

St Matthew's Community Church

August 2026



Ice Cream Social August 1st 4-7

Choir Practice – Tuesdays 6:30PM

Atoned 4 Praise Band Practice, Wednesdays at 5:45 PM except the Wednesday
after we sing

Wednesday Disciple Bible Study

at 3:00 PM and 7:00 PM led by Pastor Doug

Sewing Circle 10-1 Fridays

Youth – Sundays 6-7:15 pm

Our Mission – To share the love and grace of Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life and conform to the character of Christ.

A Word from your Pastor

How big is your God? God is the supreme being, the creator and the only being who is not created. As His creations, we cannot comprehend someone who has always been and always will be. Our God has power without limits, knowledge without limits. Knowledge without limits, love and mercy without limits; and he has ever present always. There is no hiding from God. There is no hiding your thoughts, words or deeds. God knows all sees all. Something else God has over us, He has the ability and willingness to forgive all. People have a tough time accepting an infallible God. We have a tendency to place our own limitations on Him, and they have no place there. We seem to want a more comfortable humanistic, external being. We want to control Him and influence Him. We do this by lowering Him to our level, a level beset with sin.

We refer to God as the “big guy”. It is the same term used by Hunter Biden when he was peddling the old man’s influence. Some people call him “the man upstairs”. Our society apparently believes God changed to conform to our societal norms thus excusing our sinful behavior. Several times in my life, I have heard giving God an ultimatum. That has to be the height of hubris, I can’t imagine challenging a force that created solar systems numbering in the billions. Humans have used science to unsuccessfully prove that God does not even exist.

God does exist, and he is intimately aware of everything we deal with. He cares. He is faithful. His word is true. His promises can be trusted. He is the author and sustainer of our being.

Our response to God needs to be faithful obedience. The very thought of God should drive us humbly to our knees in adoration and gratitude. Whatever I have done, no matter what I have accomplished, no matter what I am -- these are because God will it. He and He alone is supreme.

Pastor Doug

Coming UP!

Gary Ford had a great idea – a congregation trip to the veteran’s memorial on O’Day Rd. Initially it was to be a bonding experience for the men. However, when it was announced prematurely, I had too many women with their hands on their hips and their foot tapping the floor saying, “What about us.” Kinda scared me. So, on **Saturday, August 8, at 10:00AM**, brunch will be served in the church basement. Following that we will carpool to O’Day Road and tour the exhibits. I have not been there since before the wall was erected. All are welcome, but I need a head count for food; and since Angie will be ten-day post-op, some help in the kitchen. If you plan on going please tell Rev. Gary Ford. I am volunteering him for that since it was his big fat idea.

Trustee Report

A big thank you to those who worked on July 17 and 18 on our workdays. Six of us got a lot of work done.

We will have some work around the parsonage and church done by Hodges Property Management. If you see changes, it will be good.

Thanks for all the things you brought in for the Kentucky Mountain Mission. They will be happy with it.

Anyone wishing to donate an item to the church must get approval from the Trustees. We will no longer accept anything dropped off. This includes any kitchen items.

If you see something that needs to be fixed, or if you have any questions, please let one of the trustees know.



**HANDICAPPED PARKING IS EAST OF THE BIG FLAG AND AT THE NORTH
END OF THE SIDEWALK.**

Thank you all for being patient with us as things are still being done and need to be done. It's a big job.

Trustee Board members are Dan Becker, Ken and Brenda Boyd, Greg Greaf, Sharon Heaton, Tom Horner and trustee chairman Patty Jagger.
God Bless, Patty Jagger Trustee Chairman

***If you are a greeter, please remember to ask visitors to
sign in, provide them with a name tag, and give them a
visitor's bag. The bags are by the entry to the front door.
Thanks!***

Mission for this month

Kentucky Mountain Mission – Thank you for your donations!

If you have any questions, please contact John Austin at 260-402-7417.

Farewell Celebration for Peg and Denny Conrad

Peg and Denny are moving to Iowa, and we are celebrating with cake after service on August 9th. We want to send them off with good wishes so plan to stay after church on the 9th.



