MATTHEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

NOVEMBER 2, 2025

21ST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | COMMUNION | ALL SAINTS SUNDAY





If you're visiting for the first time, we'd love to connect with you!

Please complete the **Guest Welcome Form** at **MatthewsUMC.org/Getting-Started**and stop by the **Welcome Center** to receive your visitor gift.

For families with children, **Praise Packs** are available outside the Gym doors (inside The Commons). These special activity bags, designed for kids ages 3–6 and 7–12, help engage them in worship. **Sensory Bags** are available at the **Welcome Center**.

SERVICE TIMES DURING RENOVATION PROJECT

8:15 AM
TRADITIONAL SERVICE
+ WEEKLY COMMUNION
THE COMMONS

9:30 AM
CONTEMPORARY
SERVICE
GYM

11:00 AM TRADITIONAL SERVICE GYM 12:30 PM CCH SERVICE GYM

6:00 PM
YOUTH
WORSHIP
THE COMMONS



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 **MatthewsUMC.org/Realm**.

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

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!

TRADITIONAL CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

NOVEMBER 2, 2025

GYM | 8:15 AM

WE GATHER

CHIMING OF THE HOLY TRINITY

PRELUDE | Fanfare on 'For All the Saints'

arr. Paul Fey

WELCOME

† GREETING

Grace to you and peace from God who is, and was, and is to come. **Amen.**And from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and ruler of the kings on earth. **Amen.**

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

† OPENING HYMN

No. 711 | For All the Saints (v. 1, 2, 6)

SINE NOMIE

† SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN'S TIME

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS AND GIFTS

ROLL CALL OF THE FAITHFUL

TIME OF PRAYER

Prayer Concerns | Pastoral Prayer

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Introspection on "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"
Sarah Sheffield, *Handbells & Janice Mangum*, *Flute*

arr. Kurt Meyer

† RESPONSE TO GIVING

No. 95 | Doxology

OLD 100TH

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

† SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ephesians 1:11-23 (NRSVUE)

HOMILY

"To the Praise of Whose Glory?"

Rev. David Christy

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

† SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

All Saints Fantasy
Sarah Sheffield. Handbells

arr. Brian Childers

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

† CLOSING HYMN

No. 708 | Rejoice in God's Saints (v.1, 3, 4)

HANOVER

† BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

† Please Rise in Body or in Spirit

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

NOVEMBER 2, 2025

GYM | 9:30 AM

Welcome

† MUSICAL PRAISE

Glorious Day Revelation Song Michael Bleecker/John W. Chapman/Mark Hall Jennie Lee Riddle

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S TIME

ROLL CALL OF THE FAITHFUL

PRAYER | OFFERING

A SONG OF GIVING

Worthy of It All

David Brymer

The Word

† LESSON

Ephesians 1:11-23 (NRSVUE)

HOMILY

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Rev. David Christy

Response

† HOLY COMMUNION

† MUSICAL PRAISE Holy Forever

Chris Tomlin/Brian Johnson/Jenn Johnson

During the final song, we warmly invite you to come to the **kneelers** for a time of prayer. Whether you're seeking comfort, guidance, or simply a quiet moment with God, this sacred space is open to you. If you would like a pastor to pray with you, please raise your hand as you kneel. Otherwise, we honor this as your personal time with God.

† BLESSING



† Please Rise in Body or in Spirit

Rev. David Christy, Senior Pastor | Rev. Dr. Susan Heafner-Heun, Executive Pastor Byron Murphy, Director of Contemporary Worship | John Biggers, Associate Worship Leader Greg Faucette, Drums | Ed Scholl, Keys | Mike Derby, Bass | Joel Mullis, Worship Production Director Donna Balisado, Screens | Susan Chambers, Worship Coordinator | Alix Arndt, United Kids Associate

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Come, Come, Ye Saints Sanctuary Choir

arr. Mack Wilberg

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Our Prayers

In care and sympathy, we lift up family and friends of those who have lost loved ones.

- Please lift up Bethany Church of Weddington, that their ministry may flourish and be richly blessed.
- · Ruth Sims, upon the death of her husband.
- · Craig Estep, upon the death of his brother.
- · Carolyn Pollack, upon the death of her father.
- Also remember those in our church family with special needs and concerns. We pray for the care and protection of all serving in the military, emergency services, law enforcement, healthcare, long-term care, and education.



THOSE WHO HAVE JOINED THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT

Please pick up the candle lit in honor of your loved one at the Welcome Center directly following the 11:00 AM service

Glenn David Grable 1/1/1928 - 11/16/2024

Cathern Stewart 6/30/1948 - 11/28/2024

Betty W. Crenshaw 3/2/1942 - 12/10/2024

Phyllis Fralin Pruitt 7/7/1929 - 12/17/2024

Glenn R. Kistler 9/22/1944 - 1/13/2025

Kathryn Wright Jackson 2/23/1935 - 1/29/2025

Johnny Cecil McCarver 5/26/1932 - 2/3/2025

Marion Warren Stanback 10/17/1930 - 2/7/2025

Caroline Miller Crabtree 4/5/1930 - 2/10/2025

Susan Amnee Wright 9/9/1964 - 2/10/2025

Barbara Ann Deese 4/14/1946 - 2/15/2025

Betty Bost Sain 9/6/1931 - 2/27/2025

Betty Jane Treadaway 2/25/1935 - 2/28/2025

Joann Stafford Kirby 10/11/1930 - 3/25/2025

Joe Dalton Bunn 3/16/1930 - 4/15/2025

John Lee Hood 9/7/1962 - 4/25/2025

Laura Setliff 12/24/1932 - 5/6/2025

Gregory Scott Stanley 5/19/1963 - 5/19/2025

Sandra Thompson Frye 10/29/1941 - 6/21/2025

Sylvia Hazel Tsitouris Belk 12/29/1933 - 7/12/2025

Lucile Johnston Winstead 7/4/1920 - 7/24/2025

James Thomas Boyles, Sr. 3/2/1941 - 8/19/2025

Peggy Thomas Johnson 5/6/1933 - 8/19/2025

Jack Elsin Stegall 10/12/1932 - 8/21/2025

Gary Marvin Burris 10/10/1943 - 10/7/2025

Ann E. Haegele 2/14/1935 - 10/17/2025

Mark Andrew Estep 2/16/1965 - 10/21/2025

Albertus Sims 1/21/1938 - 10/23/2025

Flowers in the Gym are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my mother, Doll Smith - Susan Chambers



ENSEMBLE

Sarah Sheffield, Handbells & Janice Mangum, Flute



ASL INTERPRETATION AVAILABLE

We are pleased to offer interpreters for American Sign Language.
If you or someone you know would benefit from this service,
please see one of our ushers for more details.

From the Pastors & 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!**Enjoy a more accessible worship experience!

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 (9:30 AM, or 11:00 AM).
- A session will open in your browser, where you can customize the font size, text color, and background color for optimal readability.

WIFI (WPA2): MUMCguest Password: methodist

9:30 AM



11:00 AM



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)
6:00 PM Youth Worship (in the Commons)
*Services Livestreamed at MatthewsUMC.org