

The

SAINT MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



October 2011

Parish Mission Statement

Our mission is to be a caring, inclusive community, centered in the Eucharist and grounded in the Gospel, so that we can reach out as Christ's hands to the world.

Dimensions of Faith speaker Marcus Borg will challenge us and make us think

"Christians have often made being Christian very complicated," Dr. Marcus J. Borg writes in his newest book, *Speaking Christian, Why Christian Words Have Lost Their Meaning and Power - And How They Can Be Restored*.

"When Christianity is about 'correct beliefs,'" Borg goes on, "it does indeed become complex. ... But ultimately, the central message of Christianity is simple. It is about loving God and loving what God loves. ... Christianity is a magnificent tradition. Like all religious and human traditions, it has its shadow side. But at its best, it is about truth, goodness and beauty. ... The Christian message reduced to its essentials is: Love God (as known in Jesus) *and change the world.*"

Thought-provoking, even provocative, Marcus Borg may challenge our assumptions. He may push us off balance, even make us angry. But he will surely make us think. Borg, an internationally renowned Jesus scholar, Biblical expert and author, will speak **October 21-23** in St. Matthew's Dimensions of Faith series.

Here is an outline of Dr. Borg's visit. The Saturday seminar requires a fee and will include lunch. See the Dimensions of Faith Website, www.DimensionsofFaith.com, for additional details, including information about registering for the Saturday seminar.

Friday, October 21

"Two Visions of Christianity Today" – 7:30 p.m. – *Free*. Childcare available.

Saturday, October 22

"Speaking Christian: Re-Claiming Christian Language" – Two lectures: 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.
Lunch served / Childcare available. Tickets: \$25 (\$20/advance, \$10/student)

Sunday, October 23

"Open Hearts and Thin Places" – 10 a.m. service and 11 a.m. class

We are hosting Dr. Borg's visit in co-operation with Highland Baptist Church, Second Presbyterian Church and the Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary.

Dimensions of Faith serves the Louisville community by bringing in thought-provoking thinkers, including writers, teachers, theologians, preachers and more. These speakers challenge our minds and renew our spirits as they explore contemporary religious and theological ideas and connect them with modern culture.

We will need greeters for Friday evening.
Look for the sign up sheet on the bulletin board or contact **Karen Hill** if you would like to volunteer.

Wardens' Corner:

An update on the Beam Repairs currently in progress:

We are in the final stages of the beam repairs and expect completion of the work by mid October. Brasch Barry, the contractor, is in the process of completing the steel work on the beams. The next step will be to tie in the gutters; do the grading to direct water away from the building; replace the fascia and trim and apply finishing. Some of this work is dependent upon the weather.

Please mark your calendars and plan on attending the next church Town Hall Meeting on Sunday, October 9 after the 10:00 a.m. service. The meeting will be held in Clingman Hall and will be the only educational offering for the day. The wardens will present a broad overview of the many successful programs at church, an update of building repairs and concerns as well as the financial status of the parish.

We encourage everyone to attend.

Your Wardens: Bill Cheatham and Kitten Lawless

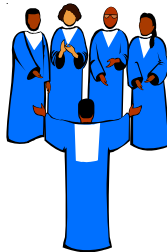
Terrible Texts

**The 2011 Jewish-Christian Bible Study
at Adath Jeshurun and
St. Matthew's Episcopal Church
led by The Rev. Canon Lucinda Laird and
Rabbi Laura Metzger**

Bible stories are gentle, earnest, honest and dependable. They teach us what to believe and how to live. Don't they? Then what should we do with the Bible narratives that fill us with horror?

Monday evenings in November. More details to come.

We are happy to welcome **Abby Trowbridge** to the choir, and are pleased that **Mitch Shirrell** and **Ann Davis** have returned to the choir after being away.



Christmas is coming with beautiful music!

Come join us on Wednesdays at 7:45!

Currently seeking nominations for the 2012 Vestry!



To be considered for this Parish Leadership opportunity the person must be a pledging member and commit to 11 meetings per year, 1 retreat per year and attendance at Parish functions.

Please contact **Bill Cheatham** (bcheatha@teksystems.com) or use the Vestry Suggestion Board if you would like to nominate someone or yourself.

Saint Matthew's Day, 2011!

