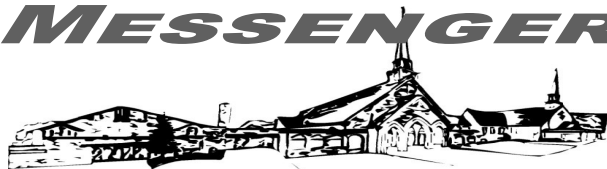


**ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN
CHURCH AND SCHOOL**

24500 N. Old McHenry Road
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MESSENGER



**The Festival
of the Reformation
October 24 & 25, 2020**

The Rev. Timothy L. Kinne, Senior Pastor
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Mr. Jim Kuehm, Contemporary Music Director

Mr. Robert Wilson, Music Ensemble Director

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Sharing in the Mission of Christ: Learning, Connecting & Serving

Preaching
Presiding

Rev. Timothy L. Kinne
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Calendar For The Week

*C.O.O.L. Food Item for October - Breakfast Items
Bread for Life Weekend—10/25/20*

Saturday, October 24

Men's Bible Study - LH & Virtual	9:00am
Sunday School - Virtual	10:00am
STJ Halloween Goodie Bag Pick-up - Door 2	10:00am
Limitless Basketball - GYM	1:00pm
Classic Worship Service - OnLine Only	5:30pm

Sunday, October 25 - Bread for Life Sunday

In Sanctuary Service w/communion - RSVP	9:00am
Youth Bible Study - Virtual	10:00am
Contemporary Worship Service - OnLine Only	10:45am
Pre-Confirmation Class—Virtual	11:00am
Sunday School—Virtual	4:00pm
Sunday School—Virtual	4:30pm
1/2/3 Confirmation Class—Virtual	6:30pm

Monday, October 26

Limitless Basketball - GYM	4:30pm
Good news Callers - Virtual	6:00pm
Sunday School - Virtual	7:00pm

Tuesday, October 27

Limitless Basketball - GYM	4:30pm
Ladies Bible Study - Virtual	7:00pm
Church Council - LH	7:00pm

Wednesday, October 28

ECC Picture Retake	8:30am
ECC Chapel - Sanctuary	10:00am
Limitless Basketball - GYM	4:30pm
Chamber Choir Practice - Choir Room	7:00pm
Adult Discipleship Class - Virtual	7:00pm

Thursday, October 29

Limitless Basketball - GYM	4:30pm
Young Adult Hangout - ZOOM	6:30pm

Friday, October 30

ECC Halloween Party - GYM	9:45pm
Limitless Basketball - GYM	4:30pm

Saturday, October 31

Men's Bible Study - LH & Virtual	9:00am
Sunday School - Virtual	10:00am
Limitless Basketball - GYM	1:00pm
Classic Worship Service - OnLine Only	5:30pm

Sunday, November 1 - All Saints Day

Classic Worship Service w/communion - RSVP	8:00am
Adult Bible Study - LH	9:20am
Youth Bible Study - Virtual	10:00am
Contemporary Worship Service w/communion - RSVP	10:45am
Pre-Confirmation Class—Virtual	11:00am
Sunday School—Virtual	4:00pm
Sunday School—Virtual	4:30pm
1/2/3 Confirmation Class—Virtual	6:30pm

Watch "SCRIPTURE & PRAYER TIME"
with Pastor Kinne or Pastor Blonski

at 7:00am on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

LIVE PRAYER TIME is on [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#), and [Instagram](#).

HEART WORK

Romans 3:28

For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

Please remember in prayer:

- *Kristen Skinner, Marvin Sneller, Bob & Penny Martens, Kristen Basler, Del Becke, Paul Kochendorger, Pauline Kalodimos, Jennifer Govea, Harold Brosowske, Jim Sporleder, Pam Best*
- *Our military personnel currently serving our country: Justin Brown, Adam Imaoka, Scott Karas, Elise Neilson, Steve & Ice Sandy, Tyler Sawusch, Bob Hamilton*

ALTAR FLOWERS - Have been given to the Glory of God

- In celebration of Don Brusa's birthday, from his family.
- In celebration of Linda Corbin's birthday, from her family.

