

*Welcome to St. Matthews EC Church
"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.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FAMILY JOYS AND CONCERNS – Please share!

PRAYER FOR JOYS AND CONCERNS

*****FRIENDSHIP PAD – Please sign and include any contact info updates.**

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

God cares for us completely
and calls for our total commitment.
Christ gave his life that we might live
and calls us to give our lives to him.
Through Christ we have died to sin;
in Christ we are fully alive to God.
Come, let us worship God.

OPENING HYMN RJ Cramer

CALL TO CONFESSION

Confident that we are promised newness of life
through repentance and forgiveness,
let us turn to God and to one another, confessing our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Hear our cries to you, O Lord:
for our failure to end the destruction of air, water,
soil and creatures on Earth,
have mercy on us;
for our disbelief in your power to make us whole,
have mercy on us;
for making war,
have mercy on us;
for mistrusting your Word,
have mercy on us;
for all that we have done and have not done
out of hardened hearts,**

have mercy on us.

Forgive us and renew us.

**Guide us into ways that do not deny you
but lead to peace. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Do not be afraid.

The One who was and is and is to come
knows you through and through
and has overcome death and sin to forgive you,
so that you might be delivered into joy that has no end.
Your sins are forgiven.
You are alive to God in Christ Jesus.

"THE PASSING OF THE PEACE"

PRAYER AND SCRIPTURE FOR OFFERING

Offertory: Psalm 78:1-7, Page 468

"Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old, things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us. We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might, and the wonders that he has done. He established a decree in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our ancestors to teach to their children; that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and rise up and tell them to their children, so that they should set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments;"

MIDDLE HYMN RJ Cramer

SCRIPTURE READING

Wanda Wunder

New Testament Reading: 1 John 3:1-2, Page 988

"See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is."

Psalm Reading: Psalm 103:1-5 and 13-18, Page 482

“Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Bless the LORD, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits— who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s. As a father has compassion for his children, so the LORD has compassion for those who fear him. For he knows how we were made; he remembers that we are dust. As for mortals, their days are like grass; they flourish like a flower of the field; for the wind passes over it, and it is gone, and its place knows it no more. But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children’s children, to those who keep his covenant and remember to do his commandments.”

SERMON Pastor Wil Hoffman

Sermon Title: “Dad’s Toolbox”

Sermon Text: Deuteronomy 6:1-9, Page 143

Sermon Notes:

***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

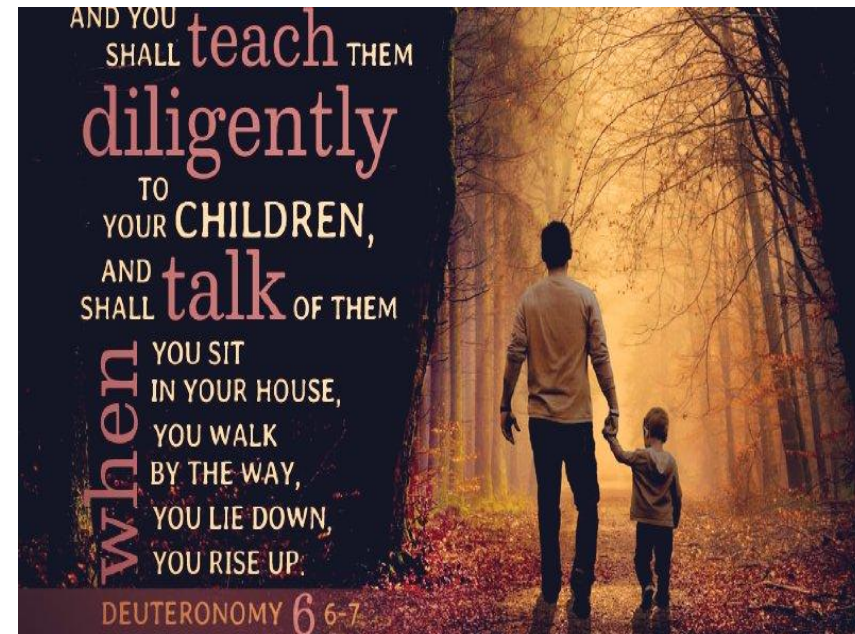
***CLOSING HYMN RJ Cramer**

***CLOSING PRAYER**

CONGREGATIONAL SUNG 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.

