

ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH
720 Dundee Avenue - Barrington, Illinois

WORSHIP SERVICES: Sunday, 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.
Church Office Hours: Weekdays, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
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The Festival of Pentecost
May 11, 2008

WELCOME TO THIS WORSHIP SERVICE!

May your faith be strengthened as you enter God's presence. As His Word speaks to you, may you be blessed with a deeper understanding of His will for your life.

All are requested to complete a Christian Care Card, found in the hymnal rack (MEMBERS: BLUE CARD, GUESTS: YELLOW CARD). Please place these cards in the offering plate.

SERVING TODAY

Preacher	Rev. Mark Nordman
Liturgist	Rev. Gerald Schalk
Organist	Gerhardt Krohne
Handbell Duet (8:00)	Cliff Storzbach, Kyle Storzbach
Accompanist (8:00)	Joan Kosman
Lector (8:00 Service)	Julie Hancock
Lector (10:30 Service)	Jan Happel

8:00 a.m. Service

Acolytes	Madison Hausherr, Chloe Nissen
Elders	Chuck Henderson, Pete Doyle, Jeff Gathman, Ken Hauser
Ushers	Bob Crimmins, Head Usher Charlie Gotlund, Rick Gotlund, Paul Hancock, Joe Hudziak
Greeters	Darlene Moslander, Shirley Wiese
Altar Guild	Joan Brenner, Trudy Schneider

10:30 a.m. Service

Acolyte	Andrew Happel, Ryan Talsma
Elders	Jim Happel, Ed Hillard, Craig Leese, Steve Schroeder
Ushers	Ralph Carstensen, Head Usher Nick Hacker, Rich Hacker, Tom Stark
Greeters	Ellen Anderson, Bob & Janet Bunn
Altar Guild	Esther Goebbert, Joyce Kesler

CALENDAR

Today - Holy Communion

Today - NO DIRECTORY PHOTO SESSION

Monday - Prayer Group, 9:15 a.m.

Monday - Women's Bible Study, 10:30 a.m.

Monday - Board of Trustees, 7:00 p.m.

Monday - Board of Youth Ministry, 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday - Board of Parish Fellowship, 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday - Board of Stewardship, 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday - Women's Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday - Men's Bible Study, 7:00 a.m.

Wednesday - PieceMakers, 1:00 p.m.

Wednesday - Open Gym, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday - Senior Choir, 7:15 p.m.

Thursday - Bible Study, 8:00 a.m.

Thursday - Board of Evangelism, 7:00 p.m.

Thursday - Sr. Handbells, 7:15 p.m.

Saturday - Men's Prayer Breakfast, 8:00 a.m.

Next Sunday - Holy Communion

NEXT SUNDAY

Next Sunday is not only our Music Sunday but also Holy Trinity Sunday. Pastor Schalk will be combining the theme of one of the choir selections with the Epistle Lesson, Ephesians 5:8-14, in his sermon "Let It Shine All the Time, Let It Shine."

TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by Debby Hartwig & Lori Hausherr in memory of their mother, Eleanor Hartwig. Also, flowers are given by John and Evelyn Fennell in thankfulness for the gift of a healthy granddaughter.

LARGE-PRINT ORDERS OF WORSHIP are available from an usher. They are with the large-print hymnals on the cabinet in the overflow area.

NURSERY DURING WORSHIP

A staffed nursery is available during both services on Sunday mornings. The nursery is located in the north wing of the building near the Church Office.

CONFIRMING THE CHRISTIAN FAITH

Having completed the program of Confirmation instruction, Douglas W. Simpson and Matthew James Simpson have expressed their intent to confirm the Christian faith. They will be received into communicant membership during the 10:30 service this morning. We are pleased to welcome them in Christian love as they make a commitment to a lifetime of faithfulness to Christ's church

NEW ARRIVAL

We join John and Evelyn Fennell in thanking God over the birth of a healthy granddaughter, Aislyn Grace McCarthy, born May 1, to Patrick and Erin McCarthy.

HOSPITALIZED.....Karen Chambers and Joe Moslander are patients in Good Shepherd Hospital in Barrington. Maury Hopwood is a patient in Alexian Brothers in Elk Grove. Please remember these Christian friends in your daily prayers.

IN CHRISTIAN LOVE AND UNDERSTANDING, we note the departure from this life of Edna Sinnett's sister, Magdalene Schultz, on Sunday, May 4, and of Leesa Carls' grandmother, Renata Fricke, on Tuesday, May 6, and of Sharon Carson's grandmother, Hilda Hillesheim, on Wednesday, May 7. We pray that the family members will be comforted in Jesus Christ, who is the Resurrection and the Life.

REMEMBERING OUR CHRISTIAN FRIEND

Gary Zehnder, former Lay Minister here at St. Matthew, passed away Tuesday, May 6. Services were held at Faith Lutheran Church in Carpentersville and he received Christian burial yesterday. Condolences may be sent to Edie Zehnder at 1015 Brower Drive, Roselle, IL 60172.

