



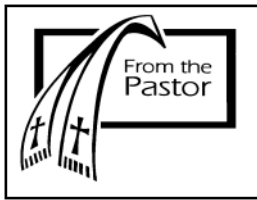
# The GOOD NEWSLETTER

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## From Our Pastor

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### Thy Will Be Done

**H**ow familiar these words are to the Christian. How important they are for us to remember. And yet, how hard they are to trust and believe. These words are the theme of our Lenten Journey this year. These words form a part of our Lord's prayer for us, and were given to us as a way to offer ourselves to God. They convey both a trust in the power of God, and a promise of our willingness to be led by God. As the full petition reads, "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven." What does this mean? How is God's will done on earth as in heaven? Does this mean in the same way? Or at the same time? Or both? We see so much in this world that does not reflect God's will. There is evil all around us. There is death from wars and from school shootings. There is violence between nations and in households where women are beaten by their husbands, those who promised to love, cherish and honor them. What does it mean to pray "thy will be done?" This surely does not seem to be the reality for how much of the world is. A few thoughts...

*Thy* will, not *My* will. We often see evil in the world because of us, not because of God. When we think we know better, or want what we want, and do not care to be guided or directed by God, or care about our neighbor, then violence, separation fear, unrest, distrust result. In the letter from James we read, "You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures." (James 4:2-3). We do not like to submit ourselves to anyone or anything. We want what we want, when we want it, the way we want it. We will refuse the meal if it is not prepared correctly. We will not tip the server if we do not get excellent service. We will not pay the bill if the project is not done to our satisfaction. And while there are times when these may be appropriate choices for the situation, they often betray a self-centered way of viewing life and the world.

Jesus shared what the will of God is when he was asked, "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" [Jesus] said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." (Matthew 22:36-40.) In the Hebrew Scriptures the prophet Micah says, "[God] has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?" (Micah 6:8.)

The more we can yield to the call of God to love, even our enemies, even those not like us, perhaps *especially* "those" people, the more likely it can be that God's will can be done here on earth. Jesus said, "For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same?" (Matthew 5:46-47.) In the story of the Good Samaritan are we not challenged to see even our adversaries as our neighbors?

The way God's will is done is often through the faithful lives of those who pray, and yield, to God. Even in the Garden of Gethsemane the Son of God prayed, "Not my will, but thine be done." Martin Luther put it this way in his explanation to this petition of the Lord's Prayer,

*"Thy Kingdom come. What does this mean? The kingdom of God certainly comes of itself without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may come to us also. How does God's kingdom come? The kingdom of God comes when our heavenly Father gives us His Holy Spirit, so that by His grace we believe His holy Word and live godly lives here in time and hereafter in eternity."*

If we wish to see the power of God active in this world, it begins by allowing the power of God to be active in us. And as we recognize this prayer asks "Thy will, not My will, be done," the more chance there is that the will of God can be seen in us, and through us, for the sake of the world.

Striving to live with you in the will of God,  
Pr. Karl M. Richard

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## The Vicar's View:

### What Saints Are and Are Not

In February, I started a class at the seminary on the people, from ancient times until now, who are recognized by a large part of Christ's Church as "saints." Throughout the semester, we will be exploring these saints' biographies and writings. On a few occasions already, the professor has pointed out something about these figures: They weren't perfect. "Some of them," he told us, "you won't even like. Some of them will seem like cantankerous old men or women at times. Sometimes, you'll read stories of them being rude to others or making bad decisions. And even if you like them, you won't agree with everything they did and said." They were, in other words, real people.

So what is it that makes these saints famous, then, if they are in so many ways as fallible and flawed as any of us? "They don't always act holy," my professor said. "But a big part of what makes them well-known saints is that they are always **aware** of the holy. In the midst of their daily lives, in waking up, in making meals and eating them with others, in working outside or doing housework. Yes, in worship and in prayer, but also during arguments with others or amidst the little annoyances that happen during the day." During all of these moments, they were grounded in the steady presence of God, and they pointed others to that God who could be the ground of others' existence as well.

