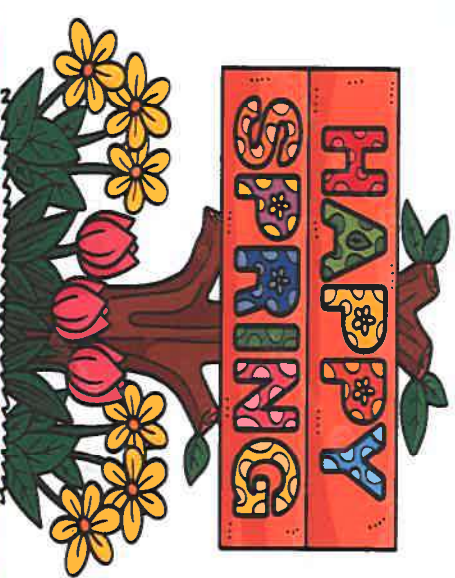


THE COMMUNICATOR

MAY/JUNE

2025



ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH

875 Eggert Drive, North Tonawanda, New York 14120

Pastor R. Blaine Jorg

716-239-1097 cell

716-692-6862 church office

St. Matthew Lutheran Church
875 Eggert Drive
North Tonawanda, NY 14120
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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



Church Phone Extension

When calling 692-6862, you do not need to wait for a prompt to dial an extension. When you call the church phone number, and the call connects, you may dial any extension, immediately. If that extension transfers to a voice mail and you want to speak to a person, you may dial another extension. You do not need to hang up and call back.

St. Matthew Lutheran Church 716- 692-6862

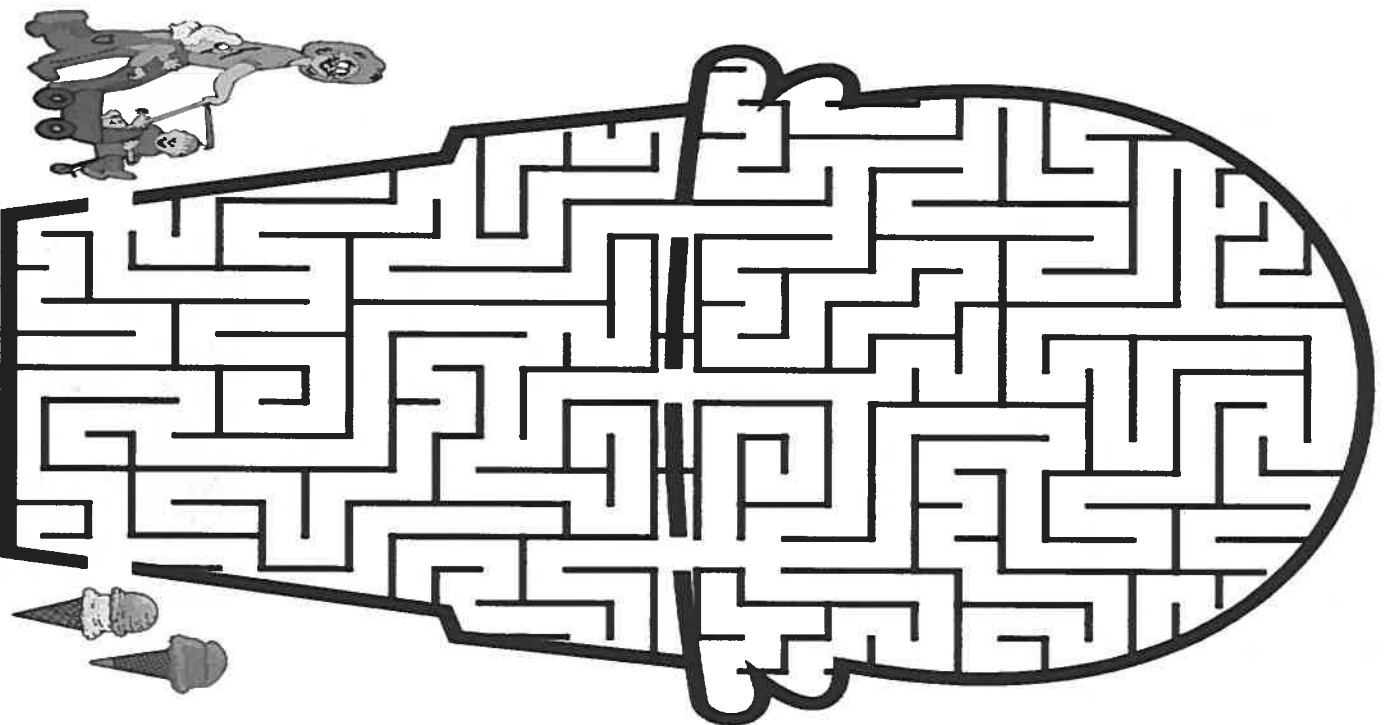
St. Matthew Lutheran Church Fax# 716-692-0242

