



The Messenger

Mission Statement:

Saint Matthew Lutheran Church is a community of disciples reaching out through Christ in loving worship, witness and service.

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Pastor Eric J. Trozzo

As we enter February, we begin to move back into our routines. December is the month of holidays and disruptions from the usual flow. January, then, is the month of resolutions to do things differently. By the end of the month, though, reality has hit us and we do our best to keep up. As that happens, most of our resolutions slid away and we fall back into our old patterns. Some of those patterns are good and comforting. Others, though, can get in the way of us moving forward and can be obstacles to the fullness of life promised in Christ.

Now that we are fully in the new year and back to our old routines, then, I find it to be a good time to focus on ways that we can begin to shift our mentality in order to be more open to the movement of the Holy Spirit. A mentality shift is different from a resolution. A resolution is a commitment to *do something* differently. A mentality shift is about *re-framing our thinking*. Mentality shifts aim at a deeper level than resolutions. They are no less susceptible to fallen back into old patterns, to be sure, but they also bring greater possibility for refreshing our lives because they aim at how we understand what we do.

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ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING Feb 5 11:45AM

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation will be held on Feb. 5 after 10:15 Worship.

Please plan to join us either in person or by Zoom. The Zoom link will be in Friday's e-blast.

Financial reports and the proposed 2023 budget will be among the items on the agenda. Hard copies are available at the church. Soft copies upon request.

ANNUAL MEETING

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First Reading: Isa 58: 1-9a
Psalm 112: 1-9
Second Reading: 1 Cor 2:1-12
Gospel Matt 5:13-20

Feb 12

First Reading: Deut 30: 15-20
Psalm 119: 1-8
Second Reading: 1 Cor 3:1-9
Gospel Matt 5:21-37

Feb 19

First Reading: Exod 24: 12-18
Psalm 2
Second Reading:
2 Peter 1:16-21
Gospel Matt: 17: 1-9

Feb 22 Ash Wednesday

First Reading:
Joel 2:1-2, 12-17
Psalm 51: 1-17
Second Reading:
2 Cor 5:20b-6:10
Gospel Matt 6:1-6, 16-21

Feb 26

First Reading: Gen 2:15-17
Psalm 32
Second Reading: Rom 5:12-19
Gospel Matt 4:1-11

Curious about further study?

Contact Wayne Becker
for more information.

This year I have identified about a dozen mentality shifts that can bring a greater sense of mission and participation to our life as a congregation. Each month I will offer a different mentality shift. Each mentality shift takes a sentiment commonly heard in congregations and asks us to alter our way of thinking on that subject. The mentality shift of the month is an invitation to renew your understanding of our life as a congregation, your role within it, and the possibilities that God opens up for us to respond faithfully to God's leading. This month, for example, I invite you to ponder how we consider the physical building of St. Matthew as a tool for mission. You will find this in a separate article. I invite you to challenge yourself with these monthly mentality shifts to hear God's calling to you in your life in a new way. May all of our minds be opened to see the fresh ways that God can work among us to live out the love we have received.

February Mentality Shift

"It is our building."

It is easy to think of the physical St. Matthew building as "our building." It is easy to think that its primary function is to house the activities of the congregation. Certainly a major portion of the congregation's budget goes to the upkeep of the facility. However, when I recently did a rough estimate for how much of the building's use goes to supporting the needs of the Moorestown area community, I found that it accounted for about 60% of the building's use. This means that our building is far and away the dominate way that we "love our global and local community" as part of our call to "live the love." Through the use of the building, we as a congregation reach out to an impressive range of people and groups that enhance the well-being of the people and neighborhoods around us. There are multiple scouting groups, multiple groups for people struggling with addiction, a food pantry to suppose those who are food insecure, support groups for those who are grieving the loss of a spouse, and a playgroup for young children. Providing a space for these groups to meet is a form of ministry. It is an outreach into the community so that this congregation is a

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resource of support. It is a way to show God's love through expressing love for groups in our community that deepen meaning in people's lives.

