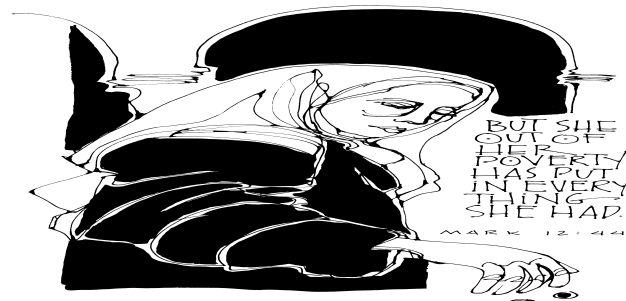




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## The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost Proper 27

**November 8, 2015**



### The Liturgy of The Holy Eucharist II

#### Gathering Music

#### Love One Another

##### Love One Another

Love one another, for love is of God.  
He who loves is born of God, and knows God.  
He who does not love does not know God,  
For God is love, God is love.

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#### Procession to the Altar The Lord is Present

##### The Lord is Present

1. The Lord is present in his sanctuary,  
Let us praise the Lord!  
The Lord is present in his people gathered here,  
Let us praise the Lord!  
Praise him, praise him, let us praise the Lord!  
Praise him, praise him, let us praise Jesus!
2. The Lord is present in his sanctuary,  
Let us sing to the Lord!  
The Lord is present in his people gathered here,  
Let us sing to the Lord!  
Sing to him, sing to him, let us sing to the Lord!  
Sing to him, sing to him, let us sing to Jesus!

3. The Lord is present in his sanctuary,  
Let us delight the Lord!  
The Lord is present in his people gathered here,  
Let us delight the Lord!  
Delight in him, delight in him. let us delight in  
the Lord!  
Delight in him, delight in him, let us delight in  
Jesus!
4. The Lord is present in his sanctuary, let us love  
the Lord!  
The Lord is present in his people gathered here,  
Let us love the Lord!  
Love him, love him, let us love the Lord!  
Love him, love him, let us love Jesus!

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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.

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **A Reading from 1 Kings** (17:8-16)

The word of the LORD came to Elijah, saying, "Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you." So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink." As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." But she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die." Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the

jug of oil will not fail until the day that the LORD sends rain on the earth." She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

## **Psalm 146**

(Read in unison after the first asterisk)

- 1 Hallelujah! Praise the LORD, O my soul! \*  
**I will praise the LORD as long as I live;  
I will sing praises to my God while I have  
my being.**
- 2 **Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any  
child of earth, \*for there is no help in  
them.**
- 3 **When they breathe their last, they return  
to earth, \*and in that day their thoughts  
perish.**
- 4 **Happy are they who have the God of  
Jacob for their help! \*whose hope is in the  
LORD their God;**
- 5 **Who made heaven and earth, the seas,  
and all that is in them; \*who keeps his  
promise for ever;**
- 6 **Who gives justice to those who are  
oppressed, \*and food to those who  
hunger.**
- 7 **The LORD sets the prisoners free;  
the LORD opens the eyes of the blind; \*  
the LORD lifts up those who are bowed  
down;**
- 8 **The LORD loves the righteous; the LORD  
cares for the stranger; \*he sustains the  
orphan and widow, but frustrates the  
way of the wicked.**
- 9 **The LORD shall reign for ever, \*your God,  
O Zion, throughout all generations.  
Hallelujah!**

## **A Reading from Hebrews** (9:24-28)

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

*Reader*    The Word of the Lord  
*People*    **Thanks be to God**

## **Gradual Hymn #707** vss. 1-2

*Take my life and let it be consecrated*

## **The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark** (12:38-44)

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Teaching in the temple, Jesus said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

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

## **Gradual Hymn #707** vss. 1-2

*Take my life and let it be consecrated*

## **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 Upper Shire - (Central Africa); our diocese, especially for St. Paul, Bellingham; Christ Church, Blaine; and for our parish, especially for our parishioners Bud & Ann Nalder; Gary & Marcie Neuman; Nancy Newkirk.

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, Brenda, Rose, Shirley, Elsie, Scott, Alisande, Ted, Donal, Crystal, Elliott, Don, Marisa, Laura, Adam, Cesar, Cherie, Alice, James, Sandy, Lloyd, Julie, Justin, Parker, Edith, Billy 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, praying especially for Meredith Flanders. 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**

### **Gift of finest wheat**

*Refrain:* You satisfy the hungry heart,  
With Gift of Finest Wheat.  
Come give to us, O saving Lord,  
The bread of life to eat.

