

# ST. MATTHEW OFFICERS 2026

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## Mission & Ministry

### Congregation Life/Outreach

Kayla Holdsworth, Summer Lindley, Aaron Peters, Rob Van Severen, Susan Witmer and Lynn Bickle

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Jennifer Crawford, Liz Funkhouser, Danielle Holdsworth, Angi Lindley, Krista Peters, Heather Snyder and Cindy Perkins

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## May 30 & 31 Holy Trinity Sunday



Holy Trinity Sunday  
Matthew 28

## ST. MATTHEW NEWS

**A NOTE TO OUR GUESTS AND VISITORS:** Greetings in Christ!  
Thank you for visiting with us today. We encourage you to continue to come back in the weeks to come! If there's anything we can do for you, please don't hesitate to reach out to us. If you would like to join the St. Matthew Family please contact Pastor Larson or the Church Office. Our church website is at [www.stmatthewmilan.org](http://www.stmatthewmilan.org) and our phone number at the church is (309) 787-4295. Thanks for joining us for worship!

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**PASTOR IS AVAILABLE** to bring you communion in your homes or in small groups at the church. Please call (309-787-4295) if you'd like to arrange a visit or wish to come to the church to receive.

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**Large print bulletins are available on the bulletin table in the entryway.**

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### NURSERY NEWS:

We have Adults staffing the nursery during worship services. Please feel free to drop your kids off with the adult attendee. Located at the back of the church behind the organ.

We are looking to freshen up the nursery. Looking for suggestions that you might have. Any questions contact Greg Mueller, Summer Lindley or Kayla Holdsworth.

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We have an abundance of yard mulch and would very much like to share. Anyone who would like some mulch is welcome to take it anytime now; as whatever is left will be leaving us by **JUNE 1st**

### Jr. and Sr. Youth Event Malibu Jack's in Bettendorf Indoor Amusement Park Mon. June 1, 5:30-8:00

- Roller Coaster, Laser Tag, Drop Tower, Bumper Cars, and Arcade
- Cost - \$20.00
- Cost Includes Unlimited Rides, Mini Golf, Pizza and Pop and \$10 Game Card for Arcade
- Please Sign Up on the Sign-Up Sheet in the Entryway



*Introducing...*

(Secretaries and Administrators in Lutheran Fellowship)

The Rock Island Circuit has 12 churches, 10 of which have secretaries/administrators. The secretaries have begun a new partnership in our Circuit ministry; one that supports each other in their positions by sharing ideas, problem solving together, and praying for one another. They are also working together to provide opportunities for our Circuit churches to connect through fellowship, service events, and worship. Watch your bulletin for upcoming events and a special fundraiser that everyone can enjoy in 2027, all....year.....long!

**First event—Faith & Family Night at the Ball Park**

## COMING AGAIN IN JULY—ST. MATTHEW'S ANNUAL YARD SALE

START GATHERING ALL YOUR TREASURES TO DONATE!!

**SALE DATES ARE JULY 16TH 8—5  
JULY 17TH 8—5  
JULY 18TH 8—NOON**

Drop Off dates will be Sunday, July 12 from 6:00—8:00 p.m.  
Monday, July 13 from 6:00—8:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, July 14 from 6:00—8:00 p.m.

### UPDATE ON OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD -

Thank you for your generous donations at the plant sale. We raised over \$500 dollars!! If you have the empty plant pots from my plants or other pots just sitting around; I can use them for next year.

Our next event will be putting together the hygiene kits for our boxes on June 14th right after church.

The next items to donate will be school supplies after the back-to-school sales begin. If anyone wants to submit a Thrivent Action Team application to help with Operation Christmas Child; please contact me. You only need to submit the application and be a volunteer; I'll do the rest of the work!

Thanks,  
Diane Mueller

### ADULT BIBLE STUDY

You can attend our weekly Bible study in two ways:

- ◆ Sunday mornings—8:45am in the Gathering Room
- ◆ We are recording the Sunday Adult Bible Study and you can watch it on Face book live, or go to the webpage [stmatthewmilan.org](http://stmatthewmilan.org). to get the link.

### GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

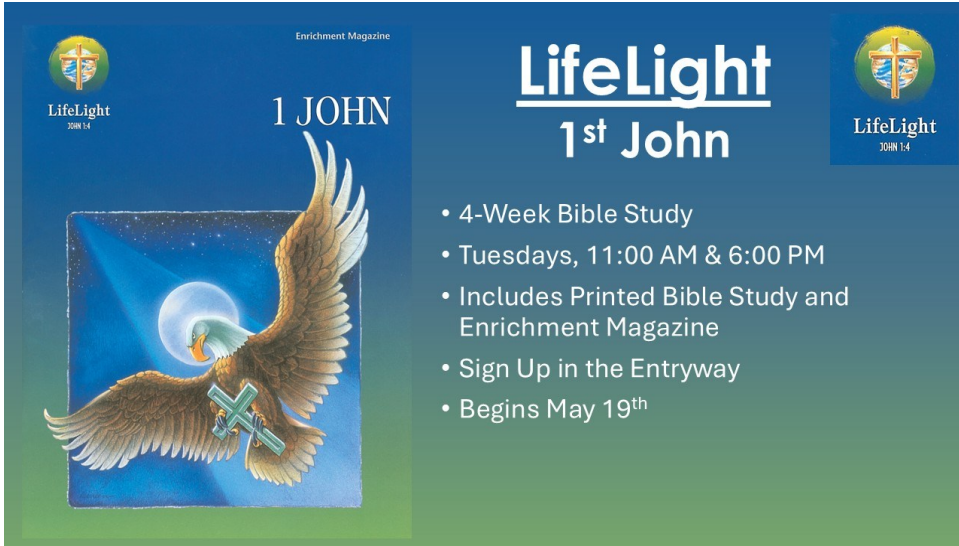
The Grief support Group will be meeting **June 3, 2026** at 10:30 a.m. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Larson.

### THE MEN'S NETWORK

Our next Men's Bible Breakfast will be **June 13, 2026** at 8:00am. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Larson..

### SATURDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Join us for a women's Bible study on **June 20, 2026**. We are watching The Chosen. We meet from 9-11am in the Fellowship Room. Childcare and snacks will be provided. Any questions or concerns, please contact Angi Lindley.



Enrichment Magazine

LifeLight  
JOHN 14

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**LifeLight**  
**1st John**

- 4-Week Bible Study
- Tuesdays, 11:00 AM & 6:00 PM
- Includes Printed Bible Study and Enrichment Magazine
- Sign Up in the Entryway
- Begins May 19<sup>th</sup>

The advertisement features a central image of an eagle with its wings spread, holding a cross in its talons, set against a blue background with a glowing orb. The text is arranged around this image, providing details about the Bible study program.

<b>Flowers</b>	The Tobin Family in Honor of Betty's Birthday	
<b>Lay Assistant</b>	5:30 p.m. Ken Brown	10:00 a.m. Jeff Martens
<b>Altar</b>	Vicki Lude	

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:** 5:30 P.M. 27 10:00 A.M. 136

ADULT BIBLE CLASS: 37 SUNDAY SCHOOL: 29

Saturday, May 30	Noon—3:30 5:30 p.m.	Van Severen Gym Rental Bridal Shower Worship
Sunday, May 31 <b>HOLY TRINITY</b>	8:45a.m. 8:45 a.m. 10:00a.m.	Sunday School Bible Study Worship
Monday, June 1	5:30 p.m.— 8:00 p.m.	YOUTH at Malibu Jack's in Bettendorf
Tuesday, June 2	11:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Pastor's NEW Bible Study Pastor's NEW Bible Study
Wednesday, June 3	10:30 a.m.	Grief Support Group
Thursday, June 4	9:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	LWML Meeting (Lunch After) Council Meeting
Friday, June 5	9:00 a.m.	Bulletin Assembly
Saturday, June 6	5:30 p.m.	Worship
Sunday, June 7	8:45a.m. 8:45a.m. 10:00a.m.	Adult Bible Class Sunday School Worship

## LWML NEWS—

### BABY BOTTLE DRIVE—PREGNANCY RESOURCES



#### QC Pregnancy Resources Baby Bottles 2026



*"Little Ones to HIM belong;  
They are weak but HE is Strong."*

Please help protect the sanctity of human life.

St. Matthew is again participating in the QC Pregnancy Resources annual Baby Bottle fund raiser.

Please pick up a baby bottle from the display in the entryway, Insert your donation, then return the bottle by Father's Day, June 21..

Your gifts are transforming lives; Your gifts are saving lives.  
Learn more about this work at [www.qcpregnancypartners.org](http://www.qcpregnancypartners.org)



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Plan on joining us for upcoming opportunities for food, fun, fellowship and service. Have a suggestion for a future activity, contact one of the following: Greg Mueller; Angie Lindley, Susan Witmer, Danielle Holdsworth, Heather Snyder, Jennifer Crawford, Summer Lindley, Mikayla Holdsworth, Rob Van Severen, Aaron & Krista Peters, Lynn Bickle, Liz Funkhouser and Cindy Perkins.

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### NEXT MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR—FAMILY FUN DAY—SATURDAY, JUNE 13th FROM 11:00-2:00.

