



REACH.
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PRAISE.
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MATTHEWS UNITED METHODIST

JULY 26, 2026

9th Sunday after Pentecost

"In our End is our Beginning"

Rev. Dr. Susan Heafner-Heun

GIVE ME THAT Old Time RELIGION

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 in the Narthex. These special activity bags, designed for kids ages 3–6 and 7–12, help engage them in worship.

Sensory Bags are also available.

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

TODAY: UNITED KIDS FAMILY WORSHIP | 9:30 AM | GYM



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TRADITIONAL CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

JULY 26, 2026

8:15 AM

WE GATHER

- PRELUDE
- Blessed Assurance

The Quarter Tones, *Handbell Ensemble*
- arr. Jason Krug
- CHIMING OF THE HOLY TRINITY
- WELCOME
- † CALL TO WORSHIP
- † OPENING HYMN
- UMH No. 62 | All Creatures of Our God and King (v.1,5,7)
- LASST UNS ERFREUEN
- † AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
- † SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST
- TIME FOR CHILDREN & FRIENDS

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS

- TIME OF PRAYER
- Prayer Concerns | Pastoral Prayer

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS

- THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS
- There is a Fountain Filled With Blood

The Quarter Tones, *Handbell Ensemble*
- arr. Jason Krug
- † RESPONSE TO GIVING
- UMH No. 94 | Doxology
- LASST UNS ERFREUEN
- EXPERIENCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT (VIDEO)

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

- † SCRIPTURE LESSON
- Romans 6:1-11 (CEB)
- Charlene Bush, *Lay Reader*
- SERMON
- “In our End is our Beginning”
- Rev. Dr. Susan Heafner-Heun

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

- † SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION
- Blessed Assurance
- arr. Mark Hayes

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

- † CLOSING HYMN
- CH No. 624 | His Eye is on the Sparrow
- SPARROW
- † BENEDICTION
- POSTLUDE
- Recessional on “LASST UNS ERFREUEN”
- arr. Douglas E. Wagner

† Please Rise in Body or in Spirit

Rev. David Christy, *Senior Pastor* | Rev. Dr. Susan Heafner-Heun, *Executive Pastor*

Amy Ramsey, *Certified Lay Servant*

Craig Estep, *Dir. of Music & Worship Arts* | Eon Malan, *Music Ministry Assoc. & Organist*

Joel Mullis, *Worship Production Dir.* | Chuck DeLong, *Screens*

Susan Chambers, *Worship Coordinator*



Contemporary Worship

JULY 26, 2026

9:30 AM

Welcome

† CALL TO WORSHIP

† MUSICAL PRAISE

Here I Am to Worship

Tim Hughes

Jesus Paid it All

Alex Nifong, Elvina Hall, John Thomas Grape

Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

C. Tomlin, L. Giglio, J. Newton

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

† SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

TIME FOR CHILDREN & FRIENDS

PRAYER

A SONG OF GIVING

Lead Me to the Cross

Brooke Ligertwood

† RESPONSE TO GIVING

Doxology

Tommy Walker, Thomas Ken

EXPERIENCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT (VIDEO)

The Word

† SCRIPTURE LESSON

Romans 6:1-11 (CEB)

Byron Murphy, Lay Reader

SERMON

"In our End is our Beginning"

Rev. Dr. Susan Heafner-Heun

Response

† MUSICAL PRAISE

Soul on Fire

Mac Powell, Matt Maher, David Carr

† BLESSING

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Amy Ramsey, Certified Lay Servant

Byron Murphy, Dir. of Contemp. Worship | John Biggers, Assoc. Worship Leader

Michael Derby, Electric | Brian Lassahn, Bass | Tim Martin, Drums

Joel Mullis, Worship Production Dir. | Donna Balisado, Screens

Susan Chambers, Worship Coordinator | Julia Sain & Amanda Greer, ASL Interpreters

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TIME FOR CHILDREN & FRIENDS

ANTHEM

Great is Thy Faithfulness

arr. Nathan Cartern

Sanctuary Choir | David Smith, *Soloist*

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Debbie Forbis, *Worship Coordinator*

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Welcome

At **Matthews United Methodist Church**, we believe that welcoming others is the calling of our entire congregation. The following welcome was written by a member of our church and reflects their personal expression of hospitality and faith. Throughout the year, different members will share these messages of welcome. If you would like to contribute, please email Eon@MatthewsUMC.org

I'm grateful you're here today. Every Sunday, as I take my place in the choir loft or read Scripture during worship, I'm reminded that no two people arrive here with the same story. Yet we gather to sing, pray, listen and grow together in God's love. That's one of the gifts of this church. Whether you're visiting for the first time or returning after time away, I hope you'll experience kindness, hope and a genuine sense of belonging.

—Philip Tate, Sanctuary Choir Member and Lay Reader

Our Prayers

Please lift up **Mount Harmony Baptist Church**, that their ministry may flourish and be richly blessed.

In the Narthex (the space just outside the Sanctuary), you will find a prayer station. You are invited to use this space to offer prayers or light a candle as a symbol of your prayers. The pastoral team will pray over all written prayer requests each Monday.

THE QUARTER TONES - HANDBELL ENSEMBLE

Sarah Sheffield, Maxine Starner, Annette Clary, Susie Verrill

Scripture

Romans 6:1-11 (CEB)

So what are we going to say? Should we continue sinning so grace will multiply? Absolutely not! All of us died to sin. How can we still live in it? Or don't you know that all who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore, we were buried together with him through baptism into his death, so that just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too can walk in newness of life. If we were united together in a death like his, we will also be united together in a resurrection like his. This is what we know: the person that we used to be was crucified with him in order to get rid of the corpse that had been controlled by sin. That way we wouldn't be slaves to sin anymore, because a person who has died has been freed from sin's power. But if we died with Christ, we have faith that we will also live with him. We know that Christ has been raised from the dead and he will never die again. Death no longer has power over him. He died to sin once and for all with his death, but he lives for God with his life. In the same way, you also should consider yourselves dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

8:15 AM
TRADITIONAL SERVICE
+ WEEKLY COMMUNION
SANCTUARY

9:30 AM
CONTEMPORARY
SERVICE
SANCTUARY

11:00 AM
TRADITIONAL
SERVICE
SANCTUARY

12:30 PM
CCH
SERVICE
SANCTUARY

6:00 PM
YOUTH
WORSHIP
COMMONS

9:30 AM UNITED KIDS FAMILY WORSHIP | 2ND SUNDAYS IN THE GYM

9:30 AM & 11:00 AM services are Livestreamed at MatthewsUMC.org

