

The Times at St. Matthew – Word and Action
A weekly e-letter of what is happening at St. Matthew
Lessons: The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 4, 2020

The Sunday Readings: [Isaiah 5:1-7](#)
 [Psalm 80:7-14](#)
 [Philippians 3:4b-14](#)
 [Matthew 21:33-46](#)

Virtual Gatherings:

Virtual Worship in 2 Ways – Sundays beginning at 8 AM (and recorded for later)

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/NeighborhoodParish/>

YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1qLQ1X-HRQ3SSu-6n9_Q8Q

***To keep up to date with your Pledge, please mail your contribution to the church
at 6800 Eastside Dr. NE, Tacoma, WA 98422,
or give online at <https://www.neighborhoodparish.org/online-giving.html>***

Virtual Coffee Hour! – Via Zoom (visit www.zoom.us to sign up) following Virtual Morning Prayer on **Sunday starting around 8:45 AM**. Below is the Zoom invitation:

Topic: Virtual Coffee Hour

Time: **Oct. 4, 2020 08:45 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88005801833?pwd=VE0yL2hhUjFRWk9DYUdKK0ZFb0xrdz09>

Meeting ID: 880 0580 1833

Passcode: 460534

Dial by your location

+1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kbEsC3MsoD>

Special Features:

Bishop Gives Stewardship Talks – Bp. Rickel very graciously recorded two very helpful videos regarding Stewardship. The first is a Stewardship lesson covering what it is and how it effects our lives. The second is a Stewardship sermon using the readings for October 4th. Check them out today!:

Stewardship Lesson: <https://youtu.be/7cuA-MChuFg>

Stewardship Sermon: <https://youtu.be/EkvObxF9ev4>

Opportunities to Serve:

Canvass 2021! – We have now begun our annual Canvass Pledge Drive. Please visit our new Canvass page on our website to make your pledge **by October 15th** online at <https://www.neighborhoodparish.org/canvass-2021.html>. 2021 will be a very challenging year financially for St. Matthew. But with God’s grace and the collective faith of our community, we will weather the pandemic ready to serve our neighborhood as God calls us to. The Canvass Team may be reached anytime at stmatthewcanvassteam@gmail.com.

All Hands on Deck! – Do you want St. Matthew to be financially sound during this pandemic? We are forming a planning committee to explore new and creative fundraising events that will meet some of the financial needs of the parish in 2021 as we move through and beyond this pandemic. Our planning committee will identify a wide range of fundraising ideas as we use our time, talent,

and technology to connect with each other and practice our faith. All ideas are ON THE TABLE and we will implement the best ideas to reach our fundraising goals as we weave together our spiritual life and reconnections along the way. So, let's think big! Raise big! Ready, Set, GO! Call or email Terry Elofson (thelofson@gmail.com 253-670-1948) or Kathy Stewart (kbsdvs@comcast.net 206-915-8916) today to get your name on our planning committee list or you just may feel a "tap on your shoulder" by Terry or Kathy. Thanks you!

Local Outreach/Discretionary Fund Appeal – One area that needs help in our system is money for our Local Outreach/Discretionary Fund. This is the fund for folks in need who come to us asking for help. Please make a separate contribution today online at https://www.eservicepayments.com/cgi-bin/Vanco_ver3.vps?appver3=Fi1giPL8kwX_Oe1A050jRnlw3bH_5FSM8Yh8VOUxzY5EOVZpPclw91FrYieK2rA42EvVVAEjqawDomKT1pbouV4bqXbJoV74CVBHD53fMmY=&ver=3 under "Local Outreach Fund" or send a check to the church with "Local Outreach" in the memo. Thanks!

October Birthdays:

Claire Scharmach
Justin Zwart
Michael Webster
Damaris Chege
Simon Blair
Marian Oberg

Pamela Reed
Jim Jones
Blake Clapp
Luna Bacon
Anne Hartwig
Arti Beimler
Dave Noll

Sue Inglis
Rylin Blair

September Anniversaries:

Maria McKanzie
(Naturalization Anniversary)
Hilary & Susan Njoroge

Jim & Jackie Whorton

* If we are missing a birthday or an anniversary, please let us know: saintmatthew6800@gmail.com

For the latest Coronavirus Updates, visit:

<https://www.neighborhoodparish.org/coronavirus-updates.html>

For helpful links while Sheltering in Place, visit:

<https://www.neighborhoodparish.org/sheltering-resources.html>

During this time, we have embraced a fully Virtual Format and are refraining from gathering physically. For now, our services are being Live-Streamed on Facebook and YouTube beginning at 8 AM on Sundays. Please see our website www.neighborhoodparish.org for more details. If you have a pastoral emergency, please call 253-224-7554.

This Sunday's Ministries

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| Officiant | The Rev. Kendall Haynes |
| Altar Guild Director | Linda Pomeroy-Hull |
| Worship Leader | |

The Times intention and purpose is to communicate upcoming parish events along with items of interest to our parishioners. Events that meet these criteria should be sent to stmatthewannouncements@gmail.com no later than the preceding **Wednesday**.

Current Prayer List

Lyn Zimmerman - Myotonic Dystrophy
Areewa Saray - imprisonment
Brenda Gilbert - fighting severe health problems
Marisa La Rue - (friend of Kathleen Manning) - Parkinson's
Sandy Green - (brother-in-law of Alex Ringstad) - hospice
Paulette - (Jim Sloan's sister-in-law) - cancer of the throat
Erica Frey-Hoyer - (friend of Sandy Dawes) - cancer
Rico Hernandez (brother-in-law of Lee Holland) - alcoholism
Steven Lusk (Jim Sloan) - Acute Immune Encephalitis
David Dokter - cancer and treatment, blood clot
Hollie D'Arcey (niece of Tom Peterson) - Non Hodgkin Lymphoma
Christine Zabloudil (sister of Bonnie Eng) - Uterine Cancer
Theresa Zwart-Ludeman (mom of Justin Zwart) - Breast Cancer

Beth Latsis - healing
Justin Simmons (cousin of Nan Clapp) - lung and hip cancer
Saray Yuorn - kidneys
Julianne (daughter of Daisi Lane) - anxiety
Jessica Crespin (friend of Liz Latsis) - kidney issues
Antonette Crespin (friend of Liz Latsis) - surgery recovery
Ryan (son-in-law of a friend of Mary Blacker) - Cancer
Jackie Pomeroy (mother of Linda Pomeroy-Hull) - stress/anxiety
Bill & Paula Cowley - Bill is terminal
Janis (friend of Latsis Family) - cancer recovery
Leif and Kari (children of the Hance's) - healing
Kathryn Vere (friend of Anne Hartwig) - lung cancer
Deb Haynes (aunt of Fr. Haynes) - cancer
Mike Huber (Daisi Lane's son-in-law) - ambulatory issues
Judy Bartels (mom of Andy Bartels) - stroke
Elizabeth Holland - surgery recovery
Dorothy Turnock Rana Meadows (Alisande Watterson's stepmother) - decline
Milana McLead (friend of Art Ladley) - Cancer
Alisande Watterson - grief, ambulatory issues
Jenny Phelps (niece of Terry Elofson) - cancer surgery & recovery
Peggy Hoke (friend of Terry Elofson) - cancer surgery & recovery
Gordon Hoke (friend of Terry Elofson - elder care solutions
All who suffer from COVID 19, their families, and friends

To add someone or take someone off the prayer list, email saintmatthewpastoralcare@gmail.com