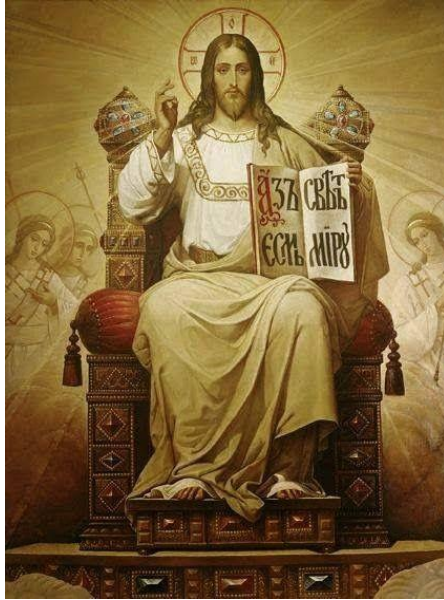


CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

November 24, 2024



St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

32 N. Front St.

Sunbury, PA 17801

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The Reverend Dina Carter Ishler, *Priest in Charge*

*"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God,
who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."*

-Revelation 1:8

We hope and pray that here at St. Matthew's you may know the invitation of God towards a oneness of relationship, an invitation to enter deeper into communion with Christ and each other and feel the presence of the indwelling Holy Spirit guiding you on your life's journeys. As individuals and as holy community we experience the fullness of God's Self through our shared worship, prayer, song, silence, the lifegiving nature of the Sacraments, and all we do to tend to and serve those in the world outside our doors.

We have now come to the end of the season after Pentecost- that "long green growing season", the longest liturgical season of the church year. We will turn immediately from the majesty and glory of today's scriptures and liturgy and music that portray Christ as King of Kings and Lord of Lords, to the stillness and contemplation of our Advent journeys as we invite this season to prepare us for the birth of our infant Savior- Immanuel, God with us, living among us in the full vulnerability of what it means to be human.

Today, the Feast Day of Christ the King, is celebrated on the last Sunday of the liturgical year and celebrates Christ's messianic kingship and sovereign rule over all creation. For those of us who have been appropriately and joyfully brought to our knees in awe of the power of God's goodness to shape our lives, these titles for Christ as King and Lord make sense to us, because we gladly give Christ's love and mercy dominion over our lives. It is important to remember that when we apply them to Christ, we are not speaking of the 'powers and principalities of this world', of human authority or unhealthy domination of one's mental or physical well-being by another. Today's Collect says this so beautifully: *"Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule."* It is Christ who gathers us into one for the purposes of establishing and furthering the Kingdom of God.

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

The Celebrant says the Collect.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of Kings and Lord of Lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lessons *The people sit.*

A Reading from the Book of Samuel: 2 Samuel 23:1-7

These are the last words of David:

The oracle of David, son of Jesse,
the oracle of the man whom God exalted,
the anointed of the God of Jacob,
the favorite of the Strong One of Israel:

The spirit of the LORD speaks through me,
his word is upon my tongue.

The God of Israel has spoken,
the Rock of Israel has said to me:

One who rules over people justly,
ruling in the fear of God,

is like the light of morning,
like the sun rising on a cloudless morning,
gleaming from the rain on the grassy land.

Is not my house like this with God?

For he has made with me an everlasting covenant,
ordered in all things and secure.

Will he not cause to prosper
all my help and my desire?

But the godless are all like thorns that are thrown away;
for they cannot be picked up with the hand;
to touch them one uses an iron bar
or the shaft of a spear.

And they are entirely consumed in fire on the spot.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 132:1-13 (14-19) *Said in unison*

- 1 LORD, remember David, *
and all the hardships he endured;
- 2 How he swore an oath to the LORD *
and vowed a vow to the Mighty One of Jacob:
- 3 "I will not come under the roof of my house," *
nor climb up into my bed;
- 4 I will not allow my eyes to sleep, *
nor let my eyelids slumber;
- 5 Until I find a place for the LORD, *
a dwelling for the Mighty One of Jacob."
- 6 "The ark! We heard it was in Ephrathah; *
we found it in the fields of Jearim.
- 7 Let us go to God's dwelling place; *
let us fall upon our knees before his footstool."
- 8 Arise, O LORD, into your resting-place, *
you and the ark of your strength.
- 9 Let your priests be clothed with righteousness; *
let your faithful people sing with joy.
- 10 For your servant David's sake, *
do not turn away the face of your Anointed.
- 11 The LORD has sworn an oath to David; *
in truth, he will not break it:
- 12 "A son, the fruit of your body *
will I set upon your throne.
- 13 If your children keep my covenant
and my testimonies that I shall teach them, *
their children will sit upon your throne for
evermore."
- 14 [For the LORD has chosen Zion; *
he has desired her for his habitation:
- 15 "This shall be my resting-place forever; *
here will I dwell, for I delight in her.
- 16 I will surely bless her provisions, *
and satisfy her poor with bread.

