

ST. MATTHEW'S



**The Second Sunday of Epiphany
Holy Eucharist
January 14, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.**

Welcome to Saint Matthew's Church

We hope you encounter the risen Lord Jesus in today's worship service. Our liturgy originated in 1549 in England and features Biblical patterns of worship and prayers rooted in The Ancient Apostolic faith and the Reformation. The entire congregation participates in the worship service using the Book of Common Prayer. If you would like to learn more, please let one of our clergy know to schedule an appointment or a pastoral visit.

Our current weekly worship schedule is as follows:

Sundays:

8am Holy Eucharist in the Church. This is a shorter service due to the absence of music.

11am Holy Eucharist in the Church with music, and livestream Virtual. If you prefer to receive the Sacrament in your pew, please let the usher know so the Clergy can accommodate your request.

Last Sunday of the Month: (Normally)

11 am Morning Prayer—In church and livestream Virtual. This is usually a lay-led praise worship service with a brief homily.

Home Communion is available by request. Please contact the church office or the Rector.

Virtual Participants are encouraged to follow the services using the virtual bulletin and a Book of Common Prayer. Please contact the Parish Office if you have any questions.

All baptized and believing Christians are welcome to receive communion at the Lord's table. If you are not baptized, or if you would prefer to receive a blessing, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers available, please ask the clergy.



Saint Matthew's Church

Second Sunday of Epiphany
January 14, 2024 • Eleven O'clock
The Holy Eucharist



The Organ Prelude

The Processional Hymn #11 “Awake, My Soul”

The Acclamation

Celebrant: I will make you as a light for the nations,

People: **That my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.**

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The Collect of the Day (kneeling, said in unison)

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

3 Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord in the presence of Eli. And the word of the Lord was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision.² At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his own place. 3 The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was.⁴ Then the Lord called Samuel, and he said, "Here I am!" 5 and ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down.⁶ And the Lord called again, "Samuel!" and Samuel arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." 7 Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him.⁸ And the Lord called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. 9 Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant hears.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.¹⁰ And the Lord came and stood, calling as at other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant hears." 11 Then the Lord said to Samuel, "Behold, I am about to do a thing in Israel at which the two ears of everyone who hears it will tingle. 12 On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. 13 And I declare to him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. 14 Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be atoned for by sacrifice or offering forever."¹⁵ Samuel lay until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the Lord. And Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. 16 But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." And he said, "Here I am." 17 And Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." 18 So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. And he said, "It is

the Lord. Let him do what seems good to him.”¹⁹ And Samuel grew, and the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. ²⁰ And all Israel from Dan to Beersheba knew that Samuel was established as a prophet of the Lord.

Psalm 63:1-9 (standing, sung)

1 O God, you are my God; *early will I seek you.

2 My soul thirsts for you, my flesh also longs after you, *in a barren and dry land where there is no water.

3 Thus I have looked upon you in your holy place, *that I might behold your power and glory.

4 For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; *my lips shall praise you.

5 As long as I live I will magnify you, *and lift up my hands in your Name.

6 My soul shall be satisfied, as with marrow and fatness, *when my mouth praises you with joyful lips.

7 When I remember you on my bed, *I meditate on you in the watches of the night.

8 Because you have been my helper, *therefore under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.

9 My soul clings to you; *your right hand has upheld me.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; * as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen.

The Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 6:9-20

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9 Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters,

nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, 10 nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. 11 And such were some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God. 12 “All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are helpful. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be dominated by anything. 13 “Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food”—and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. 14 And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. 15 Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! 16 Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, “The two will become one flesh.” 17 But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. 18 Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. 19 Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, 20 for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

The Sequence Hymn #707 “Take my life, and let it be”

All standing, the Deacon reads the Gospel, first saying:

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

43 The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." 44 Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. 45 Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." 46 Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." 47 Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!" 48 Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." 49 Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" 50 Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." 51 And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

After the Gospel, the Deacon says:

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. E. Ragland Coxe

Nicene Creed

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The Ministration of Communion

Communion will be received and consumed at the Communion Rail. Please dip the wafer you receive in the chalice, but not your finger!