Odds are that none of us will be included in any of the collections of saints' stories that I'll be reading this semester. But we can strive to trust in God and be aware of God's presence in the midst of our daily lives. Lent is a great time for us to try to be more aware of God's presence, yes, in worship and in church fellowship, but also in our homes, in our interactions with family and friends, in our workplaces, in our cars as we commute to work, in our leisure time. This March, let us form habits of prayer and reflection and keep those communication lines with God open, remembering that none of us is perfect, but all of us **are** saints who can point others to God.

Vicar Daniel Smith

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## France and Worship

What do these two things have in common? Well, aside from the fact that the French do indeed have places of worship, and that there are people in France who are also persons of Faith, in this case I refer to our schedule and how it is impacted by a happy occasion for the Richard family. As it turns out, the three members of my family that are still on this side of the Atlantic will have the opportunity to go over to France to visit with Leigh for a week as she is studying near Marseilles for this semester. We will be leaving Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, and returning the evening of Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>.

How will this impact our worship? In order to make it simpler for whomever may fill in for me, we will trade the days of our Faith Alive worship. For this month only (sound like a mattress commercial?) we will have the band lead the music on the second Sunday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, and have our traditional liturgy, including "Classical Second Sunday," on

the third week, March 18<sup>th</sup>.

We are very excited about the chance to see Leigh, and for the chance for Abigail to see Europe for the first time. Please pray for us as we go, as we will pray for you as you do the work of family and faith here while we are away.

Pastor Karl M. Richard

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## Giving Opportunity

We adopted our congregation's budget for 2018 at the annual meeting on January 28<sup>th</sup>. This budget has a gap between those gifts that we can expect to receive, and what we will need to cover our anticipated expenses. For those who are willing to help, here is a specific giving opportunity to support Saint Matthew (in addition to what you already give!) that will make an impact, and help us **Cultivate** our spirit of generosity.

The annual Youth Retreat which is held at Harvey Cedars is a great chance for our youth to gather with youth from other congregations, learn about the faith, be exposed to the broader Church, worship, pray and enjoy each other in ways that are truly significant. Our congregation has felt this is an important enough event to help **eQuip** our youth that each year we pick up a little more than half of the cost, so that none of our youth find the expense an impediment to attending. This year we have a total of 20 people attending! This is wonderful, and I believe the largest group we have had in the past 10 years! But it also means an expense for us as we assist with registration and the cost of transportation.

The total cost will be approximately \$3,000.00. Can you help us send our youth to this retreat?

Pastor Karl M. Richard

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## Good Friday at 7:00 p.m.

Join in a moving worship experience on Good Friday evening as our choir presents *The Final Hours*. Composed and written by Lee Dengler and Susan Dengler, this work weaves together the spoken word, focusing on Christ's final earthly hours with hauntingly beautiful music.

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## Christian Education Updates

As we head into March, we continue to reflect and pray during this season of Lent. We hope that Christian education will provide a resource for you as we discern God's will for our lives and give thanks for all that Christ has done for us. As we do each year during Lent, in March we will be preparing fifth grade students for their first communion. This can be a meaningful and exciting time for these members of our community, so we ask that you keep them in your prayers as they learn about the origins of the Lord's Supper and its crucial place in the life of faith and in the Lutheran tradition. This year, instruction and discussion for First Communion classes will be in the very capable hands of Frankie Savage. We ask that God be with us all in all of our classes and homes as we explore and remember God's love for us as revealed in the life, ministry, and death of God's Son.

Vicar Daniel Smith

## Men's Breakfast

The March Men's Breakfast will be held on Saturday, March 17, at 7:15 a.m. at Saint Matthew. All men are invited to join us for morning devotions, a great speaker, an excellent breakfast and good fellowship. Please come and enjoy an excellent way to start the day.