The following extensions can be reached from both phone #'s above:

Church Office	Ext. 202
Bible Conference Room	Ext. 204
Quilting Room	Ext. 206
Kitchen	Ext. 207
Music Room	Ext. 209
Computer Room	Ext. 210
Library	Ext. 214
Custodian Office	Ext. 219
Gymnasium	Ext. 220
YCC Room	Ext. 221

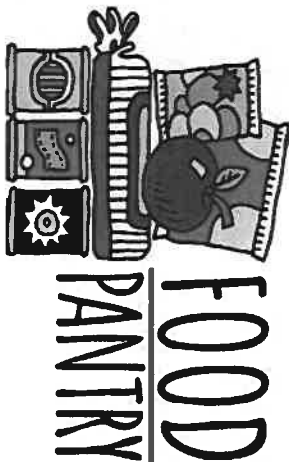
Contact the office at St. Matthew Lutheran Church at

office@stmatthewlutheran.net



St. Matthew

FOOD PANTRY



St. Matthew Food Pantry is in need of soups, canned carrots and corn, pancake syrup, ketchup and paper towels. **Please place the items in the bushel basket in the narthex.** If you know of a neighbor, friend or family in need, please contact the church office at 716-692-6862. Thank you.



THE NORTH TONAWANDA FOOD PANTRY

**Is open 8:30am 12:30pm Mon-Fri
for deliveries on 100 Ridge Street, NT,
716-692-8552**

The North Tonawanda Food Pantry is in need of items canned meats; tuna, chicken, spam and breakfast bars/ fruit & granola. They are always in need of shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes and deodorant (personal care items). **Please place items in the blue bin in the Quilting Room.** Thank you for your generosity.

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES

*****ATTENTION ALL MEN!!!!*****

MEN'S WEEKEND RETREAT – MAY 30 -- JUNE 1, 2025

THEME: "MY CHURCH – MY COMMUNITY"

INVITED SPEAKER: Rev. Dr. John Pingel

(President, LCMS Eastern District)

WHERE: PIONEER ON THE LAKE

9324 Lake Shore Drive, Angola, NY

We Have Tradition: Our Retreat has brought together Christian men at Pioneer on the Lake for a weekend of spiritual growth, Christian fellowship, service, and outdoor fun since 1945!! Each year, we return home refreshed and better equipped to live as leaders who follow Jesus Christ.

Registration begins Friday afternoon at 4:00 PM with Dinner at 6:00 PM and closes following 10:00 AM Sunday Worship. Further information and registration forms are available in the narthex. All for the special price of \$180.00!

Contact Bill Bundy - wbundy02@gmail.com

or Rich Gruenhagen at 215-444-6126 / margaretygruenhagen@yahoo.com

for further information about registration, accommodations,
and transportation.

God does not want
you to try harder, He
wants you to trust
Him deeper. Stop
trying. Start trusting.
This will change
everything, in you.

Church Volunteers

LOOKING FOR NEW VOLUNTEERS

Last year we were asking for a "NEW" group of volunteers to step up and relieve Sue & Pete Jaeneck and Becky & Craig Heigl from the task of decorating the church for each church holiday. They have been at this for 15 years. We all have enjoyed their beautiful creations but they would like to be relieved of this responsibility. If there is anyone interested in joining the decorating committee, they would definitely be willing to stay long enough to help you transition into the group. If you have any questions about the Decorating Committee you may call Sue Jaenecke at (716) 213-8015 or stop in the office for more information.

