

+Stand as you are able

Welcome, Announcements, and signing the Friendship Pads

Passing the Peace of Christ "May the grace and peace of Christ be with you."

Worship Leader 8:45 Dave Hogue 11:00 Walt Smith

+Opening Hymn

"How Great Thou Art"

p. 77, v. 1,3,4

+Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

+Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Promotion Sunday *with Presentation of Bibles*

Children's Moment

8:45 Mary Lou Pitzer 11:00 Laraye Berry

We provide a staffed nursery for infants – 5 yr. old during 8:45 worship and 11:00 am worship. Children's Church is provided during the 11:00 am worship for ages 3-6.

Blessings

Gathering of Prayers

Sung Prayer

Be still and know that I am God. Be still and know that I am God.

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Special Music

"Amazing Grace" (My Chains Are Gone)

J.J. Reichard, Brandi Wick

+Offertory Prayer

Worship Leader

Receiving the Offering

Offertory

+Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Scripture

Psalm 59

p. 524 BB, p. 496 RB

Sermon

The Circle of Life

Rev. Dr. Teresa Smith

Unison Prayer

O God, who offers comfort in pain and creativity in darkness, we praise you. We praise your steadfastness; it is good to have you with us no matter where we are in the circle of life: beginning, middle or end. It is good to have the rhythm of life surround us no matter what the circumstances. For those who are in deep pain, we thank you for offering them peace and for lighting the path toward healing. For those who are in a good space, we praise you for the way you have given them ears to hear and hope to carry. God of Ages Past, you are our hope for years to come. For this, we praise your Holy Name. Amen.

+Hymn

"They Will Know We Are Christians By Our Love" p. 2223 TFWS

+Benediction

+Postlude

*Our service of worship has ended. Now our worship through service begins.*

We welcome Rev. Dr. Teresa Smith. She is the Director of New Pathways-spiritually guiding people towards hope and healing. ([www.newpathways.us](http://www.newpathways.us)) Rev. Smith is the author of *Through the Darkest Valley*; an engaging book that traces her journey through deep depressions and trauma to healing and hope. Her book is available today after the service.

**St. Matthias UMC T-shirts**

are being sold to support our missions. Orders and payments can be made each Sunday at 10AM in the church office from August 30- October 25<sup>th</sup>. Products, colors and sizes are posted on the Missions Bulletin Board in the hallway. Minimum order size to place our first order is 36 items. Thank you to Regina Wilkerson for volunteering to coordinate this project.



CHURCH SHIRTS  
Ordering  
**NOW!**

**Now is the time! Buy your 2010 calendar now!**

"God's Creation" 2010 appointment calendar is beautiful and inspirational!!

\*See a sample on the Family Ministry Bulletin Board.\*

All orders must be prepaid. Please order through Dixie Davis, 371-2528 or [dldauburn87@gmail.com](mailto:dldauburn87@gmail.com),

\*All proceeds will go to Family Ministry in the funding of our upcoming Harvest Fest!\*

**Sunday, September 13**

*Happy Birthday Philip Nichols!*

Bible Study	Rm. 10
Seekers w/ Gary	SH. A
Bible Basics	Pastor's Office
Nursery – 2	Rm. 15
3 & 4 yrs.	Rm. 6
K – 1 <sup>st</sup>	Rm. 8
2 <sup>nd</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Rm. 18
4 <sup>th</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup>	Rm. 17
6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup>	Rm. 16
9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup>	Rm. 4
12:30 pm	Acolyte Pizza Party
3:30 pm	Thurman
6:30 pm	Brisben Center Cub Scouts

**Monday, September 14**

6:30 pm Cub Scouts

**Tuesday, September 15**

*Happy Birthday Sam Dixon!*

**Wednesday, September 16**

*Happy Birthday Samantha Gmitter!  
Happy Anniversary  
Scott & Samantha Lamm!*

10:00 am	UMW
11:00 am	Prayer Meeting
7:00 pm	Choir

**Thursday, September 17**

*Happy Birthday Martha Haselbush!  
Happy Anniversary Mark & Patty Payne!*

7:00 pm	Ad. Council
7:00 pm	Al-Anon

**Friday, September 18**

*Happy Birthday Nancy Foster & Todd Gardner!  
Happy anniversary  
Andrew & Christine Holt!*

**Saturday, September 19**

*Happy Birthday Susan Wiegand!*

7:00 pm Bridge

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### Upcoming Events

- Sept. 20 Katrina Mission Mtg.  
Newsletter Deadline
- Sept. 23 "See you at the Pole"
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### Choir rehearsals have begun!

Wed. 7 - 8:30 p.m.  
Come sing with us!  
New members are welcome!

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### New Member Classes

Sat., Sept. 26, 4pm, Sun. Oct. 4  
& Oct. 11. Contact the office to  
RSVP your attendance,  
373-8759.