The Communion Hymn #660 “O Master, let me walk with thee”

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The Recessional Hymn #535 “Ye servants of God”	
Dismissal	

Officiant Alleluia, Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

The Organ Postlude

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

In the ACNA Cycle of Prayer, today we pray for the Anglican Province of South America and The Most Rev. Nick Drayson, Primate, and his wife, Catherine.

Camp Jubilee

O merciful Creator, Lord of heaven and earth: We humbly pray that your gracious providence will assist our Diocese in acquiring the land you have chosen for Camp Jubilee. Give us grace to honor you by being faithful stewards of your good gifts through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

Holy Trinity, Grahamville, The Rev. James Gibson and St. James, Blackville, The Rev. Russell Reed and their congregations

Feasts and Fasts this week

January 14th - Kentigern, Missionary to Strathclyde and Cumbria, 603

January 17th - Anthony, Hermit in Egypt, 356

January 18th - **Confession of Peter the Apostle**

January 19th - Wulfstan, Bishop of Worcester, 1095

January 20th - Fabian, Bishop of Rome and Martyr, 250

More information: <https://www.saintmatthews.us/liturgicalcalendar>

*The Altar Flowers have been given
By Elizabeth and Rogers Coxe
To the Glory of God and
In Honor of the first birthday of their son,
Rogers Whitfield Coxe on January 12th*

- Please join us after the service for **Fellowship Time** in the Parish Hall.
- The **Parish Annual Meeting** is scheduled for **January 28th**, following the 11:00am service. In this meeting members will elect a Junior Warden, 3 vestry members and 4 delegates for convention (2 primary and 2 alternates.) *“Every baptized Christian who is a communicant and who contributes regularly to the support of the Parish is hereby declared a member of the Corporation of St. Matthew’s Church, Darlington, S. C.; and shall be entitled to a seat in every church meeting; and, having reached the age of seventeen (17), will have a vote.” St. Matthew’s By-Laws 1995*
- Men, please pick up your **Pancake Supper tickets**.
- Reminder for those who pledge using **Realm**: Please logon to Realm and click on Giving and schedule your donation (s) for 2024. Please select 2024 Fund and confirm payment method. Also, it is a good idea to make sure the end date is correct on giving for 2023 and that the end date for 2024 is also correct. Thank you for using this service. If you have questions, please contact Kitty Daniels our financial bookkeeper via the church office
- It is a new year, and are you looking for a new devotional? **RightNow Media** has plenty of interactive devotionals to choose from. Visit www.saintmatthews.us, or see Janet Stoda for more information.

Quarterly Financial Status (through December 2023)		
	Actual	Budgeted
December Total Revenue	\$ 47,741	\$ 26,740
December Pledge Revenue	\$ 46,089	\$ 18,667
December Expenses	\$ 35,192	\$ 26,992
YTD Total Revenue	\$ 275,274	\$ 320,875
YTD Total Pledge Revenue	\$ 260,590	\$ 224,000
YTD Expenses	\$ 343,871	\$ 323,899

Parish Prayer List

Evans Howle
Helen Killion
Johnny Etheridge
Minnie Gatewood

Stephanie Benjamin
Hettie Dargan
Beth Higgins
Mary Altman

Doyle Yates
Gloria Martineau
Debi Sidbury
Ruth Barr

Family and Friends Prayer List

Pres. Jimmy Carter
Keith Shepard
Jeff Shepard
Bert Peckford
Joey Saleeby
Susan Sheely
Janice Morris
Carolyn Swallow
Sandra Harris
Denise Harris
Archie Bigelow
David Luther
Sandy Wilcox
Neil Strieff
David Gravely
Frankie James
Emma Camacho
Jim Rushton
Pat Folsom
Olin L. Purvis, III
Rachel Sims
*Frances Roberts
Zack McKay
Mirella McKay
Wanda Scott
Linda Hudson

