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*Zacchaeus! Come down!  
 I'm going to your house  
 T O D A Y !*

**The Twenty-fourth Sunday  
 after Pentecost  
 Proper 26**

**October 30, 2016**



**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.

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift that your faithful people offer you true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

## **A Reading from Isaiah (1:10-18)**

Hear the word of the LORD,  
you rulers of Sodom!

Listen to the teaching of our God,  
you people of Gomorrah!

What to me is the multitude of your  
sacrifices?  
says the LORD;

I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams  
and the fat of fed beasts;

I do not delight in the blood of bulls,  
or of lambs, or of goats.

When you come to appear before me,  
who asked this from your hand?  
Trample my courts no more;

bringing offerings is futile;  
incense is an abomination to me.

New moon and sabbath and calling of  
convocation--  
I cannot endure solemn assemblies with  
iniquity.

Your new moons and your appointed  
festivals  
my soul hates;

they have become a burden to me,  
I am weary of bearing them.

When you stretch out your hands,  
I will hide my eyes from you;  
even though you make many prayers,  
I will not listen;  
your hands are full of blood.

Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;  
remove the evil of your doings  
from before my eyes;

cease to do evil, learn to do good;  
seek justice, rescue the oppressed,  
defend the orphan,  
plead for the widow.

Come now, let us argue it out,  
says the LORD:

though your sins are like scarlet,  
they shall be like snow;

though they are red like crimson,  
they shall become like wool.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

## **Psalm 32:1-8**

**(Read in unison after the first asterisk)**

1 Happy are they whose transgressions are  
forgiven, **\*and whose sin is put away!**

2 **Happy are they to whom the LORD  
imputes no guilt, \*and in whose  
spirit there is no guile!**

3 **While I held my tongue, my bones  
withered away, \*because of my  
groaning all day long.**

4 **For your hand was heavy upon me day  
and night; \*my moisture was dried  
up as in the heat of summer.**

5 **Then I acknowledged my sin to you, \*  
and did not conceal my guilt.**

6 **I said, " I will confess my transgressions  
to the LORD." \*Then you forgave me  
the guilt of my sin.**

**7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; \*when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.**

**8 You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; \*you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**

## **A Reading from 2 Thessalonians**

(1:1-4, 11-12)

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly, and the love of every one of you for one another is increasing. Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and the afflictions that you are enduring.

To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will make you worthy of his call and will fulfill by his power every good resolve and work of faith, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

*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 Luke**

(19:1-10)

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was

a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

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 Bermuda (Extra-Provincial to Canterbury); our diocese, especially for St. Paul, Mount Vernon; La Iglesia Episcopal de la Resurreccion Mount Vernon and for our parish, especially for our parishioners Barney & Sherry Mees Hartley; Bob & Anne Hartwig; and Kendall, Beth, Parker, Addison & Jack Haynes.

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 Luna Paige Bacon and 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, Dave, Brenda, Shirley, Scott, Ted, Marisa, Sandy, Justin, Beth, Patricia, Paulette, Lila, Keith, Justo, Nathan, Ann, Midi, Agueda, Caitlin, Deb, Nole, Carl, Saray, Pete, Doug and for those we now name;

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

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially for Bob Pirie, 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

## 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 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.**

*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 for ever. 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.**

