

SAINT MATTHEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Bridging Generational and Spiritual Gaps through Prayer, Faith, and Ministry
www.st-matthewsumc.org

REV. DR. ARNETTA E. BEVERLY, PASTOR

Sunday, April 7, 2013

8:30 A.M

Second Sunday of Easter

Mr. Duncan Butler & Mr. James Siddle, Musicians

Mr. Lewis Burgman, Liturgist

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Lord is in His Holy Temple; let all the earth keep silent.

Please turn off or mute all electronic devices; electronic Bibles accepted...

SAFE SANCTUARY ALERT: *Parents, please escort your child to the restroom if he or she is under age 12. Do not allow them in the hallways alone.*

Prelude

*Light of Christ

*Call to Worship

Leader: Praise God for the mighty things he has done.

People: We will praise his supreme greatness.

Leader: Praise him with music. Praise the Lord, all living creatures!

People: Praise the Lord!

Opening Selection.....Progressive Adult Choir

Time of Sharing of Joys and Concerns

*The Apostles' Creed - Traditional Version.....Page 881

Welcome of Guests

Selection.....Progressive Adult Choir

Children's Moments.....Mrs. Dorothy Vannoy

Offering.....Stewardship Bible Verse – Matthew 12:33

“Either make the tree good, and its fruit good; or make the tree bad, and its fruit bad; for the tree is known by its fruit.”

*The Offertory Selection: #588.....“All Things Come of Thee”

Selection.....Progressive Adult Choir

Scripture.....Acts 5:27-32

Sermon:”Witnesses To God's Power”

Service of Word and Table III.....Page 15

Call to Christian Discipleship and Altar Prayer

Dismissal with Blessings

Departing Meditation: For what our eyes have seen, our ears heard and our hearts felt, we now meditate on these things before going into the world to serve God and humankind.

*The Light of Christ

*Doxology: #94.....“Praise God, From Whom All Blessing Flow”

**PEOPLE STAND*

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Carl Brower, Sr.	03		Jasmine Dunlap	20
Karine Crosby	06		Antione Morgan	21
Joyce Morrison	06		Frank Glover	21
Dorothy Coley	09		Zuri Ferguson	21
Annye Wright	09		Brenda C. Caldwell	22
Gina Bethel	11		Arthur Hall	23
Karen Guy	11		Brandan Izzard	23
Donald Caudle	11		Arthur G. Hall	23
Lydia Gibson	12		Mary Donnell	24
Elijah Morrison	12		Thelma Scott	25
Russell Gibson	13		Sharon Bigelow	25
Hilda Allen	14		Andrena Coleman	26
Veda Stroud	14		Shandrea Walden	27
Ronald Wright, Jr.	17		Joyce Palm-Harris	27
Owen T. Guess	17		Maliyah Vannoy	29
Roynald Wright, Jr.	17		Scott Vannoy	29
Fleming Brewer	18		Latosha Dunlap	29
Wilhemina Hendrick	18			

THE FOOD PANTRY BIRTHDAY CLUB

Please remember your Food Pantry Birthday Club giving. Here's how it works. If your birthday is this month, you can:

- 1) Bring equivalent food items that match your age
- 2) Make a monetary donation that matches your age
- 3) Bring a combination of options 1 and 2
- 4) Honor a fellow member's birthday by donation food items or money

“Whenever we have the opportunity we should do good to everyone.”

Galatians 6:10 NLT

SAINT MATTHEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Bridging Generational and Spiritual Gaps through Prayer, Faith, and Ministry
www.st-matthewsumc.org

REV. DR. ARNETTA E. BEVERLY, PASTOR
Sunday, April 7, 2013
11:00 A.M.

Second Sunday of Easter
Mrs. Edna B. Johnson, Musician
Ms. Karlah Burton, Liturgist

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Lord is in His Holy Temple; let all the earth keep silent.
Please turn off or mute all electronic devices; electronic Bibles accepted...
SAFE SANCTUARY ALERT: *Parents, please escort your child to the restroom if he or she is under age 12. Do not allow them in the hallways alone.*

Prelude

*Light of Christ

*Call to Worship

Leader: Praise God for the mighty things he has done.

People: We will praise his supreme greatness.

Leader: Praise him with music. Praise the Lord, all living creatures!

People: Praise the Lord!

