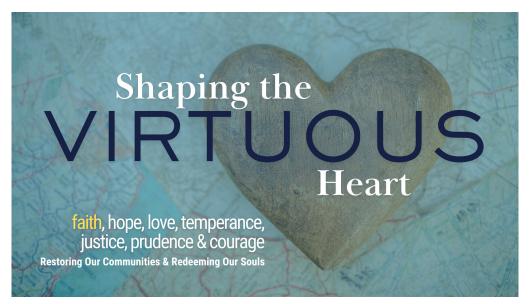
MATTHEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH April 6, 2025



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If you're visiting for the first time, we'd love to connect with you! Please complete the **Guest Welcome Form** at <u>MatthewsUMC.org/Getting-Started</u> and stop by the **Welcome Center** to receive your visitor gift.

For families with children, **Praise Packs** are available in the **Reception Area & Welcome Center**. These special activity bags, designed for kids ages 3–6 and 7–12, help engage them in worship.

UNITED KIDS Family Worship - Today at 9:30 in the Gym

EASTER LILIES - \$10 per plant

To dedicate an Easter Lily in celebration or memory of a loved one, please register on Realm by April 13th. From Connect: Go to Events and search "Easter Lily—Order Form" and follow the prompts to complete your registration.



MOBILE CHECK-IN & ONLINE GIVING

Scan the QR code to download our **Realm Connect Church App** and stay connected with events, registrations, groups, the church directory, and more! You can also sign in, sign up, or learn more by visiting <u>MatthewsUMC.org/Realm</u>.

For those without a smartphone, a check-in station is available at the **Welcome Center**, and attendance books can be found in each pew for guests and members to register their presence.



EVENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & ONLINE BULLETIN Stay informed with the latest ministry opportunities and access the bulletin through the <u>Celebration Newsletter</u>.

Printed copies are available at the Welcome Center. Thank you for helping us reduce paper waste!

Our Prayers

In care and sympathy, we lift up:

Carol Jackson, upon the death of her mother.

Prayers for a Neighboring House of Worship Let us pray that **Providence Presbyterian 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.

CELEBRATE LENT & EASTER 2025

JERUSALEM MARKETPLACE

PALM SUNDAY EXPERIENCE APRIL 13, BETWEEN SERVICES IN THE COMMONS

MAUNDY THURSDAY "THE LAST SUPPER" WORSHIP SERVICE APRIL 17, 7 PM IN THE SANCTUARY LED BY RAINBOW EXPRESS MINISTRIES

GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE SERVICE OF SHADOWS APRIL 18, 7 PM IN THE SANCTUARY WITH SPECIAL MUSIC

COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT - GAMES, INFLATBLES, PRIZES & MORE APRIL 19, 6-8PM (6:30 NURSERY-AGE 5, 7:00 AGE 6-12 & 7:30 PM AGE 13-ADULT)

EASTER WORSHIP - APRIL 20

6:30 am Sunrise Service (Sanctuary Lot) 8:15 & 11:00 am Traditional, 9:30 am Contemporary

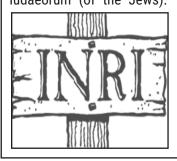


9:30 am Kids & Family Easter Jam (*Gym*),10:30 am Butterfly Release (*Courtyard*) Centro Cristiano Hosannah en Español: 6:30 am (Eagle's Nest) & 12:30 pm (Sanctuary)

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5th SUNDAY IN LENT - THE SIGN

Today the sign **"INRI"** is placed on the **CROSS**. The letters **"INRI"** are the initial letters for the words in Latin: Jesus (Jesus); Nazarenes (of Nazareth); Rex (King); Iudaeorum (of the Jews). The Jews had told Pilate that Jesus claimed to be



king. Pilate ordered a *SIGN* be made on which was inscribed the crime for which he sentenced Jesus to die: Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews. Pilate orderedthe SIGN to be carried by a solider in front of Jesus on the way to the place of crucifixion and to be nailed to the cross above Jesus' head. This *SEASON OF LENT*, we find ourselves in the presence of the *ONE* who followed the *SIGN*. May we always remember!

COLOR IT BLUE

Sunday April 6 is **Color It Blue** day. It is to honor those survivors of domestic abuse and other crucial events for those folks who are suffering.