17 I will clothe her priests with salvation, *
and her faithful people will rejoice and sing.
18 There will I make the horn of David flourish; *
I have prepared a lamp for my Anointed.
19 As for his enemies, I will clothe them with shame; *
but as for him, his crown will shine."]

A Reading from Revelation: Revelation 1:4b-8

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds;
every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;
and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

#382, The Hymnal 1982

"King of Glory, King of Peace"

The Gospel: John 18:33-37

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

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

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask

this on your own, or did others tell you about me?” Pilate replied, “I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?” Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.” Pilate asked him, “So you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

Mother Dina

A time of silence after the homily is held for reflection.

The Nicene Creed *all stand and say together*

BCP 358

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit, he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son, he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People, Form II

BCP 385

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Justin, Archbishop; ++Sean, our Presiding Bishop; and +Audrey, our Bishop; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Today in our *Susquehanna Convocation Cycle of Prayer we pray for All Saints, Selinsgrove. In our Diocesan/Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Edward's Episcopal Church, Lancaster, and The Anglican Church of South Africa.*

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations, especially our President Joe Biden; our President-Elect Donald Trump, our Governor Josh Shapiro, our Mayor Josh Brosnious, and our Senator Lynda Schlegel-Culver; and for the well-being of all people.

Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God.

Pray that they may find and be found by God.

Silence

I ask your prayers for Mother Dina and family, Father Fred and family, Frances, Angela, Tanya, Weston, Mike, Richard, the Sterner family, Dawson, Ellen and family, Erika, Stan, Nancy, Frank, Tammy, Becky, Marley, Alexis, Tanner and family, Tyanne, Adam, Richard, Easton, Joan, Barry, Ariella, Roy, Cathy, Caitlin and Kevin, Greg and family, Ereda Garcia and Junior Jimenez, Eric, Brian, Bena, Alexa, Bishop Scanlan as she recovers from her foot surgery, Mike and Crystal, 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 Deacon Alex, Tony, baby Oliver, Dr. Kenneth, and John.*

Pray for those who have died.

Silence

I ask your thanksgivings either silently or aloud _____.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.

Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Celebrant

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People **Amen.**

The Peace

BCP 360

The Blessing of the Operation Christmas Child Boxes

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

We greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Offertory Hymn #450, The Hymnal 1982
“All hail the power of Jesus’ Name!”

The Presentation of the Offerings #380, vs. 3, The Hymnal 1982

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer D BCP 372

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

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-130, 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 are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

#301, The Hymnal 1982

“Bread of the world, in mercy broken”

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

#324, The Hymnal 1982

“Let all mortal flesh keep silence”

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

The people and Celebrant 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

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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 Priest blesses the people.

Recessional Hymn #494, The Hymnal 1982
“Crown him with many crowns!”

The Dismissal *The Celebrant dismisses the People*

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

The People’s Response Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude Music “Holy, Holy, holy” arr. Jason Tonioli

Serving today’s liturgy

The Reverend Dina Carter Ishler, *Celebrant and Preacher*

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

Mary Ann Loftus, *Thurifer*; Barb Sauter, *Eucharistic Minister*

Carol Lamparter, *Lector*; Barry Treon, *Greeter and Usher*

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PARISH NOTES for November 24, 2024

**COLE ALLEN DIAPER PANTRY:** The next Diaper Pantry will be Saturday, Dec. 7th, 2024 from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. We’re in need of volunteers to distribute diapers. Please contact Connie Kistler at [kistinpa@ptd.net](mailto:kistinpa@ptd.net). Monetary donations are very much welcomed, please give in an envelope labeled “Diaper Pantry.” Donations of diaper wipes, pull-ups, and sizes 5 and 6 are so appreciated and urgently needed- We covered 140 baby bottoms in November!

**HIS DISCIPLES FOOD PANTRY:** Is the last Saturday of each month. Please contact John Blanchard, 570-286-5415, leave message to volunteer. Donations of canned soups, cereals, and canned fruit are welcome. We fed 52 families in October! The next Food Pantry will be held Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Any donations are greatly appreciated!