Shifting away from seeing the building as "ours" can help us to better relate to the outside groups that call the building their home as well. As we schedule events, we can remember that the outside groups are not a hassle to work around but a way that we as a congregation minister to the community and express our love. Honoring their work means recognizing the importance of their use of building space. It is an outreach, and so we can plan our congregational events around the regularly scheduled programs of those other groups. We can undertake that planning gratefully, knowing that these other groups are not simply "renters" who are to be tolerated but rather hosting them is a core piece of our overall congregational ministry.



ADULT FORUM

Feb. 5 – Budget Presentation – In preparing for the Annual Meeting later in the morning, there will be an opportunity to look more closely at the budget proposal for the coming year and ask questions.

Feb. 12 – Green Team – The Green Team will lead a forum discussion on the impacts of plastic pollution and steps we can all take to reduce our use of plastics, with guests from the GreenFaith Circle of Southern NJ.

Feb. 19 – Camp Crossroads – Summer camp at Crossroads is wonderful, but it is only part of what Crossroads offers. Come hear about some of the other opportunities that Crossroads offers that may be of interest to adults and groups in the congregation.

Feb. 26 – Zilpha Elaw – As part of Black History month, come learn about Zilpha Elaw, one of the pioneering Black female preachers, and who has ties to this area. There will be a video and then discussion.

Forums start about 9:15 a.m.

Sept. 2022—June 2023 Council Officers

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February BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Carla Elberson
- 3 Gavin Cooper
- 3 Brendan McDevitt
- 3 Matilda Flothmeier
- 4 Paula Jacobs
- 4 Nancy Abele
- 5 Lois Weiszmler
- 5 Ryan Tassone
- 6 Ethan Geehr
- 7 Rachel Feeney
- 8 Edward Magauran
- 8 Bella Abele
- 9 Megan Walker
- 9 Michael Meany
- 9 Holly Keifer
- 9 Courtney Aguiar
- 12 Isabella Bordon
- 12 Viviana Bordon
- 13 Peg Daubert
- 14 Andrew Cross
- 14 Christopher Williams
- 14 Jacalyn Diepold
- 16 Emily Rauscher
- 18 Dolores Strauss
- 19 Brian Schultz
- 20 Krissy Saura
- 20 Joy Wadleigh
- 20 Pam Horner
- 20 Dave Lukridge
- 21 Austin Spakosky
- 21 Ashley Moore
- 23 Tom Tanger
- 24 Lukas Every-Clayton
- 24 Andrew Jacobs
- 25 Alexa Masserini
- 27 Lydia Winzler
- 29 Elizabeth Sweet



Ash Wednesday

February 22, 2023

Children and Family Worship with Imposition of Ashes – 4:00 pm

Worship with Imposition of Ashes – 7:30 pm, in-person and streaming

For those unable to attend worship in person, you can come by the church between noon and 3:00 to receive ashes. You can come inside or someone can come to your car. If you wish someone to come to the car, please call the church office to say that you are there.

Open My Life, Lord! Lent 2023

Wednesday evenings in Lent, come for worship, prayer, and bible study. Our theme this year is “Open My Life, Lord.”

7:30 pm Worship, in person and streaming

8:15-8:45 p.m. Time of Prayer and Bible Study with Pastor Eric

March 1 *Open My Eyes, Lord* - Acts 26:4-18

March 8 *Open My Hands, Lord* - Mark 6:1-5

March 15 *Open My Ears, Lord* - Matthew 13:10-17

March 22 *Open My Heart, Lord* - Acts 16:11-15

March 29 *Open My Life, Lord* - Galatians 2:15-21

Lent Devotional Booklets

This year our Lenten devotional booklets will be focused on the hymn “Amazing Grace.” We have two different booklets available: one aimed at adults and another aimed at children. Pick up a copy of one of them in the narthex and spent your season of Lent meditating on the message of that great hymn.

CONGREGATIONAL RESOURCES

Our financial campaign for pledges of support for St Matthew's ministries and mission has wrapped up. The theme was 'Share the Love' and many of our members did just that. Those who pledged increased their generosity overall by 3% and the average pledge amount rose to \$3,418. We had 6 new members/families generously pledging. Total pledges were \$285,668. Thank you very much to all who pledged!