August 2026

Words From Your Ad Board Chair

I really struggled with choosing a topic for this newsletter. I came across some quotes that I thought everyone would enjoy. Our country just celebrated 250 years. All of these come from our founding fathers. Some of these will make you really think. Here goes:

“If you want something you’ve never had, you must be willing to do something you’ve never done.” Thomas Jefferson

“Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn.” Benjamin Franklin

"Truth will ultimately prevail where there is pains to bring it to light."
George Washington

"The circulation of confidence is better than the circulation of money."
James Madison

"It is better to offer no excuse than a bad one." George Washington

"Whenever you do something, act as if all the world were watching."
Thomas Jefferson

"Either write something worth reading or do something worth writing."
Benjamin Franklin

"Do you want to know who you are? Don't ask. Act! Action will delineate and define you." Thomas Jefferson

Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and your plans will succeed.
Proverbs 16:3

Blessings to All!
Your sister in Christ,
Jan Greaf

NEW! St. Matthew's Community Picture Directory

St. Matthew's has decided that it is time to create a new directory. We need your help in making it a complete directory that includes pictures. We will be including Names, Addresses, Phone numbers, and Emails beside each picture. There is no cost to St. Matthew's or to you for the directory, the sitting, or the personal 8x10 picture.

How we plan to make this all work. (stop laughing – I'll be looking for a few more volunteers!) **Beginning Sun, August 9;** before & after church; in the lobby; we will start scheduling your appointments for your pictures.

MONDAY OCT 12; SCHEDULE WITH SUE WILLIAMSON

TUESDAY OCT 13: SCHEDULE WITH SALLY HULL

WEDNESDAY OCT 14: SCHEDULE WITH DEB MILLER

SCHEDULE BY PHONE – KATHY EHINGER 260-385-3164

RANDOM INFORMATION

YOU **MUST** HAVE YOUR PICTURE TAKEN IF YOU WANT A DIRECTORY

APPOINTMENT TIMES ARE FROM 2:00-8:00 PM on OCT.12,13,14

ARRIVE 15 MIN EARLY – PAPERWORK!

PLAN ON 1 HOUR FOR ENTIRE SESSION, (INCLUDES VIEWING)

YOU MAY PURCHASE EXTRA PICTURES/POSES (I've asked for pricing)

YOU CAN INCLUDE PERSONAL ITEMS IN YOUR PICTURES

PETS-leash, TOYS, MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHANGE OF CLOTHES

(Just let us know so we can allow extra time)

YOU CAN INVITE FAMILY & CLOSE FRIENDS TO JOIN

(no cost to them: they will not be included in the directory)

IF THE DATES OF Oct 12-14 do NOT work for you please call Kathy -260-385-3164

IF YOU WANT TO SUBMIT A PICTURE-cost is \$15 and a digital copy of that picture

For additional information watch for handouts in the weekly bulletins, or call Kathy Ehinger with additional questions. 260-385-3164