Opening Hymn: #159.....“*Lift High the Cross*”

Opening Prayer (in unison): **Almighty God, through the resurrection of your Son, you have made us a part of your new creation. You have brought us together to be your Church – the Body of our Lord on earth. We praise you and give you thanks for this great blessing, and pray that you will empower us to be faithful witnesses to your power. Amen.**

*The Apostles’ Creed, Traditional Version.....Page 881

Welcome of Guests

Anthem.....”*Joyful, Joyful Sing Praise*”

Worship through Liturgical Arts

Children's Moments.....Mrs. Lydia McNeill

Offering.....Stewardship Bible Verse – Matthew 12:33

“Either make the tree good, and its fruit good; or make the tree bad, and its fruit bad; for the tree is known by its fruit.”

*The Offertory.....“*The Lord of Life*”

Hymn of Preparation: #384.....”*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*”
 Scripture.....Acts 5:27-32
 Sermon.....”*Witnesses To God’s Power*”
 Service of Word and Table III.....Page 15
 Dismissal with Blessings

Departing Meditation: For what our eyes have seen, our ears heard and our hearts felt, we now meditate on these things before going into the world to serve God and humankind.

*The Light of Christ

*The Doxology: #94..... “*Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*”

**PEOPLE STAND*

**DAILY BIBLE READING – APRIL 2013
 A PEOPLE OF HOPE**

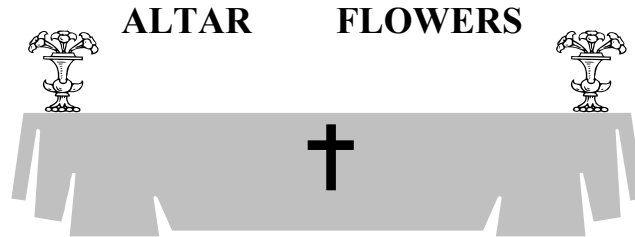


07	Second Sunday of Easter	John 20:19-31
08	The call of Gideon	Judg. 6:11-24
09	Serve the Lord with all your heart	1 Sam. 12:19-25
10	The fiery furnace	Dan. 3:13-18, 22-26
11	The conversion of Saul	Acts 9:1-6 (7-20)
12	Thanksgiving for divine healing	Ps. 30
13	Praise from every creature in heaven	Rev. 5:11-14

“There is joy in O.J.T. (on the job training). Just as Peter watched Jesus performed miracles, through training and watching others in the faith, we must become creditable witnesses of Christ’s resurrection.”

Pastor Beverly

ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Worship Service is enhanced by the presence of flowers. Each Sunday a family member or group provides flowers in memory/ honor of a loved one. It is requested that following the last service the flowers be returned to the family. The beautiful altar flowers today are given in honor of all guests and friends of Saint Matthews UMC.

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

When the silver trays are passed on Sunday, **April 14**, please give generously to support our Native American Sisters and Brothers in their ministry in the United Methodist Church.

THANK YOU!

Ms. Joanne Brower and the Schenck Family gratefully acknowledge your words of comfort and prayers during the loss of our beloved father, Mr. John Henry Schenck, Sr. May God continue to richly bless each of you for your kindness.

TAKE ACTION TO SAVE EARLY VOTING!

Save Early Voting! Greensboro Press Conference

Thursday, **April 4** at 10:30am

Old County Courthouse – 301 Market Street

Come stand with your fellow citizens, teachers, former election officials and others as they call attention to the devastating consequences of bills pending in the NCGA to cut early voting in half, eliminate same-day registration and Sunday voting – changes that make it much harder for people to vote. It's your right to vote!

SPRING REVIVAL

The Greensboro Cluster Spring Revival Youth Night will be celebrated at Metropolitan UMC on East Market Street. Our Fellowship Choir will bring the evening music. Please join us and the youth of the community on Thursday, **April 11** at 7pm.

FREE TAX PREPARATION.... at the Glenwood Library, 1901 W. Florida St. every Saturday until **April 13** from 9:30am - 12:30pm.

IMPORTANT DATES/REMINDERS

APRIL 2013

17	Wednesday	EYG Meeting, 12noon (Group 4- Meal), Speaker
20	Saturday	Usher Meeting, 10am-12noon, Chapel
21	Sunday	Status of Role and Women Reception, after service Daystar Concert, 4pm, Sanctuary
27	Saturday	Jazz Poetry Event/Spaghetti Supper, 4:30-6pm, FH Community Clothes Closet giveaway, 12noon-3pm

TRANSITION NETWORK, INC.... Founder, Councilwoman Dianne T. Bellamy- Small, will participate in the Human Race sponsored by Volunteer Center of Greensboro. The Human Race is an annual charity walk and 5K running event to benefit local non-profit organizations. The 2013 event will be held on Saturday, **April 13** starting at 9am at the Greensboro Coliseum Complex. Transition Network, Inc. assists ex-offenders with re-entry. Since February, 2012, TNI has assisted almost 90 individuals with personal needs assistance, connection to job opportunities and other human services in the county. Our motto is "Changing lives through Changing Hearts". Transition Network, Inc. is asking anyone who has an interest in supporting this effort in our community please sign to donate and support TNI in the 17th Annual Human Race at thehumanrace.kintera.org/transitionnetworkinc_0212. For more information about Transition Network, Inc. call 336.833.1499 or visit us on the web at www.transitionnet.org and like us on Facebook.