Marc Brockington
Carlin Munnerlyn
Judy Melton
Frankie Tanner
Clare Hoole
Lisa Wilson
Ross Thames
Denise Garris
Lynn Brown
Nancy Harrison
Roy Martin
Carolyn Keese
Joe Riggan
Tommy Bolger
Michael Holt
Teresa Moore
Grayson Griggs
Everette Teal
John Jepertinger
Eloise Taylor
Charlotte Roberts
Matthew Brunson
Price Cockman
Hayes Cockman
Ashli Coballes
Dan Harper

Robert Graham
Robert Crawford
Alexander Paul
Rev. Jason Hamshaw
Tammy Dubose
Jim Zorgias
Jake LeVine
Teresa Chaplain
Gregg Ervin
Chip Sims
Mason Mulligan
Elizabeth Mullins
Dot Johnson
Adalaya Brasington
Deanna Edwards
Jim Price
Johnny Deas
Jim Lavia
Gra Whitehead
Adalei Deaver
Theresa Nanke
Araina Brevard
Barrett Byrd
Debbie Turbeville
Donna Munoz

Family Members on Active Military Service:

ITCM William Heitsman USN,
S Sgt. 1st Class David R. Wilson, 82nd Airborne US Army
Austin Strickland, US Army (Basic Training)

Our Missionaries:

For the people of our companion parish, Santiago Apostol and their priest,
The Reverend Nephtaly Desir. The Rev. Fred Ochieng Onyango of the Anglican Church of Kenya, Diocese
of Maseno South.

Birthdays:

January 15: Tracy Sutphin **January 17:** Susan Davis **January 20:** Bill Robertson

Faithfully Departed: Mckenzie Smith

Parish Calendar

Monday, January 15	11:00 a.m.	Women’s Bible Study (TPF)
Wednesday, January 17	7:00 a.m.	Men’s Bible Study (TPF & Virtual)
	6:00 p.m.	Women’s Bible Study (Parish Hall)
Sunday, January 21	Third Sunday of Epiphany	
	8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Children’s Chapel
	11:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist (Church & Virtual)
	12:00 p.m.	Fellowship Time
	5:00 p.m.	Youth Group (TPF)

		<u>Today</u>	<u>Next Week</u>
USHERS:	11 a.m.	James Brunson Ed Early	William Kirven Stewart Smith
LAY READERS:	8 a.m.	John Dexter (L, P, LEM)	Ollie Dewitt (L, P, LEM)
	11 a.m.	Marvin Lawson (L, LEM) Cely Anne Brigman (P, LEM)	Robby Kilgo (L, LEM) Tracy Sutphin (P, LEM)
CRUCIFER:		Ayden Jones	Caroline Smith
ALTAR GUILD:		Betts Bailey	Linda Howle
		Debra Sidbury	Sue Kilgo
		Bill Ervin	Joe Ervin
VIRTUAL:		Elizabeth & Rogers Cox	Tom Dickinson
ALTAR FLOWERS:		Linda Beckham	Lynn Bottenus
FELLOWSHIP TIME:		Suiter Cox & Mary Deane Kilgo	Merry Morgan Smith & Gena Ervin
NURSERY VOLUNTEER:			

BISHOP OF ADOCS :	<i>The Rt. Reverend Chip Edgar</i>
RECTOR:	<i>The Rev. E. Ragland Cox</i>
DEACON:	<i>The Rev. Frank Stoda, Jr.</i>
ORGANIST & CHOIRMASTER:	<i>Dr. Will Carswell</i>
OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR:	<i>Jennifer Cashwell</i>
COMMUNICATIONS:	<i>Janet Stoda</i>
NURSERY:	<i>Mary Ervin</i>
SEXTON:	<i>Nathaniel Joe</i>

Vestry:

Sr. Warden-Stewart Smith Jr. Warden-Al Gilpin Treasurer-Sonia Wenteler



<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>
<i>Tracy Sutphin</i>	<i>William Kirven IV</i>	<i>John Dexter</i>
<i>Tom Dickinson</i>	<i>Debbie Spinazzola</i>	<i>Bill Ervin</i>
<i>Bryant Gardner</i>	<i>Perry Wilson</i>	<i>Joanne Robertson</i>

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