(CCLI #2810357 Don Besig)



THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, June 21	Strawberry Festival	-Grove, 10am
Monday, June 22		-Office Open 10am – 2pm
	Exercise Group	-Gathering Rm, 10:30am
Wednesday, June 24		-Office Open 10am – 2pm
Thursday, June 25		-Office Open 10am – 2pm
	Exercise Group	-Gathering Rm, 10:30pm
Sunday, June 28	Pastor John Smith	-Sanctuary, 9am
	Journey with Jesus	-Large classroom, 10:30am
	With Vicki Smith	

Pastor: Wil Hoffman

Council President: RJ Cramer

June Lead Usher – Brenna Perry

Altar Flowers:

Vase #1 – In memory of Sterling M. Brotzman Sr. by his family

Vase #2 – Happy Father's Day Roy Anthony, Love The Anthony Family

❖ June Joyful Noise is Garden of Giving

The Garden of Giving is a non-profit 501 (c)(3) organization, located in Saylorsburg, PA, which cultivates high-yield produce for local food banks in Monroe County. Founded in 2008 by Tammy Graeber, the harvests from our 3.5 acre plot are for the benefit of low-income residents who qualify for and rely upon food banks for their basic food needs.

❖ Summer worship services in the grove:

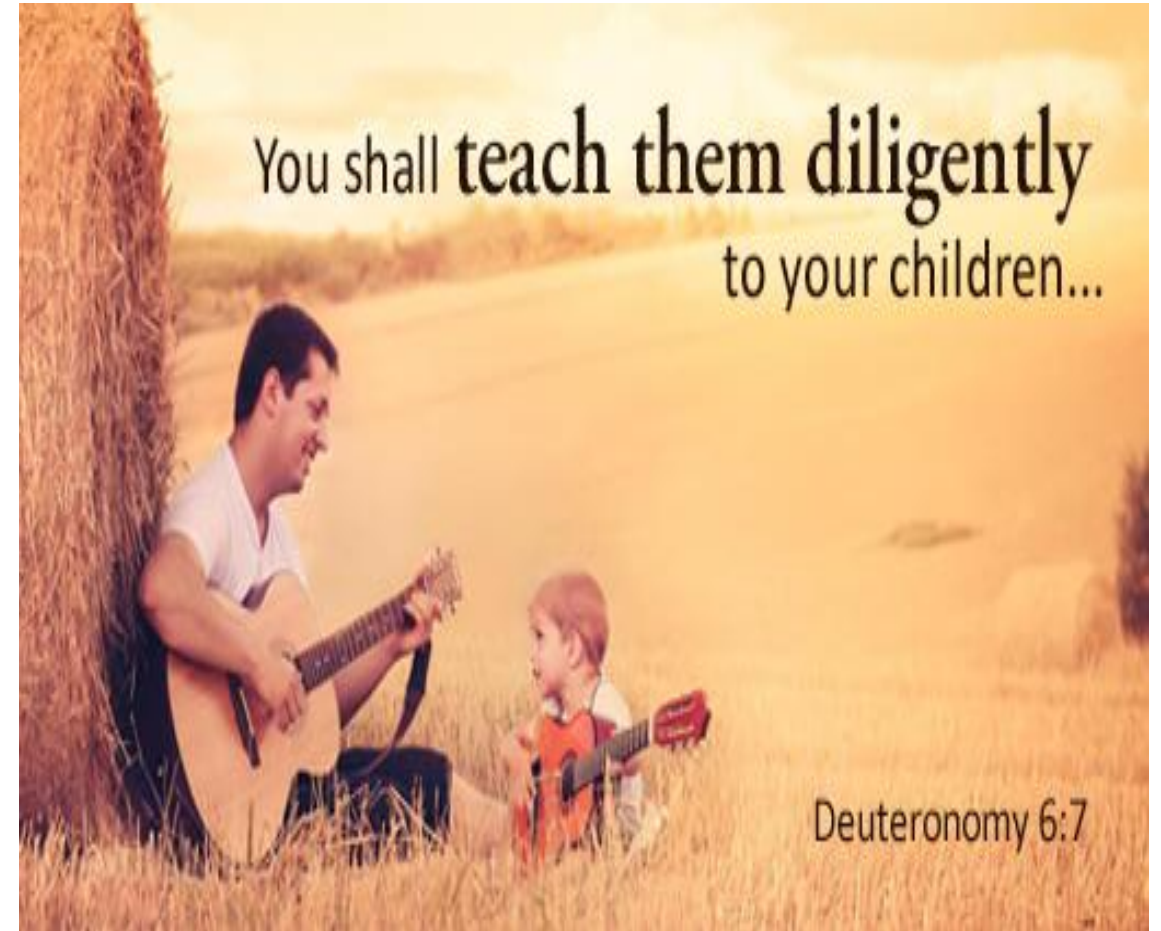
9:00am – July 13, August 9 and September 13

❖ Monday Night Bible Study will not meet in June or July. They will resume on August 10th.