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## Worship and Music Notes

From time to time there are certain extra expenditures needed to replace items used in our worship services. Recently the Worship and Music Committee expressed the need for new candle lighters – the special brass lighters used by our acolytes to light the altar candles. Over the past years we had not replaced ones that became unusable and the remaining ones in service are not in good shape. With a designated gift from a member we were able to purchase two new brass candle lighters which are now being used and will be used for years to come. Also, each year for Easter we purchase a new Paschal Candle, which is the tall ornamental candle near the pulpit. This candle is lit on Easter Sunday and during the Easter season, as well as for all baptisms and funerals. With a designated gift from a member we have made the purchase of a new Paschal Candle as well as the two tall candles under the cross. These will first be used on Easter Sunday. The Worship and Music Committee thanks our generous members for making these gifts.

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## Souper Bowl of Caring

The final report is in! 35,586 "pieces" (food items and cash) were collected and transported to The Bernardine Center (from Saint Francis of Assisi), Chester Eastside Ministries (from Tree of Life) and Loaves and Fishes (from Saint Matthew). 8,740 came through your capable hands along with \$938.

In mid-March the Organizing Committee will review the 2018 event and make tentative plans for 2019. If you have any ideas, please pass them along to Natalie Rees Berry or Mike Lavery. In the meantime, mark your calendar for the Saint Matthew Fun Run, Saturday, May 19, at 9:00 a.m.; cost of participation is a food item for Loaves and Fishes.

Natalie Rees Berry

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## Children's Corner

### Dear Children,

As I write my thoughts for this edition of the Children's Corner, the thermometer is hovering around 25 degrees making it difficult to think of Spring and Lent. So I will cuddle up in my heated blankie and share some facts about Lent.

- The word "Lent" comes from a German root word meaning "long"--as the hours of daylight are becoming longer, we know that Spring is coming. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on the Saturday before Easter.
- Lent lasts for 40 days not including Sundays which are "little Easters."

- Why 40? At the start of his ministry, Jesus spent 40 days praying and fasting.
- Some people give up a bad habit or a pleasure (chocolate) during Lent; however, many churches are presently suggesting acts of kindness, instead.
- To be clear, the most important part of Lent should be our focus on Christ's sacrifice and resurrection.

I always think of Lent as a time of "awakening" to events in nature. As a child born in the country, I loved to see the new lambs scampering about, little kittens were emerging, chicks were running around, trees were budding--time to think about redirecting one's life. Do you think perhaps that you might want to find a new purpose in your life?

### Dear Parents,

Although the Season of Lent tends to be one of "thoughtful purpose," rather than the joy of Christmas and Easter, let's make this season insightful and even fun for your youngster.

Listen to the hymns we sing--they tell the story of Christ's journey to the Cross.

Read: Exodus 34: 27-28 I Kings 19:1-8  
Matthew 4: 1-2 Luke 4:1-2. What number do you keep hearing? Why?

How do your friends observe Lent?

Participate in the various Lenten services offered by Saint Matthew.

As a family, think of a special charity for your donations. My mother used to keep a "thank you" box on our kitchen window to hold coins as we received blessings.

Can you draw or paint a mural depicting Palm Sunday (or other scenes)?

Be doers of the word, not merely hearers.

Sylvia Yost

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## Nursery School

March will be another month containing many activities developed for the various happenings of March. We will discover if March "comes in like a lion" and "goes out like a lamb." All classes will celebrate Saint Patrick's Day with shamrocks, rainbows and leprechauns. We will have our school pictures taken by Mike DiTrollo of Active Image Photography. Our school will be closed for Spring Break Monday, March 26, through Monday, April 2. We wish everyone a blessed Easter season.

All of the children continue to learn to recognize and print the letters of the alphabet, printing their names, doing fun activities and making new friends along the way. We will be singing new songs during music with Mrs. Heidi Starr and the children just love coming together to sing and march with the instruments.

Registration has been underway for the 2018-2019 school year. We offer a 2-day class for three year olds, a 3-day class for four year olds, and a 5-day class for the five year

olds. As March approaches we look forward to sharing special times with the children...and possibly more snow fall!

