

May 17, 2009
J. William Harris, Pastor
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A hearty welcome to each of you! It is a genuine joy to have everyone here for worship, for fellowship, and for learning more about the Christian way. God has been good to us! Let us join together to praise the Lord.

We Turn Our Thoughts Toward God

PRELUDE
CALL TO WORSHIP "Glorify Thy Name" Choir
WELCOME & COMMUNITY SHARING (Please register your attendance.)
MOMENT OF SILENT CENTERING
INVOCATION
*Hymn of Praise: 715 "Rejoice, the Lord Is King"

Proclaiming the Word

*Psalter: 818 – Psalm 98
*Affirmation of Faith: 881 – The Apostles' Creed
*The Gloria Patri: 70 – "Glory Be to the Father"

KIDS OF THE KINGDOM

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS:
THE OFFERTORY PRAYER
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*THE DOXOLOGY: 95 – "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

*Hymn of Preparation: 144 "This Is My Father's World"

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison):
Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

THE READING OF THE EPISTLES: 984 – I John 5:1 - 6

ANTHEM "He's Everything to Me" Choir

THE READING OF THE GOSPELS: 863 – John 15:9 - 17
This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON: "The Good Ole Todays" Dr. Bill Harris

Responding to the Word

*Hymn of Commitment: 454 "Open My Eyes, That I May See"
*BENEDICTION
*CHORAL RESPONSE "We Will Stand" Choir
*RECESSIONAL

***Please stand (if your health permits), as a means of giving honor to God.**

OPPORTUNITIES FOR FELLOWSHIP ...

TODAY:

09:30am Altar Prayer 11:00am Morning Worship
10:00am Sunday School 12:00pm Fellowship Meal 2:00pm Church Council Meeting

THIS WEEK: *****

Mon., May 18, 7:00pm – Art Class
Tues., May 19, 6:30pm – Cub Scouts
7:00pm – Wisewood Neighborhood Meeting
Wed., May 20, 7:00pm – Bible Study
7:45pm – Choir Practice

NEXT WEEK: *****

Sun., May 24, 5:00pm – Vacation Bible School Meeting
Mon., May 25, **Memorial Day - Church Office Closed**
Tues., May 26, 6:30pm – Cub Scouts
Wed., May 27, 7:00pm – Bible Study 7:45pm – Choir Practice
Thurs., May 28, 9:00am – Mathews School Kindergarten Program
Sat., May 30, 7:00pm – Gospel Singing

SERVING OUR LORD:	<u>Today</u>	<u>Next Week</u>
Nursery:	Volunteer	Volunteer
Acolyte:	Andrew Joseph	Andrew Joseph

Preparation for Worship: *May no barrier come between any of us and your everlasting love, dear Creator, as we worship you now. Amen.*

Welcome to all who visit with us today. Your presence enhances our worship of Almighty God. Please sign a visitor's card, found in the pew racks, and give it to an usher during the offering, or sign the pew register pad found at the end of each pew. You are always welcome at Mathews.

An Honorarium for Carol Hipp was received from the Willing Workers Class.

A Memorial for Ted Ivey, Jr. was received from Bennie & Frank McCoy.

Memorials for Leila Peurifoy were received from:

Denton & Ramona Jefferson Bennie & Frank McCoy
Sara Yarbrough Greer & Family Sonya Yarbrough
Kent & Tracy Haltiwanger & Family

Our 3rd Sunday Fellowship Meal is today. We invite everyone to stay after the worship service for a great meal and wonderful fellowship. Even if this meal slipped your mind or you forgot to bring a covered-dish, that's OK – we have plenty of food to go around and wish for you to stay.

A VBS Meeting is next Sunday at 5:00pm in Room 205. We will give teachers their books & teaching supplies and will introduce them to the VBS curriculum.

Vacation Bible School Needs – We are going to need potato chips, Little Debbie cakes and lots of 2 liter drinks for our meals. If you would like to help out with this need, please bring your items to the social hall. We thank you.

"Speak kind words and you will hear kind echoes." (Bahn)