

ST. MATTHEW OFFICERS 2026

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August 29 & 30
14th Sunday After Pentecost



2 Timothy 3:16 & 17
Grow In His Word

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 and our phone number at the church is (309) 787-4295. Thanks for joining us for worship!

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.

Large print Order of Service are available on the bulletin table in the entryway.

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.

ATTENTION ST. MATTHEW— Subscribe to St. Matt's weekly email if you haven't already done so! This way you can be anywhere, connected to the internet and be a part of our worship service. Each week, we send an email notice that includes the worship service folder, bulletin announcements and sermon notes. To subscribe, go to <https://www.stmatthewmilan.org/e-memos/> and click the "Sign Up Now" button. You will need to then enter your email address and choose the email list(s) you'd like to receive.

A NEW BIBLE STUDY COMING SOON!!

Starting on Wednesday, September 16th—

7:00—8:15 p.m.

A Bible Study on the book of Romans led by Pastor



There is a sign up sheet in the entryway.



**DINE
TO
DONATE!**

Support the
Milan Food
Pantry!!

**FUNDRAISING EVENT FROM TUESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 15 TO THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17**

From 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. each day. Texas Roadhouse will donate 10% of each nights profit to the Milan Food Pantry!

4005 E. 53rd Street, Davenport, Iowa

FALL INTO CRAFTING: A Day of Creativity and Fellowship

Ready for a little FALL FUN?

Come join us for “**Fall into Crafting**” on **Saturday, September 19** from 9:00 a.m. to Noon in the Church Gym!

We’ll spend the morning creating several fun autumn projects, enjoying delicious finger foods and drinks, and sharing good fellowship with friends.

No crafting experience is necessary—everyone is welcome! Feel free to invite a friend and enjoy the day together!

Cost: \$20 per person. All proceeds will go to the Pregnancy Resource Center and to Christian Care.

Sign up sheets and project examples are available on a table in the entry way.

Stop by, take a look at the projects, and sign up for a fun day of crafting, food and fellowship for a good cause!!



ADULT BIBLE STUDY

You can attend our weekly Bible study in two ways:

- ♦ Sunday mornings—8:45 am 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. to get the link.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

The Grief support Group will be meeting **September 1, 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 **September 12, 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 **September 12, 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.

CHOIR IS STARTING UP FOR THIS YEAR!!

Choir rehearsals will be starting on **SEPTEMBER 15th**.

Rehearsals are
Tuesdays from
6:15 to 7:15 p.m.

All voice types
and experience
level welcome!



Contact Danielle Mueller if you have any questions

Flowers	No flowers this weekend	
Lay Assistant	5:30 p.m. Dennis Ziegler	10:00 a. m. Jeff Martens
Altar	Joyce Eberhart and Jan Siebke	

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK: 5:30 P.M. 37 10:00 A.M. 146		
ADULT BIBLE CLASS:	43	SUNDAY SCHOOL: 13

Saturday, August 29	8:30 a.m.	Demolition of Bathrooms (Men needed to help)
	5:30 p.m.	Worship Service
Sunday, August 30 14th Sunday After Pentecost Potluck at the Park unless raining	8:45 a.m. 8:45 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Adult Bible Class Sunday School Class Worship Service at Camden Park unless raining
Monday, August 31		
Tuesday, September 1	10:30 a.m.	Grief Support Group
Wednesday, September 2		
Thursday, September 3	9:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	LWML meeting Bible Study on "Parables" Council Meeting
Friday, September 4	9:00 a.m.	Bulletin Assembly
Saturday, September 5	7:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	Float set-up at Roth Pump Parade starts at 10:00 Worship Service
Sunday, September 6 15th Sunday After Pentecost	8:45 a.m. 8:45 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Adult Bible Class Sunday School Worship Service

FALL RALLY AT ZION TAYLOR RIDGE!!

This year’s Fall LWML Rally is being held on Thursday, September 10th at Zion Lutheran Church, Taylor Ridge. This year’s Fall Rally features a special keynote speaker, fellowship, information, skits, Bible studies and of course Lunch! This year’s speaker is Rev. Chris Hall from CID’s Student Campus Ministry at Western IL University.

A “Gifts from the Heart” Rally ingathering will benefit the Rockridge High School “Rocket Closet” that assists students in need, and the Rockridge Community Food Pantry. Small bottles of shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, fruit cups, granola, cereal bars, Easy mac, fruit snacks, granola and nonperishable food items may be brought to the rally or left at the designated collection basket here at church. Thank you so much for considering joining other Rock Island Zone Lutheran Women in Mission in this project!

We welcome all you gals of St. Matthew to join us for the Rally. Your very own Pastor Larson will be leading one of the Bible studies along with other Pastors from our Circuit. Registration would be appreciated by August 28. Call 309-737-9589 or the church office if you are interested.