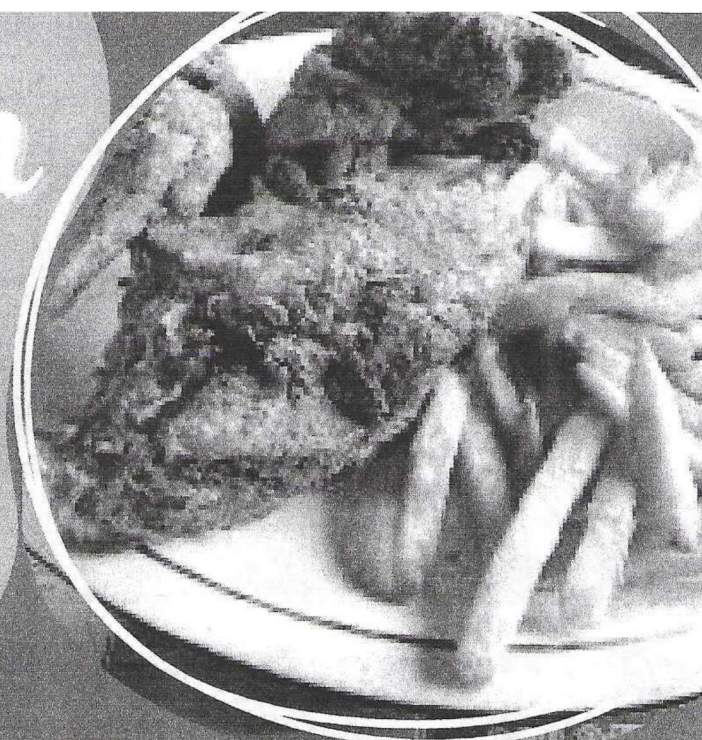
Meal with Miriam

FUNDRAISER



HALF ACRE CAFE

*as she prepares to
serve in Chile*



**THURSDAY,
AUGUST 20**

5:30 PM-7:30 PM

**TICKETS
\$25**

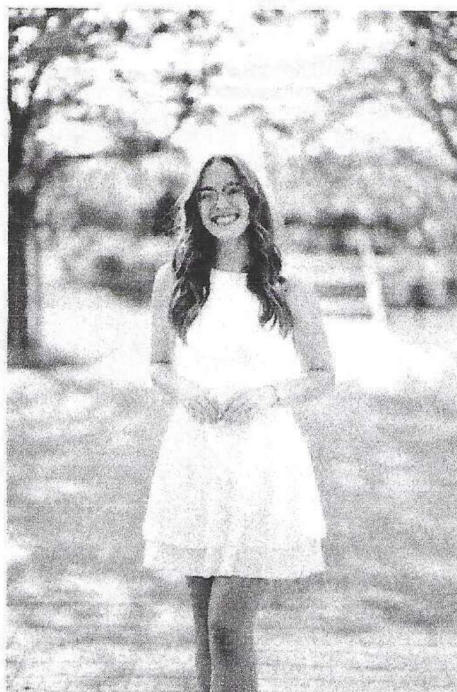


*To reserve tickets, scan QR code or
mail information & cash/check to
4750 E 125 S, Avilla, IN 46710*

Name _____

SELECT: ☐ Chicken ☐ Fish

***All meals include 3 pieces of fish or chicken, cheesy
potatoes, green beans, a drink, & dessert**



Hi, my name is Miriam Kline! I graduated from Churubusco HS in 2023 and from Huntington University this spring.

This fall, I'm headed to Santiago, Chile for 2 years to serve as a Communications Manager with Somos Parte, a nonprofit organization.

They minister to at-risk youth in government-run group homes.

I'll be using my background in comm, PR, & marketing to help share stories of the ministry, connect others to what God is doing there, and support outreach efforts.

QUESTIONS?
CONTACT ME



Dear ST MATTHEWS COMMUNITY CHURCH (SC601),

The Kroger Co. Family of Stores is committed to bringing hope and help to the local neighborhoods we call home. Our stores are on a mission to not just part of, but to help create a stronger community. We recognize that every community has unique causes that need support. Thank you for being such an important organization in our community.

We encourage you to ask your supporters to link their rewards card to your organization. Community Rewards is easy to use, The more your supporters shop with us, the more money your organization will earn!

April 1 to June 30, 2026

21 Households

\$48.56

We are committed to carefully protecting our customer's personal information. In order to meet their expectation of privacy, we have adopted a simple policy to never share a customer's personal information. Our privacy policy applies to Community Rewards participation as well.

Thank you for being such an important organization in our community,

Community Rewards Staff

See next page for how to sign up!

TO SIGN UP FOR KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS FOR ST
MATTHEW'S COMMUNITY CHURCH ON YOUR PHONE

1. If you don't have the Kroger App, go to the App Store to download
2. Either Log In or create a login
3. Click on the three bars at the top right of the screen
4. Click on Rewards
5. Click on Community Rewards
6. Click on Enroll
7. Search for St Matthew's and click on it

It will automatically give a portion to St Matthew's

From Christa Baine – July Part 1

Just like the past three months, July is going to be a full four weeks, so I have decided to send two more reasonably sized emails this month instead of one novel =)

I'd like to start off with an exciting update: In my April email, I talked about Light Mission Africa's tailoring program and the initiative to get that program restarted and moved into a newly constructed building on a property already owned by the ministry. When I first arrived in Kenya, we were about fifty to sixty thousand dollars away from that goal....now, we are only \$3,235.07 away from completing phase one of a new building!!! This would demolish the old building from 1984 currently on the property, lay a foundation that would be able to support a multi-story building, and then construct the first floor of the new building which could begin housing the tailoring school and LiMA office! I've tried to share my heart for this program and the women I've met who have been transformed by it, but now

