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## **The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost Proper 25**

### **October 25, 2015**

## **The Liturgy of The Holy Eucharist II**

### **Gathering Music**

**Great is the Lord**

#### Great is the Lord

For as high as the heavens are above the earth,  
So great is His mercy to me.  
And as far as the east is from the west,  
So far are my sins from me.  
Great is the Lord, His mercy endures forever,  
forever.  
Great is the Lord, His mercy endures forever,  
forever.

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### **Procession to the Altar**

**Taste and See**

#### Taste and See

Antiphon: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord,  
Let us taste the goodness of the Lord.  
(repeat)

1. I will bless the Lord, his praise be ever in my mouth.  
Let my soul glory in the Lord,  
The lowly will hear and be glad.

2. Glorify the Lord with me, together we'll praise his name.  
I sought the Lord and he answered me,  
Deliver me from all my fears.
3. Look to him and be radiant with joy,  
And your face will not blush with shame.  
Afflicted men call out to him,  
From all his distress he is saved.

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*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

#### *Celebrant*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria, *said* at 8am

Sing Halleluia, *sung* at 10am

(Printed on page 11 of the Worship Guide)

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King/ almighty God and Father,**

**we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God/ you take away the sin  
of the world: have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High/ Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## **The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **A Reading from Jeremiah** (31:7-9)

Thus says the LORD:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,  
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;  
proclaim, give praise, and say,  
"Save, O LORD, your people,  
the remnant of Israel."

See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,

and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,  
among them the blind and the lame, those with child and

those in labor, together;  
a great company, they shall return here.

With weeping they shall come,  
and with consolations I will lead them back,  
I will let them walk by brooks of water,  
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;

for I have become a father to Israel,  
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 126**

(Read in unison after the first asterisk)

- 1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, **\*then were we like those who dream.**
- 2 **Then was our mouth filled with laughter, \*and our tongue with shouts of joy.**
- 3 **Then they said among the nations, \* "The LORD has done great things for them."**
- 4 **The LORD has done great things for us, \* and we are glad indeed.**
- 5 **Restore our fortunes, O LORD, \*like the watercourses of the Negev.**
- 6 **Those who sowed with tears \*will reap with songs of joy.**
- 7 **Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, \*will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.**

## **A Reading from Hebrews** (7:23-28)

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord

*People* **Thanks be to God**

## **Gradual Hymn #479 vss. 1-3**

*Glory be to Jesus*

## **The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark** (10:46-52)

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **Gradual Hymn #479 vss. 4-5**

*Glory be to Jesus*

## **The Sermon**

Father Haynes

*Silence for reflection*

## **The Nicene Creed** (Standing, as able.)

We believe in one God / **the Father the Almighty / maker of heaven and earth / of all that is seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ / the only Son of God / eternally begotten of the Father / God from God Light from Light / true God from true God / begotten, not made / of one Being**

**with the Father / Through him all things were made / For us and for our salvation / he came down from heaven / By the power of the Holy Spirit / he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man / For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate / he suffered death and was buried. / On the third day he rose again / in accordance with the Scriptures / he ascended into heaven / and is seated at the right hand of the Father / He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead / and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life / who proceeds from the Father and the Son / With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified / He has spoken through the Prophets / We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church / We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins / We look for the resurrection of the dead / and the life of the world to come. *Amen.***

## **Prayers of the People**

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray for the Anglican Communion, especially for Tohoku - (Japan), Tokyo - (Japan); our diocese, especially for Bishop Rickel and the bishop's staff; and for our parish, especially for our parishioners Marie Monahan; Florence Nabaggala; Lydia Nabawanga.