COME JOIN THE FUN

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.

MARK ON YOUR CALENDARS—

SUNDAY—August 30th **Sunday School Promotion, the starting of a new School year for all of our Bible Studies, including the L.W.M.L.; adult Bible Class and our confirmation classes.**

We call this Sunday, Rally Day and it's held at Camden Park - with an Outdoor Worship service, potluck and games!!

Don't forget the lawn chair!

If it rains; service and potluck will be held at the church

SEPTEMBER 5th—**Milan Labor Day Parade**—Come help work on our float for the parade!! The float is in the making! If you would like to help; please see Mikayla Holdsworth or Angie Lindley for the date and time of the next meeting.

SEPTEMBER 17th—**Youth at Christian Care from 5 to 7 p.m.**



ST. MATTHEW AT PRAYER



Hospitalized :

Karen Edmund (back surgery 8/26)

Susan Brown (operation 8/31); daughter-in-law of Ken Brown

Additional Illnesses/Requests:

David Swift (recovering at Friendship Manor); husband of Donna Swift

Those in our community who have lost their jobs due to the Tyson Plant closing

Prayers of Thanksgiving:

Those Who Mourn:

Those who have Cancer

Marvin Monk (Cancer diagnosis); friend of Jennifer Crawford

Marion Payne (Leukemia diagnosis); family of Jennifer Crawford

Jim Akers (Cancer); friend of Gil Linenberger

Violet Kiew—3yr. Old with leukemia; friend of the Rusch Family

Susan Brown (recent cancer diagnosis); daughter-in-law of Ken Brown

Janelle Fink (Spinal Tumor); friend of Teresa Rusch

Cassie Himebauch, friend of Hollyne Wagner & Family (Breast Cancer)

Jan Johnson, sister of Linda Kurtenbach

Sharon Knipe, Sister of Mary Newswander (Stage 4 Cancer)

Sloane Martens (Cancer & Chemotherapy); infant daughter of TJ & Hannah Martens

Al Nordstrom (Kidney Cancer)

Deanna Paulsen, sister in-law of Kelly & Sandy Stevens

Kate Snyder, daughter-in-law of Deb Snyder

Randee Duncan (recent cancer diagnosis); sister of Rhonda Krah



PRAYERS CONTINUED



Those Recovering

AJ Gale (recovering at home)
 Jarod Leising (recovering at Hope Creek)
 Fred Flickinger, Father of Dave Flickinger (recovering at home)
 Tom Krah (recovering at Hope Creek)
 Walter Wermuth (recovering at Hope Creek); friend of James Fowler
 Richard Nicolai (entering Hospice—stomach cancer) brother-in-law of Marianne Meyers
 Donna Swift (recovering at home)

CONTINUING REQUESTS:

Wendy Grunwald, daughter of Janet Meeks
 Adam Hamerlinck (health issues); son-in-law of the Nordstroms

SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES—THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

BM 3 Avery Carter, USS Tripoli (Deployed to Japan)
 Captain Zach Chapman (Deployed to Italy)
 Petty Officer 1st Class Kyle Mandle (Deployed to Diego Garcia Indian Ocean Territory)
 1st Lieutenant Adam Witmer (Now home from Iraq —Iowa National Guard)

WE ARE IN NEED— For the next **two weeks** we will be collecting **diapers and wipes in varying sizes for the BUDDY BAGS.** There is a need **NOW** of all sizes (except Newborn); even some pull ups.

UPDATE ON OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD— Thanks to all who helped assemble school supply kits last Sunday. Our next event will be **Sunday, September 27** right after church to get some toys ready for our boxes. We are still collecting monetary donations for shipping. The \$10 “shipping” for each box also includes the cost of Bible study materials the children receive with the shoebox and for the follow up discipleship course. As always, keep a lookout for great clearance deals for our shoeboxes!

Diane Mueller

What Does the Bible Say About:

Money
 Work
 Wealth
 Debt
 Stress
 Generosity
 Investing
PEACE

Financial
PEACE!

**New Video Bible Study
 Begins August 16th
 8:45 AM
 In the Gathering Room**



COMING SOON!

2027 is the 120th Anniversary of CID and the first 5 Circuits (ours being the Peoria-Rock Island Circuit).

It is also the 70th year since the Rock Island Circuit branched off on its own.

The Rock Island Circuit office administrators are currently working on creating a beautiful wall calendar that will highlight the 12 churches in our Rock Island Circuit. This October, each of the 12 sister congregations will have a copy to view and begin taking orders. We are aiming for a delivery date of December 1. All additional proceeds will be given to our very own Cristo Rey Lutheran Church.