Linda M. Maylie, Director

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## Family Ministries Easter Egg Hunt

**T**he Saint Matthew Lutheran Church's annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, March 24, at 1 p.m. Join us for crafts, music, refreshments, and lots of family fun! Admission is free and all children involved in the hunt must be accompanied by an adult. RSVP with the number of children by March 17 to Melissa Lavery on Facebook, the church sign-up sheet, or email: mnm62511@gmail.com.

Melissa Lavery

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## “Always a Shepherd”

**L**ook out Dad, we’ve got sheep on the road!” I cried out as we crested a hill on the highway. Dad quickly braked the car and we swung to a stop sideways with sheep scattering out of the way! The shepherd and his dog were behind the flock and had not prepared for traffic at this point of the road. Dad had some sharp words for him about safety for the flock there and I was numb from what this event could have been . . .

The encounter was soon after my own reminder at the airbase from a concerned Flight Sergeant. He observed my chasing sheep in a field of young Christmas trees behind the Officers’ Mess. I was initiating the round-up in a cowboy movie which I had seen with my cousins in Grisborne. The sergeant called to me and said that the sheep should not be chased like that because of their wool fleece. They could overheat and die! His remonstrance woke me up to a potential outcome I had never intended. Sheep had been my close friends on my uncle’s farm and they trusted me not to harm them.

Behind our row of officers’ homes was a grassy area which had the Signals Office and radio towers located there. My friends and I would often pass by this installation to visit the abandoned World War II base for recruits which we called the “Old School.” There were empty barracks, mess halls and offices there; and we explored them all. On one occasion, I was alone and discovered a possum looking down at me from the roof rafters inside one of the buildings. I thought I should try to get it out of there and tried to poke it from below with an old broom I found. He was not happy at my approach and he dived to the floor, raced out the doorway and scampered up one of the tall evergreens on the airbase perimeter. Shutting the door behind me, I followed him and began climbing the tree after him.

I don’t know why I did this because the further I climbed, the higher he went. Pretty soon we were 30 feet up and in thinning branches. It occurred to me at that point that things were getting a bit dangerous and I had not thought out the reason for following the little guy. He could jump from branch to branch and tree to tree. My efforts were futile. What would I do even if I caught up to him? OK . . . Let’s give up before anything goes wrong! So I began the descent. It took a lot longer coming down than going up. What had I learned? Don’t climb after possums! To this day, I follow this sage advice!

Across the street from our house was a creek and some bush land, about 4 acres of Manuka trees in which we kids could build forts and play with homemade boats in the water of the creek. We were told that eels were in the creek, but I never encountered them there. It was a great location for mud fights, though!

Several miles from the airbase were the hot springs near Helensville. My confidence for swimming under water flourished in these warm pools. It took about a 40-minute drive and we would often visit for a swim on late Friday afternoons when Dad was home from the office. I often asked if I could ride in the trunk of the car next to the spare tire on the way there. Yet another quirky experience a kid wants to enjoy!

With the exception of the hangers and flight-line, my friends and I could ride our bikes to any part of the airbase, and we discovered the aircraft scrapyard. Two old C-47’s had been stripped of their engines and interior appointments for parts and we kids had great fun imagining ourselves as pilots flying to any place in the world; and, of course, there was no need for fuel consumption!

Next to the scrapyard was a confidence course required for the enlisted men in training. We just had to try out scrambling under coils of barbed wire, swinging on ropes across the water moat and then lifting each other to climb over the eight foot high wood barrier and drop to the other side. It was quite an accomplishment for us young-uns.

As we were catching our breath, we heard gunfire from not far away. It was a skeet range and the shotguns were firing at clay pigeons. We were close enough to encounter a hail of lead pellets as they fell to earth from the gunshots. We ran for our bikes and left in a hurry and didn’t go back there on Saturdays.