OCTOBER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sundays, October 25

In Sanctuary Service w/communion - RSVP @ 9:00am

Classic on-line service premieres on Saturdays at 5:30pm.
Sunday morning classic service will **live stream** at 9:00am
Contemporary service (on line only) premieres on Sundays at 10:45am.

NOVEMBER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sundays, November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

In-Sanctuary Classic Service w/Communion 8:00am
In-Sanctuary Contemporary Service w/Communion 10:45am
RSVP is required for both services.

Classic Service will be live streamed on Sunday morning at 8:00am and the Contemporary Service will be live streamed on Sunday morning at 10:45am. Live streamed recorded videos will be available to watch starting on Monday. Live Stream & recorded videos are available on Facebook, YouTube or www.stmatts.net

THANKSGIVING SERVICE

In-Sanctuary Thanksgiving Eve Service w/communion
Wednesday, November 25, 2020 @ 7:00pm
RSVP Required

Service will be live streamed.

The recorded service will be available to view on
Thursday, November 26th @ 8:00am



Please don't forget to RSVP.
Church Office at 847/438-7709
or email selimos@stmattsonline.com.
Thank You.

St. Matthew Thanksgiving Dinner Update - Due to Covid, St. Matthew will not be able to have a "Sit-In" Thanksgiving Dinner. However, the St. Matthew Thanksgiving Dinner Team would still like to supply those in need with a Thanksgiving Dinner. You will be able to pick-up a homemade Thanksgiving meal the morning of Thursday, November 26th. If you are interested in getting a Thanksgiving meal please contact Cheri Selimos at 847/438-7709 or selimos@stmattsonline.com.

Church Attendance

Sunday - 9:00 - 102

In House Service w/communion - RSVP @ 9:00am

Please don't forget to RSVP.

You can call the church office at 847/438-7709
or email selimos@stmattsonline.com.

Report from Board of Stewardship & Finance

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Offerings Received	\$13,962	\$207,879
Budget	\$17,638	\$233,249
Over (Under) Budget	(\$3,676)	(\$ 25,370)

*Your giving helps grow the ministry of our Lord.
As of 10/19/20*

Early Childhood Center News

This week our Emerging Skills and Interest is: Exploring Types of Corn! The Number of the Week is 5. The Letter of the Week is I, and our theme for Show & Share. In Religious Studies, the preschoolers are learning about Baby Moses. The children enjoyed an Inhouse Fall Fun Field Trip. The children will enjoy special games, activities and snacks. We are all looking forward to a fun time!

C.O.O.L. (Christian Outreach of Lutherans) - a food pantry for some of the neediest families in Lake County. Please bring a can of food/box of cereal with you when you worship and place them in the bins in Luther Hall. October food item is Breakfast Items. Thank you for supporting this outreach ministry.

CEMETERY - A Note from your Cemetery Sextons & Trustees:

**Fall cemetery decorations will be removed on November 30th

Should you be interested in selecting a cemetery plot or niche in the cemetery columbarium, please contact Doug Duval at 847/438-7709. The cold weather will soon be upon us.

The semiannual meeting of the **Voters' Assembly** will take place **Sunday, November 15, 2020 immediately following the 10:45 Service in the Sanctuary.** This meeting is to elect the leaders of the congregation: the Officers and members of the various Boards. There is room for individuals to serve the Lord in this capacity. Please pray to the Lord and consider in what ways He might be leading you in the decision making of St. Matthew Congregation. We ask that you RSVP if you plan on attending the Voters' Meeting, RSVP to: selimos@stmattsonline.com or 847/438-7709

Music Notes - John Newton was ordained for ministry in the Church of England in the early 1760s, and in 1779, collaborated with William Cowper to publish the *Olney Hymns*, one of which was the now famous "**Amazing Grace**." Originally titled "Faith's Review and Expectations," Newton's hymn included six stanzas. Most hymnals today use the first four stanzas from Newton's text, as well as a fifth anonymous stanza first found in *A Collection of Sacred Ballads* (1790), and sung along with Newton's text ever since. The original text has not been much altered, though some additions have been made - Chris Tomlin's added refrain, for example: "My chains are gone, I've been set free - my God my Savior has ransomed me. And like a flood, his mercy reigns; unending love, amazing grace."