Lord, in your mercy,  
***Hear our prayer***

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, especially Barack our President, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray for our armed forces, their families, and those who are deployed, especially for those we now name;

Lord, in your mercy,  
***Hear our prayer.***

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours,  
and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and  
love one another as he loves us. We thank you for  
all the blessings of this life, especially for those we  
now name.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body,  
mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their  
troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.  
We pray for those on our prayer list and those in  
our hearts, especially Lyn, Areewa, Eloise, Stephen,  
Dave, Maryann, Brenda, Rose, Shirley, Elsie, Scott,  
Alisande, Ted, Donal, Crystal, Elliott, Don, Marisa,  
Laura, Adam, Cesar, Cherie, Alice, James and for  
those we now name;

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that  
your will for them may be fulfilled. We pray that  
we may share with all your saints in your eternal  
kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

Let us confess our sins against God and our  
neighbor.

*Leader and People*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have  
sinned against you in thought, word, and  
deed, by what we have done, and by what we  
have left undone. We have not loved you  
with our whole heart; we have not loved our  
neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry  
and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son  
Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will, and walk in  
your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Celebrant*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all  
your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen

you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy  
Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**

## **The Peace**

*Celebrant* The Peace of the Lord be always with  
you.

*People* **And also with you.**

## **Announcements, Birthdays, Anniversaries**

### **Offertory Children of the heavenly Father**

Children of the heavenly  
Father Safely in his bosom gather;  
Nestling bird or star in heaven  
Such a refuge ne'er was given.

God his own doth tend and nourish,  
In his holy courts they flourish.  
From all evil things he spares them,  
In his mighty arms he bears them.

Neither life nor death shall ever  
From the Lord his children sever;  
Unto them his grace he showeth,  
And their sorrows all he knoweth.

Though he giveth or he taketh,  
God his children ne'er forsaketh;  
His the loving purpose solely  
To preserve them pure and holy.

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## **The Great Thanksgiving C**

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says*

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

*People:* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our  
God.

*People:* **It is right to give him thanks and  
praise.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

***Glory to you for ever and ever.***

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

***By your will they were created and have their being.***

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

***Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.***

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

***By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.***

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

*Celebrant and People*

## **Sanctus**

**8:00 am (spoken), 10:00 am Sanctus (sung)**

*(Printed on page 11 of the Worship Guide)*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*The people stand or kneel.*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify

them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,  
***We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.***

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

***Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.***

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.  
***AMEN.***

**Lord's Prayer** *said at 8 am & sung at 10 am*

*(Printed on page 12 of the Worship Guide)*

*Celebrant* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our father in heaven  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those**

**who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

## **The Breaking of the Bread and Holy Communion**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Then the Celebrant says*

**[Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]**

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

**The Gifts of God for the People of God.**

**Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.**

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.*

*The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words*

**The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.]  
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]**

*This is our Lord's Table, and He is our host. All persons are invited to receive Holy Communion. Those who have yet to be baptized are encouraged to speak with the clergy after the service about becoming baptized into Christ's Body.*

*Gluten-free hosts and alcohol-free wine are available upon request at the rail.*

## **Communion Music**

### **Bless the Lord, My Soul**

**Bless the Lord, My Soul, and bless His holy name.  
Bless the Lord, My Soul; He rescues me from death.**

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### **We See the Lord / He is Lord**

**We see the Lord, we see the Lord,  
He is high and lifted up,  
And his train fills the temple.  
He is high and lifted up,  
And his train fills the temple.  
The angels cry "Holy!" The angels cry "Holy!"  
The angels cry "Holy is the Lord!"**

**He is Lord, he is Lord,  
He is risen from the dead and he is Lord.  
Ev'ry knee shall bow, ev'ry tongue confess  
That Jesus Christ is Lord!**

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### **Have You Seen Jesus My Lord**

**Refrain: Have you seen Jesus my Lord?  
He's here in plain view.  
Take a look, open your eyes,  
He'll show love to you.**