SAVE THE DATE

Lockport Care Net's

Thursday, June 5, 2025

Chicken BBQ and Basket Raffle



Where? Lockport Alliance Church

BBQ by Barker Lions Club

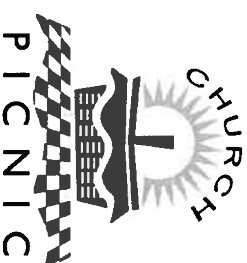
Enjoy a mouthwatering meal with sides included

Lockport
CARE NET



MEN'S RETREAT

Remember that the Men's Retreat at Pioneer on the Lake is fast approaching May 30 – June 1, and the deadline to register is May 15th. Lutheran Hour Ministries has been hosting these retreats since 1945, and this is the 80th retreat. Many of the men, both young and old, look forward to this each year. Please consider attending. See page 4 of the communicator for additional information. Also, our Church Picnic is scheduled for June 8th. The picnic is always a lot of fun, and we encourage you to spend the afternoon visiting. People who arrived early to setup and prepare food may be doing some clean up, but everything will be left open for a while, and there is no rush to leave. Please pray for nice weather so that we may enjoy the time of fun and fellowship outdoors.



Please continue to share your photos for the Thanksgiving service. It's never too early to send pictures. Send your pictures to wbundy02@gmail.com. Remember, when sending photos, try to send the original and do not reduce the size. Ask me for help if you are having trouble with this. Take special note of the email address as my previous address will be deactivated on May 31st. I have mentioned this previously, but I want to make sure everyone is aware of the change.

Bill Bundy
President



Our Shut In Members

William & Patricia Doeblner

Elderwood @ Wheatfield Rm# 219

2600 Niagara Falls Blvd. Niagara Falls, NY 14304

Williams Birthday-August-3rd

Patricia's Birthday-January 6th

Anniversary-May 5th

(Ellen Graf)

Carol Haak

Brookdale Niagara Rm#10

6751 Nash Road

North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Birthday-September 11th

(Linda Jasulevich)



Joy Jenks

100 Crestwood Court Apt.#101

Niagara Falls, NY 14304

Birthday-January 3rd

(Ellen Graf)



If you wish to be on the Ladies Guild shut-in list please contact Linda Robinson at 716-622-1255.

*If you by chance forgot to bring in your Kitchen Shower donations you may still bring them in this month.

LADIES GUILD RETREAT



SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 2025 9 A.M. – 1 P.M.

LOCATION: CHURCH PARSONAGE

TOPIC: "GETTING TO KNOW" presented by Kathy Gibson

Everyone is asked to bring a dish to pass for lunch. Also, please bring along your bibles, and lawn chairs.

UPCOMING EVENT:



Strawberry Social

STRAWBERRY SOCIAL will be held sometime in August.

Watch the Bulletin for updates on the exact date & time.

We are hopeful that there will be an outdoor service as well on that Sunday.



**WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO HAVING
OUR NEW CARPET INSTALLED IN
THE LOWER HALL BY MAY!**

Thank you to everyone for supporting this project.

ETERNAL CHOICE OF LOVE, INC. FIRST ANNUAL BENEFIT BANQUET

Thursday, May 8, 2025

6:00 PM (Check-in begins at 5:30)

Classics V - Terrace Room

2425 Niagara Falls Boulevard, Amherst, NY 14228

Open Seating | Reservations Only

Reservation deadline - Wednesday, April 30

The goal is to raise funds for the Mobile Medical Sonogram Van - a "Window inside the Womb" to all who desire it, in coalition with other pro-life ministries!! LET'S DO THIS!!



And he made ready a meal, good to the taste...
(Gen. 27:31)



SUMMIT LIFE CENTER INC

You're invited to our 20th Year Anniversary Celebration

Open House

Saturday May 10th, 2025

12:00pm-3:00pm

Please stop by and take a tour, visit with board members, staff and volunteers. Enjoy some wonderful fellowship and refreshments as we

Celebrate LIFE at the Center

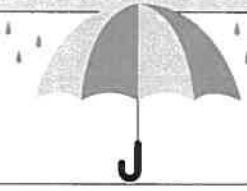
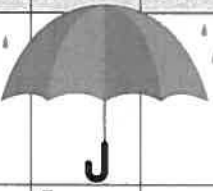
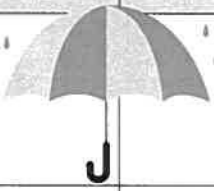