TRADITIONAL CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP		
April 6, 2025 5th Sur	day in Lent 8:15 am	
CHIMING OF THE TRINITY		
*PRELUDE Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley	arr. Anna Laura Page	
WELCOME		
CELEBRATION OF	PRAISE & WORSHIP	
*OPENING HYMN, NO. 378 Amazing Grace (v.1,3,6)	AMAZING GRACE	
*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIS	ST	
TIME OF PRAYER Prayer Concerns Kyrie for Lent Pastoral Prayer	Schutte	
PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND	OFFERINGS	
OFFERTORY ANTHEM Pie Jesu from <i>Requiem</i> Ashley Broome, <i>Soprano</i>	Gabriel Fauré	
*DOXOLOGY NO. 95	OLD 100TH	
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION		
THE	WORD	
MESSAGE "Faith: A Letter to my Grandchildren II Timothy 2:1-7	" Rev. Dr. Charles (Chuck) Wilson, II	

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Excerpt from Passie en Paschen

*CLOSING HYMN, NO. 298

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Fugue on 'O Sacred Head, Now Wounded'

arr. Anton W. Leupold

Jan Zwart HAMBURG

*Please Rise in Body or in Spirit

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CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

April 6, 2025

Welcome & Greeting

*MUSICAL PRAISE

Lord I Need You LifeSong Matt Maher Mark Hall

9:30 am

ANNOUNCEMENTS - PRAYER - OFFERING

A SONG OF GIVING Plowshare Prayer

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Spencer LaJoye

The Word

MESSAGE

"Faith: A Letter to my Grandchildren" II Timothy 2:1-7 Rev. Dr. Chuck Wilson

Kesponse

***HOLY COMMUNION**

*MUSICAL PRAISE Here Again

*BLESSING

Elevation

*Please Rise in Body or in Spirit

Rev. Dr. Chuck Wilson; Rev. Linda Kelly

John Biggers, Interim Director of Contemporary Worship; Contemporary Praise Team Neal Harper, Worship Production Associate; Donna Balisado, Screens Tom Amann, Livestream; Susan Chambers, Worship Coordinator

TRADITIONAL CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP		
April 6, 2025 5th Sunday i	in Lent 11:00 am	
CHIMING OF THE TRINITY		
*PRELUDE Pie Jesu from <i>Requiem</i> Ashley Broome, <i>Soprano</i>	Gabriel Fauré	
WELCOME		
CELEBRATION OF PR	AISE & WORSHIP	
*PROCESSIONAL HYMN, NO. 378 Amazing Grace (v.1,3,6)	AMAZING GRACE	
*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST		
ANTHEM Chorale - The Great Gate of Kiev The Ringtones	arr. Martha Lynn Thompson	
TIME OF PRAYER Prayer Concerns Kyrie for Lent Pastoral Prayer	Schutte	
PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OF	FERINGS	
OFFERTORY ANTHEM <i>My Faith Looks Up to Thee</i> Sanctuary Choir	arr. John Leavitt	
*DOXOLOGY NO. 95	OLD 100TH	
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION		
THE WO	ORD	
MESSAGE "Faith: A Letter to my Grandchildren" II Timothy 2:1-7	Rev. Dr. Charles (Chuck) Wilson, II	
RESPONSE TO	THE WORD	
*SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION Spiegel im Spiegel Amanda Turner, Viola	Arvo Pärt	
*CLOSING HYMN, NO. 298 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross	HAMBURG	

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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!

Live CLOSED CAPTIONING DURING WORSHIP

Enhance your worship experience with **live closed captioning**! How to Access:

- 1. Connect to WiFi or ensure your device (tablet/smartphone) has an active data plan.
- 2. Scan the QR code for your worship service (8:15 am, 9:30 am, or 11:00 am).
- **3.** A session will open in your browser, where you can **customize** the font size, text color, and background color for optimal readability.

Enjoy a more accessible worship experience!







THE RINGTONES

Annette Clary, Susie Verrill, Directors

Catie Crowgey, Lilly Crowgey, Rebecca Kamenick Madison Parkhurst, Riley Richardson, Sienna Thomas

COME JUST AS YOU ARE - SUNDAY MORNINGS AT MUMC



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

9:30 am & 11:00 am Services Livestreamed at MatthewsUMC.org

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