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**Katrina Mission Meeting** –  
12:00 pm, Sunday, Sept. 20.  
Everyone is invited to attend this  
informational planning meeting.

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**Confirmation Classes** begin  
Sunday, September 20 at 5:45  
pm. Questions contact Pastor  
Paula 373-8759.

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### UMCOR Medicine Boxes

Please drop the requested items  
in the green box in the narthex  
between now and October 25<sup>th</sup>.  
Information fliers posted on the  
Missions Bulletin Board. We  
need a coordinator for this project  
–is it you?

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### ALL WOMEN INVITED

COME.... every Wed. 10 -- 11  
a.m., room 10  
MAKE.... crafts (supplies and  
instructions provided)  
LAUGH... with friends and  
have a good time  
HELP..... UMW prepare for our  
Craft Show, Oct. 3,  
9 -- 3 p.m.

### Attention UMYF!

All youth who are cooking at Brisben Center TODAY  
must be there NLT 3:00 pm! Please provide your own transportation!

All servers and all other youth desiring to participate, please meet in church  
parking lot NLT 3:30! We will carpool over together.  
Parents please pick up your youth at 7:30 at church.  
\*There will be no YMYF meeting tonight\*

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### Kid's Club

All third, fourth and fifth graders are invited to bring a bag lunch after the 11 o'clock  
service on Sept. 20th and meet in the social hall. We will be vote on the activities  
that the group will participate in though-out the year.

If any church member has an idea that they would like to see this group participate  
in; please let Rosa Hogue or Julie Dixon know.

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### "Mental Illness: Young or Old: You are not alone"

(teen suicide & concerns about mental illness with guest speakers  
Todd & Michelle Brown)  
When: Sunday, October 4, 2009  
Time: 9:45 – 10:45 a.m.  
Place: Social Hall

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**New**

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It's that time of year again -- YOUR opportunity to support our AMAZING YOUTH  
at their ROCK-a-THON.

**NEW EXPERIENCE** --no ordinary Rock-a-Thon!! Put your rockers away!  
Instead, on Sat., Oct. 3, the youth will be counting on your financial gifts as  
they "**climb a rock**" --to the summit of Old Rag Mountain. That's right!  
What a ROCKin' Time this will be!!

Thank you, in advance, for your generous financial support of our UMYF  
ministry which allows our program, studies, concerts and retreats to  
continue.

**NEW COLLECTION METHOD** -- We are introducing our "**ROCK-A-THON**" **GIFT  
BOARD**. From this board, you select an empty envelope with the designated gift  
amount of your choosing, enclose cash or check in that amount (or more, of  
course) and place envelope in designated collection box (or you may mail in your  
gift). Voila! Done!

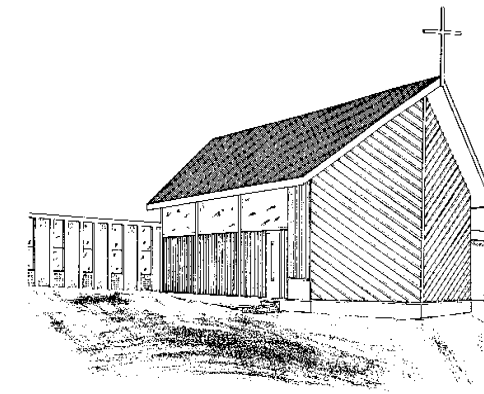
Thank you.

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### SOSA

(Society of St. Andrew's) boxes will be distributed today. See Mary Lou Pitzer.

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## Saint Matthias United Methodist Church

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### Nursery and Children's Sunday School

**8:45 & 11:00 Worship:**  
Staffed nursery for infants – 5 yrs.

**Sunday School 9:45 – 10:45:**  
Nursery for infants – 2 yrs.

**11:00 Worship:**  
Children's Church for 3 – 6 yrs.  
after Children's message during service.

**Sunday School Classes:**  
for ages 3 – grade 12



... front door accessible  
... wheelchair available



... amplified earphones and telecoil loops are in  
the basket on the shelf at the sanctuary door.

**Large Print Bulletins- Available by request to an Usher.**

### Here to Serve Christ and You:

*Congregation  
Pastor  
Nursery Provider  
Choir Director/Accompanist  
Custodian  
Administrative Assistant  
District Superintendent  
Resident Bishop*

*All are Ministers  
Rev. Paula P. Werner  
Judy Purinton  
Carole Hall  
Greg Anderson  
Chris Embrey  
Rev. Mark Ogren  
Rev. Charlene Kammerer*

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Attendance: September 6, 2009

Sunday School: 75

Finance: Weekly Need: \$5,287.70

Worship: 185

Assisted Living: 18

Last Sunday: \$7,707.25

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