ADAMS TO HOST PUBLIC MEETING

On Thursday, **April 18** at 6pm at Saint Matthews, Mrs. Alma S. Adams, PhD. will host a public meeting on many critical issues facing our state and community (i.e. Healthcare, Unemployment and Voting Rights, etc.) currently being addressed by your state legislature that will negatively impact the lives of our citizens. Recent discussions have surfaced regarding the future of North Carolina's State Universities including possible elimination of Historically Black Universities. Our students and our universities and colleges need your voice at this meeting. Please Join me. We must fight together!

HOMECOMING AND REVIVAL 2013

Please join us on Tuesday, **April 30** at 6pm for our first homecoming/revival meeting. All persons interested in participating in our 147th celebrations, please attend this meeting or email Ms. Pam Moye at ksiobohn@clearwire.net or Ms. Albertina McGirt @eamcgirt@ncat.edu. More details soon to come. Don't miss this exciting event!

WE'RE ON THE ROAD AGAIN!

You are invited to join the Wednesday Morning Bible Study Class as they travel to The Pennsylvania Dutch Country to see the production "NOAH" at the Sight and Sound Theatre. Trips dates are June 29-30, 2013. If interested, contact Ms. Honora Brown, Mr. Coley Hooker or Mrs. Joyce Palm-Harris. A \$100 deposit is required to make a reservation.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE!

Are you, or someone you know, interested in volunteering at the Go Red For Women" Educational Expo and Luncheon on May 6, 2013 at Koury Convention Center? If you are not already planning to attend as a guest, this is a great way to be involved and to honor the women in your life! Volunteers opportunities vary in task and time commitment, so if you are interested, let us know and we will find the right spot for you! Grab a few of your girlfriends and come spend the morning with us! Please direct inquiries to our Volunteer Manager, Morgan Prince, at t-Morgan.Prince@heart.org.

PRE-CONFERENCE BRIEFING FOR DELEGATES....on Sunday, June 9, 2013 at 2:30pm at Wesley Memorial UMC, 1225 Chestnut Dr., High Point, NC. For more information contact us at 336.884.2204 or www.wesleymemorial.org.

LET'S RECYCLE!

The Church and Society Committee in cooperation with the City of Greensboro Recycling Center have obtained a recycling bin for use by church members in which to collect recyclable products. Pickup is every two weeks. If anyone is interested in volunteering to empty the recycling bins each week (on a rotating basis) please contact Ms. Michelle Mebane, Ms. Audrey Carpenter, Mrs. Allison Chiles, or Ms. Karlah Burton.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS DEADLINE

Please be mindful of the deadline for announcements for the bulletin, Wednesday by 2pm. You MUST SUBMIT BEFORE THE DEADLINE. Information received after the deadline will appear in the following week's bulletin.

CHECK REQUEST PROCEDURE

Committee leaders, chairperson or persons with a check request, please submit Request for Checks on Wednesday by 3pm. They will be available for pick-up or mailing by the following Friday morning. If you have an emergency request, please complete the Check Request Form and leave it at the church office or in the door tray.

CHURCH TABLES AND CHAIRS

No chair, tables, or other church properties are to be taken off the premises or borrowed without the written consent of the Trustees. A Request Form has to be completed or send your request by email to smatt600@triad.rr.com for approval.

REQUEST AND ROOM SCHEDULING

No one is to schedule a meeting, rehearsal, or any other activity unless cleared with Ms. Kirk. The custodians will not open an office door for anyone unless granted permission. Each organization is responsible for making sure all lights and machines are off in the area being used before leaving the building. The custodians will be the last to leave and will make sure all exit and entrance doors are secure.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

SEIZING THE MOMENT™

Malachi House II 3rd Annual Silent Auction Fundraising Banquet “Seizing The Moment will be held on Friday and Saturday, **April 12 -13** at 6:30pm at the Dynacom Event Center, 2100 E. Wendover Ave. Reserve your seat today at 336.375.0900. Individual - \$20 Table of 8 - \$120

METROPOLITAN’S MEN’S CHOIR ANNIVERSARY

You don’t want to miss this! The Metropolitan Men’s Choir will celebrate their anniversary on Sunday, **April 14** at 3pm. Join us as we declare, “There Is Power In the Name of Jesus”.

ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Please join us for our Annual Breakfast Fundraiser on Wednesday, **April 17** at 7:30-8:30am at 429 Gillespie Street. Eastside Park Community Center, a non-profit center serves a community of more than 325 households by providing education and enrichment programs for children, teens, and adults of all ages. The Center is only able to continue to serve the community through the generosity of individual contributors. The breakfast will include turkey or pork sausage and bacon, pancakes, fruit juice, and coffee. Please RSVP to 336.574.0980 or eastsidepark@triad.rr.com. Plan to arrive at the Center by 7:15am for the special program planned for you.

2nd ANNUAL MIND, BODY, & SOUL 5K WALK/RUN

The Ladies of Beauty and Men of Boldness Mentoring Programs of Greensboro are designed for middle and high school young ladies and men to increase their areas of self-esteem, self-worth, good citizenship and community service. The mentoring programs in conjunction with the Piedmont Health Services and Sickle Cell Agency, will sponsor the 5k Walk/Run on Saturday, **April 20** at 3:33pm at the Anointed Hands Hair Salon, 2110 Golden Gate Drive. Proceeds will be donated to Piedmont Health Services and Sickle Cell Agency (PHSSCA).

MT. TABOR UMC

The Male Chorus of Mt. Tabor UMC cordially invite your Male Chorus or Choirs to participate on our Anniversary Program on Sunday, **April 21** at 3pm. Please RSVP to Mr. Morris Lamberth at 336.681.1505.

PRAYER, PRAISE AND WORSHIP SUMMIT 2013

Mt. Zion Baptist Church invites you and your congregation to share with us in a Prayer, Praise and Worship Summit on **April 25-28**. This Summit will include music classes and nightly sessions for singles, couples and youth. You can call our office at 336.373.4245 or visit our website at www.mtzbc.com.

RAINBOW TEA

Raleigh's Crossroad United Methodist Women invite you to join us for our Rainbow Tea on Sunday, **April 28** at 3pm. If you cannot attend, please be in prayer for this event.

SAINT PAUL BAPTIST CHURCH CONFERENCE

We are hosting our 2013 All 4 Christ Youth Conference on Wednesday-Friday, July 24-26 & Sunday, the 28th. The conference theme is "Get Connected, Stay Connected, with the focus scripture being Colossians 2:6-7. Registration is now available. The cost is \$10 per person and includes a conference t-shirt, if you register before Sunday, June 30, 2013. Contact us at 336.275.4680 or website www.stpaulbcinc.org.

PHONE TREE

Our new phone tree is fully operational and you should have received a call last weekend. If you did not, please complete the form below to assure that you receive all future church announcements. Place completed form in the collection plate.

Name _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (home) _____ (cell) _____

Email _____

Please circle your primary contact number. This information will be used **ONLY** by the Phone Tree Committee.

SAINT MATTHEWS UMC CLASSIFIED

▪ **NEED STEWARDS, USHERS, AND ACOLYTES?**

Planning a program and need ushers, acolytes, or stewards? Contact the following people a month in advance: Ushers-Mr. Michael Dillard, Acolytes –Mrs. Allison Chiles, Stewards-Mrs. Shirley Hymon-Parker

▪ **PRAISE TEAM / FELLOWSHIP CHOIR MEMBERS NEEDED**

Rehearsal is every Tuesday at 7pm in the Sanctuary.

▪ **ACOLYTES NEEDED** (at least 10 years of age)

Contact Mrs. Allison Chiles. We need acolytes for both services, with the greatest need at 8:30am worship service.

▪ **SHEPHERDS NEEDED -YOUNG ADULTS AND ADULTS**

Persons willing to make contact with flock and communicate permissible information to our pastor, and provide meals for our members in need or visit our sick-and- shut in. Contact Mrs. Wanda Edgerton at 336.275.0027.

▪ **SOUND TECHNICIANS**

Train as sound technicians for both services and other programs/events. Contact Mr. Kaize Adams, Mr. Anthony Adams or Mr. George McNeill.

▪ **MEN CHAPERONES NEEDED**

Serve as chaperones on trips for the youth. Contact Ms. Kimberly Clarke at 336.324.9058.

