



ST. MATTHEW'S UMC GOOD NEWS UPDATE

October 29, 2023

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

All Saints Sunday is November 5. Join us as we light a candle in memory of those who have gone on to glory over the past year.

Tommye Hansen displays a children's book that was recently added to our Library. Perhaps your child would like to check it out!



St. Matthew's
United Methodist Church

YOU'RE INVITED TO

Pizza w/ the Pastor

Join us for food, games, music and conversations about God, faith and life in general with Rev. Lataya Simpson.

When: Sunday, 11-5-23 (5-7 pm)
Where: Fellowship Hall/Gym
For: Families of children & youth
Use QR Code to RSVP or email
pastor@st.matthewsmethodist.org



Be sure to welcome **Mary Fitzgerald** back to St. Matthew's. She will be filling the office secretarial position for several months.



Thank you, volunteers, for making our **Fall Festival** a successful event! We saw lots of visitors and many happy faces. The final fundraising amount will be reported as soon as it is tallied. In the meantime, enjoy the pictures, courtesy of **Teresa Porter**.



CURRENT EVENTS

<u>Sun. 10/29</u>	<u>Mon. 10/30</u>	<u>Tue. 10/31</u>	<u>Wed. 11/1</u>	<u>Thu. 11/2</u>	<u>Fri. 11/3</u>	<u>Sat. 11/4</u>
9:15a Sun. School 10:17 Worship 6:00p Knitters	8:00a CWM 9:30 CWM Costume Parade 7:00p Scouts	8:00a CWM 9:30 CWM Costume Parade 9:30 Sr. Tuesday	8:00a CWM 6:00p Choir Rehearsal	8:00a CWM 10:00 Chapel Time w/Ms. Nell on Facebook 8:30 Online Bible Study	8:00a CWM	8:30a Pancakes 10:00 Lydia Circle





PRAYING FOR...

✚ US Military Men & Women
✚ Men & Women in Law Enforcement
✚ Natural Disaster Victims
✚ Vibrant Church Initiative
✚ COVID-19 Victims & Heroes
✚ John Cunningham
✚ Adele Collins

✚ Rita Dostal
✚ Jerrie Akin
✚ Carolyn McDavid
✚ Bobbie "Montana" Hosang
✚ Nell Baham
✚ Elinor Pickles
✚ Rita Hartman
✚ Sue Montgomery
✚ Jack Montgomery, Jr.
✚ Family of Dorothy Bisby

To keep our Prayer List current, please contact the church office to add names of those who need prayer or remove those who have received God's blessing of healing.

✚ Family of Doreen Smith.
✚ Family of Joe Bisby, Jr.
✚ Bailey Menkes

Well, St. Matthew's family and friends, the day has finally arrived — October 27, 2023 — my last day working for this church and for you. It has been an honor and a privilege to be of service to God's kingdom on our little corner of the world. A sinner I'll always be, but I leave my position here a better person than when I came back into the fold in 2015. My time here has been well-spent learning, loving, growing, and serving.

While I will miss you dearly — my supervisors, co-workers, friends, fellow volunteers, and fellow worshipers — I am so excited to be moving to North Carolina to be near my grandson, Samuel Alan Tieken. I already have a church picked out to try, St. Luke UMC, where Sammie attends Mother's Day Out. St. Luke also sponsors the scout troop my bonus grandsons, Cole and Cas, are a part of.

Thank you all for your love, kindness, guidance, support, and generosity over these past few years. May you and your family be blessed abundantly with God's love, mercy, and grace! Keep shining the light of Christ wherever you go. Love and Blessings, Trish Tieken ✚

From The Upper Room - October 29, 2023

Thought for the Day

God is with me in my waiting.

Prayer

Dear God, help us remember that you are always with us. We wait for you with hope and joyful anticipation. Amen.

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Scripture Reference

Be patient, then, brothers and sisters, until the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop, patiently waiting for the autumn and spring rains.

✚ James 5:7



November 5 - Daylight Saving Time Ends

November 5 - Youth Pizza w/Pastor, F'ship Hall

November 6-10 - Pastor Simpson - Out of Office

November 12 - Worship Team Meeting, Parlor

November 20 - Building & Grounds Zoom Meeting

November 23 - Happy Thanksgiving!

November 23-24 - Campus Closed - Thanksgiving

November 27 - Board of Stewards Zoom Meeting

December 2 - Pancake Breakfast & Lydia Circle

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Please call the church office at 713-697-0671, or email us at office@stmatthewsmethodist.org, for questions or information on any opportunities listed. Office hours are Monday-Thursday 8:00-3:00 and Friday 8:00-noon. Rev. Simpson can be reached at pastor@stmatthewsmethodist.org.