Unfortunately, and for many reasons, some 30 members did not renew pledging in 2023. Those members pledged ~\$66,000 in 2022. The increased and new generosity we experienced did not make up that amount and we have \$46,000 less pledged than last year. This translates directly to ministry support.

While our financial resources are being challenged, the time and talent given to St. Matthew continues to shine. If you have either or both, several ministries have opportunities to serve. These include:

- Volunteering to help with the Garden and grounds upkeep,
- Answering phones in the Office a few hours a week,
- Joining the (currently all male) Property team to help maintain the facilities.
- Be an Usher at worship
- Join the Congregational Resources ministry – communications experience badly needed.
- And many more.

We will be looking at ways to make up the shortfall from pledging in the coming year, so stay tuned for opportunities to get involved.

John O'Meara

Congregational Resources Chair

Scout Sunday—Feb 26

Calling all Scouts in the congregation! Please plan to join us for worship and wear your uniform! We will be celebrating Scout Sunday that day, and all scouts are welcome to be recognized during worship. We will also be inviting the scouting groups that use the St. Matthew building.



- 3 Craig Schoenberger
- 3 Grace Buss
- 5 Joseph Buss, Sr.
- 9 Gerry Nice
- 9 George Boehmler
- 11 Janice Sweeten
- 11 Joseph Feliciano
- 16 Marsha Magauran
- 16 Christopher Grahm
- 16 Jackie Sweet
- 17 Aaron Blanford
- 17 Julie Every-Clayton
- 19 Sandra Waxman
- 19 Taylor Nieto
- 21 Doreen Lawrence
- 22 Robert Grassie
- 22 Christopher Giberson
- 24 Colleen Oakley
- 25 Paul Loftness, Jr.
- 25 Kristine Butler
- 25 Kaiden Potere
- 25 Lily Daniel
- 27 Caitlin MacFarland
- 27 Joyce Valore
- 28 Katelyn Frable
- 28 Freeman Horner
- 28 Nathan Frable
- 31 Christopher Clayton

GREEN TEAM

The Green Team wishes you a very Happy New Year! Hopefully many of you had the opportunity to participate in the Wednesday evening adult education series where, along with Pastor Eric, we were pleased to help lead a set of four discussions on the ELCA's social statement "Caring for Creation: Vision, Hope, and Justice." These interactive sessions on the Social Statement provided theological perspectives on each section of the Social Statement, followed by discussion questions led by Green Team members. Please share your feedback with us!

As Christians and Lutherans, we are called to bear witness to God in creation, and our responsibilities as "servant kings" in stewardship of God's blessings in our environment. The Social Statement, which was adopted by resolution by the St. Matthew congregation in September, serves as a calling and guide for this ministry.



Join us for the next **Green Team Adult Forum** on **February 12**, when we will have a *special guest speakers* from the Plastics Working Group of the *GreenFaith Circle of Southern NJ* (including our very own Barbara Duffy and Carla Elbseron)!

The group will give a presentation on the impacts of plastic pollution and steps we can all take to reduce our use of plastics.

Please mark your calendars for **Sunday April 23**, where we will host a special event in celebration of **Earth Day 2023**.



Finally, we hope to schedule another late-spring/early-summer service event with our local mission partner **NJ Farmers Against Hunger**. Stay tuned for further details.

To learn more, join the Green Team, or sign up for upcoming events, please contact Brian Lestini: brianlestini@yahoo.com. Also check out our website: <https://stmatthew-lutheran.org/green-team/>, and follow the SMLC Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/smlcmoocestown/>.

We hope you'll consider joining us at one of our **virtual monthly meetings**, held the first Monday of the month (Ministry night)!

Our mission: "To reveal the connection of our congregation and community to God's presence in the natural world, by fostering a culture of environmental reflection, engagement and stewardship."



ADULT EDUCATION

Wednesday Evening Adult Classes

Our Wednesday Evening online adult education classes continue this month. Classes are at 7:30 on Zoom. See the weekly eblasts or contact the church office for the Zoom link.