I'd like to share some of their own voices through this video put together by the Kenyan team. If you have any questions about anyone or anything depicted in the video, please let me know: <https://youtu.be/bszVQfYRUt0?si=izt0Ueod488w19x4>

Thank you to everyone who purchased salsa from my friend's fundraiser for new textbooks for the learning center! I believe there are still some pints available if anyone is interested. Whatever is raised by the end of this month will be sent here in August, and the Kenya team will buy as many new books for 7th-9th grades as they can. Schools will be on a holiday for most of August, so the team will have many helping hands at the learning center to stamp and shelve books. I'm excited to receive pictures of the process, as I will be in Rwanda during that time.

I had a couple of sick days earlier this week and had to cancel my planned trip to Asembo. I was to meet up with a women's group that has been working together as peanut farmers, holding table-banking sessions, and conducting Bible studies every other week. These last few weeks have been extremely dusty because the rains have stopped for the most part (ironically, as I type this, a storm has blown in and it is thundering and pouring rain! Thank God!). Inhaling all the dust from the back of the piki piki and through open matatu windows during my travels eventually affected my respiratory tract. Thankfully I did not come down with as severe of an infection as previous years, and was able to bounce back in time to keep my Ugenya plans.

Last month, the piki piki that was purchased for me by a church in Oklahoma back in 2016 was brought and kept at the learning center for our use in rural evangelism. On the 8th and 9th, Sam and I traveled to Ugenya for him to operate my piki piki there again during some visits. After two days of on-foot visits in June

and one day with the motorbike, we (Kennedy, Sam, and myself) resumed on the bike this past Thursday (the 9th). We visited five different homes/individuals. Our next day dedicated to these visits will be entirely devoted to follow-ups, as there has been four individuals either give their life to Christ or express a serious interest in salvation. We were blessed with two bibles last month, and are currently in need of three more (in the Luo language). Please pray God will provide! And all glory to Him who calls and saves!

Fridays I have continued a podcast listening session for the Bible study leaders at the Yatima Hope office in Nyalenda, Kisumu. This usually includes myself, Ibrahim (the translator), and Martha (the CBO director's wife). Yesterday we listened to the testimony of Deepa Sukumar, a Hindu from India who came to a belief in Christ as the one and only Savior God. This led to a discussion about the large Hindu Indian population right here in Kisumu. Ibrahim shared about a young Hindu woman who was tortured over a period of time and eventually killed by her parents because she fell in love with a Kenyan laborer. Although this happened in Kenya and under Kenyan laws, the case went undiscovered for some time and then unconvicted due to the lapse of time, the "closed-off" nature of Hindu culture, and the lack of action by Kenyan authorities. I have battled with the frustration of injustice here in Kenya for years. Whether coming from "faith-based" ministries who manipulate the masses at the expense of those they claim to serve, corrupt government offices where "chai" (money for "tea") is expected in order to get anything done, police requesting bribes for made-up traffic offenses while someone literally gets bludgeoned to death down the road, or the many allowances given for violence and abuse because it's just "cultural" (and don't get me wrong, there are plenty of people who call themselves "Christians" who abuse others as well)...injustice is

rampant. As an advocate at heart, there have been times I've threatened to take a machete in hand, and many, many times when I've lost sleep over what seems like hopeless situations. But when things do seem hopeless, I've learned—through many heart breaks—there are things that can be done. I can be different. I can be just. I can speak the truth. I can pray. I can love unapologetically. Friday we prayed for the pastors and ministry leaders who misdirect others in the name of God. We prayed for the large Hindu population here in Kisumu. And we prayed for wisdom (God gives to all freely for those who ask of Him - James 1). Please pray with us.

If you'd like to join us in our Friday podcast session, head over to <https://compelledpodcast.com/> or search "Compelled" on Spotify or wherever you get your podcasts!