THANK YOU!

Thank you for all the prayers, cards, expressions of sympathy, and support over the past several weeks since dad (Herb Ebert) died. And thank you to all who helped prepare and serve the luncheon after the service. The salads and desserts that were donated were wonderful! Thank you so much for your caring and love.

The family of Herbert Ebert

ATTENTION ALL MOTHERS!

The middle school and high school youth of St. Matthew wish a "Happy Mother's Day" to all the mothers joining us today. The youth invite you to pick up a coleus plant in the narthex following the service. Enjoy your day!

AN FYI FROM THE BOARD FOR HUMAN CARE MINISTRY

Did you know that our church library has 10 books available on the topics of Elder Care and Care for Caregivers? They are on display in the library for a couple of weeks. Check them out if you are in a caregiving situation.

AT THE INFORMATION CENTER

- * Cross in My Pocket
- * Helpers Needed
- * VBS: Friendship Trek
- * Life Documents
- * Geraniums
- * Men's Prayer Breakfast

SPECIAL CHOIR OPPORTUNITY

The Sr. Choir wants YOU to sing with them for one special service. In a joint choir effort with St. Matthew Hawthorn Woods, we are planning on singing "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" for the July 6 service. You are invited to join the choir for rehearsal in the balcony on May 14 at 7:15 p.m. for approx. 30 minutes. See the May *Messenger* for more details or call Cathy Gathman. __

PIECE MAKERS GET-TOGETHER

Piece Makers will meet Wednesday, May 14, at 1:00 p.m. to work on fleece blankets and quilts. Anyone who is interested in cutting squares for quilts or cutting and tying fleece is welcome to join us. Also, we are looking for 100% cotton fabric for quilts. If you have any that you would like to donate, we would appreciate it. Talk to Penny Moll or Pat Marks about donating fabric or for more information about Piece Makers.

LAST CALL FOR BREAKFAST!!

The Board of Education is hosting a Men's Prayer Breakfast next Saturday, May 17, from 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. at the Onion Pub in Lake Barrington. Our speaker Kevin Eyster will share his personal testimony of Christian growth after experiencing a life-threatening health scare. A full breakfast buffet will be served. Tickets are \$20 and are on sale at the Information Center following both services today.

"HEART OF A MOTHER"...It is fitting that on this Mother's Day we end our collection of items for the "Caring Crib." Thanks to all for your generosity. Please take special note of the insert in the bulletin from Lutherans for Life which shares how every mother's heart, along with Mary's, is a treasure store of things to ponder - things of joy and things of sorrow.

FRIENDSHIP TREK: Jesus, our Forever Friend, June 23-27

Vacation Bible School at St. Matthew is all about friendship - and Jesus is the perfect friend! Friends reach out, love, give, care, and share - just like Jesus. Come along on our Friendship Trek and bring your friends to enjoy skits, songs, Bible stories, crafts, games and snacks. Circle groups are forming now, so grab a registration form at the Information Center or on our church website: www.stmatthewbarrington.org.

EVERYONE CAN JOIN US FOR FRIENDSHIP TREK THIS JUNE!

Adults and teens are needed as small group leaders and as leaders or assistants in music, games, registration, crafts, and snacks. Volunteer forms are also at the Info. Center.

THE SUMMER TIME & TALENT INVENTORIES went into the mail during the first week of April. Please carefully and prayerfully consider the ways in which you can use your God-given abilities to serve your Lord through the ministries of St. Matthew. Please return them to the bin at the Information Center. You are “Blessed to be a Blessing.”

CHECKING OUR VITAL SIGNS

Attendance at last week’s Sunday services	247
Contributions	\$12,803.00
Special Gifts & Memorials	\$7,859.00

FUNERAL LUNCHEON HELP

The Board for Human Care Ministry is looking for some able-bodied men and women to help with food pick-up for funeral lunches. At present, we only have 2 women in charge of this task and additional help is needed. Food is purchased from Gordon’s Food Service (GFS) on Rte 12 just west of Rte. 68. GFS is open until 8pm most nights. The food needs to be picked up a couple of days before the luncheon and delivered to the church kitchen during office hours. We would like to have a list of volunteers so that we could spread the work around. Please complete the following slip and drop it at the Information Center. The board would also like to remind the congregation that extra help is always appreciated with set-up and clean-up anytime we have a funeral lunch. Thank you.

_____ I can help with food pick-up for funeral lunches.

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

MEMORIAL WEEKEND GERANIUMS

The Altar Guild will be decorating the church with geraniums for Memorial Day Weekend. The geraniums will then be planted in various locations around the church. Each plant will cost \$8 and may be donated in memory of a loved one. Please complete the form below and turn it in today at the Information Center along with your check made payable to **St. Matthew Altar Guild**.

NAME: _____

NUMBER OF PLANTS: _____

IN MEMORY OF: _____
