

# THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

## ORDER OF WORSHIP



Hymns: LSB 905,803,917  
First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-24  
Epistle: I Timothy 1:12-17  
Holy Gospel: Luke 15:1-10



The September/October Communicator is on the bulletin table for you to take home today

## 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.** There will be a evening Worship service on the **2nd Sunday of each month with Communion at 7:00pm.** 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 .

**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.

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## PRAYER REQUESTS



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

Our Shut Ins



Please keep Phil Moldenhauer and Lisa in your prayers. He is home recovering from having surgery.

## TODAY IN THE CHURCH YEAR:

### Jesus Christ Is the Great Shepherd of His Sheep

"The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners" (1 Tim. 1:15). As He had mercy on Paul, in order to "display his perfect patience" (1 Tim. 1:16), so also does He seek out His sheep "from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness" (Ezek. 34:12). To deliver His flock, He "will seek the lost, ... bring back the strayed, ... bind up the injured, and ... strengthen the weak" (Ezek. 34:16), and "they shall no longer be a prey" (Ezek. 34:22). He sets over them one great Good Shepherd, the Son of David, who "shall feed them and be their shepherd" (Ezek. 34:23). For Christ Jesus is the one man who, "having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them," would "leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it" (Luke 15:4). When He finds the lost one and brings it home rejoicing, "the angels of God" and all the company of heaven rejoice with Him, with great joy (Luke 15:7, 10).



Join us tonight at 7:00pm for our Evening Worship Service with Holy Communion. The service will be about 45 minutes with canned music and personal reflection.



The flowers on the altar are in loving memory of Paul Cozad who passed away 5 years ago on September 12th from Joey Cozad.

In celebration of Pastor Jorg's birthday, today flowers have been placed on the altar, from his loving family.



Voters Meeting

There will be a **VOTERS MEETING NEXT** Sunday, September 21st following the Worship Service. Please plan on attending.



Sunday School will begin next Sunday, September 21st from 10:30am-11:30am. We encourage children starting at age 5 and all the way up to confirmation age to join us. We have interactive Bible lessons that involve crafts, snacks and occasional movies. We strive to make it our mission that every child learns at their own pace. Contact Sara DiSarno at 716-444-5480 with any questions.

### WE WOULD LIKE YOUR FEEDBACK

Please take a few minutes to fill out the insert in today's bulletin and place it in the basket on the podium by the office. Thank you.



Thank you to everyone who supported our Pork Dinner on Saturday. And to everyone who helped make this event a success by serving and working in the kitchen. Your generosity of time and donations has helped us reach our goal for the Caribbean Children's Foundation Tuition Mission Project.

Thank you, Linda Robinson



**WE ARE NOW ACCEPTING items for the Bazaar on October 25th.** Please bring in **only clean and in good repair items.** It is a great time to donate items you have not used or will not need any more. **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.

## YCC ACTIVITIES FOR SEPTEMBER

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

21st-Kids Choice



28th-S'mores & Outdoors



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

We are in need of **spaghettios, soups, applesauce, ketchup and paper towels.** . 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 9/7/2025	79
Offering for 9/7/2025	\$3,570.00
Week Ending 9/13/2025	YTD
Budget	\$4,138.00
Received	\$3,570.00
	<u>\$133,861.00</u>
	<u>-\$568.00</u>
	<u>-\$15,107.00</u>
Capital Improvements YTD	\$140.00

## MEETINGS & EVENTS AT ST. MATTHEW

### SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

Sun: 9:15am-Worship Service  
10:30am-Bible Study  
10:30am-SARB

### 7:00pm-Evening Service w/Communion

Wed: 5:45pm-Choir Rehearsal

Thurs: 10:30am-Bible Study

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



“Winter is an etching,  
spring a watercolor,  
summer an oil painting,  
and autumn a mosaic of them all.”

## SERVING IN THE LORD'S HOUSE TODAY

Elders: Craig Heigl, Rob Pidanick  
Vestrymen: Bill Bundy  
Ushers: Dave Urtel, Tim Jorg, Tank Jorg  
Greeters: Linda Robinson  
Sunshine Committee: Open  
Organist: Tom Goodrich  
Sr. Choir Director: Open  
Chimes: Open  
Offering Counters: Team 5  
SARB: Linda Robinson  
Video Team: Tank Jorg