

# BEYOND HOSPITALITY

EXPERIENCING GOD TOGETHER

*"And For Your Camels Also"*

MATTHEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

October 27, 2024

*Welcome!*

If you're here for the first time, please complete the **Guest Welcome** form at [MatthewsUMC.org/Getting-Started](https://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](https://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

October 27, 2024

23rd Sunday After Pentecost

8:15am

## CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

### \*PRELUDE

Joy in the Morning  
*The Joyful Ringers*

Natalie Sleeth

## WELCOME

## *CELEBRATION OF PRAISE & WORSHIP*

### \*OPENING HYMN, NO. 529

How Firm a Foundation (*v. 1, 2, 4, 5*)

FOUNDATION

### \*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

## TIME OF PRAYER

## PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

How Deep the Father's Love for Us  
*The Joyful Ringers*

arr. Bettcher

### \*DOXOLOGY NO. 95

OLD 100TH

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## *THE WORD*

## SCRIPTURE

Genesis 24:10-25

## MESSAGE

"Beyond Hospitality: And For Your Camels Also"

*Rev. Dr. Charles (Chuck) Wilson, II*

## *RESPONSE TO THE WORD*

### \*CLOSING HYMN, NO. 452

My Faith Looks Up to Thee (*v. 1, 2, 3*)

DOLOMITE CHANT

### \*BENEDICTION

### \*POSTLUDE

How Firm a Foundation

Rick Parks

*\*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*; The Joyful Ringers (*names on back*); Joel Mullis, *Worship Production Director*; Chuck DeLong, *Screens*; Susan Chambers, *Worship Coordinator*; Charlene Bush, *Lay Reader*

# CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

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October 27, 2024

9:30am

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## *Welcome & Greeting*

### \*Musical Praise

God Is On The Move

*Williams, Howard, Wood*

Our God

*Chris Tomlin*

### \*Passing the Peace

### Announcements/Prayer/Offering

### A Song of Giving

Once And For All

*Lauren Daigle*

## *The Word*

### Lessons

Genesis 24:10-25

### Message

“Beyond Hospitality: And For Your Camels Also”

*Rev. Dr. Chuck Wilson*

## *Response*

### \*Musical Praise

No Longer Slaves

*Helser & Johnson*

### \*Blessing

*\*Please rise in body or in spirit*

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## WORSHIP LEADERS

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

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

Donna Balisado, *Screens*; Susan Chambers, *Worship Coordinator*;

Contemporary Praise Team

# TRADITIONAL CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

October 27, 2024

23rd Sunday After Pentecost

11:00am

## CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

### \*PRELUDE

Joy in the Morning

Natalie Sleeth

*The Joyful Ringers; Sanctuary Choir Women; Piano*

### WELCOME

## CELEBRATION OF PRAISE & WORSHIP

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FOUNDATION

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### ANTHEM

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

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*The Joyful Ringers*

### TIME OF PRAYER

### PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

I Will Be a Child of Peace

Elaine Hagenberg

*Sanctuary Choir Women*

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## THE WORD

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## WORSHIP LEADERS

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

Craig Estep, Director of Music & Worship Arts; Eon Malan, Music Ministry Associate/Organist; Leslee Mabee, Guest Conductor; Sanctuary Choir Women; The Joyful Ringers (*names on back*); Joel Mullis, Worship Production Director; David Wilkinson, Screens; Tom Amann, Livestream; Susan Chambers, Worship Coordinator; Grace & Aaron Jordan, Acolytes; Jessica Fraser, 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 Bud Dokes, upon his death.**

**Prayers for a Neighboring House of Worship**

Let us pray that **Image 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.*

## CLOSED CAPTIONING—*Live During Worship!*

To access the live closed captioning service, first be sure you are connected to WiFi or to a data plan that allows for browsing on your personal device! Next, scan the QR code below on your device (tablet or smartphone) for your respective worship service (8:15, 9:30, or 11:00), and a session will open in your browser. Here, you will be able to personally customize the font size & color, as well as background color for your closed captioning experience.



### 8:15 Service



### 9:30 Service



### 11:00 Service



## 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)

The sanctuary flowers have been given to the glory of God by  
Chuck & Julie DeLong in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.



AGE-LEVEL MINISTRY PRESENTS

# TRUNK -OR- TREAT

FREE!  
NO REGISTRATION  
REQUIRED!

OCTOBER 27 | 6:00PM-7:30PM  
OPEN TO THE WHOLE COMMUNITY!

FOOD TRUCKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

MATTHEWS UMC | LARGE PARKING LOT

The poster features a dark blue background with a spiderweb in the top left corner. In the center, a brown pickup truck is shown from the back, with pumpkins and a bowl of candy in its bed. The text is in a mix of white and orange, with 'FREE!' in a yellow circle. A small truck icon is next to the text 'FOOD TRUCKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE'.

## THE JOYFUL RINGERS

*Craig Estep, Director*

*Mellie Friend, Robin Havican, Susie Verrill, Sarah Sheffield, Pronda Few,  
Chrissie Hackett, Janice Mangum, Lee Cornell, Jesse Roberts, Annette Clary,  
Olivia Beaver, Steven Beaver, Jan Moynihan, Julie Knafelz, Tom Amann*

## Sanctuary Choir Women

*Today we will be highlighting the talented and dedicated women of the  
MUMC Sanctuary Choir, who will be singing two pieces, both by women composers,  
under the direction of alto Leslee Mabee.*



# The Light of CHRISTMAS

FEATURING  
MUMC Sanctuary Choir & Orchestra  
Eric Whitacre's *Lux Aurumque* &  
Dan Forrest's *LUX: The Dawn From On High*

DECEMBER 15 | 7PM  
MUMC SANCTUARY

The poster has a dark, starry night sky background. At the bottom, there are silhouettes of palm trees, a manger with baby Jesus, and three camels. The title 'The Light of CHRISTMAS' is written in a mix of white serif and cursive fonts. The featured acts are listed in a smaller white font.