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The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost Proper 16

August 24, 2014



The Liturgy of The Holy Eucharist II

Gathering Music

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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Procession to the Altar Hymn #382

King of glory, King of peace

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

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 10 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.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; 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 Isaiah (51:1-6)

Thus says the Lord: "Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the LORD. Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. For the LORD will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be forever, and my deliverance will never be ended."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 138

(Read in unison after the first asterisk)

- 1 I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; * **before the gods I will sing your praise.**
- 2 **I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, * because of your love and faithfulness;**
- 3 **For you have glorified your Name * and your word above all things.**
- 4 **When I called, you answered me; * you increased my strength within me.**

5 **All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD, * when they have heard the words of your mouth.**

6 **They will sing of the ways of the LORD, * that great is the glory of the LORD.**

7 **Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly; * he perceives the haughty from afar.**

8 **Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; * you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.**

9 **The LORD will make good his purpose for me; * O LORD, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your hands.**

A Reading from Romans (12:1-8)

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God-- what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Reader The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God**

Gradual Hymn

Praise the name of Jesus

Praise the Name of Jesus

Praise the name of Jesus, Praise the name of Jesus.

He's my rock, He's my fortress, He's my deliverer.

In Him will I trust. Praise the name of Jesus.

(Repeat)

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew

(16:13-20)

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gradual Hymn

Praise the name of Jesus

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Praise the name of Jesus, Praise the name of Jesus.

He's my rock, He's my fortress, He's my deliverer.

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(Repeat)

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The Sermon

Fr. 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 The Anglican Church of Southern Africa, our diocese, especially for Good Shepherd, St. Luke/San Lucas & all Saints, Vancouver and for our parish, especially for our parishioners Liz Latsis; Mark, Renee, Haley, Aspen, Mason, Grace & Alexandria Lepkowski; Eric, Lisa, Bailey & Ellie Lindstrom.

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 Andrew & Michael and 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 who are in danger and distress in this world, especially those Christians and other religious minorities who are facing persecution in Iraq, those continuing to endure the bloodshed in Gaza, those who suffer from racial profiling and bigotry, and for those who suffer from suicidal thoughts and mental illness. We pray that your justice, compassion, and mercy may work in us and through us as we proclaim the New Day of your Kingdom. We pray also for those individuals on our prayer list and those in our hearts, especially for Lyn, Areewa, Eloise, Justo, Carmen, Stephen, Dave, Sarah, Harriet, Katrina, Mary, Corretta, Paulett, Heather, Justin, Tommy, Ginny, Maryann, Lila, Bill, Brenda and for those we now name

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Don Newkirk, 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.

Celebrant

Eternal God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, no strength known but the strength of love: So mightily spread abroad your Spirit, that all peoples may be gathered under the banner of the Prince of Peace, as children of one Father; to whom be dominion and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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 Hymn

Solo by Nan Clapp, accompanied by sherry Vogel

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 10 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 11 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 are available upon request at the rail.

Communion Music

You Are My Hiding Place

You are my hiding place, you always fill my heart,
With songs of deliverance, whenever I am afraid.
I will trust in You, I will trust in You.

Let the weak say I am strong in the strength of the Lord. (repeat)

I will trust in you.

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Be Exalted, O God

I will give thanks to Thee, O Lord, among the people.

I will sing praises to Thee among the nations.
For Thy steadfast love is great, is great to the heavens,

And Thy faithfulness, Thy faithfulness to the clouds.

Be exalted O God, above the heavens.

Let thy glory be over all the earth.

Be exalted O God, above the heavens.

Let Thy glory be over all the earth.

I will give thanks to Thee. O Lord, among the people.

I will sing praises to Thee among the nations.
For Thy steadfast love is great, is great to the heavens,

And Thy faithfulness, Thy faithfulness to the clouds.

Be exalted O God, above the heavens.

Let thy glory be over all the earth.

Be exalted O God, above the heavens.

Let Thy glory, let Thy Glory,

Let Thy glory be over all the earth.

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COMMISSIONING OF LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

*To be used when the need is present to
send out Lay Eucharistic Ministers*

Priest: 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.

*Presider 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

Hymn #525 vss. 1-3 The Church's one foundation

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.