The vestry surveyed the parish to see if there was interest in having and/or being part of a team to create a St. Matthew's Day Celebration this year. The resounding answer was "Yes – with some suggestions for change"! A large, amazing committee was formed from the people who responded to the survey saying they would help. AND.....Saint Matthew's Day was even better than the committee initially envisioned. A day of eating delicious food, games of delight for all ages, square dancing with a caller, fabulous dessert contest, and prizes flying out the doors was the order of the day. There are so many people to thank for making sure every detail of the celebration was handled with care. Thank you to those who purchased and smoked the meat and all of the supplies! Thank you to all who created yummy side dishes, salads, and desserts! Thank you to those who judged the desserts! Thank you to those who planned for the great games and those who worked the various games the day of the celebration! Thank you to those who sold tickets! Thank you to those who purchased the environmental friendly paper products (important to the committee) and arranged for the recycling containers for the day! Thank you to those who set up! Thank you to those who cleaned up! Thank you to those who made sure our sound system was perfect! Thank you to our master and mistress of ceremonies! It took our entire parish to create this wonderful day in honor of Saint Matthew and St. Matthew's Church! It took a chairwoman to put all of the pieces together. Thank you, Margaret Bond, for being our leader! It was a day of joyous fellowship!

–Debbi Rodahaffer

RECTOR'S COLUMN



Dear People of St. Matthew's,

The renowned Biblical scholar Marcus Borg will be here at St. Matthew's this month, the next speaker in our Dimensions of Faith series. I can't recommend him highly enough. Come hear him!

Dr. Borg's latest book is called Speaking Christian. On a somewhat different level, I've often thought there should also be something called "speaking Episcopalian", which includes words and phrases such as:

narthex	liturgy	lectionary
paten	chasuble	Collect for Purity
celebrant	Daily Office	<i>Via Media</i>
epiclesis	sacristy	ciborium

(Extra credit here if you can define them all!)

Hang around the church long enough and these – and many others – will be familiar, but it must seem like Greek to newcomers (speaking of which, how about *Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison?*). Recently it dawned on me – actually, it was forcibly brought to my attention – that a lot of folks don't know what this annual activity we call an Every Member Canvass actually is. Rather than long explanations, or fond references to "what we did in the church I grew up in", it seemed time to just speak English and announce the

ANNUAL PLEDGE DRIVE

So it is. Our Annual Pledge Drive begins on Sunday, October 16, and ends on All Saints Sunday, November 6. It's pretty simple: we need to pledge to support our parish and our mission. Just about all our budget comes from pledges and plate offerings. It's OUR parish, OUR mission, OUR programs, OUR outreach, OUR Christian education. There's no "they" there; it's us.

Every pledge is important, because it means commitment to our life together. Is St. Matthew's important to you? Pledge to support YOUR parish. I do. The Vestry does. The staff does. We're in this together, and we need each other.

Pledge in thanksgiving for all God's gifts. Pledge in commitment to St. Matthew's. Pledge because we can do so much together!

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Yours in Christ,

Lucinda ✱

P. S. Just to make it more exciting – and to push you to get your pledge in – we are doing something exciting this year. If you get your pledge in by November 6, your name will be entered into a drawing for an iPad!

SAVE THE DATE!

Parish Thanksgiving Dinner: November 24!

More information will follow in the weekly newsblast and Sunday bulletins.

Look for the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

PARISH NEWS

Living in Zin

December 2

The 2nd annual *Living in Zin* is set for Friday, December 2.

Mark your calendars and join us for an evening of fellowship, fun, memorable music, and an awesome auction. All proceeds from the auction go to benefit *Living the Spirit*.

If you have any items you would like us to consider for the auction please call **Mike Fitzer**, 502-741-8437.

Memorial Flower Donations

Each Sunday at St. Matthew's, flowers are displayed to the glory of God, in memory of loved ones, in celebration of special occasions, or in honor of someone deserving special recognition. The names of those being honored are printed in the Bulletin and are read during the "Prayers of the People." The donor is asked to make a suggested \$30.00 tax-deductible donation to the St. Matthew's Flower Fund. This contribution not only pays for the flowers selected and arranged by the Flower Guild, but also helps defray the cost of special music for the choir as well as guest musicians.

Donors often prefer to give flowers every year on a specific Sunday – for example, "the third Sunday in September." Donors are notified by mail as to the actual date when the flowers will be displayed. Every effort is made to accommodate requests for specific dates; however if there are a large number of requests for a specific date, an alternate date may be selected.

If you are interested in giving memorial flowers or if you are a current donor and would like to make changes to your memorial flower information, please contact Flower Fund Chairman, **Barbara Uligian** at 292-0604 or by e-mail at b.uligian@insightbb.com.

