



The Good News



The Word

Sunday Service
9:15am
Online / Radio

December 4, 2022

Isaiah 2: 1-5
Matthew 24: 36-44

December 11, 2022

Isaiah 35: 1-10
Matthew 11: 2-11

December 18, 2022

Isaiah 7: 10-16
Matthew 1: 18-25

December 24, 2022

Christmas Eve Day
Isaiah 9: 2-7
Luke 2: 1-14, 15-20

December 25, 2022

Christmas Day
Isaiah 52: 7-10
John 1: 1-4

December 31, 2022

New Years Eve Day
Ecclesiastes 3: 1-3

Pastor:

Rev. Philip Lake

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Off with the old.

On with the new



The Fellowship Hall had the trusses replaced and a new roof put on. Now it is time for the inside work!

Greeters/Ushers: Dave & Pam Powers, Stephen & Dianna Rothenberger

Communion Stewards: Gary & Deanna Wehr

Video Tech: Ray Hundley

Sound Tech: Sam Seifert

Camera: Leslie Douglass

Call to Worship/ Liturgists:

12/ 4 Kerry Kiphart

12/11 Doug Davis

12/18 Anne Meyer

12/24 Gary Wehr

12/25 Alvia Frey



Prayer Concerns

Ralph Lasley
Janiece Lambert
Sherry Crouse
Paul DeLaCroix
Laura DeLaCroix
Koltyn DeLaCroix
Barry Pearson
Kurt Raidy
Brian Heimbach
Grace Byran
Nancy Raidy
Ridge McIntosh
Peggy Kloenne
Chet Mahan
Alvia Frey
Jerry Harshbarger
Dana Meyers
Maisley Strange
Linley Pearson
Diane Pearson
Cassie Locke
Family of Linda Robbins

Persons in the Military

Nathan Lake

Tithes & Offerings

Received to date:
\$244,822.65

Needed to date:
\$342,460.80

Club 2022 to date:
2,500.70

November Missions:
\$90.00

UMCOR:
\$100.00

United Way
\$400.00

Thank You / Special Announcements

Dear St. Matthew Church Family,

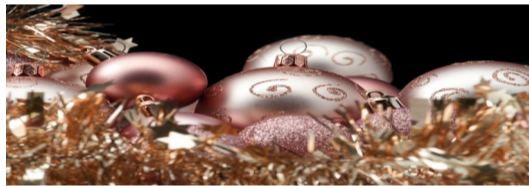
This note arrives to thank you for all the prayers before and after Dan's two hip replacement surgeries.

Also, thank you to Nancy Snyder for dropping off two beautiful floral arrangements.

Also, thank you to Mary Jo Giesler and Sherri Pritchett for dropping off two church freezer meals during Dan's recuperation.

We are so blessed to have all of you in our lives.

Alvia & Dan



St. Matthew,

Thank you very much for your generous support to our family!



Mike & Laura Hiles
Bonnie Cox & Pam Hiles

Dear St. Matthew,

Thank you for the beautiful fall flowers and the words to the song "Go Now In Peace"

Nancy Dale



To whom this may concern,

I was blessed when Nancy Synder brought me flowers.

I appreciate your kindness.

Thank you very much



Betty Bolen

Church Staff

Pastor- Rev. Philip Lake

Administrative Secretary-Karen Yates

Financial Secretary-Wendie Ferrel

Preschool Director-Mary Kay Baker

Music Director- Chris Lesley

Organist-Garry Yates

Custodial/Maintenance-
Patty Wilcox /Calvin Roberts

Thank you for supporting COACH Kids! Your generosity makes it possible for us to share hope with the youth of Clinton County. We , together, are making a difference every day. We look forward to the coming New Year and the great things we have planned.

God Bless

Brett, Cheryl, Joyce, Veronica, Steve



Pastor Phil
Office Hours
Mon-Wed
10am-1pm
or as always

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The January newsletter will be mailed Wednesday December 28,2022
Deadline for articles is December 23, 2022.

Staying Connected

Join us Sunday Morning For Worship!

Service starts 9:15am

Here are other ways to stay connected from when you can't be with us:

*Worship services can be listened to on WIL0 AM 1570 or WIL0 FM 96.9 at 9:15am.

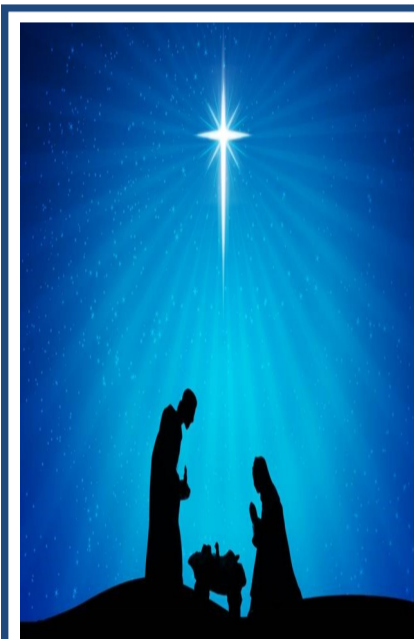
* **Go to YouTube** Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCh3nUW-0rQhmN8Gs5VqLZaQ> Please like us and subscribe to Youtube. It doesn't cost anything and it sustains our web link.

*Watch us on Facebook at 9:15am

<https://www.facebook.com/stmatthewfrankfort/>

Don't have a Facebook account?