## St Matthew Episcopal Church Vestry Officers

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## Today's Prayer List

Lyn Zimmerman – Myotonic Dystrophy  
Areewa Saray – imprisonment  
Dave Hopkins – pain management and balance  
Brenda Gilbert – fighting severe health problems  
Shirley Ryan Rose – (neighbor of Linda Pomeroy-Hull) – continued recovery from a vascular stroke  
Scott Candoo – undiagnosed medical issues  
Ted Blattenbauer – (friend of Dan & Linda Pomeroy-Hull) – grieving and diagnosed with multiple myeloma  
Marisa La Rue – (friend of Kathleen Manning) – struggle with Parkinson's disease  
Sandy Green – (brother-in-law) of Alex Ringstad – just entered into Hospice care  
Justin Smith – (husband of Abby Smith) – continued health  
Beth Latsis – (mother of Liz Latsis) – for treatments and healing from stage 3 colon cancer  
Patricia Stanley – (dear friend of Pamela Reed) – who has been diagnosed with ALS  
Paulette – (Jim Sloan's brother Fred's wife) – recovery from surgery for cancer of the throat, also prayer for Fred as he becomes the care giver  
Lila Candoo – adjusting to her transition to Village Green  
Keith Phelps – (brother-in-law of Terry Elofson) - for relief from pain due to cancer treatments.  
Justo Fernandez – (brother of Agueda Fernandez Webster) – for recovery and complications from surgery to place 3 stents in arteries  
Nathan Meyer – (neighbor and cook at Browns Pt Diner) – recovery from a massive stroke  
Ann – (family friend of Sherry & Barney Hartley) – who was recently diagnosed with stage 4 colon cancer.  
Midi Mees – (mother of Sherry Hartley) – for recovery from infection and to gain strength.  
Agueda Fernandez-Webster – for new employment  
Caitlin Forrest – (granddaughter of Elsie Forrest) – recovery from back surgery on November 7th  
Deb – (friend of Jill Little) – whose daughter died of an Overdose  
Noel Grant – (friend of the Walker's) – evaluation and potential back surgery  
Carl Manning – (husband of Kathleen Manning) – has been placed on Hospice care  
Saray Yuorn – guidance  
Pete Bonebakker - (Member of the Gould/Lepkowski/Haynes families) – Liver cancer  
Doug Shew – (husband of co-worker of Cathy Evans) – fluid, swelling in the brain  
**To add someone or take someone off the prayer list, email [saintmatthewpastoralcare@gmail.com](mailto:saintmatthewpastoralcare@gmail.com) .**  
**Thanks!**

## Special Ministers Today

<b>Celebrant</b>	The Rev. Kendall Haynes
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Bob Witter
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Frank Blacker
<b>Lector</b>	Art Ladley
<b>Acolytes</b>	Zawadi Chege Nicholas Yoeun
<b>Ushers</b>	TBA -8 Dan Dawes, Dick Collins
<b>Greeters</b>	Dick Collins Linda Collins
<b>Eucharistic Visitor</b>	Chuck & Lyn Zimmerman
<b>Bread Maker</b>	Marian Oberg
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Sandy Goretti-8 Sandy Hust-8 Janet Witter Danielle Hull Linda Pomeroy-Hull
<b>Counters</b>	Linda Collins Jackie Whorton
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	TBD TBD Claire Scharmach
<b>Altar Guild Director</b>	Linda Pomeroy-Hull

## St Matthew Episcopal Church Staff

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## St Matthew Episcopal Church Vestry

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# Announcements

**Lower Sunday School** - The Lower Sunday School (grades Pre-K through 5th) has begun in Classroom 1 using the much praised Montessori based *Godly Play* curriculum. Contact Anne Hartwig for more information: [hartwia@comcast.net](mailto:hartwia@comcast.net).

**2017 Pledge Drive!!** – Please return your pledge cards in the Narthex to the “2017 Pledge Card Drop-off Basket” (also in the Narthex) in time for our *Blessing of the Pledges* on **November 6<sup>th</sup>** as part of our All Saints’/All Souls’ celebration. 2017 is going to be a big year for St. Matthew as we move from survival to sustainability. May God grant us wisdom, strength and courage as we seek to serve Christ in our neighborhood and beyond!

**Upper Sunday School** – Sunday’s 9 AM, the Upper Sunday School (grades 6th through 12th) will continue in Classroom 3. This program will include age appropriate engagement with the Faith for those who are seeking Confirmation and those who are not. Contact Fr. Haynes for more information: [fatherkendall@gmail.com](mailto:fatherkendall@gmail.com).