Sometimes, on rainy afternoons, our young Tony would be out on the bike looking for puddles in the street. I imagined taking off in a seaplane with the spray stirred up by the tires of the bicycle. Here was Tony head down and ripping along in the puddles with water flying from each side and then—blam! The bike bashed into a parked car and I was thrown onto the hood of the vehicle. Luckily no injuries but hurt pride to the rider; however, the bike was ruined! I’m not sure Mom believed the twisted explanation of my accidentally running into a concrete curb . . . Oh boy . . . Tongue in check! Did I deserve another bike? That’s another story!

Looking back to those times as a youngster, I envision the heavenly protection which comes to us in our development as human beings. We are all loved and precious no matter what.

These are blessings from the Lord.

Tony Webb

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## First Thursday Friends

**F**irst Thursday Friends will gather on Thursday, March 1, at 11:30 a.m. at Carrabba’s Restaurant in Springfield Mall. For more information contact John Stefl.

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## Newsletter Deadline

Articles for the April newsletter are due in the church office by **noon on Thursday, March 15.**

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## It's Time to Order Easter Lilies

Easter lilies that beautify our sanctuary and parlor may be ordered by signing up in the church hallway or calling the church office. Look for the sign-up sheet in the church hallway. The cost of each plant is \$10.00, and it may be taken home following the 11:00 a.m. Easter service. The last day to order lilies is Sunday, March 25. Thank you.

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## Women of the ELCA

*"Share each other's troubles and problems, and so obey our Lord's command."* Galatians 6:2

Ladies, will you join us for this month's activities:

March 3—LWR Quilts—Parish Ed. Building  
at 10:00 a.m.

March 3—High School Quilts—Parish Ed. Building  
at 10:30 a.m.

March 14—Board Meeting—Library at 9:30 a.m.

March 20—Esther Circle—Parlor at 10:00 a.m.

March 20—Sarah Circle—Parish Ed. Building at  
7:00 p.m.

March 21—Ronald McDonald Quilting—Parlor  
at 10:00 a.m.

March 24—High School Quilts—Parish Ed. Building  
at 10:30 a.m.

We continue to collect for The Welcome Church and thank you for your generosity. Things needed: plastic forks, stirrers, foot powder, deodorant, small toiletries, drawing pads, colored pencils, reading glasses, tote bags with strings, cookies, yarn, artificial sweeteners, creamer.

Joan Krauter, President

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## Monthly Mailbag

Dear Saint Matthew Friends,

My thanks to each and every one of you for the prayers and flowers from the altar at Christmas time. Finally I was able to return home after 4 long months—deeply thankful for God's blessings.

Always,  
Jean Fisher

Dear Saint Matthew Friends,

Thank you for your gift of \$93.00 in support of the ministries of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) through ELCA Good Gifts.

With generosity and imagination you have made a gift that will change a life. Through the programs supported by your "Good Gifts," you are reaching out with a tangible symbol of Christ's love—a Bible for a young disciple or a textbook for an emerging leader, cleaning supplies for a family affected by a disaster, a warm meal at a local soup kitchen, a goat or pig to

help a family become self-sufficient, a brick that will help build a house of worship.

Thank you for equipping others to live lives of abundance and witnessing to the healing and hope we share in Christ Jesus. Your generosity is making a difference!

In God's grace,  
Christina Jackson-Skelton  
Executive Director, Mission Advancement

Dear Saint Matthew Friends,

Thank you for your gift of \$3,019.00 to Lutheran Disaster Response. Thank you for joining with the whole church in this season of unprecedented generosity as, together, we support communities hard-hit by hurricanes, earthquakes and wildfires.

Your gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response help provide supplies needed immediately, such as water and generators, and support for long-term recovery: disaster case management, volunteer team placement, community development and professional care for daily and continuing challenges.

Thank you for your trust in this work we do as the church here and around the world. Through your generosity, you are sharing with neighbors near and far, revealing God's holy promises of peace and hope, shelter and safety, restoration and abundance. Thank you, Saint Matthew, for your special gift in this continuing time of need. You are an answer to prayer.