The Ladies' Lunch Bunch

The Ladies' Lunch Bunch group gets together the third Thursday of each month, 11:30 a.m., at various restaurants throughout the city. All are welcome! Reservations are needed in advance so please remember to RSVP each month with **Betty Triplett**, 384-0244, and let her know if you need to carpool.

Thursday, October 20 - Cafe Classico, on Frankfort Avenue.

Thinking Christmas?

December 4

The Alternative Gift Market will be returning on December 4. There will be opportunities to give your loved ones items that improve the quality of life for others. Goats, cows, chickens, free trade coffee, contributions for orphans, and water systems will be among the many offerings. Start your list now!

—Sharon Nesmith

Art in the Narthex Psalms as Ancient Poetry



Joanne Weis is a mixed media textile artist in Louisville, Kentucky, whose work can be found in numerous private collections around the country. After retiring from a full career as a social worker, she graduated with a Masters Degree from the University of Louisville Fine Arts program. In addition to creating fiber art, she juries and curates shows, teaches and, as past president of the Louisville Area Fiber and Textile Artists, promotes appreciation of fiber and textile art within the community.

Many thanks to Louisville artists **Joanne Weis** and **Kathleen Loomis** for sharing their creative endeavors: Joanne – the textile hangings and Kathy – the calligraphy.

Vases Needed!



The beautiful altar flowers that you see every Sunday are divided and rearranged to go to parishioners who are in the hospital, recovering from a serious illness, etc. Each Monday members of our flower ministry team pick up the flowers for delivery. We are always in need of clear glass flower vases for this ministry. If you have one or two clear vases at home that you do not need, **Debbi Rodahaffer** would be thrilled to receive them for this ministry. Thank you!

The Men's Breakfast Group

We meet at 8:30 a.m. on the third Tuesday of every month, at the **Denny's** on Dutchman's Lane across from Norton Suburban Hospital. Everyone is invited!

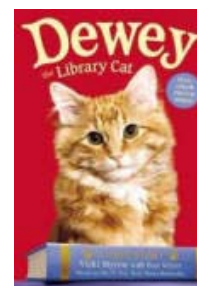


St. Matthew's Episcopal Church Library

330 North Hubbards Lane, Louisville, Kentucky 40207 - 502.895.3485 - <http://library.stmatt-ky.org>




Bret Witter in the Library Sunday, October 9



Bret Witter, co-author of the “Dewey the Library Cat” bestsellers, will be visiting with students in grades 1-5 on October 9.

Orders are now being taken for four of his books. All parishioners may purchase these titles in various quantities. Pre-ordered books will be autographed following the visit.

Order forms are available outside the library and at the receptionist’s desk in the Narthex.

LIBRARY HOURS:

Monday through Thursday: 11:30-12:30 p.m. • Sundays after the 8:00 and 10:00 services.



Well, you just never know...

The Rev. Moray Peoples

Take note! This is good news.

The Monday evening *Education for Ministry* group for 2011-12 doubled in size when neither human nor mammal expected it. There are eleven of us this season. (Sewanee only permits 12.)

Since three will graduate next spring, you might consider that 2012-13 could be YOUR occasion to begin. I mean, plan ahead, for goodness sake!

Beginning this fall are **Susan Prater**, **Caroline Deutsch**, (St. Matthew’s), **Bill Williams** (from St. Thomas), and **Jim Stanton** (from St. Paul’s, New Albany, in spite of the Sherman-Minton). That is a gracious group over whom to give thanks.

Sarah Johansen is reading Year 2 and the Year 3 group is all male: **Greg Kuhns**, **Bob Nesmith**, and **George Wheeler**. Completing the group are the Year 4 folks: **Caroline Eddleman** (St. Luke’s, Anchorage), **Robin Garr** and **Ed Pelton**.

Education for Ministry follows the academic year, beginning in September, ending in May. Each year’s curriculum differs so each week our seminar groups find rich and vibrant theological points of view. I would love to talk with you about your involvement next fall, but in the mean time, speak with any of the folks I’ve mentioned above and they can tell you how *Efm* enhances their faith and ministry.

Life at Holy Trinity, Brandenburg, is rich. Life at Holy Trinity is composed of 55 good souls, a far cry from life on Hubbards Lane. I miss seeing you on a regular basis and thus fire off a number of “arrow prayers” for you and your life. Please fire off a few for me, too.