- 1. Have you ever looked at the sunset,  
With the sky mellowing' red,  
And the clouds suspended like feathers?  
Then I say, you've seen Jesus my Lord.**
- 2. Have you ever stood at the ocean,  
With the white foam at your feet,  
Felt the endless thundering motion?  
Then I say, you've seen Jesus my Lord.**
- 3. Have you ever looked at the cross,  
With the man hanging in pain,  
And the look of love in his eyes:  
Then I say, you've seen Jesus my Lord.**
- 4. Have you ever stood in the family,  
With the Lord there in your midst.  
Seen the face of Christ on each other?  
Than I say, you've seen Jesus my Lord.**

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### ***COMMISSIONING OF LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITORS***

***Celebrant:*** In the name of this congregation we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

*Celebrant and People: We who are many are one body because we all share one bread, one cup.*

## The Post Communion Prayer

*Celebrant:* Let us pray:

*Celebrant and People*

Almighty and everliving God, **we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.**

## The Blessing

The Peace of God, which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## Procession to the Neighborhood

**Hymn #494 vss.1-3**

*Crown him with many crowns*

## St. Matthew Mission Statement

*St. Matthew Church: To be a church that passionately embraces and values all people, growing in the love of Christ through word and action.*

*Celebrant:* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

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### Special Ministers Today

<b>Priest</b>	The Rev. Kendall Haynes
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Frank Blacker
<b>Worship Leader in Training</b>	Mary Blacker

<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Dan Dawes
<b>Lector</b>	Bud Nalder, Chuck Zimmerman
<b>Acolytes</b>	Nicholas Yun Zawadi Chege Art Ladley Gary Neuman Jill Little Pamela Reed
<b>Ushers</b>	
<b>Greeters</b>	
<b>Eucharistic Visitor</b>	Chuck & Lyn Zimmerman
<b>Bread Maker</b>	Marian Oberg
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Sandy Goretti Janet Witter Danielle Hull Linda Pomeroy-Hull Sandy Hust Art Ladley Frank Blacker
<b>Counters</b>	
<b>Nursery</b>	
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Gary Neuman Marcie Neuman Pamela Reed

<b>Altar Guild Director</b>	Linda Pomeroy-Hull
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### St Matthew Episcopal Church Vestry Officers

<b>Treasurer</b>	Frank Blacker
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painted a looong time ago. And 4) The driveway and parking areas definitely need to be refurbished.

## **Today's Prayer List**

Lyn Zimmerman – Myotonic Dystrophy  
Areewa Saray – imprisonment  
Eloise Page (friend of Tom & Elaine Taylor) – hospice  
Stephen Peterson (son of Tom & Judy Peterson) – back pain  
Dave Hopkins – pain management and balance  
Maryann Smith - guidance and wisdom pertaining to her schooling and health.  
Brenda Gilbert – fighting severe health problems  
Rose Barg – recovery from surgery  
Shirley Ryan Rose – (neighbor of Linda Pomeroy-Hull) – continued recovery from a vascular stroke  
Elsie Forrest – Macular Degeneration, tremors, and hernia  
Scott Candoo – undiagnosed medical issues  
Alisande Watterson – tests for a health issue  
Ted Blattenbauer – (friend of Dan & Linda Pomeroy-Hull) – grieving and diagnosed with multiple myeloma  
Donal Hull – (Dan's dad) – heart issues and lung cancer  
Crystal Rose – kidney issues  
Elliott Feit – (friend of Abby Smith) – for complete healing from pain (pancreatic cancer)  
Don Barg – holding the family together  
Marisa La Rue – (friend of Kathleen Manning) – struggle with Parkinson's disease  
Laura O'Donnell – (mother of Alex and Savannah Sloan) for recovery and healing from heart surgery  
Adam – (friend of Liz Latsis brother) – who is very sick with acute Leukemia, spine, lung and fungal infections.  
Cesar Gatbunton – (Agueda Fernandez-Webster's sisters husband) – for recovery and healing from heart surgery  
Cherie Peterson – (sister of Bud Nalder) – suffering from dementia  
Alice Medin – (cousin of Kitty Walker) – complications following knee replacement surgery  
James Sloan – (son of Jim & Ginny Sloan) – incarcerated for a past DUI