In the light and life of Christ,  
The Rev. Daniel Rift, Director  
ELCA World Hunger and Disaster Appeal

Dear Sarah and Esther Circles:

Thank you for being such wonderful friends to the boys and girls of Silver Springs-Martin Luther School and for the 72 bags of sweet treats. The children were thrilled to receive the terrific candy-filled treat bags and were excited to find many of their favorite candies!

Thank you also for the additional sets of headphones, stuffed animals and toys. You have been tremendous in helping us supply headphones for all of the children and thus helping to provide them with a safe way to cope when their feelings are too big. The stuffed animals and fun toys will make great rewards in the Good Behavior Store or birthday gifts and are sure to be well loved!

We appreciate all you do for our children throughout the year and are so very grateful for your ongoing support of our ministry. Caring and generous friends, like all of you, enable us to provide important education, healing, and nurturing services to more than 2,400 children and families each year. On behalf of the boys and girls, thank you!

Sincerely,  
Amanda Bryant, Development Officer  
Silver Springs-Martin Luther School

Dear Pastor Richard:

We are so thankful for our friendship with the Saint Matthew congregation and blessed by the many ways you support our ministry and work to help children and families to



reach for brighter futures. Thank you and all our Saint Matthew friends for the generous donation of \$540 (check dated December 31, 2017) to Silver Springs—Martin Luther School.

This gift assists Silver Springs to serve the more than 2,400 children and families who look to us each year for assistance through our Residential Treatment Program, Approved Private School, and Community Based Programs.

As always, you and any member of the Saint Matthew congregation have an open invitation to visit with us at Silver Springs to see first-hand the children and programs you are supporting. To schedule a time or if you have any questions, please contact Lynn at 610-825-4440, ext. 206 or Lunipan@silver-springs.org.

Thank you again for supporting our ministry and work to help children and families dream of and reach for bright futures.

Sincerely,  
Lynn Unipan, MSW, CFRE  
Development Director  
Silver Springs-Martin Luther School

Dear Friends,

I just wanted to take a moment and let you know how grateful I am for everyone who helped out to make our blood drive a big success. We reached 80% of a registration goal which yielded 32 people to sign in at the blood drive and the Red Cross was able to collect a total of 26 donations. They were very grateful and commented that the blood drive was a great success.

I would like to especially thank Dave Krauter for hanging posters all over Springfield, all of our members and leadership who came out to donate, committees involved in coordination, Diane and Gary for all their help during the blood drive, and Linda Maylie for assisting with advertising and making the space accessible as soon as the Nursery school children were dismissed.

We are a very blessed congregation and it is a wonderful feeling to know together we can make a difference, reach out to our community, and help others. Thanks be to God.

Sincerely,  
Nicole Smith

Dear Saint Matthew Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your gift of \$219.00 to ELCA World Hunger: The world is indeed about to turn! Your gifts to this signature ministry of our church support nearly 600 multi-year projects here and around the world, innovative local solutions that get at the root causes of hunger and poverty. Through long-trusted church companions and partners, together we are accompanying vulnerable communities as they strengthen themselves and their lives, for today and for generations to come.

As your hearts sing in joy and hope this holy season, know that your faithful, generous response to the gospel is making a difference around the globe, spreading joy and hope near and far, creatively and courageously working toward a world of justice where all are fed.

With thanksgiving and in the light and love of Christ,  
The Rev. Daniel Rift, Director  
ELCA World Hunger and Disaster Appeal

Dear Pastor Karl, Vicar Dan, Janice, and my Saint Matthew family,

Thank you for all your visits, phone calls, get well cards, flowers and prayers. My Saint Matthew family are the best.

Thanks,  
Portia Bahl

Dear Saint Matthew Friends,

Thank you to everyone who made our 50th Wedding Anniversary a special occasion for us. We especially want to thank our daughters, Sharon and Julie, for taking charge of the food at the coffee hours. We also would like to say thank you for all the lovely cards and gifts we received. Saint Matthew has always been our faith home and all the love here is special for us.

