

ST. MATTHEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

extends a warm welcome in the name of Jesus Christ to all those who worship with us today. If you are a guest this morning, we are grateful for the opportunity to worship with you and hope you will return often. If you would like information about the ministries of St. Matthews, please speak to a pastor or to a Hospitality Team member.

TRUNK OR TREAT, OCTOBER 31 — We invite you and your family to a safe, socially distanced Trunk or Treat next Sunday, October 31, from 2-5pm at our River City Campus.

To keep things safe, we are asking families to sign up for an arrival time. You can sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0D45ACA92CA7F94-trunkortreat>

Trunks will be spread out and there will be two starting points so families can remain socially distant while still having fun. Masks will be required for all participants.

Everything will be outdoors and we will have prizes in several categories for trunks, including "Best Socially Distant Candy Delivery System," "People's Choice," and "Best Theme."

We would like at least 50 trunks, so if you can participate with a decorated trunk, please sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0D45ACA92CA7F94-trunk>

For any questions, please reach out to Shannon Seidt or Lexie Chapman.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY — We have begun construction on our 9th Habitat for Humanity house - for Ardo Samriye and her family - in partnership with St. Paul, St. John and Prairie Village United Methodist Churches. Your support of this mission outreach blesses our entire community through your prayers, your financial contributions (www.stmatthewsmethodist.com/giving), and by volunteering on the build (ages 16 and older). Contact John Stokes at jstokes@twc.com for more information!

UNITED METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOMES — October 31 is a Fifth Sunday "Offering of Hope" in support of our Kentucky United Methodist Children's Homes. Your gift supports this ministry for at-risk youngsters. Special offering envelopes will be available at all our worship services next Sunday. You can also text to give (text "5thsunday" to 855-735-2437) or give online at kyumh.org/donate.

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY — November 7 is All Saints Sunday, a day that we pause to remember and celebrate the lives of those members of our congregation who have entered the Church Triumphant in the past year. You are welcome and encouraged to bring a tabletop-framed picture of a loved one who has died this year as a memorial to be displayed in worship during any of our services that day.

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Our MISSION is to strengthen Christian faith and service through our ministries, worship, and programs, calling all people to seek God, share the Gospel, and serve their neighbors.

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Greeters (8:30).....Debbie Gilpin, Cordell Lawrence
Greeters (11:00).....Barbara Brock, Diane Koprowski
Liturgists (8:30).....Jerry Keys, Cordell Lawrence
Liturgist (11:00).....Melanie Sparks, Alan Wild