1622 Pine Ave. Niagara Falls, NY 14301

June Serving Schedule

	June 1st*	June 8th	June 15th* Fathers Day	June 22nd	June 29th
ELDERS	Siggy Barke John Patton	Pete Jaencke Bill Olczak	Dan Wolf Joe Durick	Craig Heigl Rob Pidanic	Siggy Barke John Patton
VESTRYMEN CAPTAINS	Tom Hromowyk	Art Marshall Paul Schultz	Joe Siegmann	Bill Bundy	Tom Hromowyk
USHERS	Justin Hromowyk Mark Lemke	Jeff Binkley Keith Schumacher	Chris Reischel Jeff Reischel Dave Wendt	Dave Urtel Tank Jorg Tim Jorg	Justin Hromowyk Mark Lemke
COUNTING TEAM	Team 2 Bill Bundy Paul Schultz	Team 3 Jolie Giardo Miriam M/M Paula Benedyszak	Team 4 Wendt Binkley* Sue Ridge Florence Lindaman	Team 5 Jeffrey Binkley Megan Goodwin Mike & Terry Lance	Team 6 Bill & Linda Olczak Leslie Stolzenfels Karen Horrgan
9:15AM GREETERS	M/M Stapar	Toni Durick Linda Pascucci	Carol Wilczak	M/M Siggy Barke	Debbie Kenney
SARB SERVERS	HAVE	A	GREAT	SUMMER	

May 2025

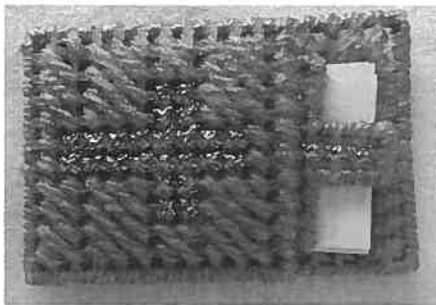
St. Matthew Lutheran Church

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 10:30am Bible Study 6:30pm Elders Meeting	2	3 9am-Outreach Saturdays
4 9:15 am Worship Service w/ Communion 10:30am Bible Study, SARB	5	6	7 5:45pm Choir	8 10:30am Bible Study	9	10
11 MOTHERS DAY 9:15 am Worship Service 10:30am Bible Study SARB	12	13 10:00am Bible Brunch 6:30pm Church Council Mtg	14 5:45pm Choir	15 10:30am Bible Study 40 DOL Victory Bash	16 	
18 9:15 am Worship Service w/ Communion VOTERS MEETING 10:30 Bible Study SARB	19 	20	21	22 10:30am Bible Study	23	
25 9:15 am Worship Service 10:30am Bible Study			28	29 10:30am Bible Study	30 Men's Retreat begins	31

OUTREACH INFORMATION

Our special theme months in support of Operation Christmas Child have been a success! Thanks to all that donated money and/or items for Fishy February, Musical March and Animal April. Stay tuned for more information on our next months, Mixed Bag May and Jumping and Journals June!

Please join us on Saturday mornings from 9am-1pm as we work together on various outreach projects. This is a very informal and fun way for us to spend time with our church family, and to make a positive difference in the lives of others as God has called us to do. No need to be good at crafts, as there is so much more we do in our time together. From Christmas cards for our troops, to organizing items for the Operation Christmas Child boxes, projects in support of Niagara Hospice, and puzzles to be put together, glued and framed to decorate our walls. In addition, we work on items to be sold at the Bazaar to raise funds for the shipping costs for Operation Child, and we will be starting to plant cuttings that we will help to grow and care for to sell at the Plant Booth at the Bazaar.



One of the projects that we are also continually working on is "The Cross in My Pocket." Thanks to Jennifer Bundy for making our first batch that can be found on the table in the Narthex next to the basket with God's Business Cards. Jennifer has very kindly shown us how to make these wonderful crosses, and we will continue to make them available for you to keep with you or give to someone and share in the amazing gift that we have been given through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Please contact Kim Binkley with any questions at 716-909-6310.