Maybe we’ll pass in a weekday hallway occasionally. That would be nice.

Blessings.



St. Matt's Youth

youth@stmatt-ky.org

Web site: www.stmatt-ky.org/youth.htm

(502) 895-3485

Lynn Miller, Ministry with Youth



October 2011



Redbox movies & pizza!



Sunday, October 2

5:30-7:30 p.m.



We will watch current Redbox movies and have dinner. Games always available, too!

Lazer Blaze

Sunday, October 9

5:30-7:30 p.m.

Meet at Lazer Blaze for two games of laser tag, food and arcade games! Bring \$5 towards expenses and, additional, money for games.

Pumpkin Carving & Wings!

Sunday, October 16

5:30-7:30 p.m.



Bring a pumpkin to carve. We will have "wings" for dinner.



Haunted House planning & prep

Sunday, October 23

5:30-7:30 p.m.

Help plan the Haunted House for next Sunday's St. Matt's Halloween party. We will look through our costumes, props and fake blood to decide what we need for our scary house.

Dinner too!

Church Halloween Party

Sunday, October 30

5:30-7:30 p.m.

A Youth Haunted House too! Set up is anytime after 3:00 p.m. We will do a quick clean up after.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES IN OCTOBER-

Service Hours Available

Babysitting at Cornerstone

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4

(NEW day of the week)

6:00-8:00

The day of the week and the location have changed. We are now babysitting on the Home of the Innocents campus. This is closer to St. Matt's, so our transportation time should be less. Meet at St. Matt's at 6:00.

We babysit from 6:15-7:30 and return to St. Matt's before 8:00 for pick up.

NOTE: the day has changed from Thursday to Tuesday.

LET LYNN KNOW IF YOU CAN ATTEND!

St. Matt's Dare to Care Food Pantry

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15

9:30-12:00

Help is needed any time during these hours.

Haunted House

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23 & OCTOBER 30

Haunted House planning, prep, set up and clean up.

This is a gift of service that we give to the rest of the church.

AND mark your calendars -

In November we start talking Christmas pageant!!

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM NEWS

Debbi Rodahaffer, Program Director

The Children's Program is off to a GREAT start!

- ❖ **The Blessing of the Animals** (real animals and stuffed animals – large and small) will be **Sunday, October 2** at 3:00 p.m. There will be a separate blessing station for cats.
- ❖ **Bret Witter**, author of the “Dewey, the Library Cat” books will talk with our 1st through 5th grade children on **Sunday, October 9** after the children's chapels. Be sure your children arrive by 10:00 a.m. Mr. Witter will autograph books for our preschoolers through 5th graders during the church school hour and autograph books for adults after the education hour. The books make great gifts for your children and friends.
- ❖ **Marcus Borg**, renowned theologian and author, will lecture at St. Matthew's on **October 21–23!**

Childcare is available!

Please let **Debbi Rodahaffer** know
if you will be using childcare at church Friday or Saturday.
Visit **DimensionsofFaith.com** for schedule

- ❖ Our annual **Halloween Party - Sunday, October 30** from 5:30 p.m.–7:00 p.m.
This is a party for our entire parish!

Haunted House!

Happy House!

Have pictures made!

Be part of the Costume Parade and Contest!



Pizza!

Veggies!

Fruit!

Cookies!



- ❖ The next Children's Program Committee meeting – **Thursday, November 3** at 6:30 p.m. in The Conversation Room. If you would like to be a part of this amazing ministry contact **Ashley Parker**, committee chair, at Ashley@parkerandklein.com.
- ❖ Coming soon.....St. Matthew's Children's Program Facebook page!!!

ADULT EDUCATION - FALL 2011

“Fearless Faith” is a way of life.

This year’s adult education offerings will help us move into a way of living out our faith fearlessly in hope, peace, joy and love.

Sunday Mornings

Check the weekly bulletin for more information.

“Early Birds” Forum is offered after the 8:00 a.m. service each Sunday. This group is one of lively discussion and great food!!! The goal is a lively discussion about the ideas/beliefs presented in videos watched during class, and exploration of what may be next for Christianity. **Location:** Conversation Room, lower level.

After the 10:00 service:

Sunday Forum: *“Expect the Unexpected”*

We welcome two highly anticipated speakers:

October 2, **Bob Mueller**, CFRE, Author, Columnist and former Priest. In his presentation titled *“Life’s Mistakes & Insights”* Bob brings humor and understanding to physical, emotional and spiritual dimensions of the last stages of life.

