

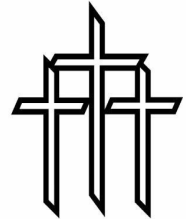
TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 11, 2026

ORDER OF WORSHIP



Hymns: LSB 710,644,917
Choir will sing: "Morning Prayer"
First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-9
Epistle: Philippians 4:4-13
Holy Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14



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.



Pastor David Keating of St Mark Lutheran Church in North Tonawanda will be 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: 631-974-4034
email: pastor@stmarknt.org

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

There will be one Worship Service at 9:00A.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.



Joan Baroudi	Kelly Benedict
Christiana Brenon	Bob Burton
Patricia Cake	Linda Davidson
Bill Doeblor	Toni Durick
Doug Ellman	Jack & Ellie Grichen
Casey Gordon	Karl Haeussler
Marilyn Heigl	Sue & Ned Holmes
Hanna Koepsell	Tom Kromer
Nancy Lake	Mike & Terry Lance
Sharon Lemke	Florence Lindaman
Doris Matheis	Cathy Ormond
Rob Pidanick	Jason Painter
Renee Patton	Danielle Rance
Scott Rance	Mary Smith
Dave Staniszewski	Karen Tischler
Dennis & Eileen Tischler	Jeremy Trombley
Dave Urtel	Ron Waliszewski
Tami Walters	Curt Webb

Our Shut Ins



HAVE YOU CHECKED YOUR FLOCK BOX LATELY?

TODAY IN THE CHURCH YEAR:

Clothed in the Righteousness of Christ, We Partake of His Wedding Feast

By His cross and resurrection, the Lord has swallowed up death forever, and by His Gospel He "will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth" (Is. 25:8). Therefore, "let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation" (Is. 25:9). On the mountain of the Lord of hosts — in His Church on earth, as in the kingdom of heaven — He has made "for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine" (Is. 25:6). It is the royal "wedding feast" of the Son of God, "and everything is ready" (Matt. 22:1, 4). Thus, His servants are sent into the highways and byways to invite and gather as many as they find, "both good and bad," to fill the wedding hall with guests (Matt. 22:8–10). In Holy Baptism, He clothes them all in the "wedding garment" of His own perfect righteousness (Matt. 22:11). Therefore, "do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God," and "rejoice in the Lord always" (Phil. 4:4–6).



Flowers have been placed on the altar for Bill & Linda Olczak's 40th wedding anniversary today, October 11th.



Please have your articles for the November /December Communicator into the office by **THIS Thursday, October 15th**. Thank you.

Important Notice

TOMORROW, Monday October 12th will be the last day to bring in only clean, unbroken items. We are respectfully not accepting any clothes, heavy books, chipped/dirty items, or outdated equipment or any appliances that are not functional. If you have any questions see Ellen Graf.

IN LOVING *Memory*

A memorial was made to St. Matthew Lutheran Church General Fund in memory of Carol Bundy from John & Sandy Patton.

In memory of Violet Armol birthday on October 5th a gift was given to St. Matthew Lutheran Church from John & Sandy Patton.



Our October Food Drive started last week. Our goal will be to collect 500 non-perishable food items (no personal care items will be counted towards the goal) for the N.T Food Pantry until October 31st. Thank you.

500

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400 items to reach our goal

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD REQUESTS

We are looking for back to schools items for OCC. Please see the lists of items needed at Kim's table or the Communicator.

TODAY Oct 11th-10am-Altar Guild Meeting. Carol W. will be collecting the \$10 Altar dues during the meeting.

Tues, Oct 13th-10am-Bible Brunch. Please bring your bible and a light lunch.

Tues, Oct 13th-6:30pm-Church Council Meeting

Saturday, October 24th-Holiday Bazaar
from 9am-2pm.

Friday, October 30th-Please have all pots removed from the cemetery. Thank you.

TRUNK OR TREAT

Saturday, October 24th from, 2-4

St. Mark Lutheran Church

1135 Oliver St, NT NY

Join us for an afternoon of Halloween fun! We will have "Trunk " or Treating, games, stories, and fall Treats!



We are now taking donations for the church food pantry. We are in need of canned peas, carrots, beans and cereal. Please put them in the basket in the narthex. Thank you again for your generosity.



THE NORTH TONAWANDA FOOD PANTRY is in need of instant oatmeal, cereal, jelly and peanut butter. We can always use personal care items: shampoo, toothbrushes/paste, razors, feminine care, deodorant, toilet paper. **Please put the items in the blue bin in the Quilting Room.** Thank you for your generosity.



ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS YTD

Attendance 10/4/2026 60

Offering for 10/4/2026 \$3,134.00

Week Ending 10/10/2026 YTD

Budget	\$4,167.00	\$166,680.00
Received	<u>\$3,134.00</u>	<u>\$151,137.00</u>
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Capital Improvements YTD \$2,000.00

MEETINGS & EVENTS AT ST. MATTHEW

OCTOBER 11, 2026

Sun: 9:00am-Worship Service
10:00-Altar Guild Meeting
Carol W. will be collecting the \$10 Altar dues during the meeting.
10:00am-SARB
10:00am-Sunday School

Tues: 10:00am-Bible Brunch
Please bring your bible and a light lunch
6:30pm-Church Council Meeting

Thurs: 10:30am-Bible Study

Sat: 9:00am-Vine & Branches

NEXT WEEK'S OFFICE HOURS

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

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS

SERVING IN THE LORD'S HOUSE TODAY

Elders:	Siggy Barke, John Patton
Vestrymen:	Tom Hromowyk
Ushers:	Justin Hromowyk, Mark Lemke
Greeters:	Toni Durick
Organist:	Tom Goodrich
Offering Counters:	Team 5
Video:	John Patton
SARB:	Mary S*, SandyP