Hot dogs, Whiteys ice cream, cookies, and bounce house/water FUN. **We will need some canopy tents to set up in the front yard; if you have any we could borrow; please let Greg know.**

HEADS UP FOR OUR UPCOMING FAITH AND FAMILY NIGHT AT THE BALL PARK—SATURDAY JULY 11TH AT 5:30 P.M. The cost is only \$15.00—you get your ticket, a ballpark hot dog, chips and a drink!!

**We are planning on including our entire church circuit for a great time at the ball park!!**

So mark your calendar and sign up on the sheet at our sign up table in the hallway!



### MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR—OUR AFTERNOON OF MINI-GOLF!!

SUNDAY—AUGUST 2ND AT 2:30 and PIZZA AT 4:00  
(More Information to follow)



## ST. MATTHEW AT PRAYER



### Hospitalized :

Violet Kiew—3yr. old with leukemia; Critical Condition in Iowa City;  
Friend of the Rusch Family  
Jarod Leihsing (in Iowa City Hospital); husband of Janice Leihsing  
Lynn Bickle (Iowa City; heart surgery)  
Sharon Ballinger (Hospitalized); friend of Ken Brown  
Carmella (Iowa City Hospital); cousin of Jan Siebke

### Additional Illnesses/Requests:

Heather Synder (Health Concerns)  
Tom Hagloch (preparing for colon surgery); brother-in-law of Eileen Leonard  
Dean McFadden (Speaking difficulties); friend of Eileen Leonard

### Prayers of Thanksgiving:

### Those Who Moun:

Family and Friends of Carol Allen; sister of Mary Donegan

### Those who have Cancer

Susan Brown (recent cancer diagnosis); daughter-in-law of Ken Brown  
Bethany (Cancer Diagnosis); friend of Heather Synder  
Judy Dunning, cousin of Carole Hartley  
Becky Erhart (undergoing cancer treatment); friend of Deb Wollenburg  
Janelle Fink (Spinal Tumor); friend of Teresa Rusch  
Michael Grouell, nephew of Al & Kerry Nordstrom (Lung Cancer)  
Cassie Himebauch, friend of Hollyne Wagner & Family (Breast Cancer)  
Jan Johnson, sister of Linda Kurtenbach  
Sharon Knipe, Sister of Mary Newswander (Stage 4 Cancer)  
Al Nordstrom (Kidney Cancer)  
Deanna Paulsen, sister in-law of Kelly & Sandy Stevens  
Darla Phelps, friend of Kurt & Lisa Jagers (fighting cancer)  
Kate Snyder, daughter-in-law of Deb Snyder



## PRAYERS CONTINUED



### Those Recovering

Carol Applequist (at Silvis Center)  
 Rick Bennett (recovering at home from back surgery); Jim Bennett's brother  
 Sloane Martens (beginning Chemotherapy and at home)  
 Karen Edmund (at home)  
 AJ Gale (recovering at home from Surgery)  
 Fred Flickinger, Father of Dave Flickinger (recovering at home)  
 Walter Wermuth (recovering at Hope Creek); friend of James Fowler

### CONTINUING REQUESTS:

Wendy Grunwald, daughter of Janet Meeks  
 Pray for those who have fallen from the faith

### SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES—THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

Avery Carter, USS Tripoli (Deployed to the Middle East)  
 Captain Zach Chapman (Deployed to Italy)  
 Petty Officer 1st Class Kyle Mandle (Diego Garcia Indian Ocean Territory)  
 Lieutenant Adam Witmer (Now home—Iowa National Guard)

PLEASE PICK UP THE PORTALS OF  
 PRAYERS DEVOTIONALS

THEY ARE ON THE TABLE IN THE  
 HALLWAY ACROSS FROM THE LWML  
 TABLE. WE HAVE THREE DIFFERENT  
 SIZES FOR YOUR READING PLEASURE!

## *2026 VBS June 22-26*

Mark your calendars and join us for a “Tropical Trek” where we will learn how Jesus came to seek and save the lost. This is a great week of fun, singing, crafts, refreshments and learning. Friends are always welcome to join us. We pray your child will **join us June 22-26. V.B.S. will be from 9:00 a.m. to noon.** If you are interested in helping at VBS contact Linda Tobin, Chris Chapman or Greg Mueller.

Some upcoming news from LWML—

Meeting coming up on June 4th at 9:30 a.m. and after the meeting; please join them for lunch at Pagalio's in Milan at 11:30 a.m.

Also coming up for Craft and Conversation Group: They will be meeting on June 18th at 9:30 a.m. to make School Kits, Hair Ties, and Draw String Bags. Please come and join in the fun!!