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| <p><b>CHURCH SERVICE TIME</b> is 10:00 AM. Masks are now optional. Please follow any current COVID restrictions.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                      |                                     |                                                         |  |                                    |                                      |                         |  |
| <p><b>CARLA'S OFFICE HOURS:</b> Office hours for Thanksgiving week are Monday and Tuesday, 10AM to 2PM, and Wednesday, 10AM to Noon.</p> <p><b>MOTHER DINA'S OFFICE/PASTORAL CALLING HOURS:</b> *SWITCHING TO TUESDAYS* AS OF 11/19, 11:30- 5:00pm (or text/call (717) 481-0708 to plan a time to share together.) I LOVE hearing from you and spending time with you!</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                      |                                     |                                                         |  |                                    |                                      |                         |  |
| <p><b>YOUNG PEOPLE'S MINISTRY:</b> Please prayerfully consider participating in this vital ministry. If interested in guiding our young people in their faith, please contact Mother Dina or Anissa DeCapria-Sanduta, 570-898-2275</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                      |                                     |                                                         |  |                                    |                                      |                         |  |
| <p><b>ALTAR SERVERS:</b> St. Matthew's is looking for altar servers of all ages for the ministries of: <b>Eucharistic Minister, Crucifer, Torch Bearers, Lector, Thurifer, etc.</b> Please contact Mother Dina if interested in participating in these or ANY of our other ministries!</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                      |                                     |                                                         |  |                                    |                                      |                         |  |
| <p><b>CHOIR REHEARSAL:</b> Rehearsals will continue to be Thursday evenings at 5:30pm. All are welcome to join us - <b>NO MUSICAL EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                      |                                     |                                                         |  |                                    |                                      |                         |  |
| <p><b>COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS:</b> 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:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>- Kistlers</td> <td style="width: 50%;">Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>- Lori &amp; Carol</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>- Reception for our Bishop's visit</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>- Dana Kelly</td> <td>Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup>- Matt &amp; David</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dec. 29<sup>th</sup>-</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> | Nov. 24 <sup>th</sup> - Kistlers     | Dec. 1 <sup>st</sup> - Lori & Carol | Dec. 8 <sup>th</sup> - Reception for our Bishop's visit |  | Dec. 15 <sup>th</sup> - Dana Kelly | Dec. 22 <sup>nd</sup> - Matt & David | Dec. 29 <sup>th</sup> - |  |
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| <p><b>YOGA CLASSES:</b> Yoga classes will be held in the Social Hall every Thursday at 7:00PM. \$5.00 per class.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                      |                                     |                                                         |  |                                    |                                      |                         |  |
| <p><b>WALK IN LOVE:</b> On 11/24 and 12/1, we will be gathering after church: coffee hour goodies first, then we gather for some formation centered around the excellent book "Walk in Love: Episcopal Beliefs and Practices", by Scott Gunn and Melody Wilson Shobe. ALL are invited to come and enjoy the</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                      |                                     |                                                         |  |                                    |                                      |                         |  |

conversation- we've been having a great time. **If you still need a copy of the book, let Mother Dina know ASAP!**

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD** – St. Matthew's will be participating in Operation Christmas Child this year, and our scout troops will be joining us in this wonderful ministry! Supplies are in the parish hall. **Please bring your shoebox on or before Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>**, so they can be blessed by Mother Dina on Nov. 24<sup>h</sup>... any questions please contact Mary Newcomb or Mary Ann Loftus.

**PIE SALE:** A Pie Sale will be held Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>. All pies are 9". **Must Pre-Order.** Pick-up after 4pm. Choices are: Pecan, \$15.00; Pumpkin, \$10.00; Apple Pie, \$15.00, and Praline, \$2.00. Sign-up Pie forms available.

**MONTHLY MORNING BREAKFAST:** The monthly morning breakfast will be held on Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:00AM-10:00AM.

**ST. NICHOLAS FESTIVAL:** Our 31<sup>st</sup> annual St. Nicholas Festival will be held on Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>, 10AM-2PM. Sticky buns, soup and Gingerbread Cookie Kits will be sold (advanced orders may also be done by calling the Office, 570-286-7002). Santa to visit at NOON! **Any and all donations are greatly appreciated.**

**BISHOP SCANLAN'S VISIT:** Bishop Scanlan will visit on Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome to attend. **Reception to follow the service!**

**CUB/BOY SCOUTS BREAKFAST WITH SANTA:** Come have breakfast with the Scouts and Santa! 9AM-12PM, Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>. All you can eat pancakes, choice of sausage or bacon, fruit, and beverages. \$10 per ticket/13yrs and older; \$5 per ticket/4yrs up to 12yrs. Call Rose to get your ticket: 423-309-2706

**UP-COMING MONTHLY EVENTS:** Details to follow closer to the time of the events. Please visit our website for more information

Sun., **Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>:** Deadline for Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Blessing, 10:00 AM

Wed., **Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>:** Pie Sale, pre-sale orders, more info to follow

Sun., **Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>:** Monthly Breakfast Hour, 9:00AM-10:00AM

Sat., **Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>:** St. Nick Festival, 10:00AM-2:00PM

Sun., **Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>:** Bishop Scanlan's visit, follow by a reception

Sat., **Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>:** Cub/Boy Scouts Breakfast w/Santa, 9AM-1PM



Sun., Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>: Adult Bible Study, 9:00AM

Sun., Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>: Getting Ahead Foundation, 1:00PM-4:00PM

Sun., Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>: Hanging of the Greens

Sat., Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>: Blue Christmas Service, 5:30 PM

Tues., Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>: Christmas Eve Service of Holy Eucharist,  
6:00PM

Weds., Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>: Christmas Day Holy Eucharist, 10:00AM

**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

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

Or you may continue to mail your contributions to:

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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.**

Organizations, churches, schools, groups, and clubs - we will gladly provide collection baskets to assist with your diaper drive to support this great outreach program.

