

August 16, 2009
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“Great are the works of the LORD ... Full of honor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever” (Psalm 111: 2-3). Lift up your hearts to the Lord. All are welcomed warmly in the house of the Lord.

We Turn Our Thoughts Toward God

PRELUDE
CALL TO WORSHIP *“Spirit of the Living God / Holy, Holy”* Choir
WELCOME & COMMUNITY SHARING *(Please register your attendance.)*
MOMENT OF SILENT CENTERING
INVOCATION

*Hymn of Praise: 64 *“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”*
Proclaiming the Word

*Psalter: 832 – Psalm 111
*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: 377 *“It Is Well with My Soul”*

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: 940 – Ephesians 5:15 - 20

ANTHEM *“Jesus Will Be What Makes It Heaven for Me”* Choir

THE READING OF THE GOSPELS: 768 – Matthew 5:38 - 48

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

Thanks be to God.

SERMON: ***“Nobody’s Perfect! Right?”*** 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:

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

THIS WEEK: *****

Mon., Aug. 17, 7:00pm – Art Class

Wed., Aug. 19, 7:00pm – Bible Study 7:45pm – Choir Practice

Thurs., Aug. 20, 7:00pm – ‘3 Simple Rules’ Bible Study

NEXT WEEK: *****

Sun., Aug. 23, 10:45am – Homecoming Celebration

12:00pm – Fellowship Meal

2:00pm – Committee on (Nominations) Meeting

3:00pm – S/PPRC Meeting

Mon., Aug. 24, 7:00pm – Art Class

Wed., Aug. 26, 7:00pm – Bible Study 7:45pm – Choir Practice

Thurs., Aug. 27, 7:00pm – ‘3 Simple Rules’ Bible Study

Sat., Aug. 29, 5:00 - 6:30pm – Hot Dog Sale 7:00pm – Gospel Sing

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

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.

Homecoming – Next 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. Our sister church, Harris UMC will be joining us on this Sunday. To make sure our offerings go to the appropriate church, please be sure to use an offering envelope indicating your choice of church.

Gospel Singing – Mathews UMC is hosting a Gospel Sing on Saturday, Aug. 29, at 7:00pm. This event features the **Ken Clubb Singers** and **the Centurions**. This is a free will/love offering concert. We will also have a Hot Dog sale before the concert from 5:00pm to 6:30pm in the Social Hall. Plan now to bring your family and friends to an enjoyable evening of food and ‘good ole’ gospel music.

Our Charge Conference is Oct. 25 at 4:30pm at Harris UMC. We will be having lots of meetings during the next couple of months starting next Sunday. The Committee on Lay Leadership will meet at 2:00pm after the fellowship meal and the S/PPRC will meet at 3:00pm.