I'm finishing this email one day later: I caught an overnight bus from Kisumu to Nairobi where I will be for a few days before heading back to Kisumu, and then to Ugenya next week for LiMA's monthly school trainings throughout Siaya County. Please pray for safety on the roads, and clarity of mind and heart. Dylan should arrive on the 26th of this month, only two weeks away!

Lots of love to all of you, and feel free to respond to me with any of your prayer requests!

From Christa Baine – July Part 2

July has come to an end, and I'm ending it with my better half. Dylan arrived safely and with no travel or customs issues on Sunday night, the 26th. We spent a couple of days in Nairobi, then traveled to Kisumu by road on the 29th. After church on the 2nd we will fly back to Nairobi, spend the 3rd there with Joash and Jerry's families, and then fly to Kigali, Rwanda on the 4th. This will be Dylan's first time to Rwanda, and a "homecoming" for me as my last visit was in 2021. We will meet up with Pastor Ngabo and his family while there, visiting their ministry, but also making sure Dylan and I spend some quality time together and that he gets to experience the history of Rwanda, especially the Kigali Genocide Memorial.

A statement made in a conversation I overheard during my first trip to Rwanda in 2017 has stayed with me: "You see how our neighbors are behaving now [Kenya, Uganda]? That is what it was like in Rwanda leading up to the genocide." There are many, many differences between what was going on in Rwanda leading up to 1994 and what has been going on in Kenya recently, but it is a reminder of how deep tribal and/or political ties run when tension surfaces. Kenya is heading toward an election year in 2027. Presidential elections are times of heightened tension and unrest, and preliminary campaigning and area elections this year have already given people a taste of what lies ahead. Politicians hire "goons" to cause chaos in certain areas and either blame it on the opposition or come in and "save the day." Sometimes it's just a lot of noise and rioting, other times lives are lost. Several circumstances have happened right here in Kisumu, and I actually had a pretty interesting interaction with one particular goon and his friends in a tiny restaurant one Sunday afternoon. If you see me, ask me about it and I'd be happy to share

the story. Please be in prayer for peace in Kenya, especially leading up to August of 2027.

Since my last email, I was a part of July's school trainings with Light Mission Africa in Siaya County. The topic was Effective Communication, and my session focused on comparing the foolish man versus the wise man in Proverbs 12:15-19. One day when we had a training in the afternoon, I spent the morning with Kennedy and Sam on the motorbike following up with several people we had visited during our rural door-to-door evangelism. We gave two Luo Bibles to people who did not have the Word of God, and we'd like your help in praying for them as they continue to grow in their faith. I am excited to continue with these visits in September whenever time allows. After three days of school trainings, the Light Mission Africa team (in partnership with a local group, Smile Icon) conducted two jiggers clinics at two different schools. The following day, we conducted two home visits, treating seven individuals who had been identified by people in their areas as needing help.

Two observations from the week of July 20-24: During the school trainings, one of the questions Jackie (our area counselor) was asking the students was about Barriers to Effective Communication. Those of us who were not leading at the time would scatter ourselves throughout the kids however possible to help manage distractions etc. While others were naming different communication barriers, one young student I was close to said under her breath, "Lack of food." It is something they sometimes bring up lightly and joke about, but it is a real answer, and not only in Kenya but around the world. Years ago, I got to experience what so many people live through day to day when I ran out of food and money in Kano, Kenya for a brief period of time. I couldn't pay attention during meetings. I had problems

remembering simple things. Drinking water just seemed to make my empty stomach more noticeable. I was too embarrassed to ask anyone around me for food. I eventually took a Benadryl so I could try to sleep through the hunger. I thank God for that tiny experience, because although it pales in comparison to most of the world living with food insecurity, it opened my eyes to this reality and my heart to understand the different reasons children may struggle or act out in school. I am thankful for this Kenyan team who are sensitive to what these children go through, as many of them have walked the same path.

Secondly, if you have a caregiver's heart, I wish you could witness a jiggers clinic. The pride I felt seeing people I know and love literally washing the hands and feet of others was overwhelming. I never knew the "Sports Director" at Light Mission Africa (he helps with the Christmas soccer tournaments) had such a heart for treating patients infested with jiggers. Kennedy, the young man who loves evangelism, continues to amaze me with his servant's heart. And I continue to be humbled by the young women who show up as volunteers with their trending outfits and makeup, who then don gloves and get down on their knees to remove parasites from a stranger's feet. The love of God is powerful.