**To add someone or take someone off the prayer list, email [saintmatthewpastoralcare@gmail.com](mailto:saintmatthewpastoralcare@gmail.com). Thanks!**

## **Announcements**

### **Building & Grounds Ministry, Maintenance**

**Issues** - Congregation, for the interest of everyone, it seems appropriate to let you know there are a few major maintenance issues that must be dealt with regarding our Building and Grounds. As time goes on and money becomes available, 1) The roof is in dire need of replacement. 2) Siding on the south side of the Church needs to be replaced because of the damage that was caused a few years ago when the roof leaked. 3) The building definitely needs to be repainted, since it was last

When new Vestry members were made aware of these issues they were glad to hear about them. The Building and Grounds ministry felt that if everyone was aware of the imminent requirements we might pool our talents, mutual connections, and ideas to help resolve these issues. Approximately \$100,000 would remedy our concerns but we realize the cures cannot happen immediately. However, a mere \$40,000 would resolve the first two items in short order. Your thoughts and prayers would be appreciated.

**Trunk or Treat Oct 25th** - Bring your little ghouls and boys to the Browns Point Clubhouse parking lot for Trunk or Treat on Sunday, Oct. 25 from 6-7 pm (rain or shine!). Volunteers decorate the trunks of their cars in spooky Halloween fashion and kids make the rounds collecting a treat at each trunk along the way. Kids also vote on their favorite trunk. Families with kids 10 and under welcome! **Trunks Needed!** Help make this Trunk or Treat amazing by decorating your trunk and handing out candy. Prizes awarded to the people's choice for best trunks! If you are interested in providing a trunk, contact [mattwilliamsbp@gmail.com](mailto:mattwilliamsbp@gmail.com) or sign-up in the narthex.

**Annual Chamber Music Recital October 31** - You are all invited to Sherry Vogel's annual Chamber Music Recital here at St. Matthew, Saturday October 31 at 4:00pm. Symphony strings will combine with neighborhood piano students to present a variety of entertaining music. It is free; donations are welcome.

**All Saints Day, Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>** - This year it will be especially exciting because of the baptism of Preston Yeoun, into the Body of Christ. It is also the Sunday we present our pledges and have them blessed. Therefore, it only seems natural that we follow it all with another one of St. Matthew Parish wonderful potlucks. A sign up sheet will be in the vestry for cold food dishes. Dessert will be provided. Thank you. Marcie Neuman, 253 682 8955.



### **Star Wars Movie Series Starts November 1st -**

Parker and Addison Haynes kindly invite you to a Super Sunday Star Wars Movie Series at St. Matthew, Sundays @ 5:30 PM starting **Nov. 1st**. Each movie is approximately 2.5 hours long and lots of fun. Come see the ultimate intergalactic saga of good vs. evil in preparation for the upcoming *Episode VII: The Force Awakens*, which is set to be released in theaters everywhere on December 18th. Bring your own snacks and maybe some to share!

Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> – Episode I: The Phantom Menace

Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> – Episode II: Attack of the Clones

Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> – Episode III: Revenge of the Sith

Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> – Episode IV: A New Hope

Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> – Episode V: The Empire Strikes Back

Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> – Episode VI: Return of the Jedi

Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> – *Opening in Theaters Everywhere!*  
Episode VII: The Force Awakens

**Auction News:** - Those of you who have bought tables: Please email your list of guests and a contact number for them to Kathleen Monahan at [queenkak52@msn.com](mailto:queenkak52@msn.com).

***Our caterers have offered to have special meals available for those with dietary restrictions (such as gluten free and non-dairy). Table hosts, please contact your guests and ask them if they have a dietary restriction, then please email Beth Haynes by October 29<sup>th</sup> ([elepkowski@gmail.com](mailto:elepkowski@gmail.com)) to let her know.***

**Rainier Region Interaction, We want to hear from you!** - Charla Conner, serving as the Rainier Region Co-Convener for the Diocese Convention, is looking for ideas on how we can promote cooperation and working together between parishes and missions within the Rainier Region.