Special Ministers Today

Priest	Fr. Kendall Haynes
Worship Leader	Tom Taylor
Eucharistic Minister	Bob Witter
Lector	Elaine Taylor
Acolytes	Zawadi Chege
Ushers	Pamela Reed
	Bob Wright
Greeters	Lila Candoo
	Leanne Kennedy
Eucharistic Visitor	Anne Hartwig
Bread Maker	Marian Oberg
Altar Guild	Jill Little
	Sue Inglis
	Lydia Nabawanga

Counters	Florence Nabaggala
	John Hibben
	Art Ladley
Nursery	Sarah Dawes
Coffee Hour	Tom & Judy Peterson
	Bob & Janet Witter
Altar Guild Directress	Janet Witter

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Today's Prayer List

Lyn Zimmerman – Myotonic Dystrophy
 Areewa Saray – imprisonment
 Eloise Page (friend of Tom & Elaine Taylor) – hospice
 Justo Fernandez (brother of Agueda Fernandez-Webster) – Muscular Dystrophy and bitterness
 Carmen Planas (aunt of Agueda Fernandez-Webster) –dementia
 Stephen Peterson (son of Tom & Judy Peterson) – back pain
 Dave Hopkins – pain management and balance
 Sarah (sister of Lydia Nabawanga) – recovery after heart surgery and grief following the death of her husband
 Harriet Anderson – congestive heart failure and heart disease
 Katrina Goodjoint (sister of Lorina Goodjoint) – kidney issues
 Mary (grandmother of Lorina Goodjoint) – stroke & Pneumonia
 Corretta (mother of Florence Nabaggala) – malaria
 Paulett Sloan (sister-in-law of Jim Sloan) – difficulty after gall bladder surgery
 Heather Halabisky – High levels of calcium and high blood Pressure

Justin Smith – Seeking new employment and healing
Tommy Pawlicki (Son of Nancy Pawlicki, Browns Point resident)– Internal injuries
Ginny Sloan - experiencing an unusual medical situation.
Maryann Smith - guidance and wisdom pertaining to her schooling and health.
Lila Candoo – recovering from foot surgery
Bill Trandum – recovering from a stroke
Brenda Gilbert – fighting severe health problems

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

Announcements

An important note—If you are the last to leave the church please ensure that the main entry door has been pushed tightly closed. On occasion, it has not closed by itself. This issue will be corrected, but in the meantime, please make sure the door tightly closed

Bridging the Gap— Next Sunday, 9AM – Protestant Disagreements.

Message from Sarah Burd—Dear St. Matthew's friends and family, as many of you may know I am co-leading a Habitat for Humanity Global Village trip to Radauti, Romania in October. As I am the co-leader, I must pay for myself. If anyone is interested in donating to my trip that would be greatly appreciated. All donations are tax deductible. Donations are due August 31st. I greatly appreciate your support and prayers. Sincerely, Sarah

To make a donation go to:
<https://www.habitat.org/cd/giving/one/donate.aspx?link=2> You would click on "The following person's Global Village trip" Sarah Burd 93581761 GV15458

An Easy Way to make Pledges and other Donations—You can make your pledge payment or other donation through St. Matthew's website: www.neighborhoodparish.org Once at the site, simply select the GIVE ONLINE icon on the lower right of the page. This brings up a new page that allows you to select the fund you wish to contribute to, e.g., General Operating Fund (which

is the normal pledge account), Priest-in-Charge, Outreach or other accounts, as you will see. Then a second page allows us to use your bank account or credit card for your donation. You can choose to make a one-time donation or periodic donations. If you elect to donate through your bank account there is \$ 0.25 charge for each transaction. If you use a credit card the fee is \$0.45 per transaction plus 2.75% of the amount. There is also a one time \$0.50 setup fee for each donor. St. Matthew Church pays all fees. No fees are deducted from your donation. Contact Art Ladley if you have questions.