*Services can also be listened to by going to the church web page <https://www.stmatthewfrankfort.com/>, Go to "About Us" and click on "Sermons". Here you can listen to WIL0 or watch on us on facebook without an account. Just scroll to the bottom of the page and click on the "F" for Facebook. When it prompts you to log in, simply click the "X" in the top right corner. You can scroll to find any past service and so much more!



Christmas Eve Service

9:00 pm

Christmas Day Service

9:15 am

Due to construction the Living Nativity has been cancelled for this year.



December Missions

Prayer Focus

Salvation Army-Serving the poor of Clinton County through a food pantry, thrift store, and financial assistance.

Bishop's Children Offering- is directed by Bishop Julius Trimble to support children and youth in Indiana.

Brianna's Hope- providing support to those struggling with addiction. Weekly meetings at St. Matthew Church.

Recovery Liberia- providing assistance to the country of Liberia as it recovers from past atrocities.

Preschool Ornaments

I hope you have been praying for your preschooler. It is almost time for us to return the bracelet to our special child. We will be making ornaments using the bracelets to give to our preschooler. On **December 11th** there will be a table in the Narthex set up to make ornaments. Be sure to bring your bracelet that Sunday and Karen Yates will have fun items to put in the ornament along with the bracelet.



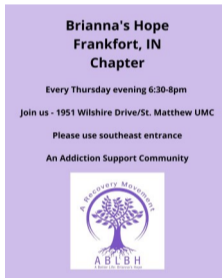
Events / Preschool



Mary Kay was named Healthy Communities of Clinton County's 2022 Volunteer of the year. This was due to her being the driving force behind establishing Brianna's Hope here in Frankfort.

In November Brianna's Hope celebrated it's 2nd Anniversary at St. Matthew United Methodist Church. Attendance has grown to 60 participants!

Thank you to all our giving members who donate their time on Thursday nights!



Brianna's Hope

Brianna's Hope mission project for Christmas is feeding the homeless on Christmas eve. We will be delivering food to the homeless shelter as well as feeding those at St. Matthew. We have partnered with Healthy Communities and are providing gifts to 25 homeless individuals. This includes a \$10.00 fast food gift card. Please donate \$ 10 in care of Brianna's Hope Or a \$10 fast food gift card (McDonalds, Wendys, Burger King, Taco Bell, etc) and give to the church office or place in Mary Kay's mailbox.

November 13th was Pre K Sunday at St Matthew. The members were delighted to hear children's voices fill the Sanctuary. Afterward the children and their families enjoyed muffins and juice in the preschool hallway. Goodie bags were given out to each family. Thank you to all who assisted with the program!



FYI



Thank you Jan Mason and all your helpers for getting the church ready for the Advent Season!

St. Matthew United Methodist Church presents
 Screening of the Original 1938 movie
"A Christmas Carol"

Friday, November 18, 2022
6 p.m.
In the sanctuary
1951 Wilshire Drive, Frankfort
"God bless Us, Every One!"
-Tiny Tim
 Childcare available for infants through 3rd grade Handicap accessible Hearing Loop available



The 1938 version of the movie "A Christmas Carol" was shown at St. Matthew Church on Friday, November 18th. Upon arriving participants were treated to a Victorian park and festive carolers. Afterward the movie goers were treated to blueberry and orange-cranberry biscuits. Who can say Humbug to that!

"A Christmas Carol Bible Study"
 Anne Meyer will be presenting a new bible study beginning November 27th and continuing for the next 4 weeks. It will take place after Sunday service at 10:30 and will be held in room 27.

St. Matthew is giving birth to a new ministry!

In the last year, Substance Use Disorder Peer Recovery Coaches at Healthy Communities have had over 200 recovery clients, over 750 people attended those recovery events. These events include Men's Recovery Cafes, Women's Recovery Cafes and Families Recovery Together.

The needs identified over the past couple months: Healthy Communities is very much in need of more facility space for these types of events. The community has identified the greatest need is a single location for recovery support and activities. Trinity United Methodist Church at 806 N Columbia recently closed and the building needs a new purpose. St. Matthew UMC congregation is looking to birth a new ministry and truly serve the community.

God's timing led us to a plan: The Trinity church property is being offered to St. Matthew by the Indiana Conference to become our property at no cost. Healthy Communities of Clinton County would love to partner with St. Matthew again. A very successful current partnership with them has been Brianna's Hope which now serves 40-60 people every week with programming to celebrate milestones in recovery.

HCCC would like to use the building for offices for the Peer Recovery Coaches and the Systems of Care Navigators to serve walk in clients. The recover events listed above would also take place in the building. They would compensate St. Matthew for the use and as part of the partnership would love to provide opportunities for our congregation members to serve our community. In addition, St. Matthew staff and members will plan programming for that neighborhood which could include vacation bible school, music programming and more.

The expected opening of the Trinity Hope Center supported by St. Matthew United Methodist Church is February or March. The name is perfect for the use but also in honor of the role both Trinity and Hope churches played in our community.

Please pray for this step of faith and if you have questions don't hesitate to call Ad Council Chair, Mike Strange – 765-652-2682 or Lay Leader, Carol Price – 765-242-3079.

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Our Mission

*Make Disciples of Jesus
Christ*

Our Vision

*Worship God and
Experience God's Love
Invite Others to Faith in
Christ
Grow in the Likeness of
Christ
Love and Care for
Others
Go Forth to Serve,
Sent by the Holy Spirit*

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Office Hours

Monday -Thursday
9am - 2pm

Friday
9am - 1pm

