadership Retreat on Saturday November 7, 2026 from 9am - 12pm.**

CHARGE CONFERENCE

Please note that we will have a **combined service** at 10am on Laity Sunday, October 18th, followed by the 2026 Charge Conference in the Sanctuary (Zoom will be available).

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to the family of Mrs. Annys 'Pete' Wright, who passed on Sunday, September 27th. Her funeral arrangements are pending; church will be notified once completed. Services have been entrusted to Hargett Funeral Home. Please keep the family in prayer.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Thank you to everyone that took a picture for the 2026 directory. Each family photographed will receive a free 8x10 picture and a copy of the pictorial directory. If you missed out, you may submit your family/individual picture for a \$20 fee and receive a directory. The photography company will issue the number of directories based on the photo shoot appointments only (each appointment counts as 1 free directory/picture even if you took a variety of poses). For more information, please contact Ouida Scarborough.

SUPPORT OUR PASTOR

Pastor Ingram will be the revivalist at St. Luke UMC (169 Burns Street, Asheboro) on Tuesday, October 6th @7pm.

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.

APPORTIONMENT CAMPAIGN

Online donation (6/3/26)	\$102.75
Week 1: Sunday (6/7/26)	\$1,050.00
Week 2: 6/8/26 – 6/14/26	\$750.00
Week 3: 6/15/26 – 6/21/26	\$155.00
Week 4: 6/22/26 - 6/28/26	\$600.00
Week 5: 6/29/26 – 7/6/26	\$830.75
Week 6: 7/7/26 – 7/13/26	\$300.00
Week 7: 7/14 - 7/20	\$158.00
Week 8: 7/21-7/27	\$0.00
Week 9: 7/29-8/2	\$100.00
Week 10: 8/3-8/9	\$46.45
Week 11: 8/10-8/16	\$1,177.50
Week 12: 8/17-8/23	\$0.00
Week 13: 8/24-8/30	\$5,120.00
Week 14: 8/31-9/6	\$160.60
Week 15/16: 9/7-9/20	\$50.00
Week 17: 9/21-9/27	\$308.25
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.*



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	Jackie 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



At this critical time in history, it is more important than ever to go vote. SMUMC, let's show our commitment. Please send your personal picture(s) wearing the "I Voted" stickers to the church office email (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).

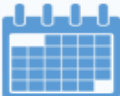
The pictures will be displayed in the Narthex.



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

GREATER GREENSBORO CROP WALK is being held on Sunday, October 4, 2026 at Barber Park. Registration begins at 1:30 pm/walk begins at 2:30 pm. Please join this family friendly community walk effort to end hunger! Funds raised now support local partners A Simple Gesture and Out of the Garden Project assisting families experiencing food insecurity in Guilford County, alongside global hunger-fighting programs through Church World Service. Please contact Karlah Burton with any questions.

St. Paul UMC Revival Services (2400 Dellabrook Rd, Winston-Salem) will be held on Monday–Wednesday, October 12–14 at 6:30pm. Services will be streamed live each evening at www.stpaulumcws.org.

Revival theme is “For such a time as this”. Rev. Pamela E. Blackstock is the Senior Pastor.

Anniversary & Revival Services
New Zion Missionary Baptist Church
Theme: "The Favor of a Faithful God to a Faithful People"

Revival Services
October 5-7
7 PM Nightly

Guest Preacher
Rev. Dr. Alvin Armstead
Pastor, United Metropolitan
Missionary Baptist Church,
Winston-Salem, NC

129th Anniversary Celebration
Sunday, October 4
10 AM

Guest Preacher
Rev. Dr. Lance Watson
Sr. Pastor - St. Paul's Baptist Church,
Richmond, VA

Location: 408 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive - Greensboro, NC
Host Pastor: Rev. William F. Wright, Jr.

You are invited
to the Quilt
Guild's show.
Our own
Sharon Bibbs
will have four
quilts on
display.

Gate City Quilt Guild
Greensboro, NC

Gate City Quilt Guild
"A Celebration of Quilting"
October 16-17, 2026

9:30am - 5:00pm
Admission \$6.00 (\$1.00 off with coupon)

Congregational United Church of Christ
400 W. Radiance Drive, Greensboro, NC

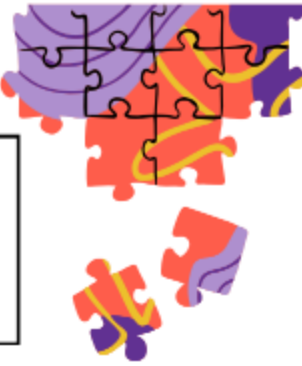
Please join us Friday or Saturday!
We will have more than 100 quilts on display as well as Boutique items, Raffle Quilt, Silent Auction quilts and more, Raffle Baskets, and an Incredible Yard Sale.

Gate City Quilt Guild - Join us!!! Find us on Facebook Mail: PO Box 29196, GSO, NC 27429

For more information, go to <https://gatecityquiltguild.org/QuiltShow.shtml>

DEMENTIA SERIES

Join in person or via Zoom.
Light refreshments will be provided.
To register, e-mail melanie.buckingham@greensboro-nc.gov



Movement for the Mind Monday, October 5, 12 - 1 pm

Jennifer Etnier, Department of Kinesiology at UNCG, will share the Physical Activity and Alzheimer's Disease 2 Study, that explores the protective benefit of exercise for people with a family history of Alzheimer's Disease or dementia.

Sensory Sparks: Engaging Caregivers & Loved Ones Monday, October 19, 6 - 7:30 pm

Caring for an adult loved one with chronic illness or dementia can feel isolating—but it doesn't have to be. Well-Spring Solutions and Caregiver Connect will inspire caregivers with creative ways to help your family member stay engaged and to help you manage stress. Discover new tools to spark joy and foster connection.

Kathleen Clay Edwards Family Branch
1420 Price Park Rd 336-373-2923

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Public Library**
www.greensborolibrary.org

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Managing Money

a caregiver's guide to finances

If you or someone you know is facing Alzheimer's disease, dementia or another chronic illness, it's never too early to put financial plans in place.

Join us for a completely free session to learn tips for managing someone else's finances, how to prepare for future care costs, and the first 3 action steps to take right NOW.

**Tuesday, October 6
5:30 - 7:30 pm**

Hemphill Branch Library
2301 W. Vandalia Rd.
336-373-2925

Registration is encouraged.
To register, please email
austin.craver@greensboro-nc.gov

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With community partners



MyChart Ready: Digital Health Navigation Class for Older Adults

This free, beginner-friendly computer class is designed for older adults with little or no computer experience.

Participants will build confidence with using a computer while learning how to access & navigate MyChart, empowering them to manage their health care with greater ease and independence.

NO COMPUTER EXPERIENCE REQUIRED
SPACE IS LIMITED—MAXIMUM OF 10 PARTICIPANTS PER CLASS

You Will Learn:

- Basic computer and keyboard skills
- How to log into and navigate MyChart
- How to view appointments, medications, and lab results
- How to send messages to your health care providers

IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE, THE CONE HEALTH MYCHART TEAM ONSITE WILL BE THERE TO DO SO!



Every Thursday



12:00 - 2:00 PM



2105 Yanceyville St.,
Greensboro, NC 27405

SCAN OR HIT THE
LINK TO REGISTER!



bit.ly/MyChart2310

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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.”