▪ **SCOUT LEADERS AND ADULT COUNSELORS NEEDED**

Serve as Committee Members, Merit Badge Counselors, Director of Cub Scouts and Eagle Advisors for BSA Troop 441. Contact Mr. Tony Phifer at 336.643.9309.

▪ **CALLING ALL BOYS AGES 10-17**

“STEP” team to our Liturgical Arts Ministry. Contact Ms. Gwen Poole at 336.457.1919 or email woodlea@hotmail.com.

▪ **WE NEED YOU!**

Girls from Kindergarten through High School are needed as Girl Scouts. Contact Mrs. Romona Gibson at 336.632.1495.

▪ **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

Youth Ministry and Sunday School Teachers

▪ **CHURCH AND SOCIETY NEEDS YOU!**

Interested person willing to service on the Church and Society Committee, please contact Ms. Michelle Mebane, Ms. Audrey Carpenter, Mrs. Allison Chiles or chairperson, Ms. Karlah Y. Burton.

VAN DRIVERS FOR APRIL 2013		
07	Pam Moye	
14	Ernest Allen	
21	Hoyte Phifer	
28	John Marks	

Note: Please check the church bulletin board located beside the church office for the upcoming months list of van drivers.

USHERS

8:30 A.M.

Andrena Coleman
Cindy Donnell
Joyce Palm-Harris

11:00 A.M.

Thomas Brown
Michael Dillard
Clarence Grier
George Grier
Andre' Harris

STEWARDS

ERNEST ALLEN
Joseph Whittaker
Malik Matthews
Clarence Grier

FRANK GLOVER
Russell Gibson
George McNeill
William Scarborough

EDMUND FAIRLEY
Buford Kidd
Kimberly Clarke

ACOLYTES FOR APRIL 2013		
	8:30 A.M.	11:00 A.M.
07	Harper Chiles	Caroline & John Bigelow and Clive Dixon
14	Brianna Beck	Eleana & Keith Purvis
21	Howard Evans.	George & Haven Grier
28	Harper Chiles	Brenda C. Caldwell & Johnny Powell



Let us remember our sick and shut-in members
with our prayers, calls and visits.

SHEPHERDS: Your flock wants to hear from you! If you have not contacted them lately, why not do it soon. **BECAUSE WE CARE**, and to ensure that our church can extend every caring ministry (prayer, shepherding, pastoral and lay visits, communion, hospital visits, prayer shawl, and phone calls) to our members in a time of need, we ask that if you or a family member are going to the hospital, at home sick, or experiencing a crisis such as a death in the family, please call Pastor Beverly at the church or call her cell phone number at 704-718-3839. You may also contact your shepherd. Thank you in advance for helping the church to provide the best care possible to its members.

VISITORS WELCOME: It is with great pleasure that we receive you on this Lord's Day, not as visitors, but as friends and fellow worshipers of the true God. We wish for you all the joys of the true worshipers today and always. Visit us often. If you are without a church home, we invite you to join us here at St. Matthews.

TAPE MINISTRY: Audiotapes of the weekly worship service(s) and other special services are available at a cost of \$2.00 per tape. Please fill out form located in the church office.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

DAY	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
SUNDAY	Early Morning Service	8:30am	Sanctuary
	Sunday School	10am	Classrooms & Chapel
	Worship Service	11am	Sanctuary
	Youth Choir Rehearsal	2pm – 3:30pm	Sanctuary
		(1 st & 2 nd Sunday)	
		12:30pm – 1pm	
		(3 rd Sunday)	
	Youth Meeting	12:30pm-2pm	Room 20/ Lounge
TUESDAY	Fellowship Choir Rehearsal	6:30pm – 8pm	Sanctuary
	Adult Bible Study	6:30pm – 8pm	Room 20
	Men's Rehearsal	6pm -7pm	Choir Room
WEDNESDAY	Adult Bible Study	11am – 12noon	Room 20
	Corporate Prayer	12 noon	Sanctuary
	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	6:30pm – 7:30pm	Choir Room Sanctuary
	Progressive Adult Choir Rehearsal	7pm – 8:30pm	Sanctuary/ Chapel
	Youth Bible Study	7pm-8pm	Lounge

THURSDAY			
	Young Adult Bible Study	6:30-7:30pm	Room 20
SATURDAY	Boy Scout's Meeting	10am – 11am	Fellowship Hall
	Youth Meeting	5pm	TBA
	Drug Anonymous	9:30pm – 11:30pm	Fellowship Hall
MON - WED	Food Pantry Open	10am – 12pm	Pantry

Note: Children's Choir Rehearsal day has changed to Monday at 6:30pm.