

The Times at St. Matthew
A weekly e-letter of what is happening at St. Matthew
Lessons: The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
July 9, 2017

The Sunday Readings: [Zechariah 9:9-12](#)
[Psalm 145:8-15](#)
[Romans 7:15-25a](#)
[Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30](#)

Word & Action

Parish/Neighborhood Highlights:

Annual Summer Read BBQ – On **Thursday, August 24th @ 6 PM**, please come to our Annual Summer Read BBQ @ the Kennedy's (4930 Harboview Dr. NE, Tacoma WA 98422). Come eat, drink and share your favorite summer books. All are welcome (guests and neighbors, too!); Food is potluck style with the Kennedy's providing the chicken. Contact: John & Leanne Kennedy – 253-927-9254.

Opportunities to Serve:

Tacoma Pride –The Tacoma Pride and Festival is coming up! Tacoma Pride Festival is an event honoring and valuing the LGBTQA Community within the South Puget Sound region. St. Matthew will be hosting a booth for this event so we hope you can *join us* as we represent St. Matthew Episcopal Church and show our support for the LGBTQA community! Come celebrate all walks of life with food, fun, live performances and entertainment! Tacoma Pride will be held on **Saturday, July 8th 2017** from **12pm-5pm**. This event will take place on **South 9th and Pacific Avenue**. See you there! Randy White at (253) 719-3345 watac2001@yahoo.com

Church Yard Work Party – On **Saturday, July 15th @ 9:30 AM**, there will be a work party to move two large pile of brush from the back corner of the church property to the north parking lot for disposal. Many thanks to Dick Collins and Jeff Clapp (and others) who have worked very hard to cut the brush. Bring energy, gloves and loppers! For more information please contact, Bob Witter – 253-927-6024.

Outreach Co-Mission Meeting – **Thursday, July 27th @ 9:30 AM** in the Library. All are welcome! Sherry Mees Hartley smees@comcast.net 253-310-7271

Tacoma Rescue Mission- (Toiletry & Sporting Goods needed!) – The Outreach Co-Mission will be collecting Toiletry and Sporting Goods Equipment for kids (basketballs, softballs, jump ropes, etc.) from July through the *end of August*. Full-size Toiletry items are needed and we are accepting new/gently used Sporting goods. Donations are open to the public. Donation drop-off boxes can be located at **Lighthouse Market-1000 Town Center NE Tacoma, Wa. AND Postal & More At the Point- 6716 Eastside Dr. NE Suite 1 Tacoma, Wa.** as well as the church Narthex. Please contact Sherry Mees Hartley smees@comcast.net 253-310-7271 for more details. Thank you!

Adopt-A-Highway Clean-up! – We are looking for volunteers to join our Adapt-A-Highway clean-up Team. As a team member, each volunteer will help clean-up garbage along the Eastside Dr. NE Highway. We need your help to make sure we keep our neighborhoods clean. All are welcome to join our team so if you or anyone you know is interested in joining, please contact Randy White at (253) 719-3345 watac2001@yahoo.com

July Birthdays:

Avery Stanton
Chuck Zimmerman
Leanne Kennedy

Charlie Williams
John Yoeun
Pete Stanton

Nicholas Yun
Sydney Donnelly
Rich Gould
Preston Yoeun

July Anniversaries:

Gary & Marcie Neuman
Dan & Sandy Dawes
Justin & Abby Smith

Barney & Sherry Mees Hartley
Randy White & Robert Goforth

* If we are missing a birthday or an anniversary please let our Parish Administrator know: office@stmatthew.comcastbiz.net

Mark your calendar—

- Saturdays, 8AM, Men's Breakfast in the Parish Hall
- Wednesdays, 7PM, Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting in the Parish Hall
- 4th Friday of each month, 7PM, JLS (Just Love Singing)
- 2nd Saturday of each month, 9 AM to Noon, Julia's Gulch Work Party

<p><u>The Times intention and purpose</u> is to communicate upcoming parish events along with items of interest to our parishioners. Events that meet these criteria should be sent to the Parish Office no later than the preceding Wednesday.</p>
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