October 16, **The Rev. Whit Stodghill**, M.Div, BCC, ACPE candidate, speaking on *Advance Directives in Kentucky*.

October 30, The first of two weeks with our own **Rev. Dr. Helen Jones** to be joined on November 6, by **The Rev. Emily S. Crouch** in an exercise and discussion of *“Spiritual Issues of Aging & Death”*.

These are important considerations at any age, both for ourselves and those we love. Please join us in Clingman Chapel following the 10 a.m. service.

— Marilyn Swain

Faith and Life is a discussion class that examines current issues through the lens of faith. Whatever is in the news: politics, popular culture, sports, business, or health, may be the topic of this weekly discussion group as we try to relate our faith to our lives beyond Sunday mornings.

Welcome to St. Matthew’s, a clergy-led class, is offered once a month for adults who want to become members of St. Matthew’s or are interested in learning more about the church. This month’s date is October 16.

Contact: Ms. Karen Hill, *Coordinator of Volunteer Ministry*

Location: Conference Room

Young Adults in Conversation is a class for 20’s – 40’s seeking to connect and deepen relationships with God and each other. The first meeting will be October 30, and the class continues on the 2nd Sunday of each month. This fall the class will focus on Gary Chapman’s book, *The 5 Love Languages*, with discussions centered on adult relationships. **(Fall dates are 10/30; 11/20; & 12/11)**

Contact: The Rev. Emily Schwartz Crouch, *Assistant Rector*

Location: The Lounge

ADULT EDUCATION - FALL 2011

Foundations of Faith continues in the E/M Room. The class is now closed to new participants, so watch for your chance in the spring!

Faith and Art is a lecture class offered at various times throughout the year. Lecturers will discuss music, poetry or visual art and its impact on our faith. Watch for upcoming offerings.

Parents In Conversation expands to THREE classes this year!

“Parents In Conversation – Beginnings” is a class for parents of young children (infant through fifth grade) bringing up children of faith in today’s secular world. The class offers speakers and parent discussions ranging from “Starting School for the First Time” to “How to Take Faith into Your Home”.

Contacts: Ms. René Strause & Ms. Debbi Rodahaffer **Location:** The Conversation Room, lower level

“Playtime with Parents” is offered on the first Sunday of the month for parents of infants and toddlers who would like the opportunity to have conversations with other parents while their children play.

Contact: Ms. Anne Farra **Location:** Nursery

“Parents In Conversation – Youth” is a discussion class for parents of middle and high school age children. The emphasis will be on raising children of faith in today’s culture. Parents will meet in an informal setting to discuss the challenges and joy of raising teenagers. Guest speakers may be included, based on interests of the group.

Contact: Ms. Lynn Miller, *Ministry with Youth* **Location:** Youth Area

Vestry “Town Hall” Meeting, Sunday, October 9.

Weekly Offerings:

(For details of weekly educational offerings, refer to the Education and Formation Booklet available in the Narthex)

Monday Morning Bible Study with the Rector – Mondays at 10 a.m.

Education for Ministry – Mondays at 6:30 p.m.

Jewish/Christian Bible Study – Monday nights in November!

Women In Conversation – Thursdays at 9:30 a.m.

Going Deeper – Thursdays 10:00-11:15 a.m.

Faith and Community – For 20s-40s the 3rd Thursday of the month

Dimensions of Faith – Coming October 21-23 - **Marcus Borg**



John and I arrived safely in Rongo on Saturday - a three day journey. Daniel and his wife Damaris met us at the airport in Nairobi. Saturday afternoon, we stopped briefly at the orphanage to greet the resident children who welcomed us with song. (*John says to tell you that the song leader had perfect pitch and no pitch pipe.*)

Sunday we attended a special youth service at the dining hall/community center. The children sang many beautiful songs. They sang in groups representing eight age groups and Sunday Schools. The children gave thanks and prayed for the people of St. Matthew's Church. The preacher was a student named Calvince, age 15, who preached a sermon on John 14 which was also translated into Luo. The orphanage encourages

their students to aim to be teachers, preachers, nurses, doctors, carpenters and tailors among other ways to give back

Following the service, we had a tour of the dorms followed by a celebratory meal together. The afternoon entertainment included a football (soccer) tournament against a church team. The playoff will be Thursday afternoon before we leave.

The people of St. Matthew's should be very proud of what they have helped build at Ebenezer Orphanage in Rongo. Daniel has been an excellent steward of our gifts of money and supplies.