Feb. 1 – Caring For Creation

The final week of looking at the ELCA Social Statement “Caring for Creation” looks at what steps we are called to take to live out our role in stewarding God’s creation well. You do not need to have attended the previous sessions to join this week.

Feb. 8 – Centering Prayer – The Concepts

Centering prayer is a Christian spiritual practice of mindfulness, aimed to slow our thoughts down and direct them towards God. This week we will discuss what centering prayer is, how it relates to receiving God’s grace, and begin to experience how to engage in centering prayer.

Feb. 15 – Centering Prayer – The Experience

The second week of centering prayer will devote more time to the practice of centering prayer. Give it a try to see if it is something that may give vibrancy to your spiritual life.



THANK YOU - Catholic Charities

On behalf of Providence House Domestic Violence Services, I would like to extend our deepest gratitude for your generous \$1000 donation. With more than 150 adults and children currently receiving services through our various programs, the need is critical. Your donation will go toward programs that help us continue to provide a safe haven for individuals and families in crisis.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Virtual Assistant

Feb 5 Dante Trozzo
Feb 12 Ethan Geehr
Feb 19 Max Frable
Feb 22 Ethan Geehr
Feb 26 John O'Meara

Assisting Minister

Feb 5 Mike Reiker
Feb 12 Rev Peggy Marks
Feb 19 Sue Kuhn
Feb 26 Bill Lawrence

Reader

Feb 5 Ethan Geehr
Feb 12 Bill Lawrence
Feb 19 Chris Cassel
Feb 26 Denise Cole

Usher

Feb 5 Otto Team
Feb 12 Lange Team
Feb 19 Schultz Team
Feb 26 Duda Team

Greeter

Feb 5 Linda Kastner
Feb 12 Jeanne Grayson
Feb 19 Pam Bowen
Feb 26 Jacalyn Diepold

Healing Prayers

Feb 5 JoAnn Lawrence
Feb 12 Rozella Bower
Feb 19 Carmen vonWrangell

Need to Double Check?

The schedule is our website www.stmatthew-lutheran.org
The Worship Assistants link is on the right side.

CHRISTIAN LEARNING FORMATION



February Greetings from
Christian Learning Formation!

Thank you to the families who came out to Frank Fullerton Park on January 8th! The kids had a blast playing together, and kids and adults enjoyed hot chocolate, coffee, and donuts! Thank you to the Evangelism Committee for organizing this event; hope to see more families at the next one.

The chefs are having so much fun in our Food Truck themed Sunday School! So far this year, the chefs have played games, made crafts, made food, and so much more! We would love your children to join us. So, a friendly reminder to all families that Sunday School meets every Sunday 9:15-10:00.

On a final note, CLF is looking for an individual or group to help in coordinating Adult Forum. Please reach out to Pastor Eric or Melissa Feeney if you are willing to donate a small amount of your time and talent to this important ministry in the Church.

God Bless,
Melissa Feeney
CLF Chairperson

Reopening Task Force



Our group met for the first time since May to review feedback from our members, local COVID data; and any new official guidance. From this we considered any changes to recommend to Council that might affect our worship and/or our ministries.

Local COVID conditions are almost the same as in May, perhaps a bit better. This area continues to be rated as High COVID risk. Both New Jersey and the Center for Disease Control recommend wearing masks when in situations such as worship.

Our 8:30 service has low but steady attendance. Several of those attending appreciate being able to worship in a low COVID risk setting. There is no particular feedback to indicate that relaxing the masking requirement at 8:30 is particularly desired.

The overall recommendations of the Task Force was to continue weekly fogging; to continue to recommend masks, testing and vaccination; and, to remind worship via YouTube if they test positive, or are just feeling ill. The Task Force will meet again in late Spring to recommend any changes based on trends at that time, or sooner if conditions dictate.

John O'Meara
Task Force Chair

PROPERTY REPORT



December was a busy month with the Property Team assisting other ministries with setting up the two Creche displays and the giving tree in the lobby. Various other decorative materials were retrieved from their storage places in various attic and basement locations. In January the process was reversed with decoration, statues, etc., being returned to their storage locations.

