

July 26, 2009

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This is the house of the Lord! All of God's children are welcome. Everyone is entitled to worship and to receive the benefits offered here. May you be richly blessed.

We Turn Our Thoughts Toward God

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP *"Praise the Name of Jesus"* Choir

WELCOME & COMMUNITY SHARING *(Please register your attendance.)*

MOMENT OF SILENT CENTERING

INVOCATION

*Hymn of Praise: 89 *"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"*

Proclaiming the Word

*Psalter: 746 – Psalm 14

*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: 191 *"Jesus Loves Me"*

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 GOSPELS: 851 – John 6:1 - 21

ANTHEM *"My Brand New Home"* Choir

THE READING OF THE EPISTLES: 938 – Ephesians 3:14 - 21

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON: ***"Beyond the Beyond"*** Dr. Bill Harris

Responding to the Word

*Hymn of Commitment: 431 *"Let There Be Peace on Earth"*

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE *"Bind Us Together"* Choir

*RECESSIONAL

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

OPPORTUNITIES FOR FELLOWSHIP ...

TODAY:

9:30am Altar Prayer 10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Morning Worship

THIS WEEK: *****

Mon., July 27, 7:00pm – Art Class

Wed., July 29, 7:00pm – Bible Study 7:45pm – Choir Practice

Thurs., July 30, 7:00pm – '3 Simple Rules' Bible Study

NEXT WEEK: *****

Sun., Aug. 2, 9:30am – Blood Pressure Screening 3:00pm – Emerald Gardens

Mon., Aug. 3, 7:00pm – Art Class

Tues., Aug. 4, 7:00pm – Trustees

Wed., Aug. 5, 7:00pm – Bible Study 7:45pm – Choir Practice

Thurs., Aug. 6, 11:00am – VIP's 7:00pm – '3 Simple Rules' Bible Study

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

Preparation for Worship: *Loving Lord, please keep us fixed on you so we may receive all the benefits of your grace and follow your will for our lives. 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.

A Memorial for Leila Peurifoy was received from Louie & Margaret Blanton.

Honorariums were received from the Willing Workers Class to honor: Mary Turner, Nancy Fleming, and Nell Fleming

Homecoming is Sunday, August 23, 2009!! Our service will begin at 10:45am with Rev. Mary Teasley as our guest speaker. We will also have special music. Our covered-dish meal will begin at 12:00pm in the Social Hall. The church will provide the meat, we ask everyone else to bring a covered-dish.

If you know of anyone that you would like to have invited, please fill out one of the address forms that we have located in the vestibule and on the altar rail. You may place it in the offering plate or give it to the pastor. Your help is greatly appreciated.



VBS Mission Project: School Supplies – During Vacation Bible School, our mission project was to collect school supplies for Mathews Elementary School. We are asking the congregation of Mathews Church to help with this project. There is a supply list in your bulletin to give you an idea of what to purchase. Please bring your purchases to church and put them on the display table in the sanctuary. Thanks so much for your help!