❖ Wednesday Night Bible Study will not meet: June 24th, July 1st, July 8th. They will resume on July 15th.

❖ We need your help:

- June 27th at 8am – move in day from St. Matthew's to the WE Fair Grounds
- July 2, 3, and 4th for America's 250th Celebration – see Starlene
 - July 2 and 3 – 4pm to 10pm
 - July 4 – 1st shift is 2pm to 6:30pm, 2nd shift is 5:30pm to 10pm
- August 23rd – 29th WE Fair week.



**St. Matthew's EC Church Kunkletown
June 21, 2026**

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St. Matthew's Prayer List – June 21, 2026

KINGDOM WORK:

- **Sister Helena** – Zambia – raising chickens, growing vegetables feeding the children and can now put a roof on facility
- **Randy & Deb Sheagley** – Touch the World website

MILITARY:

- **Major James Beidleman** (son of Kathy and Brian Beidleman): Pilot at Dover Air Force Base
- **LT Noah Krechel** (Grandson of Henry and Doris Krechel): Serving in the US Navy stationed in Norfolk, VA
- **Logan Mackes** (Grandson of Rose Fritz): Serving in the U.S. Army in Poland
- **Bryce Silliman** (Irene and Dean Zacharias' grandson) US Navy
- **Conner Wise** (Hal's cousin's son): U.S. Marine deployed to Iwakuni, Japan (via Hawaii & Guam) for 6-9 months.

LONG-TERM NEEDS:

- **John Armbruster** (friend of Rose Fritz): immunotherapy for a year
- **Conner Bittenbender** (Bittenbender Family Member): Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy; lab test results & healing
- **Roberta Heffley** (Eleanor Long's Sister): Cancer
- **Jalene Keiser**: Cancer
- **Wade Koehler** (Vivian Smith's friend)
- **Shannon Osinski** (wife of James Osinski) Ehlers Danlos Syndrome
- **Eileen (Ravalico) Keller** (Roy Zeruth's friend): Cancer
- **Sheila Sherer** (Eleanor Long's Niece): Fluid on her brain
- **Scott Smith** (Doris and Henry's son-in-law): Cancer
- **Hudson Stewart** (Bittenbender Family Member): Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy; no symptoms yet

SHUT INS:

- **Gloria (Jeannie) Anewalt**: Walden Building III, Room 118, 325 N. Broadway, Wind Gap, PA 18091
- **Gene and Sandy Borger** – P.O. Box 907, Kresgeville PA 18333
- **James Borger**—526 Wood Street, Apt 439, Bethlehem PA 18018-4463

- **Kyle Frable**—104 5K Lane, Kunkletown PA 18058
- **Shirley Kuntz**—Getz Personal Care Home, 1026 Scenic Dr, Kunkletown PA 18058
- **Gladys Meixsell**—Stroudsburg Post Acute Nursing and Rehabilitation, 4227 Manor Dr, Stroudsburg PA 18360
- **Jacqueline Mock**—Mrs. Bush's Personal Care—P.O. Box 327, Kunkletown, PA 18058
- **Marlette Palermo** – 276 Bollinger Rd., Kunkletown PA 18058
- **Velma Silfies**—Mrs. Bush's Personal Care, 302 Kunkletown Rd, Kunkletown PA 18058
- **Leah Jane Sterner**—300 Covered Bridge Rd, Kunkletown PA 18058
- **Jesse Ziegenfus**—Brookmont Healthcare Ctr, 510 Brookmont Dr, Effort PA 18330

PRAYERS NEEDED:

- **Kimberly Eckhart** (Marie Christman's nephew's wife)/3
- **Roger Cole** (Leanne's son-in-law)/2
- **John** (Justin's friend)/3
- **Joyce Fusner**/2
- **Kelly Gower** (cousin to the Barr Family)/5*
- **Rosa Hawk** (friend of Rose Fritz)/1
- **Gary Realmuto** (Paul and Lisa LoMonaco's friend)/4
- **Jackson Smith** (Vivian's grandson)/2
- **Al Wanamaker** (Brian Dean Moore drummer)/4

BEREAVEMENT:

- **Brenda** (Wendy Peddigree's stepmother)/1
- **Estella Altemose** (Henry Krechel's sister)3
- **Lois Bachman** (Homer Borger's sister)/2
- **Darryl Breinich**/3
- **Joann Hunsicker** (Penny Hawk's mother)/2
- **Joseph Pepitone** (Lee Byrne's son)/4
- **Family friend of Milt Souders**/3