

Dear Brother and friend Fr. Dave:
I am very happy to let you know that the funds have been received please take my heartfelt gratitude to my brothers and sisters at St. Matthews. You have really saved me from my distress. I am only left with one year that is year V as we don't pay college fee for year VI instead the government pays half salary of a doctor to someone in internship year VI is used as internship a student works in big hospitals for a whole year as part of training (Internship).

Sent by Bishop Elias Chakupewa, Advent's proud father.

Thank you for all your support to Bishop Elias and the mission of our friends in Tabora.

With love and blessings,

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Ministry Links

St. Matthew's Webpage
The Episcopal Diocese of Springfield
[Rector's Blog \(new\)](#)
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The Good News

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Continuing Worship Guidance

St. Matthew's is authorized to have 40 individuals present at any given service.

With this new information we will be returning to our regular, or normal, schedule Sunday morning. There is no need to make reservations for these services.

For the near future, coffee hour must take place outside, and is tough to plan on short notice. A short fellowship time will take place outside following the service.

The guidance regarding masking and singing (below) still holds.

1. All are reminded to take their own health issues into consideration when deciding whether to attend. Also, stay home if you have any symptoms that are not associated with a chronic health issue.

2. Most services will be spoken/read services. A cantor is allowed to sing, but congregants are asked to refrain.

3. All individuals who are in the building must maintain physical distance and have a face covering, unless actively leading a portion of the service.

4. Each service will have color coded seats in the Nave. Families are allowed to sit together.

5. Only the restrooms in the addition will be available for use.

6. The 10AM service will continue to be streamed "live" on Facebook. If you are uncomfortable being in the worship space and still wish to commune, communion will still be available via the "drive-through" for 30 minutes after the service. It is expected that "drive-through" communion will not continued to be offered after the 28 of June.

Schedule for the week beginning 14 June

Sunday 7:30AM Rite I Holy Eucharist

10:00AM Rite II Holy Eucharist (also streamed)

Thursday

7:30 AM Morning Prayer with Holy Communion

June 28th, the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 8):

Sunday Eucharist Outline is [here](#).

Full Service is [here](#).

Added Note: Please bring your own printed copy, or electronic device from home to avoid cross contamination in the Nave.

Both bulletins have the music included, so there is no need to touch the hymnals.

**Outreach Opportunities
ITEMS-OF-THE-MONTH**

A Big Thank You for your support of Advent! We have received confirmation that his funds arrived and school is in progress.

Meals

Thank you for the generous outpouring of support for this ministry. The freezer is quite full at this time.

We also have packages of Tender Mercies meals from Midwest Food Bank.

If you, or someone you know, need(s) a meal at this time please let us know, or stop by the office when it is open.

The Daily Devotional Reading

is available by clicking of the link below:
[Good News Daily](#)

Worship Serving Schedule

As noted above in the Phase III Reopening/Recovery article: all servers volunteer directly with Fr. Dave for the masses on Sunday.

We will resume traditional scheduling as events allow.

Thank you again, and may God bless you.

Birthdays & Anniversaries June 28 - July 4

Anniversaries

Shelley Carter & Brad Brenneman

Birthdays

Jennifer Jordan
Josephine Brooks
Liz Gordon
Phyllis Halt
Dave Halt

Dedications for this week:

4th Sunday after Pentecost, June 28th

O Almighty God, who hast built thy Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made an holy temple acceptable unto thee; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

Contact Information

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church