The Rainier Region consists of the following: All Saints', St. Joseph/St. John, St. Mary's, St. Andrew's, St. Luke's, Holy Spirit, Holy Family, Christ Church Tacoma, Christ Church Puyallup, and our parish St.

Matthew's.

So far, they have an idea of creating joint projects between churches. Other Regions have come up with ideas for joint projects which include food banks, music programs, etc.. These joint projects could be region-wide or shared between 2-3 parishes.

*What types of interaction would you like to see happen within our Region? What are some ideas on ways we can promote working together between parishes/missions within our Region?* Be honest and email your ideas/suggestions to Lorina Goodjoint at [lorinagoodj@msn.com](mailto:lorinagoodj@msn.com). Calls are also welcome at (253) 347-7560. Please email/call with your ideas or suggestions by **Nov. 1**.

**CPR Class, November 19<sup>th</sup>** – St. Matthew will host a CPR class on Thursday, November 19<sup>th</sup> from 6pm to 9pm. The class will be instructed by the Browns Point-Dash Point Fire Department. For more information and to register visit the church website at [www.neighborhoodparish.org](http://www.neighborhoodparish.org)

### **Altar Banner Description**

The banner behind the altar was created as a symbol representing the Celebration of Mutual Ministry between our parish and our new rector, Fr. Haynes. The dominant color of red is used to commemorate the St. Matthew's feast day, which was recognized on the date of Fr. Haynes' installation. Church tradition uses red to symbolize the blood of martyrs as well as fire to symbolize the presence of the Holy Spirit. The fabric has many textures, shades and sizes representing all people from all backgrounds, coming together in community with one another. The fabric is woven throughout as a reflection of our diverse selves naturally weaving our way through the lives of our neighbors, friends, and strangers. Burlap was chosen specifically for Fr. Haynes as its faint gold shimmer reminds us of the color that represents the installation of a priest. The texture of the burlap is rough, as not to forget that the relationship and ministry with our parish will ebb and flow with some good days and some more challenging than others without ever forgetting that we're in this together. The wire template is purposefully bent, snapped, and broken, and held

together by wire, sticks and glue as a symbol of our imperfections which are bound in place by the Holy Spirit. The white toile reflects how gently the Holy Spirit moves amongst us, yet at the same time holds us up with great strength, binding us together in unison and unconditional love. Lastly, the cross is a mirror image of the prominent cross so graciously and quietly suspended in our sanctuary. Amidst the layers of fabric and wire, we are continually reminded of our own calling through Christ our Lord to serve others with mutuality and love. To give greater time to ponder our new relationship with each other, Fr. Haynes has requested the banner remain in place until the end of the Season after Pentecost, which runs through Thanksgiving.

### **Mark your calendar—**

- Saturdays, 8AM, Men's Breakfast in the Parish Hall
- Fridays, 7:00PM, Bell choir practice
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month, 9AM-Noon, Julia's Gulch
- Sundays, 11:45AM, Choir rehearsal (first Sunday only at 9:15am)
- Sundays, 9AM Bridging the Gap
- Bible Study, 10AM Thursdays
- 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month, 7PM JLS (Just Love Singing)
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## ST. MATTHEW CHURCH DINNER AUCTION

# MENU

## *Giving Is Receiving*

### **passed appetizers**

sweet chili shrimp skewers with wasabi cream  
fresh mozzarella & tomato skewers with balsamic  
reduction

### **buffet**

mushroom, leek, bacon, & gruyere stuffed chicken  
breast with dijon cream  
rosemary garlic mashed parsnips & potatoes  
carrots, roasted beets & winter squash  
spinach salad with feta, almonds, cucumbers,  
tomatoes & onions  
rustic rolls & butter

### **dessert**

miniature blondie & brownie bites