

First Sunday after the Epiphany:
The Baptism of our Lord
The Baptism of Chase Thomas Lenig
January 12, 2025



St. Matthew's Episcopal Church
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The Reverend Dina Carter Ishler, *Priest in Charge*

"When Jesus had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." Luke 3:21-22

Beloved Friends in Christ,

Welcome, and God's peace be to you all and especially to any guests worshipping with us at St. Matthew's today. We are so glad that you are here to share with us in the baptism day of **Chase Thomas Lenig!** Your presence makes the love of Christ more real to each one of us as we welcome him into the household of God, claiming what we already know- that he is already so fully and completely loved by us and by God- as we all are.

Please know you are always completely welcome here for everything we do- our fellowship, our mission and outreach activities, and our regular Sunday worship at 10am. We hope and pray you will find this to be one of your spiritual homes. Please do not hesitate to let us know what your needs are, so that we may continue to welcome you into our community. All our contact information is listed in this bulletin.

Our Worship follows the Episcopal tradition using the 1979 Book of Common Prayer and the Hymnal 1982, both of which you will find in the pew racks. We create a comprehensive bulletin for each service with the intention of making it easier to follow along and participate; if you need any assistance, please do not hesitate to ask someone near you. You will need your Hymnal to sing the hymns and service music- **both are sung by everyone!**

All are welcome at the Lord's Table. If you wish to receive communion, place your hands together to receive the bread and you may take a sip of wine directly from the chalice. We also have individual cups available that contain a small amount of wine and a wafer (the consecrated bread); please put your hands in front of you as if you were praying if you'd like this option. Grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you wish to receive a blessing, please come forward to the altar and cross your arms.

***Blessings and love to you on this glorious baptism day and always-
Mother Dina***

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Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 10:00 am**

Directions to stand, kneel, etc., in our services should always be considered an invitation. If you find any of these to be challenging, please worship in whatever pose may work for you, knowing you are always and already fully in God's presence.

The Ringing of the Bells

We ring the sacristy bells five minutes before each service to invite us into the silence and reflection that helps to settle our souls for this time of shared and Spirit-filled worship.

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude Music “O Light of Light, Love given birth” Cary Ratliff

**Processional Hymn #616, The Hymnal 1982
“Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son!”**

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;

People **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People **One God and Father of all.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the

covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

The Lessons *The people sit.*

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah: Isaiah 43:1-7

Thus says the LORD,

he who created you, O Jacob,

he who formed you, O Israel:

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;

I have called you by name, you are mine.

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;

and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;

when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,

and the flame shall not consume you.

For I am the LORD your God,

the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

I give Egypt as your ransom,

Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

Because you are precious in my sight,

and honored, and I love you,

I give people in return for you,

nations in exchange for your life.

Do not fear, for I am with you;

I will bring your offspring from the east,

and from the west I will gather you;

I will say to the north, "Give them up,"

and to the south, "Do not withhold;

bring my sons from far away

and my daughters from the end of the earth—

everyone who is called by my name,

whom I created for my glory,

whom I formed and made."

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 29 *Said in unison.*

- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, *
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; *
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders; *
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; *
the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.
- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; *
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire;
the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; *
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe *
and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the Lord *
all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; *
the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- 11 The Lord shall give strength to his people; *
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

A Reading from the Book of Acts Acts 8:14-17

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon

any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

#121, The Hymnal 1982

“Christ, when for us you were baptized”

The Gospel: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Homily

Mother Dina

After the homily, please join in singing “I was there to hear your borning cry” (found as the insert to your bulletin) while the altar party, Chase, and his parents and godparents process to the baptismal font. You are all invited to leave your pew and move closer to the font and we especially invite all children to come right up to the font so they can see and participate in

Chase's baptism.

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

The Celebrant says

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

The Parents and Godparents say

I present Chase Thomas Lenig to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Celebrant asks the parents and godparents

Will you be responsible for seeing that this child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents **I will, with God's help.**

The Celebrant asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on Chase's behalf.

