



**MATTHEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**January 26, 2025**

**PLEASE JOIN US TO CELEBRATE PASTOR PAUL!**

*TODAY In The Commons at 12:15pm*

*Join us today in the Commons at 12:15 for a reception in celebration of our beloved Paul Craig on his upcoming retirement.*

*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

*January 26, 2025*

*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Epiphany*

*8:15am*

## CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

### \*PRELUDE

O God Beyond All Praising  
*Sanctuary Choir; Orchestra*

arr. Richard Proulx

## WELCOME

## *CELEBRATION OF PRAISE & WORSHIP*

### \*OPENING HYMN, NO. 545

The Church's One Foundation (*v. 1, 4, 5*)

AURELIA

### \*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

## TIME OF PRAYER

## PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The Majesty and Glory of Your Name  
*Sanctuary Choir; Orchestra*

Tom Fettke

### \*DOXOLOGY NO. 95

OLD 100TH

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## *THE WORD*

## SCRIPTURE

John 13:33-35 (MSG)

## MESSAGE

"A Way to Say Goodbye"

*Rev. Paul Craig*

## *RESPONSE TO THE WORD*

### \*CLOSING HYMN, NO. 660

God Is Here (*v. 1-4*)

ABBOT'S LEIGH

### \*BENEDICTION

### \*POSTLUDE

*Excerpt from Fantasia on Een vaste burcht is onze God*

Martin Mans

*\*Please rise in body or in spirit*

## WORSHIP LEADERS

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

Craig Estep, *Director of Music & Worship Arts*; Eon Malan, *Music Ministry Associate/Organist*; Sanctuary Choir; Orchestra & Stumptown Brass (*names on back*); Joel Mullis, *Worship Production Director*; Chuck DeLong, *Screens*; Susan Chambers, *Worship Coordinator*; Jonnie Hildreth, *Lay Reader*; David Bigham, *Acolyte*

# CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

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*January 26, 2025*

*9:30am*

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## *Welcome & Greeting*

### **\*Musical Praise**

Fields of Grace

Darrell Evans

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Matt Redman

### **\*Passing the Peace**

### **Announcements/Prayer/Offering**

### **A Song of Giving**

Lead On Good Shepherd

Patrick Mayberry

## *The Word*

### **Lesson**

John 13:33-35 (MSG)

### **Message**

“A Way to Say Goodbye”

*Rev. Paul Craig*

## *Response*

### **\*Musical Praise**

God of Revival

Brian Johnson

### **\*Blessing**

*\*Please rise in body or in spirit*

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## **WORSHIP LEADERS**

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

*January 26, 2025*

*Scout Sunday*

*11:00am*

## CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

### \*PRELUDE

Gabriel's Oboe

*Eric Myers, Oboe*

Ennio Morricone

## WELCOME

## *CELEBRATION OF PRAISE & WORSHIP*

### \*OPENING HYMN, NO. 545

The Church's One Foundation (*v. 1, 4, 5*)

AURELIA

### \*PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE CHRISTIAN FLAG

### \*PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

### SCOUT RECOGNITION

### \*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

### TIME OF PRAYER

### PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The Majesty and Glory of Your Name

*Sanctuary Choir; Orchestra*

Tom Fettke

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### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## *THE WORD*

### SCRIPTURE

John 13:33-35 (MSG)

### MESSAGE

"A Way to Say Goodbye"

*Rev. Paul Craig*

## *RESPONSE TO THE WORD*

### \*CLOSING HYMN, NO. 660

God Is Here (*v. 1-4*)

ABBOT'S LEIGH

### \*CHORAL BENEDICTION

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Peter Lutkin

### \*BENEDICTION

### \*POSTLUDE

*Excerpt from Fantasia on Een vaste burcht is onze God*

Martin Mans

*\*Please rise in body or in spirit*

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Orchestra & Stumptown Brass (*names on back*); Joel Mullis, *Worship Production Director*; David Wilkinson, *Screens*;

Tom Amann, *Livestream*; Susan Chambers, *Worship Coordinator*; Lily Trester, *Troop 139, Flag Bearer*;

Caden McCollum, *Troop 39, Flag Bearer*; Sammy Gable, *Troop 139; Pledge Leader*;

Caroline Arndt, *Troop 1796, Lay Reader*; Will Wallace, *Acolyte*

# 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 **Mount Moriah Missionary Baptist 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)

# SCOUT SUNDAY

*Awards & Recognition*

## 2024 EAGLE SCOUTS

*from Troop 39*

Mason Reshetar

Henry Wetmore

Luke Shepherd

Taylor Vernon

*from Troop 139*

Emily Kratt

*Caroline Arndt and Kristina Nagorny have earned the Gold Level of the President's Volunteer Service Award.*

The Brownies will be selling cookies on 1/26, 2/9, and 3/9  
in the Breezeway between services!

## ORCHESTRA

*Eric Myers, Oboe; Janice Mangum, Flute; Jan Horai, Piano;  
David Smith & Greg Faucette, Percussion*

## Stumptown Brass

*Tim Goforth, David Brewer, Trumpet; David Mickus, Horn;  
Wes Broome, Trombone; Chaz Waldrip, Tuba*

***UPCOMING—FEB. 16th & 23rd, and MARCH 2nd***  
***Global Impact Series: "Trust"***