



MATTHEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

February 11, 2024

UNITED KIDS FAMILY WORSHIP
This Morning at 9:30am in the Gym

Welcome!

If you're here for the first time, please complete the **Guest Welcome** form at MatthewsUMC.org/Getting-Started and stop by the Welcome Center to pick up your visitor gift! We would love to connect and help you get plugged into life and ministry of the church. **Children's Praise Packs** are located in the Reception Area & Welcome Center. These special bags are for kids ages 3-6 or kids ages 7-12 and will help them to engage in worship.



MOBILE CHECK-IN & ONLINE GIVING: Scan the QR Code to download our **Realm Connect church app** and begin engaging with events, registrations, groups, the church directory and more! Sign in, Sign up, or learn more at MatthewsUMC.org/Realm. Check-In Station also available at the Welcome Center & Attendance Books on each pew for guests and those without a smart phone.

Get the app!



EVENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & ONLINE BULLETIN: Access the bulletin and a complete list of ministry opportunities in the [Celebration Newsletter](#). *(Printed copies at the Welcome Center.)*
Thank you for helping to conserve paper and waste.

TRADITIONAL CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

February 11, 2024

6th Sunday in Epiphany

8:15am

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*PRELUDE

Shall We Gather at the River
Stumptown Brass

Heather Graves

WELCOME

CELEBRATION OF PRAISE & WORSHIP

*OPENING HYMN, NO. 568

Christ for the World We Sing

ITALIAN HYMN

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

TIME OF PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho
Stumptown Brass

James Buel

*DOXOLOGY NO. 95

OLD 100TH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE WORD

SCRIPTURE

Romans 15:13 CEB

MESSAGE

“Conversations of Hope”

Rev. Dr. Charles (Chuck) Wilson, II; Liz Clasen-Kelly

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*CLOSING HYMN

If We Just Talk of Thoughts and Prayers

GIFT OF LOVE

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Festive Postlude on ITALIAN HYMN

Albert L. Travis

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Dr. Charles (Chuck) Wilson, II; Rev. Paul Craig

Liz Clasen-Kelly, CEO of Roof Above; Craig Estep, Director of Music & Worship Arts; Amy DeVore, Director of Missions & Justice Ministries; Kathy White, Music Ministry Associate/Organist; Stumptown Brass (names on back); Joel Mullis, Worship Production Director; Chuck DeLong, Screens; Susan Chambers, Worship Coordinator; John Klotz, Lay Reader

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

February 11, 2024

9:30am

Welcome & Greeting

***Musical Praise**

Follow You Anywhere

Hope Has a Name

Phil Wickham

River Valley Worship

***Passing the Peace**

Announcements/Prayer/Offering

A Song of Giving

Do Something

Matthew West

The Word

Lesson

Romans 15:13 CEB

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Response

***Musical Praise**

All the Poor and Powerless

Jordan & Leonard

***Blessing**

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Liz Clasen-Kelly, CEO of Roof Above

**John Woodall, Director of Contemporary Worship; Amy DeVore, Director of Missions & Justice Ministries;
Joel Mullis, Worship Production Director; Donna Balisado, Screens; Susan Chambers, Worship Coordinator;
Contemporary Praise Team**

TRADITIONAL CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

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Sanctuary Choir; Stumptown Brass; Greg Faucette, Timpani

K. Lee Scott

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Karen Price, Music Assistant; Greg Faucette, Timpani; Joel Mullis, Worship Production Director; David Wilkinson, Screens; Tom Amann, Livestream; Susan Chambers, Worship Coordinator; Will Wallace & Joshua Deyton, Acolytes; Marilyn Sczech, Lay Reader

WELCOME FROM THE PASTORS AND CONGREGATION!

All are welcome here ... and we do mean all. We take these words seriously. We strive to be a community as diverse and hospitable as God's kingdom. We don't all look or act alike; God knows we don't all think alike. We don't all read the Bible the same way. We bring different questions and carry different burdens, but every Sunday, we worship together as one. Our nearly 150-year-old church is filled with some traditional and inspiring untraditional ways. We study the teachings and actions of Jesus. We sing modern songs and old hymns. Yet, in our preaching and prayers, we wrestle with the challenges of the modern world. We hope your heart will hear something personal and relevant — a word of comfort, a spur to action, a call to a deeper relationship with God. **After the service, please stick around.** Introduce yourself to one of our pastors or someone at our Welcome Center. We have lots of programs and community groups to feed your soul and expand your spirit. Try one out. You never know – you just might be home!

OUR PRAYERS

In care and sympathy, we lift up:

Family and friends of those who have lost loved ones.

Prayers for a Neighboring House of Worship

Let us pray that **Team Church**

will flourish, and that God might richly bless their ministry.

Please remember in your prayers all those in our Church family with special needs and concerns.

STUMPTOWN BRASS

Tim Goforth, *Trumpet*
Wes Broome, *Trombone*

Max Mensing, *Tuba*
David Mickus, *Horn*

United Youth Ministry is collecting a special offering **THIS SUNDAY, February 11th**, after each service in The Narthex & The Commons for the **Souper Bowl of Caring** that is happening nationwide this week.

Non-perishable items will also be collected in the Sanctuary Reception Area & The Commons.

ASH WEDNESDAY—FEB. 14th

Start of Lent 2024, 7pm in the Sanctuary

Thank you to Christian, a Young Adult with Rainbow Express Ministries, for creating our Lent 2024 series art!



Please Welcome Liz Clasen-Kelly

Liz Clasen-Kelly serves as the CEO of Roof Above, a comprehensive homeless services provider in Charlotte, NC that resulted from the merger of Urban Ministry Center and Men's Shelter of Charlotte.

In the last year, Roof Above expanded to meet community needs, adding significant emergency shelter capacity in light of the pandemic, and purchasing an existing apartment community and a hotel to convert to housing.

Clasen-Kelly previously served as the Executive Director of the Men's Shelter of Charlotte, where she led the effort to renovate its shelter campuses with a focus on human dignity. Previously, as the Associate Director of Urban Ministry Center, she oversaw the community's street outreach efforts and served as project manager for the community effort to end chronic homelessness.

Clasen-Kelly is a graduate of Davidson College and received her Master of Public Policy from Duke University. She is a proud member of a blended family, with four kids ranging from 8 to 24.

GLOBAL IMPACT MINISTRY at MUMC

Global Impact is the Christ-centered mission ministry of Matthews United Methodist Church providing pathways to *give, serve, send, pray, and partner* "Beyond the Walls" of the Church. 100% of every dollar contributed to Global Impact goes to support missions and missionaries.

Every February we have our Global Impact Celebration (GIC).

Look for upcoming activities in Celebration Newsletter & church communications.



COME AS YOU ARE: Sunday Mornings

8:15 (Traditional), 9:30 (Contemporary); 11:00 (Traditional),
9:30 (United Kids Family Worship 2nd Sundays in the Gym);
12:30 Centro Cristiano Hosanna (Servicio en Espanol)

9:30 & 11:00 Services Livestreamed at [MatthewsUMC.org](https://www.MatthewsUMC.org)