—Alice & John Tiano

THE ANNUAL PLEDGE DRIVE FOR 2012

(FORMERLY THE EVERY MEMBER CANVASS)

Sunday, October 16, 2011

Pledge Drive kick-off!

Your letters and pledge cards will be given to you after each service, along with little gift to remind you to "give to God the things that are God's".

Monday, October 17

All letters and pledge cards not handed out will be mailed.

Sunday, November 6 (All Saints) Pledge Drive ends

*The names of all people whose pledges have been received by the end of the day will be entered into a drawing **FOR AN iPad!***

Sunday, November 13

Drawing for an iPad!

OUR GOAL: 315 PLEDGES!

The Gospel reading for Sunday, October 16

The Pharisees plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. They sent their disciples to him, saying, "Tell us, is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's."

Volunteer Opportunities

Habitat for Humanity

Saturday, October 1

Work 9:00 a.m. to Noon
for a half day or
9:00 a.m. to 3 p.m.
for a full day.

We welcome newcomers.

No special skills required.

On the job training is available.
(carpool from church, 8:30 a.m.)

And see page 2 for our "Raise the Roof" weekend, Sept. 8-10.

Calvary / St. George's Food Collection

Sunday, October 2

Please bring non-perishable items to the narthex coat closet anytime.

Hunger never takes a vacation.

Please remember those in need and bring several items on our Food Collection Sundays.

Serve lunch at Wayside

Sunday, October 9

12:00 Noon to 2:00 p.m.

For more information, please call **Sarah Weston**, 426-6678.

Food Pantry

Saturday, October 15

The St. Matthew's Food Pantry is the 3rd Saturday of every month starting between 10:00 and 11:00 a.m.

This is a wonderful opportunity to help people who really need it. For more information, please call **Brian Good**, 899-9390.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

Bob Dangremond and Marie Koelsch, co-chairs of Social Concerns

One Time Volunteer Opportunities

Several parishioners have expressed interest in "Day of Service" volunteer events. Here are some great offerings this fall that were showcased at the Ministry Fair and are still available. Some events are flexible, others last only an hour or so. Consider how you, your family, or your group can incorporate outreach in our community into your life. You will find that you will receive more than you give!

The **Touched Twice Clinic** will provide free medical and dental services, food, clothing and more to those in the community who need our help. There is still a need for volunteers to help as advocates, greeters, prayer team and **especially hairstylists**. The Clinic is being held Saturday, October 8, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at St. Matthews United Methodist Church, 319 Browns Lane. Volunteer on line, www.stmatthewsmethodist.com, or by contacting **Kathy Bryant**, kathy.bryant@nortonhealthcare.org or 629-2620.

Mayor's Give a Day of Service – October 17-23. The United Way is facilitating a website that will match hundreds of volunteers and opportunities. Some of the options are gardening, reading to children, helping at a golf scramble, serving meals and painting. **Sign up at www.mygiveaday.com** or for questions, call **Mary Sullivan**, 292-6154, at Metro United Way.

Fire Alarm!

This is worth repeating!

Should the Fire Alarm sound during church or church school, please know that our teachers and caregivers have been instructed in procedures to quickly evacuate the building.

DO NOT try to find your child in the building. Exit the building and proceed to the back parking lot where you will find your children waiting for you!



SOCIAL CONCERNS

“PUTTING FAITH INTO ACTION”

Habitat for Humanity’s ministry is based on the conviction that to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ we must reflect Christ’s love in our own lives by loving and caring for one another. Habitat for Humanity provides an opportunity for people to put their faith and love into action, bringing diverse groups of people together to make affordable housing and better communities a reality.

On Saturday, September 10, the “Raise The Roof - Ground Blessing” for **Ahmed Hussein** and **Khadra Ibrahim** and their family’s new Habitat House was conducted. “Raise The Roof” is the first step in building a house that will soon become a home! Thanks to the sponsorship of St. Matthew’s Episcopal Church and Holy Trinity Catholic Church along with the matching funds of HFHML Partner Family Mortgages and Kentucky Housing Corporation, Ahmed Hussein along with his family will move into their new home in early January.

Sue Martin, President - Habitat Board of Directors, welcomed the assembled “Raise The Roof - Ground Blessing” guests. House Leaders were introduced along with the introduction of family members. **The Rev. Dr. Jerry Cappel** and **Father Mark Spalding** gave their remarks and the “Ground Blessing” ceremony concluded with a blessing from **Abdulkadir Mohamed** and **The Rt. Rev. Bishop David Reed**.