**Bridging the Gap** – Sunday’s 9 AM, Bridging the Gap (education for adults) will continue in the Parish Hall with an all new series on the Abrahamic Faiths beginning with Judaism. In a world as complex and contentious as ours is today, it is incredibly important to understand how religion functions in our conversations both locally and globally. Contact John Kennedy for more information: [johnakennedy@harbornet.com](mailto:johnakennedy@harbornet.com).

**Bible Study Continues!** - Our mid-week Bible Study continues on **Thursdays @ 10 AM**. From now until early November, we will be studying the letter of **James** and the letter to **Titus**. Come and enjoy! More information: Bud Nalder [bnalder4454@icloud.com](mailto:bnalder4454@icloud.com).

**Auction Donations Needed** - Very talented auction elves (Thank you, Janet Witter and Mary Blacker) have been busy beautifully wrapping donated items. *We are still looking for many more*, whether it is an individual item to be auctioned or an item we can combine with other items to create a theme basket. Please leave your donation on the

auction table in the narthex, so the elves can work their magic. Once again, the parish generosity is amazing and your auction committee appreciates it very much. Any questions? Contact Lorina 253 347 7560 or Marcie 253 682 8955

**Dinner Auction Tickets now on sale**- Fabulous dinner at 5:00 PM on **Nov. 5th** at BPIC Appetizers Mushroom, Leek, Bacon and Gruyere Stuffed Chicken Breast w/Dijon Cream Rosemary Garlic Mashed Parsnips and Potatoes Carrots, Roasted Beets and Winter Squash Spinach Salad w/Feta, Almonds, Cucumbers, Tomatoes & Onions, Rustic rolls and butter \$45.00 for individual tickets. \$320.00 for a table of 8 (\$40.00 each). Tickets can be purchased (cash or check) after any of the services. We already have fabulous items for the auction and it should be a very fun evening for all.

**Chamber Music Recital** - You are invited to attend the annual Chamber Music Recital of the students of Sherry Vogel. Symphony strings combine with neighborhood piano students performing a variety of entertaining music. It's Sunday, Nov. 6th at 1:00, here at St Matthew's.

**Mission to Seafarers - Ditty Bag Day:** (St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church, 3050 California Ave SW, Seattle, WA 98116; **Saturday, November 19 @ 10 AM**) The Mission to Seafarers will be hosting their annual Ditty Bag Day where we pack collected toiletry items and hand knit hats into bags for seafarers. We will be collecting in the Narthex soap, shampoo, razors, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, calendars, and knit hats and bags until the event. Join us in collecting these items and then join us on November 19 to pack them all up and have a pot luck lunch to celebrate! [[More](#)]

**Thanksgiving Basket Outreach** - This year we will continue our community outreach by providing Thanksgiving baskets to 15 families in need. **We are asking the parish to help by contributing the following food items:**

- ✓ Stuffing (boxed or bags for a 12-14 lb turkey)
- ✓ Boxed instant potatoes
- ✓ Canned yams or sweet potatoes
- ✓ Green beans – canned
- ✓ Olives (large, pitted)
- ✓ Cranberries (canned or bags)

Outreach will provide a 12-14 lb turkey and pumpkin pie.

**Please put your donations in the two baskets that are in the Narthex. Please make your donation by Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>.**

Thank you for sharing your abundance with those in need.

**Mark your calendar—**

- Saturdays, 8AM, Men's Breakfast in the Parish Hall
- Wednesdays, Bell Choir practice 7:00pm
- Thursdays, 10AM, Bible Study in the Library
- Choir Rehearsal, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays, 11:45am, (first Sunday only at 9:15am)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, 11:45AM Instrument Rehearsal
- 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month, 7PM JLS (Just Love Singing)
- Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual St Matthew Auction, 5 PM
- Sunday, 1PM, November 6<sup>th</sup>, Chamber Music Recital at St Matthew
- Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, 3PM, South Sound Classical Choir at St Matthew