1. As when the shepherd calls his sheep, they know and Heed his voice;  
So when you call your fam'ly,  
Lord, we follow and rejoice.

2. With joyful lips we sing to you our praise and gratitude,  
That you should count us worthy,  
Lord, to share this heav'nly food.
3. Is not the cup we bless,  
And share the blood of Christ outpoured?  
Do not one cup, one loaf,  
Declare our oneness in the Lord?
4. The myst'ry of your presence,  
Lord, no mortal tongue can tell:  
Whom all the world cannot contain  
Come in our hearts to dwell.
5. You give yourself to us, O Lord;  
Then selfless let us be.  
To serve each other in your name,  
In truth and charity.

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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**

### **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.  
Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

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### **Holy is the Lord**

1. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord.  
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord.  
Give him glory evermore.  
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord.
2. Worthy, worthy, worthy is the Lord.  
Worthy, worthy, worthy is the Lord.  
Give him Glory, evermore.  
Worthy, worthy, worthy is the Lord.

3. Jesus, Jesus, Jesus is the Lord.  
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus is the Lord.  
Give him glory evermore.  
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus is the Lord.
4. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna to the Lord!  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna to the Lord!  
Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna to the 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**

#### They'll know we are Christians By Our Love

1. We are one in the Spirit. We are one in the Lord.  
We are one in the Spirit. We are one in the Lord.  
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.

*Refrain:* And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love.  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love

2. We will walk with each other. We will walk hand in hand.  
We will walk with each other. We will walk hand in hand.  
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.
3. We will work with each other. We will work side by side.  
We will work with each other. We will work side by side.  
And we'll guard each man's dignity and save each man's pride.
4. All praise to the Father, from whom all things came.  
And all praise to Christ Jesus, his only Son,  
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one.

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### **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>	Tom Peterson
<b>Worship Leader in Training</b>	Mary Blacker
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Dick Elofson, Nancy Newkirk
<b>Lector</b>	Bud Nalder, Art Ladley

**Acolytes**

**Ushers**

**Greeters**

**Eucharistic Visitor**

**Bread Maker**

**Altar Guild**

**Counters**

**Nursery**

**Coffee Hour**

**Altar Guild Director**

**St Matthew Episcopal Church Staff**

**Head of the Church**

**Bishop of Olympia**

**Priest**

**Parish Administrator**

**Bookkeeper**

**Church Sexton**

**Pianist**

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The Rev. Kendall Haynes

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Beth Rich

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Sueann Goretti

Marcie Neuman

Sueann Goretti

Sherry Mees Hartley

Jon Kuniyoshi

Fred Vogel

Samuel Kamau

Mark Lepkowski

Liz Latsis

**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

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 Gathbunton – (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

Sandy Green – (brother-in-law) of Alex Ringstad – just entered into Hospice care

Lloyd Wood – (brother of Sue & Sandy Goretti's uncle) – Incarcerated for a DUI offense)

Julie – (friend of Fred & Sherry Vogel) – who is facing breast cancer treatment

Justin Smith – (husband of Abby Smith) – continued Health

Parker and his family and pets – (friend of Abby Smith)

Edith – (friend of Abby Smith) –

Billy Anderson – (friend of Stephanie, one of the servers at Browns Point Diner) – who is in great grief

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

**Thanks!**



# **Announcements**

**Pledgers: Don't forget to return your pledge cards.** Thanks to the 32 pledging units that have turned in their pledge cards. If you are planning to pledge but have not turned in your pledge card we would appreciate if you could turn it in ASAP. Having those pledge cards allows us to draft a sound budget for the coming year. This year we have 55 pledges and are hoping for a few more for 2016 and hope that we will receive them in the next two weeks. You can mail them, drop them by the office, put them in the Treasurer's box just outside the parish hall or put them in the plate on Sunday. Thanks in advance for your help and support. – Your Stewardship Committee

## **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. 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:** - Auction tickets..... for those of you still owing money for the auction tickets, Kathleen Monahan will be in the Parish Hall after 10 am services to collect! Bring your checks, cash, bags of carrots, gold nuggets.....Ooops! Scratch that, bring only cash and checks! Thank you!

**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, 11AM Thursdays
- 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month, 7PM JLS (Just Love Singing)
- Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 5:30PM, Auction at Browns Point Improvement Club
- Thursday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 6-9PM, CPR class at St Matthew
- Thursday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, 9AM, Holy Eucharist