A special thanks to all of those who participated in “Raise The Roof”: St. Matthew’s Habitat Work Crew, St. Matthew’s clergy and staff, volunteer building workers, lunch preparation workers, financial supporters, photographers, web masters, and many, many others.

Thanks for putting your faith into action!

–Bob Clark and Harry Tidwell

***Asante Sana** from HeartsforKenya**

On our HeartsforKenya’s trip to Oyugis in June, I took some pictures of the animals given to us during the **Alternatives Gift Fair** last year. We were given goats and chickens for our farmers.

One lady received a goat. Goat’s milk is more nutritious than cow’s milk and is used for those with AIDS or those that are HIV positive. This lady is recently widowed and has 3 children that are HIV positive. Her husband died of AIDS. Because of the goat’s milk and the extra milk she can sell in the market for other family needs her children are healthier and stronger. She wanted me to say ‘Thank You’ to those who gave her this goat. The goat now also has a new kid.

Because of your gifts HeartsforKenya was able to give 25 of our 120 farmers 6 chickens each. The chickens provided eggs that can increase nutrition for the family and eggs that can be sold in the local market to bring in a small amount of money for the families’ other needs.

HeartsforKenya would like to Thank You again for your generous gifts and to ask you to consider what you can do during the **Alternative Gifts Fair (December 4)** this year.

Because of your support you are changing the lives of the people of Oyugis, Kenya.

*Asante Sana (*Swahili for Thank You*)

–John Willingham

What's happening at *St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in October?*

Morning Prayer: 9 a.m., Mon.-Fri. • **Holy Eucharist:** 7 a.m., Tues. • **Evening Prayer:** 5:30 p.m., Wed.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Cursillo, 8a Habitat, 8:30a
2 Food Collection Sunday Holy Eucharist, 8a, 10a & 5p Blessing of the Animals, 3p Grief Group, 3:30p Youth Group, 5:30p	3 Bible Study, 10a E/fM, 6:30p Bridge Group, 7p	4 Holy Eucharist, 7a Bridges, 6p AA & Alanon, 8p	5 Beargrass Deanery Mtg., 9:30a Adult Handbell Practice, 6:30p Choir Practice, 7:45p	6 Women In Conversation, 9a Going Deeper, 10a SOS, 7:30p	7 Ladies AA, 11:30a AA & Newcomers, 6:45 & 7:30p	8 Cursillo, 8a Brotherhood of St. Andrew, 8:30a
9 Holy Eucharist, 8a, 10a & 5p Vestry Town Meeting, 11:15a Youth Group, 5:30p	10 Bible Study, 10a Afternoon Book Group, 11:30a E/fM, 6:30p	11 Holy Eucharist, 7a AA & Alanon, 8p	12 Adult Handbell Practice, 6:30p Choir Practice, 7:45p	13 Women In Conversation, 9a Going Deeper, 10a	14 Golden Bells Practice, 9a Ladies AA, 11:30a Afternoon Bridge, 1:30p AA & Newcomers, 6:45 & 7:30p	15 Cursillo, 8a Food Pantry, 11a
16 Holy Eucharist, 8a, 10a & 5p Creation Relations, 11:15a Grief Group, 3:30p Youth Group, 5:30p	17 Bible Study, 10a E/fM, 6:30p	18 Holy Eucharist, 7a Men's Breakfast Group, 8:30a Vestry Dinner & Meeting, 5:15p AA & Alanon, 8p	19 Adult Handbell Practice, 6:30p SOS Committee Mtg., 7:30p Choir Practice, 7:45p	20 Women In Conversation, 9a Going Deeper, 10a Ladies' Lunch Bunch, 11:30a Diocesan Christian Formation Group, 12p SOS, 7:30p	21 Golden Bells Practice, 9a Ladies AA, 11:30a AA & Newcomers, 6:45 & 7:30p Dimensions of Faith Lecture - Marcus Borg, 7p	22 Cursillo, 8a Dimensions of Faith - Lectures and Lunch, 9:30a
23 Holy Eucharist, 8a, 10a & 5p Marcus Borg, 11:15a	24 Bible Study, 10a E/fM, 6:30p	25 Brotherhood of St. Andrew, 6p AA & Alanon, 8p	26 Adult Handbell Practice, 6:30p Choir practice, 7:45p	27 Women In Conversation, 9a Going Deeper, 10a	28 Golden Bells Practice, 9a Ladies AA, 11:30a Preschool Fall Festival, 6p AA & Newcomers, 6:45 & 7:30p	29 Cursillo, 8a
30 Holy Eucharist, 8a, 10a & 5p Halloween Party, 5:30p	31 Bible Study, 10a E/fM, 6:30p					

DAILY PRAYER LIST

Note: At Morning Prayer each weekday, members of St. Matthew's congregation are prayed for by name. As members of the Christian community, we are advised to hold each other in prayer. As part of your prayers, please remember all of the St. Matthew's parish family.