In other functions, we completed the December and January exit light inspections and added doorway inspections to this report to stay one step ahead of the Fire Marshall's inspection. All doors will be checked for ease of access and egress monthly.

We replaced some light switches, re-lighted the Teen Den with energy efficient LED fixtures and experimented with new interior air conditioner covers that will actually insulate cold air from entering, thus saving heat energy. We will complete this endeavor in the rest of the education wing rooms.

On January 17 we re-anchored one of our basement electrical service panels to increase safety and avoid a potential citation.

We welcomed a new member, Drew Fenneman.

We are concerned about the pace of getting estimates on the construction of the new Sacristy and accessible bathrooms. The permits are only good for one year from the date of issue, so it is imperative to start construction within that time frame. An alternative approach is to start on a part of the project such as the driveway.

Thank you for all the prayers, calls, notes and meals sent my way while I was recovering from knee replacement surgery. I feel loved and especially grateful for all you've done.
My best, Paul Otto.

Thank You!

libraries, preschools, families, adults and the general public.

The Tender

Rancocas Nature Center

Thank you for your generous gift of \$100 to the Center's Annual End of Year Appeal. The funds keep the Nature Center vibrant and help it grow. We can continue to provide environmental and historical education and stewardship for the larger community, including programs on and off-site for schools, scouts,

On behalf of the Tender Adult Day Center, our Board of Trustees, staff, clients and their families, thank you for your generous \$500 donation and continued support. The Tender Adult Day Center, a social day program in Burlington County, has spent over 45 years providing care to persons with Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia, as well as invaluable support services to their caregivers. Without the support of the community, we could not continue to do what we do.

FELLOWSHIP AND CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Warm greetings on a chilly day from FCC. By the time you receive this month's Messenger the Winter Concert featuring Charlie Zahm will have already occurred.

Upcoming Events



Fastnacht

Join us after service for a fun filled afternoon as we celebrate Fastnacht. This year's activities include a scavenger hunt in the town of Moorestown. The event will conclude with a meal of pizza with donuts for dessert. There will be signup sheets to create teams. The teams will take pictures or videos as they find the scavenger items. The pictures/videos will be shared as we join in our meal of pizza. We are looking for folks who have room in their cars for other participants to join their team.

Collection for our Food Pantry

Taking place in February. Looking for the following items:

- Laundry detergent
- Dish detergent,
- Toilet paper
- Paper towels
- coffee and tea
- Rice and baked beans
- Spaghetti sauce
- Pasta
- peanut butter

Spur of the Moment Outing



SOTMOs

So often we feel there is a need for an event at Saint Matthew. Too often planning, setting up and cleaning up can be overwhelming. FCC has decided to try a more impromptu idea nick-named SOTMO. SOTMO stands for **S**pur **O**f **T**he **M**oment **O**uting. We are thinking of ideas such as going out to lunch, seeing a movie, going to an event at Perkins, or seeing a local play. Watch for e-blasts for details of an upcoming event. To help us select some fun events we recommend that you sign up for newsletters from local organizations. Two such examples are listed below:

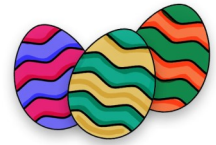
Perkins Center for the Arts in Moorestown: <https://perkinsarts.org/>

Haddonfield Plays and Players: <https://www.haddonfieldplayers.com/>

Sign up for their email notifications to keep up with local activities.

Palm Sunday Breakfast, Sunday, April 2, 2023

We are excited to have a breakfast once again during the Easter season. The big change is that we are having it on Palm Sunday. We hope this will allow folks who have been too busy on Easter Sunday to attend. We are blessed to have Kim and Joe Villani agree to lead this wonderful event. Please watch for details in upcoming Messengers and e-blasts.



Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 8, 2023

The third annual Saint Matthew Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday April 8. A fun activity for our children ages 1-thru and including 4th grade. Pastor Eric will be reading the Easter Story from that very special Bible called *The Rhyme Story Bible*. An Easter egg hunt will immediately follow. The event will not last more than 15-20 minutes. Hot coffee and tea will be provided for parents and adult guardians. The hunt is held in the grove. Reach out to Peggy Marks if you would like to volunteer, or if you have any questions.

Ongoing Events

Stephen Ministry

This caring, listening ministry has been a part of our life at Saint Matthew for decades. To learn more about either becoming a Stephen Minister or if you know of someone who needs a Stephen Minister, please contact Sue Kuhn.

OWLS

Older Wiser Lutheran Seniors is a vibrant, active group at Saint Matthew. For more information on scheduled activities, reach out to Sue Kuhn.

Sunday Fellowship – Help needed for nibble and nosh

We have had a wonderful group of volunteers to provide treats on Sunday mornings before and after service. We are always looking for more help. If you are willing to bring in goodies, store bought or homemade, please reach out to Karen Widin.

Tea & Talk

Held on Thursdays from 10:30 – 11:30 via Zoom. All are welcome to join in a casual hourlong chat. Approximately 5-10 members gather each week to discuss whatever topics come to mind. From serious to lighthearted. Reach out to Karen Widin for the Zoom link.

Bulletin Board Help!

Peggy and Karen have many wonderful talents. Designing a beautiful bulletin board is not one of them. If you are willing to help in this area, please reach out to Peggy or Karen.

Genealogy Course

JoAnn Lawrence will be leading a genealogy class on Zoom over the next few months. Watch for additional details in the Messenger and upcoming eblasts.

In peace,
Rev Peggy Marks and Karen Widin



February

- Feb 6 12-2 p.m., 5-7 p.m. Food Pantry
7 p.m. Ministry Night (Z)
- Feb 7 7 p.m. DEI Antiracism (Z)
- Feb 8 11 a.m. Moorestown Ministerium (FH)
3:30 p.m. GSA Troop 24796 (FH)
7 p.m. BSA Troop 42 (Teen)
- Feb 9 7 p.m. Lunch Bunch
7:15 p.m. Confirmation
- Feb 13 1 p.m. Stephen Ministry
5-6 p.m. Executive Committee
- Feb 15 Newsletter deadline
3:30 p.m. GSA Troop 24796 (FH)
6 p.m. GSA Troop 20002 (Library)
7 p.m. BSA Troop 42
- Feb 16 6:30 p.m. GSA Troop 27049 (FH)
7:15 p.m. Confirmation Class
- Feb 20 Presidents' Day
12-2, 5-7 p.m. Food Pantry
7 p.m. Congregational Council (Z)
- Feb 22 3:30 p.m. GSA Troop 24796 (FH)
7 p.m. BSA (Teen Den)
- Feb 23 7 p.m. Confirmation
- Feb 26 10:15 Worship Scout Sunday
- Feb 27 1-3 p.m. Stephen Ministry (Library)

- March 1 3:30 p.m. GSA Troop 24796
7 p.m. BSA Troop 42
- March 2 6:30 p.m. GSA Troop 27049
7:15 p.m. Confirmation Class

Regularly Scheduled

- Weekdays FCP 9:15—3 PM (Edu Wing)
- Monday MMBSF 10:30 AM (Z)
OA 7 PM (Library)
- Tuesday Property Team 9 AM
- Wednesday OA 10 AM (Library)
- Thursday Tea & Talk 10:30 AM (Z)
H.O.P.E. 1 PM, 7 PM (Lounge)
- Friday Fogging 3 p.m.
Masks Required
- Saturday 11 a.m. Meditation -11th Step
12 p.m. New Life AA (FH)

Stay updated

See our Google calendar on the website
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Evangelical Lutheran Church in America:

The ELCA is one of the largest Christian denominations in the United States, with nearly 3.5 million members in more than 9,100 worshipping communities across the 50 states and in the Caribbean region. Known as the church of "God's work. Our Hands," the ELCA emphasizes the saving grace of God through faith in Jesus Christ, unity among Christians and service in the world. The ELCA's roots are in the writings of the German church reformer, Martin Luther.