CHURCH STAFF

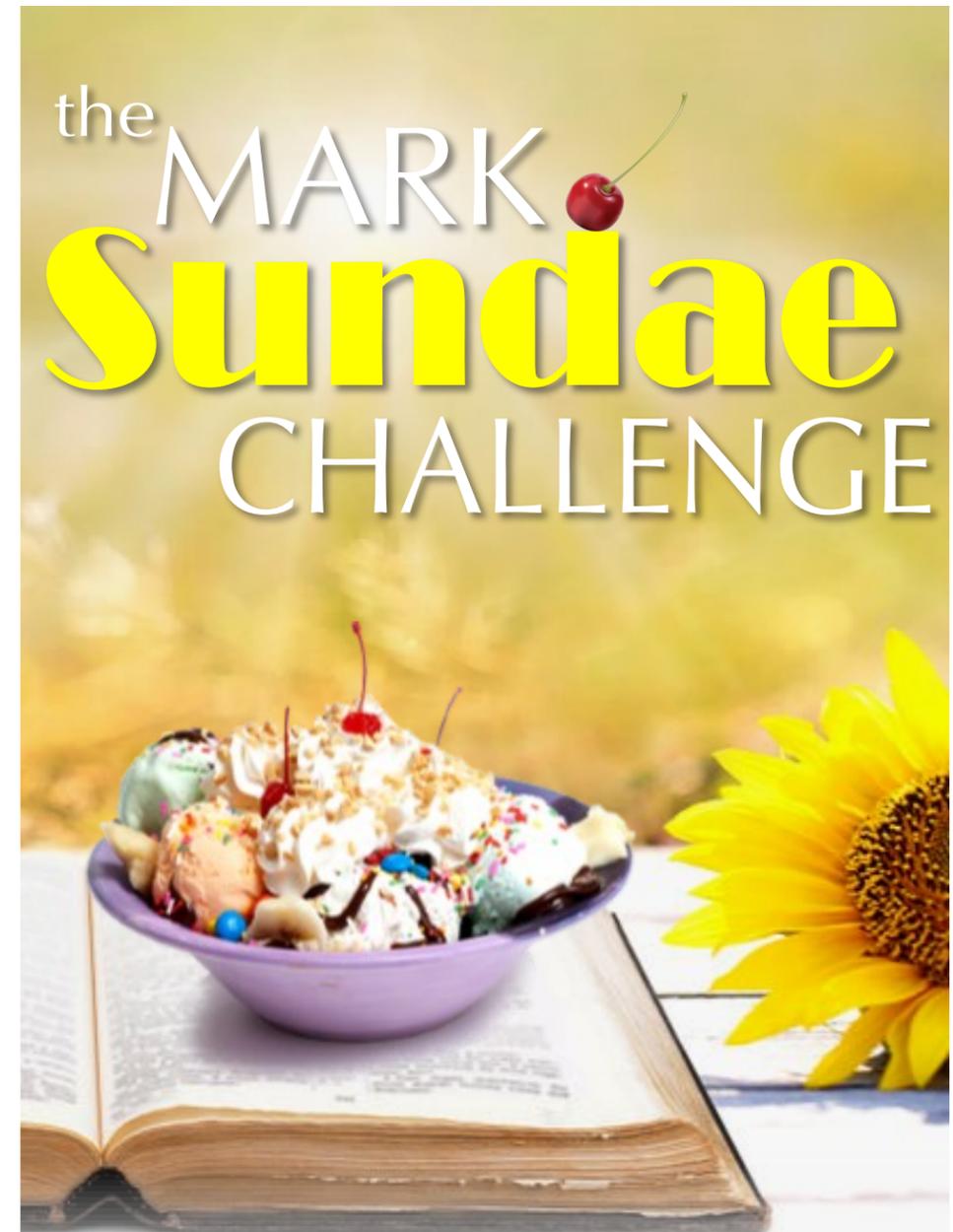
Rev. Adam Sparks Senior Pastor
Rev. Renee Jennings..... Associate Pastor
Rev. Maikel Rojas Associate Pastor
Kate Shafferman Care Coordinator
Harrison Zoercher Director of Discipleship & Missions; Organist
Shannon Seidt Director of Children's Ministries
Noel Weaver..... Director of Music Ministries
Miriam Rodriguez..... Music Associate, Canvas
Raiko Ruz..... Music Associate, TDA
Aaron Weaver Music Associate, Youth Choir
Mark Benz Music Associate, Children's Choirs
Andrew Chapman River City Worship Leader
Amber Jenkins..... St. Matthews Campus Youth Minister
Lexie Chapman..... River City Children's & Nursery Ministry Director
Sandy Hottell..... Administrator/Financial Secretary
Allyson McCormick Nursery Coordinator
Frank Krause..... Sexton

IN OUR PRAYERS

Fred Bennett	Tabby Nuckols	Senior/Assisted Living
Russell Browder	Rachel (Weaver) Potter	Forest Bower
April Bunn	Winn Potter	Debbie Brown
The Cox Family	Terri & Anna Puro	Ailene Elliott
Ronnie Dolen	Elizabeth Putnam	Sara Fredenberger
Barbara Douglas	Bob Royer	Harold Freeman
Mark Foster	Brady Royse	Linda Garrett
Owen Fredrickson	Tom Schoeberl	Barbara Harding
The Freeman Family	Lenora Schultheis	Grace Hunt
Diane & Tom Fuchs	Gail Shaw	Geneva Madden
Charlie Gatton	John Sheesley	Ina Reeb
Barbara Head	Kathy Sherman	Liz Swindler
David Hilliker	Jim Simpson	Barbara Tracy
Monica Layton	Chester Skubiszewski	
Judy Leonard	Orson Smith III	
Judy Marille	Don Wagaman	
Jamie Mercer	Bill Wild	
Erin Murphy		

You may make a prayer request by phoning the church office, by email at prayers@saintmatthewsumc.org, or on the church website: www.stmatthewsmethodist.com. Please note that prayer requests normally remain on the prayer list for a period of three (3) weeks.