Week of October 3

Cherry: *Steve, The Rev. Mary Jane*
Christensen: *John, Kris, Jackson, Catherine*
Christian: *Naomi*
Clark: *Lou, Kitty*
Clark: *Kevin, Mickey Peck*
Clark: *Melinda*
Clark: *Bob, Diane*
Cleveland: *Bess*
Collins: *Georgianna*
Collins: *Shaver, Linda*

Week of October 10

Conway: *Jack, Elizabeth, Evangeline, Alexandra*
Cook: *Laura, Chloé, Charles*
Cowan: *Jewel, Dominic, Alex, Jackie*
Crocker: *Candis*
Crocker: *Jay, Clay Smith, Allen Schagene*
Crouch: *The Rev. Emily and Zach*
Cundiff: *Lois*
Currie: *Amy*
Daley: *Catherine, Norma Dils, Kennedy, Kaitlin*
Danahy: *Patricia*

Week of October 17

Dangremond: *Bob, Marie Koelsch, Phoebe Plescott*
Davis: *Ann*
Davis: *Joe*
Davis: *Sally*
Day: *Joan*
Delph: *Donna*
Deters: *Lee, Penny Shaw*
Deutsch: *Caroline*
Diedenhofen: *Cindy, Shannon*
Dietrich: *Bette*

Week of October 24

Dillman: *Bruce, Anita*
Disney: *Jane*
Dobroth: *Alison*
Dobroth: *Virginia*
Dodson: *Frank*
Donovan: *Becky*
Donovan: *Patrick, Kristin, Barrett, Claire, Grace*
Dooley: *Ruby*
Drybrough: *Rosemary*
Dumstorf: *James, Heather, Eloise*

Week of October 31

Dustin: *Lisa*
Dutschke: *Roger, Phyllis*
Duvall: *Scot, Juli, Ava, Kora, Philip*
Eastman: *Nicholas, Kate, Ben*

Edwards: *Betty*
Edwards: *Todd, Shannon, Cameron, Ireland*
Eicholtz: *Tim, Saxonie, Sunny*

Ellis: *Steve, Barbara, Stephen*
Enriquez: *Patricia*
Enriquez: *Peggy*

We pray for members of the parish family serving in the Armed Forces

Chuck DeHoag, Steven Sadler, Marc Grigsby, Mark Jones, Christopher Jones, Casey Carmichael, Jay Dosker, Major Adrian Wheeler, Adam Warren, Ryan Campbell, Lance Lawfer, Kevin Smith, Billy Cundiff, The Rev. Steve Pike, and Michael Nicholas; and Jamie Ogles, who is serving in the **Peace Corps**.

Do you have a family member serving in the Armed Forces or in some form of relief work in a dangerous area? Please let us know so that we can put them on our prayer list.

Heavenly Father, We ask you to make the door of St. Matthew's Church a gateway to your eternal kingdom; and grant that all who worship in this house may also witness for you in the world outside, to your honor and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Weekday Services in the Chapel

Monday-Friday: 9:00 a.m., Morning Prayer Tuesdays: 7:00 a.m., Holy Eucharist Wednesdays: 5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer

PARISH FAMILY

Birth

We extend congratulations to

Kett Ketterer on the birth of his grandson

Baptisms: September 25

Lydia Jean Adam, daughter of Nathan and Jenny Adam

Lydia Grace Gardner, daughter of David and Jennifer Gardner

Audrey Claire Greene, daughter of Michael and Elizabeth Greene

Malcolm Ellis Woodson, son of Justin and Louisa Woodson

**On September 25 we also
welcomed new members:**

Bob & Debbie DeHoag

David & Jennifer Gardner

Deaths

We are sorry to hear about the death of

Jane Jones' sister-in-law, Paul Jones' sister

+++ May light perpetual shine upon her +++

Would you rather receive your copy of the monthly newsletter by email?

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