Sincerely,  
Nancy and Joe Regan

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## Worship Responsibilities

### Altar Guild

	Coordinator: Jeff Wesley
March 4	D. Liscom, M. McCleary
March 7	P. McHugh
March 11	M. Miller, P. Stefl
March 14	P. McHugh
March 18	B. Camagna, B. Terry
March 21	P. McHugh
March 25	J. Krauter, M. Larkin
March 29	12:00 PM—B. Kinsey, C. Morrell 7:00 PM—C. Morrell, J. Krauter, D. Liscom
March 30	P. McHugh

### Worship Assistants

	Coordinator: John Kampmeyer
March 4	8:00 a.m. Maureen McCleary 10:15 a.m. Jeff Wesley
March 11	8:00 a.m. Kathie Morgan 10:15 a.m. (No assistant needed)
March 18	8:00 a.m. Joanne Castagna 10:15 a.m. Fran Gordon
March 25	8:00 a.m. Kathie Morgan 10:15 a.m. Jeff Wesley
March 29	12:00 p.m. Maureen McCleary 7:00 p.m. Fran Gordon

### Acolytes

	Coordinator: Dawn von Berg
March 4	8:00 a.m. Ethan Scott 10:15 a.m. Briana Burdette Crucifer: Patti Wesley
March 11	8:00 a.m. Stephen Scott 10:15 a.m. Madison Wesney Crucifer: Patti Wesley
March 18	8:00 a.m. Jake O'Brien 10:15 a.m. Ethan Kraft
March 25	8:00 a.m. Tyler Bennett 10:15 a.m. Rebecca Engberg Torchbearers: Madison Wesley, Patti Wesley Bookbearer: Ethan Kraft Crucifer: Briana Burdette
March 29	7:00 p.m. Alexa von Berg

**Communion Servers**      **Coordinator: Joan Krauter**  
 March 4      8:00 a.m. Steve and Jean McGarvey  
                  10:15 a.m. Chris and Karen DiSanto  
 March 11      8:00 a.m. Michael and Lisa Umbenhauer  
                  10:15 a.m. Bea Toomey, Natalie Berry  
 March 18      8:00 a.m. Steve and Cheryl Morrell  
                  10:15 a.m. J. R. Wesley, Jeff Wesley  
                                  Madison Wesley, Danielle Lazaro  
 March 25      8:00 a.m. Vicar Daniel Smith, Doug Bratz  
                  10:15 a.m. Vicar Daniel Smith  
                                  Gail Hendrickson  
 March 29      12:00 p.m. Barbara Kinsey, Diane Frattini  
                  7:00 p.m. Meredith Harris, Dan Lazaro

**Lectors**                      **Coordinator: Jeff Wesley**  
 March 4      10:15 a.m. Nicole Smith  
 March 11      10:15 a.m. Stephen Bashore  
 March 18      10:15 a.m. Vicar Dan Smith  
 March 25      10:15 a.m.  
 March 29      7:00 p.m. Jeff Wesley

**Sunday Nursery**              **Coordinator: Janice Gardner**  
 March 4      10:15 a.m. Kathy Kinder, Nicole Smith  
 March 11      10:15 a.m. Sue and Brian Barber  
 March 18      10:15 a.m. Diana and Pat Dolan  
 March 25      10:15 a.m. Melissa and Mike Lavery

**Greeters**                      **Coordinator: Nicole Smith**  
 March 4      8:00 a.m. Dee and Doug Bratz  
                  10:15 a.m. Josh and Lori Martin  
 March 11      8:00 a.m. John and Patti Stefl  
                  10:15 a.m. Don and Sylvia Yost  
 March 18      8:00 a.m. Diane Frattini, Barbara Kinsey  
                  10:15 a.m. Carole Centrella, Bea Toomey  
 March 25      8:00 a.m. Nancy Regan  
                                  Kathy and Anna Kinder  
                  10:15 a.m. Steve and Cheryl Morrell

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# Coffee Connection

Sunday

March 11, 2018

*Join us for food, fellowship, and fun*

**Refreshments and treats will be served in the parlor after each service**

*If you would like to donate a treat, there is a signup sheet outside of the office. All contributions are greatly appreciated.*