Back Packs and School supplies for Northeast Tacoma Elementary School. Thanks for your generous donations of school supplies. On Thursday the Outreach Co-Mission delivered 15 backpacks and all of your donations so far to NE Tacoma Elementary. The school staff is thrilled with your response. School starts September 3 and so we will still be collecting supplies through Sunday, August 31. All supplies are welcome but the items most needed are:

- .Colored Pencils – 24 count
- .Crayons – 24 count or larger
- .Glue Sticks
- .Highlighters
- .Pencils #2 (Ticonderoga Brand)
- .Pencil Top Erasers
- .Pink Erasers (large)
- .Plain folders (with pockets)
- .Scissors (Fiskars brand – adult or child)
- .Watercolor Paint Sets
- .Sharpies (black, fine line)
- .Mead Composition Book
- .Sanitizing Wipes
- .Hand Sanitizer (small bottle)
- .Notebook Paper (wide or college)
- .Pens (felt tip or ball point)
- .Ruler (standard & metric units)

Donations can be put in (or next to, if it is full) the basket to the right of the Deacon's Chest in the Narthex by the Chapel. Your generosity has already filled the basket once but let's keep giving so that all the kids at Northeast Tacoma can get off to a good start.

Announcements (continued):

Don't Forget Browns Point Food Bank Now Accepting Home Grown Produce. In addition to our monthly contributions of grocery items to our local Browns Point/Northeast Tacoma Food Bank they will now accept fresh produce from our gardens. When donating please tell them that you are from St. Matthew, ask them to weigh the produce and give you a receipt. Then let us know how much you gave. Our neighborhood Food Bank is located in the basement of Browns Point United Methodist Church, 5339 Browns Point Blvd. NE. You can deliver garden produce at noon every Friday or just before they open at 4:30.

Bible study—beginning on September 3 at St Matthew in the church Library. We will go over the study format and introductions at that time. Please bring paper and pens or pencils. The study will be one hour +, depending on the flow of the study.

If you have any question please contact Bud Nalder at 253-677-3105.

Phone Bank for Background Check Initiative—Please join us on Sept 4th to help make phone calls on behalf of Initiative 594. I-594 is a non-partisan initiative supported by many faith communities which would apply the current federal background check system to all gun sales in Washington State. The phone bank will help fellow voters understand the initiative and encourage people to come out and vote November. Initiative supporters will be hosting a phone bank here at St. Matthew on Thursday, September 4th from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm. We have an opportunity with I-594 to reduce gun violence NOW. Please join us and RSVP to andrea@wagunresponsibility.org Training material and snacks will be provided. Phone bank volunteers are asked to bring a mobile phone and a laptop if possible.

Attention parents and children of all ages—Church School begins on September 14 during the 10AM service. We try to begin right at 10 to cover the entire lesson. Again, our focus will be the wonderful ***Godly Play*** Curriculum. This is intended

for all children, with the exception of our youngest, perhaps age 4 and under.

We are in need of a "**Helper**" (also known as the door person who greets each child and assists the teacher), and would love to add more adults or older teenagers to our "**teacher**" staff for more information, please contact Anne Hartwig at 253-927- 8025 (hartwia@comcast.net), Jackie Whorton at 253-927-3415 (jgwhorton@msn.com), or Kitty Walker at 253-952-2650 (kvmwalker@Hotmail.com)

St. Matthew Feastday—September 21 is the Feastday of St. Matthew, which is an annual celebration at our parish. This year, with the theme of "Neighborhood Homecoming" we are personally inviting former members of our parish and friends of the St. Matthew parish family. If you have names of people you would like to have invited, will you please provide that information to Tom Peterson (tommynp@comcast.net) or Sueann Goretti (sueanngoretti@gmail.com) as soon as possible? Thank you very much.
Marcie Neuman, Liturgy and Arts Co-mission

Save A Life!!—Browns Point – Dash Point Fire Department, BPIC, DPIC and St. Matthew Church are sponsoring a Free Three-Hour course on the New CPR guidelines.

When: October 1, 2014

Time: 6PM to 9PM

Where: St. Matthew

Register online at www.neighborhoodparish.org

Mark your calendar—

- Men's Breakfast, every Saturday 8AM in the Parish Hall
- Thursday, August 28, 10AM Pastoral Care meeting
- Wednesday, September 3, Bible Study in the Library
- Sunday, September 21, St. Matthew Feastday
- Wednesday, October 1, 6PM-9PM **Save A Life!** Free course on the New CPR guidelines