

*Welcome to St. Matthews*  
*“A faithful family reaching out to serve Christ.”*  
*We are honored to have you worship with us today*  
*and we hope that you will receive a warm welcome*  
*and experience the presence of our Lord in a significant way.*

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FRIENDSHIP PAD AND OFFERING BASKET**– located on table by food stand

**JOYS AND CONCERNS** – Please share!

## PRAYER FOR CONCERNS

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

(L) In the beginning, when God drew a circle on the face of the deep,

**(ALL) Wisdom was there rejoicing, delighting in the human race.**

(L) In the beginning was the Word with God, and the Word was God.

**(ALL) The Word became flesh and lived among us, full of grace and truth.**

(L) In every time and place, God’s love is poured into our hearts through the  
Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

**(ALL) Blessed are you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!**

### \*OPENING HYMN           *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

*Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia, amen!*

*Loud praise to Christ our King Alleluia, amen!*

*Let all, with heart and voice, Before His throne rejoice;*

*Praise is His gracious choice, Alleluia, amen!*

*Come lift your hearts on high, Alleluia, amen!*

*Let praises fill the sky, Alleluia, amen!*

*He who made all things well Formed us His praise to tell;*

*Hear now the anthem swell, Alleluia, amen!*

*Sing this salvation song, Alleluia, amen!*

*Christ on the cross has won, Alleluia, amen!*

*Praise we the risen Lord; Come run through mercy’s door;*

*Loved, rescued, and restored, Alleluia, amen!*

*Lift high the Savior’s name, Alleluia, amen!*

*Til all the earth proclaims, Alleluia, amen!*

*Let now the gospel ring, Christ for the world we sing;*

*The world to Christ we bring, Alleluia, amen!*

## CALL TO CONFESSION

By faith in Jesus Christ, we are given access to the grace of God. Standing in that grace, we now confess our sins before God, seeking forgiveness and peace.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God, forgive us. Restore in us, and in our life together, the divine image you intend. Make us tender in mutuality. Make us generous in equality. Make us grateful in diversity. We pray to be one with you and one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Receive these words of comfort from God)

Friends, we are still standing in the grace of Christ. Because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, we are set free to love God and neighbor, and to work for the reconciliation of the world.

**(ALL) We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Thanks be to God!**

## “THE PASSING OF THE PEACE”

## INVITATION

Out of the abundance of God’s own life, we have received the abundance of God’s creation, God’s word and God’s love. Let us return to God a portion of all that we have been given, with joyous and glad abandon.

## OFFERTORY *Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated*

*Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord to Thee;*

*Take my moments and my days- Let them flow in ceaseless praise,*

*Let them flow in ceaseless praise.*

*Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of Thy love;*

*Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee,*

*Swift and beautiful for Thee.*

*Take my voice and let me sing Always only, for my King;*

*Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from Thee,*

*Filled with messages from Thee.*

*Take my will and make it Thine- It shall be no longer mine;*

*Take my heart- it is Thine own, It shall be Thy royal throne,*

*It shall be Thy royal throne. It shall be Thy royal throne.*

**SCRIPTURE READING**  
**New Testament Readings**  
**John 4:19-26**

**19** The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet.  
**20** Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem."  
**21** Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem.  
**22** You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews.  
**23** But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him.  
**24** God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."  
**25** The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us."  
**26** Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

**John 12:1-5**  
**1** Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead.  
**2** There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him.  
**3** Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.  
**4** But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said,  
**5** "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?"

**SERMON**  
**Church Life DNA**  
*The Priority of Worship*  
**Pastor Rick**

John 4:19-26          John 12:1-5

**Worship is the \_\_\_\_\_**

Mark 14:9      Exodus 7:16      Psalm 145:2

**Worship is our \_\_\_\_\_**

Ephesians 3:10          1Peter 2:4-9

**Worship involves \_\_\_\_\_**

John 12:3                  2 Samuel 24:24          Romans 12:1

**Worship opens the door for \_\_\_\_\_**

Acts 16:25-26          Isaiah 6:1-5

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER – ALL**

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

**\*CLOSING HYMN                      Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty**

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea.  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, Which wert, and art, and evermore shall be.

Holy, holy, holy! Tho' the darkness hide Thee, Tho' the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see.

Only Thou art holy- there is none beside Thee, Perfect in pow'r in love, and purity.