There is a stage of the process where a scalpel is needed to remove living jiggers from a patient's body. I have done this to an adult patient before, but have been hesitant to use the scalpel on a child. Inevitably, there are minor cuts on fresh skin that occur and cause bleeding, and even when the dry, crusted skin is successfully removed and a jigger is exposed, they often bite as a last resort, causing the patient to bleed. I hate the thought of causing pain to a child. But help was needed, and the boy Kennedy was working on had two very infected feet. I worked on the boy's left foot, as Kennedy worked on his right and patiently answered my

questions as I made sure I was using the scalpel correctly. Apart from the volunteers, these kids were something else. This boy was so brave, so strong, and so patient. Even the little girl at the second school who had to be held down through her screams and tears is still a champion in my eyes. These people can now rest in peace, and serve as ambassadors in their community for how to prevent and treat jigger infestations. Jerry said it well at the first school when he explained that the reason we come and do this is entirely because of the love that God has given us. [Click here to view a short video of the ending of the first school clinic.](#)

Please pray that just as those treated should be ambassadors for proper health and hygiene, they will also be ambassadors for Christ, along with the LiMA leaders and volunteers.

Until next time, I pray this email finds you recognizing the love of God in your daily lives, and sharing it with others as often as you can. Please pray He strengthens me and others serving here in Africa to do the same! God bless!

Worship Committee

Greetings to everyone in St. Matthew's Community Church congregation!

Our first Sunday of the month is August 2 and we will have Pre-Service singing led by Dayla and Paul Jagger. We will also celebrate Holy Communion after the morning message. Is there a homebound congregation member of St. Matthew's to whom you would like to provide Holy Communion? You have that opportunity the first Sunday of each month. Simply take a bag that has been filled with Holy Communion elements from the foot of the altar. Then give the designated person a phone call and plan a time convenient with them to visit and serve them Communion. What better way to express the love of Christ with our brothers and sisters? You will be a blessing to them, and will also receive a blessing!

Atoned 4 will provide music for our church service on August 9, which is the second Sunday of August.

There will be Pre-Service singing led by a quartet of choir members on August 16, the third Sunday of the month. There will also be a Gideon speaker with us that morning. He will be sharing information about Gideons International, their mission, and opportunities for us to spread the Gospel to others. There will be someone available to accept any financial contributions you may feel compelled to give Gideons International to further the message of salvation through Jesus Christ. How our world needs to hear about God's great love for us!

Our choir at St. Matthew's will be singing during our service on the fourth Sunday, August 23.

August 30 is the fifth Sunday of the month and the Worship Committee has planned for a Service of Music to take place that morning. We have placed Music Request forms in the pews and they contain information on how you may request a hymn or Christian song you would like to have included in the music selections for the day. This will be the last Service of Music for the year, so help us select some awesome, worshipful, joyful, glorifying music in order to praise our Almighty Lord! The last day to submit your choice of music will be August 16, so please hurry!

The next Worship Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 17 at 5:30 p.m.

Blessings to you all as you enjoy this beautiful summer season! Remember to take time to worship the Creator of it all!

With warm regards, Dana Jagger, Worship Committee Chrm.

St. Matthew's Community Church Youth Group

APRIL '26

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19- Regular Youth
26- Regular Youth

MAY '26

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3- Year End Party -
Summer Break!
17- Paige's Crossing 4:00

JUNE '26

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6- Ice Cream Social
4:00-7:00 Volunteers
needed
28- Youth Destination
Unknown
14- Kayaking + Cookout

JULY '26

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17-23 - HH Fair

July 6-10, 2026 - Youth
Vacation Bible Class!
School 6:00 - 8:00
Volunteers needed
12- Swimming Party!