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer **I renounce them.**

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer **I renounce them.**

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer **I renounce them.**

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer **I do.**

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer **I do.**

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer **I do.**

The Celebrant then addresses the congregation, saying
Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support
Chase in his life in Christ?
People **We will!**

The Celebrant then says Let us join with Chase, his parents and
godparents, and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of
heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Prayers for the Candidates

The Celebrant then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for **Chase** who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Leader Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open his heart to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send him into the world in witness to your love.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant (as the water is being poured) We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to

your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Baptism

Chase Thomas Lenig, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

When this action has been completed, the Celebrant, at a place in full sight of the congregation, prays over him, saying

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Then the Celebrant places a hand on Chase's head, marking on his forehead the sign of the cross, and saying to him

Chase, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Minister lights a baptismal candle from the Paschal Candle and hands it to Chase's godparents as the Celebrant says

"Receive the Light of Christ, and share the Light with all the world."

The Celebrant says

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The Peace

BCP 360

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

We greet Chase and his family, and one another, in the name of the Lord.

Offertory Hymn

#296, The Hymnal 1982

“We know that Christ is raised and dies no more”

The Presentation of the Offerings

#380, vs. 3, The Hymnal 1982

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer D

BCP 367 (S-120, The Hymnal 1982)

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and forever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness,

you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing:

The Sanctus

S-125, The Hymnal 1982

“Holy Holy Holy Lord, God of power and might”

The Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his

disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

We praise you; we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

The Celebrant continues

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ.

Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

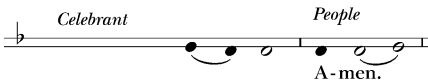
Remember all who minister in your Church.

Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth.

Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with **St. Matthew** and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**



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The Lord's Prayer *The Celebrant says*

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say:

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

The Fraction Anthem

#333, The Hymnal 1982

"Now the silence, now the peace"

The Celebrant says

These are the Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymn

#304, The Hymnal 1982

"I come with joy to meet my Lord"

Prayer for Spiritual Communion *All pray together*

Dearest Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since we all cannot receive communion in the consecrated bread and wine, we pray you to come into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with our hearts, souls, and minds. Let nothing separate us from you; let us serve you in this life until, by your grace, we come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. **Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 366

The Celebrant says Let us pray.

Celebrant and People Almighty and ever living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Epiphany Blessing

May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also, in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord. **Amen.**

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Only-Begotten One at his baptism in the Jordan River, pour out that Spirit on you who have come to the waters of new birth. **Amen.**

May God, by the power that turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn

#657, The Hymnal 1982

“Love divine, all loves excelling”

The Dismissal *The Celebrant dismisses the People*

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit,
Alleluia, Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude Music “This little light of mine” Traditional Spiritual

Serving today’s liturgy

The Reverend Dina Carter Ishler, *Celebrant and Preacher*

Patrick Ishler, *Music Minister*; St. Matthew’s Choir

Mary Ann Loftus, *Thurifer*;

Roy Casey and David Hollabaugh, *Eucharistic Ministers*

Kristen Lenig, *Lector*; Barry Treon, *Greeter and Usher*

PARISH NOTES for January 12, 2025

COLE ALLEN DIAPER PANTRY: The next Diaper Pantry will be Saturday, February 1, 2025 from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. **We’re in need of volunteers to distribute diapers, monetary donations (please indicate “diaper pantry”, and donations of diaper wipes and pull-ups are greatly appreciated. We covered 60 baby bottoms in December!** Please contact Connie Kistler at kistinpa@ptd.net for more information

HIS DISCIPLES FOOD PANTRY: The next Food Pantry will be Saturday, January 25, 2025, from 9:00-11:00 a.m. **All donations are greatly appreciated, especially canned fruits and vegetables. We fed 36 families in November!** Contact John Blanchard, 570-286-5415 (leave message) to volunteer.

CARLA’S OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday and Wednesday, 10AM-2PM, and Thursday, 10AM-Noon.

MOTHER DINA’S OFFICE HOURS: Tuesdays, 11:30am until 5pm or so. Call, text, or email me any time to plan a conversation, pastoral visit, or to share any other need you may have. I love hearing from you!