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October 24, 2021
The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost



PRELUDE *Pianosong* Paul Halley
 Mark Benz, piano

† CALL TO WORSHIP
 (8:30) Jerry Keys
 (11:00) Melanie Sparks

Welcome to this place,
 where all generations sit side by side,
**where heaven and earth embrace in peace,
 where God has been, is, and always will be.**

Welcome to this place,
 as we gather with all of God's children:
**where we find God's love,
 where we hear the tender voice of Jesus,
 where the Spirit teaches us new songs.**

Welcome to this place, where all is made ready by our God:
**where we bring our hunger, and find food;
 where we bring our brokenness, and find healing;
 where we bring our very selves,
 and find acceptance.**

† HYMN 68
When in Our Music God Is Glorified ENGELBERG

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth;
 And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 born of the Virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, dead, and buried;
 the third day he rose from the dead;
 he ascended into heaven,
 and sitteth at the right hand of God
 the Father Almighty;
 from thence he shall come to judge
 the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.**

INVITATION TO GIVE

OFFERTORY *How Firm a Foundation* arr. John Rutter
 Sanctuary Choir and Congregation

Verse 1 - Choir only
 How firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord,
 is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!
 What more can he say than to you he hath said,
 to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Verse 2 - Choir only
 "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
 for I am thy God and will still give you aid;
 I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
 upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

Verse 3 - Congregation and Choir
**When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
 the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow,
 For I will be with thee thy troubles to bless,
 and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.**

Verse 4 - Choir only
 "When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
 my grace all-sufficient shall be thy supply;
 the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
 thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine.

Verse 5 - Congregation and Choir
**The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose
 I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
 That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
 I'll never, no never, no never forsake!**

† DOXOLOGY 94
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise God, all creatures here below:
 Alleluia! Alleluia!
 Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
 Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
 Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
 Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

PASTORAL PRAYER

† HYMN 138
The King of Love My Shepherd Is ST. COLUMBIA

† SCRIPTURE LESSON
 (8:30) Cordell Lawrence
 (11:00) Alan Wild

Mark 14:12-26 (NIV)

¹² On the first day of the Festival of Unleavened Bread, when it was customary to sacrifice the Passover lamb, Jesus' disciples asked him, "Where do you want us to go and make preparations for you to eat the Passover?"

¹³ So he sent two of his disciples, telling them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him. ¹⁴ Say to the owner of the house he enters, 'The Teacher asks: Where is my guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?'" ¹⁵ He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there."

¹⁶ The disciples left, went into the city and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover.

¹⁷ When evening came, Jesus arrived with the Twelve. ¹⁸ While they were reclining at the table eating, he said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me—one who is eating with me."

¹⁹ They were saddened, and one by one they said to him, "Surely you don't mean me?"

²⁰ "It is one of the Twelve," he replied, "one who dips bread into the bowl with me. ²¹ The Son of Man will go just as it is written about him. But woe to that man who betrays the Son of Man! It would be better for him if he had not been born."

SERMON
 Rev. Adam Sparks

THE LORD'S PRAYER

† HYMN 365
Grace Greater than Our Sin MOODY

† BENEDICTION

† CLOSING VOLUNTARY *Psalms XX* Benedetto Marcello

† As you are able, please stand.

- Thank you for remembering to silence your cell phone or other communications device as you entered the sanctuary.
- A nursery is available for infants, toddlers and 2-year-olds during the worship service. Please see a greeter for directions.