AUGUST '26

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1- Ice Cream Social
4:00-7:00 Volunteers
needed
8- Train Ride 4:00 Angola
* 2026-27 Youth
starts 9/13/26

N., C.C., IN • Q's contact: Ryan: 229-2695 or Julie 229-0738

From *The Book of Common Prayer*

For Families

Almighty God, our heavenly father, who settest the solitary in families. We commit to thy continual care the homes in which thy people dwell. Put far from them, we beseech thee, every root of bitterness the desire of vainglory, and the pride of life. Fill them with faith, virtue, knowledge, temperance, patience, godliness. Knit them together in constant affection those who, in holy wedlock have been made one flesh. Turn the hearts of the parents to the children and the hearts of the children to the parents; and so enkindle fervent charity among us all, that we may evermore be kindly affectioned one to another through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Communication Information

PLEASE READ

St. Matthew's communication system-Tel a Home-is a notification system to inform members of items of importance. If you want a text sent out notify Pastor Doug or Sue Williamson. If you want to be included or removed contact Sue Williamson 260-213-

9787. **If you want to respond to the text do so by calling, texting, or sending a card to the person mentioned in the text, *please* do not respond to the text as it goes out to the 16 people in your group not to the person who needs the support.**

Ice Cream Social

August 1st 4:00 to 7:00

St. Matthew's Community Church

1460 E 500 N

Columbia City, IN 46725





President Sally Hull

Our 2nd Ice Cream Social is August 1st.

Our next meeting will be held on September 14th
at 2:00 in the afternoon at the church in
the lower-level meeting room.
All women of the church are welcome.

It is almost time for the kids
to be back in school.

Backpack Blessing:

Lord, bless this backpack and the child
who carries it. May they feel your love
surround them every day. Give them
the strength when they feel weak, Peace when
they feel anxious, joy when they feel
discouraged, and wisdom as they learn
and grow. May your protection go with
them, and may they always remember you
walk beside them.



August Birthdays

Dale Becker – 8/3
 Brooks Bradford – 8/3
 Faye Becker – 8/4
 Lauren Jagger – 8/5
 Kathy Ehinger – 8/7
 Jeff Heaton – 8/13
 Chad Whetstone – 8/15
 Susan Grissom – 8/16
 Maralee Borawski - 8/23
 Connie Dittmer – 8/24
 James Maggard – 8/27
 Dixie Reid – 8/28
 Luca Myers – 8/31

August Anniversaries



Phil and Kathy Ehinger - 8/4
Gary and Sally Willson - 8/8
Don and Deb Miller - 8/9
Angie and Travis Bradford - 8/10
Al and Barb Huth - 8/14
Coleson and Esther Myers - 8/17
Dixie Reid and Jack Davis - 8/26
Chad and April Whetstone - 8/28
Carl and Rita Chalk - 8/29

Prayer Concerns

Christa and Dylan Baine
Jane Bunn
Jerilyn Ransom
Nancy Austin
Middle East
Nation and Military
President Trump
Pastor Doug and Angie
Ryan and Hanna
Martin and Pam Brady
Duane Shipley
Sandy
Ed
Howard
Rick Kreps
Esther
Brenda
Willow Redgate
Kayla Pearson
Jeff Blake
Mike Hyndman
Carol Mourfield
Nan Morris – Back Pain
Deb Archer – fell
Emily Bottles
Mark and Pam



James Maggard – Surgery Tues
Angie Lucker – Surgery Thurs
Jason Conrad
Mary Conrad
Craig and Allison and all First Responders
Micci and her cousins Michelle and Bill
Tom Horner's Sisters: One to have Knee surgery and another one to have hernia surgery
Scott
Phyllis
Steve Fry
Karen Stewart
Alice and Roy
Steve and Cassie Lisle
Tom Shearer

Condolences

Larry Ware Family
Donna Toole Family
Marlene Ostrander Family
Sandy Nemes Family
Patricia Nash

Joys and Celebrations

Don't Forget!
Sign up for Sunday morning cookies.
The sign-up sheet is by the front entry door.

Bible verse

Isaiah 43:19 – “See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.” This verse reminds us that August is a time to embrace God's new work in our lives

Joke of the Month

Q. What kind of man was Boaz before he married?

A. Ruthless.

Please send notes of support and encouragement to:

Sandy Barkey
411 N Wolf Rd, Room 111
Columbia City, IN 46725
Phone 260-609-0856

Delores Claxton
616 Opportunity Dr, Apt 404
Autumn Trace
Columbia City, IN 46725

Fran Hartman
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