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MINISTRY: Please prayerfully consider participating in this vital ministry. If interested in guiding our young people in their faith, please contact Mother Dina or Anissa, 570-898-2275.

A WARM WELCOME to Chase Thomas Lenig on his baptism day; to his parents, Michi and Brian, his big sister Mori, his godparents, Kristen Lenig and Alex Zartman, and to all his family and friends worshipping with us today! We are so glad to share in this holy and significant day in his life as his church family.

CHOIR REHEARSAL: Rehearsals will continue to be Thursday evenings at 5:30pm. All are welcome to join us - **NO MUSICAL EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!**

COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS: Volunteers are needed each month to sign up for a weekly coffee hour session. Sign-up sheets are posted in the Choir Room. Any questions, please contact Carol Hixson. This month's sign-ups are:

Jan. 12th- The Schlegel/Lenig families Jan. 19th- Annual Meeting
Jan. 26th- Tina McGee Feb. 2nd- **Need Volunteer**

YOGA CLASSES: Yoga classes will be held in the Social Hall every Thursday at 7:00PM. \$5.00 per class.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Please notify Elaine Schlegel, or the Parish Administrator, Carla Treon, of anyone who needs prayers so they may be added for next upcoming Sunday.

VESTRY MEETING: The monthly Vestry Meeting will be held on January 15th at 6:00PM in the Parish Hall.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY: Adult Bible Study starts at 9:00AM on Jan. 19th. Any questions, please contact Nathan Blanchard.

ANNUAL MEETING LUNCHEON: This year's Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 19th, beginning with a luncheon immediately after our church service. Please do plan to join us for this important day in the life of our church community.

UP-COMING MONTHLY EVENTS: Details to follow closer to the time of the events. Please visit our website for more information
Sat., **Jan. 11th:** Game Night, 6:00PM-8:00PM, bring own snacks/app
Sun., **Jan. 12th:** Holy Eucharist with Holy Baptism, 10:00AM
Wed., **Jan. 15th:** Vestry Meeting, 6PM, Social Hall

Sun., Jan. 19th: Adult Bible Study, 9AM

Sun., Jan. 19th: Annual Meeting after worship

Tues., Jan. 21st: Chicken 'N Waffle Dinner, 4:00PM-6:30PM

VESTRY MEMBERS: Fran Zartman, *Senior Warden*; Roy Casey, *Junior Warden*; Mary Ann Loftus, *Clerk of the Vestry*; Nathan Blanchard; Martha Bohner; Anissa DeCapria-Sanduta; Dana Kelly; Carol Lamparter; Pam Schlegel; Lynda Schlegel-Culver. Charlie Schlegel, *Senior Warden Emeritus*

SEXTON Sharon Baney

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mother Dina and family, Father Fred and family, Frances, Angela, Tanya, Weston, Mike, Richard, the Sterner family, Dawson, Erika, Stan, Nancy, Frank, Tammy, Becky, Marley, Alexis, Tanner and family, Tyanne, Adam, Richard, Easton, Joan, Barry, Ariella, Ereda Garcia and Junior Jimenez, Bena, Mary, David, Bobby, Marge, Gale, Dot, Janice, and for those whose needs are known to God alone. Please pray for all healthcare workers, especially Dan, Kara, Melissa, Janice, and their co-workers. Also, please pray for all serving in our military, including Logan, and law enforcement. I ask your prayers for all the departed, especially for *Dawn and Keith*. Pray for those who have died. *Silence*.

DONATIONS:

All tithes and offerings are most greatly appreciated, as we rely on your prayerful generosity to care lovingly for our physical space and to keep ourselves vital and active in our community through our worship, our witness, our outreach, and our presence.

You may now donate to Saint Matthew's Episcopal Church "online" at the link listed: <https://diocesecpa.org/stewardship>

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The Cole Allen Diaper Pantry



"Diaper Need"

**We need volunteers to donate money, diapers,
or to organize a diaper drive!**

**WITH YOUR HELP
WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**

