

Finding Peace as a Purple Church

“THE BIBLE AND ELECTIONS: PART II”

MATTHEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

September 15, 2024

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

September 15, 2024

17th Sunday After Pentecost

8:15am

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*PRELUDE

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Piano Duet

arr. Cindy Berry

WELCOME

CELEBRATION OF PRAISE & WORSHIP

*OPENING PRAYER

*OPENING HYMN, NO. 559

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

TIME OF PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

My Jesus, I Love Thee

Brad Crossley, Baritone; Jesse Roberts, Piano

arr. Dan Forrest

*DOXOLOGY NO. 95

OLD 100TH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE WORD

SCRIPTURE

Philippians 2:5-11

MESSAGE

“Finding Peace as a Purple Church: The Bible and Elections, Part II”

Rev. Dr. Charles (Chuck) Wilson, II

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*CLOSING HYMN, NO. 560

Help Us Accept Each Other

ACCEPTANCE

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Praeludium in C

Johann C. Kellner

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

WORSHIP LEADERS

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

Craig Estep, *Director of Music & Worship Arts*; Eon Malan, *Music Ministry Associate/Organist*; Jesse Roberts, *Piano*;

Brad Crossley, *Baritone*; Joel Mullis, *Worship Production Director*; Nancy Harris, *Screens*;

Susan Chambers, *Worship Coordinator*; Steve Hall, *Lay Reader*

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

September 15, 2024

9:30am

Welcome & Greeting

***Musical Praise**

King of My Heart

John & Sarah McMillan

Love Come Down

North Point Music

***Passing the Peace**

Announcements/Prayer/Offering

A Song of Giving

Hold On To Me

Lauren Daigle

The Word

Lessons

Philippians 2:5-11

Message

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Rev. Dr. Chuck Wilson

Response

***Musical Praise**

New Wine

Hillsong Worship

***Blessing**

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John Biggers, Interim Director of Contemporary Worship; Joel Mullis, Worship Production Director;

Donna Balisado, Screens; Susan Chambers, Worship Coordinator; Contemporary Praise Team

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Sanctuary Choir

arr. Mark Hayes

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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 Robert (Bob) Saleska upon his death.

Prayers for a Neighboring House of Worship

Let us pray that **Grace Lutheran 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.

COMING UP IN SEPTEMBER

- SEPT 19** MUMC Golf Outing: *Driving for a Better Community*
Lunch at 11:00AM, shotgun start at 12:00PM, Dinner and Raffle at 5:00PM.
The format will be Captain's Choice. Register now!
- SEPT 20** Parents Night Out
6-8PM, \$10 per family for nursery, \$10 per child for ages 4 - 6th grade.
Register online by Sept. 16th!
- SEPT 22** Global Impact: Poverty Simulation
12:30PM, The Commons/Gym, Facilitated by Common Heart, appropriate
for ages 14 & up
- SEPT 25** Endowment Celebration Dinner
6:30PM, The Commons. Purchase tickets online!

Events at MatthewsUMC.org



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

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THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, WE WILL TRANSFORM THE WORLD, ONE LIFE AT A TIME.

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