The Appalachian tune **NEW BRITAIN** first appeared in *Southern Harmony*; in a later edition, it was also evidently set to Newton's text for the first time. The modern harmonization is credited to Edwin Othello Excell, who is also credited with first attaching the final stanza in his 1910 *Coronation Hymns*.

One of, if not the most popular hymn in the United States, this hymn has been performed by countless artists and arranged to many different styles. Because of its simple folk melody, it can be sung as a round, and it also works well to sing at least one verse a cappella.

Ladies of St. Matthew - Our annual Christmas lunch will be held at Kemper Lakes on December 13. We would have to wear masks and social distance. If you are interested in attending please contact Carol Haste (847-367-0194) or Helen Burnidge (847-687-4626).

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Due to these uncertain times please anticipate a varied approach to the Christian Education Opportunities that are being made available at St. Matthew. Many of the Bible Studies will be held VIRTUALLY via BlueJeans or Zoom technology. If you are interested in any of these studies you may contact the Bible Study Instructor or the Church Office for the correct link to get onto the study. Thank You.

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY - Classes will start on November 1 @ 9:20am in Luther Hall. Additional information will be provided in the upcoming weeks.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ADULT DISCIPLESHIP CLASS - You are invited to attend the Virtual Adult Discipleship Classes. Classes are held on Wednesdays at 7:00pm on the St. Matthew BlueJeans account. Please RSVP with the church office @ 847/438-7709 or selimos@stmattsonline.com

TUESDAY EVENING LADIES' BIBLE STUDY - Bible Study meets virtually on Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm via BlueJeans.

Trusting God: A Life Without Worry - If you have not attended previously or cannot find your book, please reach out to Nancy Blonski for a copy.

For more information, please see Nancy Blonski on the weekends or you can email her at nblonski@truemen.org or call/text at 909-587-9945.

MEN'S MINISTRY - SATURDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY "GENESIS: In the Beginning" is the men's Bible study at St. Matthew. Study is held on Saturdays at 9:00 a.m.

There's still room for you! We've had about 5 guys in Luther Hall and there's room for five more!

Please note, there will be no coffee or treats offered at this time. You can also participate via our Virtual Bible Study Classroom!

If you will be participating in person, please enter through **Door 12** - the Church Office entrance. ***This will be the only door that will be unlocked*** (even fobs won't work on any other door). If you haven't already done so, please contact Pastor Blonski via [email here](mailto:blonski@stmattsonline.com) or by phone - 909/373-7936 - to RSVP.

You are asked to please practice six-foot social distancing and wear a face covering when entering or exiting the campus and when you are not otherwise talking or singing. We are doing this out of respect for the health and well being of our brothers in Christ. Please contact the church office for Virtual Study information.

YOUTH BIBLE STUDY (Jr. & Sr. High) -

VIRTUAL classes are being offered on October 18 and 25 at 10:00am. For more information, please contact Kristin Gierke @ 847/438-7709 or Gierke@stmattsonline.com

SUNDAY SCHOOL - Virtual classes are being offered on the Sunday School registration link:

<https://forms.gle/CsZqriBFNUM6yjuVA>

Link is also available on the St. Matthew website on the Sunday School page.

YOUTH CONFIRMATION MINISTRY FOR 6th, 7th AND 8th GRADERS

The decision has been reached to offer Catechism Instruction using a **Virtual Approach**, that is, that all teaching and guidance in learning will take place online. In the beginning of November, an evaluation will be made and a decision reached regarding the Spring Semester. Please contact Pastor Kinne or Pastor Blonski if you have any questions.

PRE CONFIRMATION FOR 5th GRADERS

All 5th graders of the congregation are invited to attend VIRTUAL Online pre-confirmation classes on Sunday mornings at 11:00am. Please contact Pastor Kinne if you have any questions.

St. Matthew thanks the Donna Grund family for providing materials for our Ladies', Men's & Sunday Morning Bible Studies.

Lutheran Church Charities Bible Study (LCC)

WORD - WHO IS JESUS ACCORDING TO JESUS. A Study of The Gospels. Instructor: **Tim Hetzner President/CEO of Lutheran Church Charities.** All classes are offered via ZOOM at 9:30AM AND 7PM on Mondays Go to LutheranChurchCharities.org to register or call 866-455-6466

October is
Pastor Appreciation
Month

