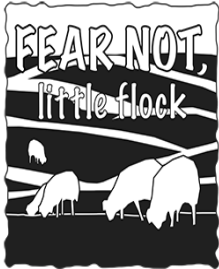


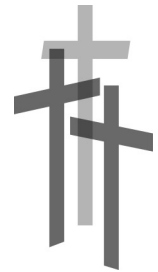
# THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 10, 2025

## ORDER OF WORSHIP



Hymns: See insert  
First Reading: Genesis 15:1-6  
Epistle: Hebrews 11:1-16  
Holy Gospel: Luke 12:22-34



## WELCOME TO ST MATTHEW!

The Lord richly bless your time here this morning as we receive Christ in the liturgy, hymns, and preaching. There are guest cards and envelopes in the pews. All guests are encouraged to fill these out. The envelopes are provided for guests to contribute during the offering.

**QUESTIONS ABOUT WORSHIP, BAPTISM OR COMMUNION?** Please see the Pastor or the Elder on duty.

There will be one Worship Service at 9:15 A.M.. **Holy Communion will be celebrated the 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month. Please announce your intention to commune by signing the sheet in the narthex.** If you would like to receive communion in your pew please check the box after your name on the announcement sheet.

## HOME VISITS



**Pastor Blaine Jorg** is available to bring Holy Communion to the home of any member desiring a visit. You may also call him, regardless of the time, if any congregation member is in need of pastoral care. This is particularly important when there is a serious illness, an accident, a hospitalization and when death approaches or occurs.

cell: 716-239-1097  
email: ministry285@yahoo.com



Joan Baroudi	Kelly Benedict
Christiana Brenon	Bob Burton
Patricia Cake	Linda Davidson
Bill & Pat Doeblor	Doug Ellman
Tom Essenburg	Joanne Jenkins
Ellie Grichen	Gloria Haeseler
Mark Haeseler	Marilyn Heigl
Barb Huber	Hanna Koepsell
Sharon Lemke	Florence Lindaman
Doris Matheis	John Mc Govern
Phil Moldenhauer	Jason Painter
Brooklyn Parkhurst	Renee Patton
Dennis & Eileen Tischler	Karen Tischler
Jeremy Trombley	Ron Waliszewski
Tami Walters	Curt Webb

Our Shut Ins



Strength in  
**PRAYER**

## TODAY IN THE CHURCH YEAR:

### The Lord Is Surely Coming to Give You His Kingdom

The Lord Himself was Abraham's shield and great reward. For "the word of the LORD came to him" and sustained the patriarch's faith in the face of death (Gen. 15:4). By divine grace, Abraham "believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness" (Gen. 15:6), on account of the holy Seed, Christ Jesus. To that one old man, the Lord granted "descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore" (Heb. 11:12). The Lord is likewise faithful to you. It is His glad desire "to give you the kingdom" (Luke 12:32). Therefore, "do not be anxious about your life," but instead "seek his kingdom" (Luke 12:22, 31). Set your heart on that treasure. "Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning ... for the Son of Man is coming" (Luke 12:35, 40).



The flowers on the altar are in honor of Tim Jorg's 21st birthday on August 11th with love from his family.



Your articles for the **September/October Communicator** are due this Friday, August 15th. If I do not receive the articles by the 15th, your section of the bulletin will be blank. I will not text, email or call to remind you the articles are due. It may be helpful to mark you calendars or phones of the date due. Thank you, Michele



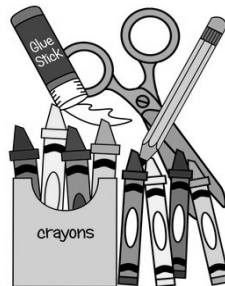
## Attic Treasures

**ATTIC TREASURER** items can be brought in for the Bazaar in October. Please bring in only clean and in good repair items. If you would not buy it.....don't bring it in. Place the items on the tables on the far side of the fellowship hall. Thank you. See Ellen Graf if you have any questions.

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD MONTHLY THEMED DONATION

Please consider donating the items below or give any monetary donations to Kim Binkley to purchase the items for this month.

### ACADEMIC AUGUST



The back-to-school sales are here, making it a great time to purchase items for the shoeboxes we will be filling! Items we are looking for are; glue sticks, erasers, pencils & sharpeners, pens, crayons, notebooks, notepaper, scissors, pencil containers, & markers.

Thank you for your support

## What's Happening



St. Matthew Youth Group will be visiting the Buffalo Zoo, Thursday, August 21st. We will meet in the church parking lot at 10am. Tickets & lunch for all kids will be covered using all the money we have collected from the congregation & generous donations. Family & friends are welcome to join us! We will return around 4:30pm.



Young At Heart will tour the Herschell Carrousel Factory Museum on Sunday, August 24th at 1 pm followed by a picnic in the pavilion about 2:30. The cost for the Carrousel is \$10 and please bring a dish to pass for our picnic. We will meet at church at 12:30 and I will collect the money at that time. A sign up sheet will be at the door on the way out of church. Please see Carol Wilczak with any questions.

## YCC ACTIVITIES FOR AUGUST

Any Questions contact Breanna Gerner Youth Director at 716-525-6953, gerner22@gmail.com. Meetings are on Sunday from 6-8.



Thursday, August 21st-  
Buffalo Zoo

We will meet in the church parking lot at 10am.

## PLEASE HELP US FILL OUR FOOD PANTRY HERE AT ST MATTHEW

We are in need of **mayonnaise, soups, canned carrots & corn, pancake syrup, ketchup and paper towels**. Please no canned green beans or peas. Thank you for your donations.



**THE NORTH TONAWANDA FOOD PANTRY** is in need of the following items; hamburger/tuna helper, rice a roni, flavored rice. **Put the items in the blue bin in the Quilting Room.** Thank you for your generosity.



## ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS YTD

Attendance 8/3/2025	74	
Offering for 8/3/2025	\$4,140.00	
Week Ending 8/9/2025	YTD	
Budget	\$4,138.00	\$124,140.00
Received	<u>\$4,140.00</u>	<u>\$116,134.00</u>
	-\$2.00	-\$12,144.00
Capital Improvements YTD	\$140.00	

## MEETINGS & EVENTS AT ST. MATTHEW

### AUGUST 10, 2025

Sun: 9:15am-Worship Service

Sat: 9:00am-Vine & Branches

## NEXT WEEK'S OFFICE HOURS

Mon: 9:00am-12:00pm  
Tue: Off  
Wed: Off  
Thu: 9:00am-12:00pm  
Fri: 9:00am-11:00am

As much as you want  
to plan your life, it has  
a way of surprising you  
with unexpected  
things that will make you  
happier than you  
originally planned.

That's what you call  
**GOD'S WILL.**

## SERVING IN THE LORD'S HOUSE TODAY

Elders: Dan Wolf, Joe Durick  
Vestrymen: Joe Siegmann  
Ushers: Chris Reischel, Jeff Reischel,  
Dave Wendt  
Greeters: Toni Durick, Linda Pascucci  
Sunshine Committee: Open  
Organist: Tom Goodrich  
Sr. Choir Director: Open  
Chimes: Open  
Offering Counters: Team 6  
Video Team: Hunter Knoell