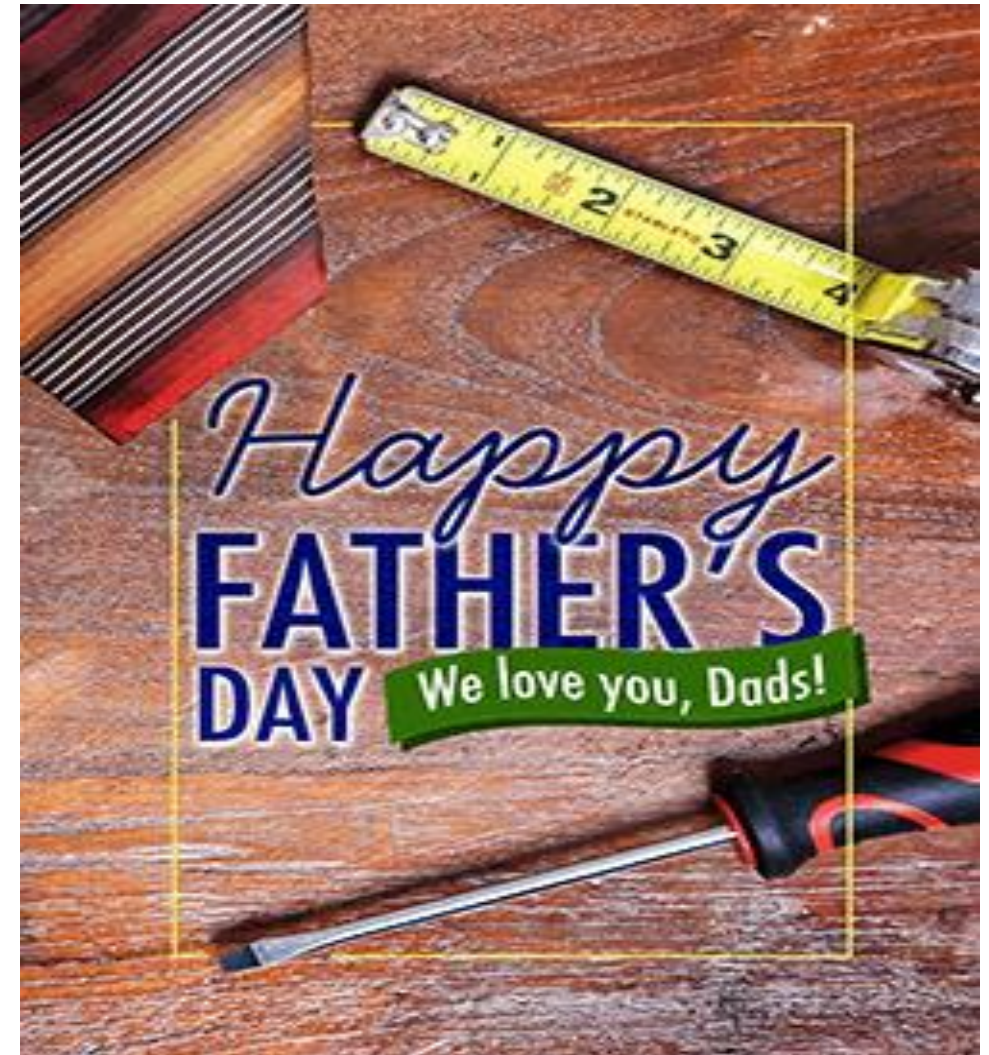
Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth, and sky, and sea.

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity! Amen! Amen!

**\*CLOSING PRAYER    Pastor Rick**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL SONG RESPONSE - ALL      *Go Now In Peace***

*Go now in peace; never be afraid, God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe, reach out to others, so all the world can see. God will be there, watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith and in love. Amen. Amen. Amen.*



**St. Matthew's EC Church Kunkletown  
Trinity Sunday  
June 15, 2025**

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❖ **Prayer Concerns for Shut ins:**

**Shirley Kuntz**—Getz Personal Care Home, 1026 Scenic Dr, Kunkletown PA 18058

**James Borger**—Moravian Village Health Ctr, Rm 142, 634 E. Broad St,  
Bethlehem PA 18018

**Larry Hahn**—Gracedale, 2 Gracedale Ave, Nazareth PA 18064

**Leah Jane Sterner**—300 Covered Bridge Rd, Kunkletown PA 18058

**Kay Frable** – Riverton Rehabilitation and Healthcare Ctr,  
803 N. Wahneta St, Allentown PA 18109

**Kyle Frable**—104 5K Lane, Kunkletown PA 18058

**Gladys Meixsell**—Pleasant Valley Manor, 4227 Manor Dr, Stroudsburg PA 18360

**Velma Silfies**—Mrs. Bush’s Personal Care, 302 Kunkletown Rd,  
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**Joann Hunsicker**—Mrs. Bush’s Personal Care—2W, P.O. Box 327,  
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**Jacqueline Mock**—Mrs. Bush’s Personal Care—P.O. Box 327,  
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**Tom Barr Sr.** – Brookmont Healthcare Ctr, 510 Brookmont Dr, Effort PA 18330

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❖ **June benevolence is Garden of Giving.**

❖ **June 22<sup>nd</sup> - Church services will be held in the Grove at 9am.**

❖ **June 29<sup>th</sup> – Worship, Band and Breakfast will be held in the Church.**

❖ **Children’s message and Children’s church will be suspended for the month of June. Both will resume on July 6<sup>th</sup>.**

❖ **CHANGING THE SCORECARD FOR THE CHURCH CONFERENCE**

**Keynote speaker - Reggie McNeal**

Church Ministry Consultant and author

Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup>, 9am – 3pm at Mohn’s Hill EC Church in Reading, PA

A box lunch is provided. Transportation is not provided.

Talk to Tom Barr if you are interested in attending the conference.

The deadline to sign up is June 22<sup>nd</sup>, the signup sheet is on the table with bulletins and offering basket.

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

Sunday, June 15	Trinity Sunday	-Grove, 9am
	Strawberry Festival/Car Show	-8am until 4pm
Monday, June 16		-Office Open 10am -2pm
	Exercise Group	-Common Room 10:30am
Wednesday, June 18		-Office Open 10am – 2pm
	Laymen’s Craft Day	- Social Hall – 10am
Thursday, June 19		-Office Open 10am – 2pm
	Exercise Group	-Common Room 10:30am
Sunday, June 22	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost	-Grove, 9am

**Altar Flowers**

Vase #1 and Vase #2 – in memory of Roy Anthony by his loving family

**\*\*\*\*\*Please make all church checks payable to St. Matthew’s EC Church**

Council President: RJ Cramer	
Interim Pastor: Rick Rufenacht	Assistant Pastor: Wil Hoffman
Church Secretary: Renée Keiper	
June Lead Usher: Kyle Strohl	

