

# St. Matthews Church WHERE COMMUNITY

GATHERS AND GROWS

September 18, 2022

# Pentecost 15 Welcome Back Sunday Sunday, September 18, 2022

(\* indicates the assembly stands)

#### Gathering

Prelude	"Morning Has Broken"	B. Adams	
Words of Welcome & Service Announcements			
*Hymn 641		"All Are Welcome"	
*Greeting			
*Prayer of the Day			
Anthem	"Just a Closer Walk"	D. Besig	
Children's Message			
Word			
Psalm 122 (see page 4)		S. Knarr	
*Gospel Acclamation	"Alleluia"	p. 124	
*Gospel Reading		Matthew 11:28-30	

#### Sermon

- \*Hymn of the Day 597 "My
  \*Apostles' Creed
  Music for Reflection "Trumpet Tapestry"
  \*Prayers of Intercession
  \*Peace
  Thanksgiving
  \*Hymn of Thanksgiving 885 "Praise God,
  - \*Thanksgiving for the Word

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"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"
p. 217
try" J. Utterback
A: hear our prayer.
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"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

*Lord's Prayer (Our Father in heaven)		p. 221	
Sending			
General Announcements			
*Blessing			
*Hymn 537		"On Our Way Rejoicing"	
*Dismissal		A: Thanks be to God.	
Postlude	"Blessed Assurance"	B. Adams	

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**Today is "Welcome back Sunday"!** Whether you've been attending regularly in-person over the past while, or via livestream, or only occasionally or not in a longer time, welcome back! Jesus welcomes all who are weary, sick or sad into his heavenly embrace. We're glad you are here today!

Leading Worship Today

Minister: Rev. Sebastian Meadows-Helmer

Diaconal Minister of Music: Deacon Scott Knarr

Lector: Sonia Groh

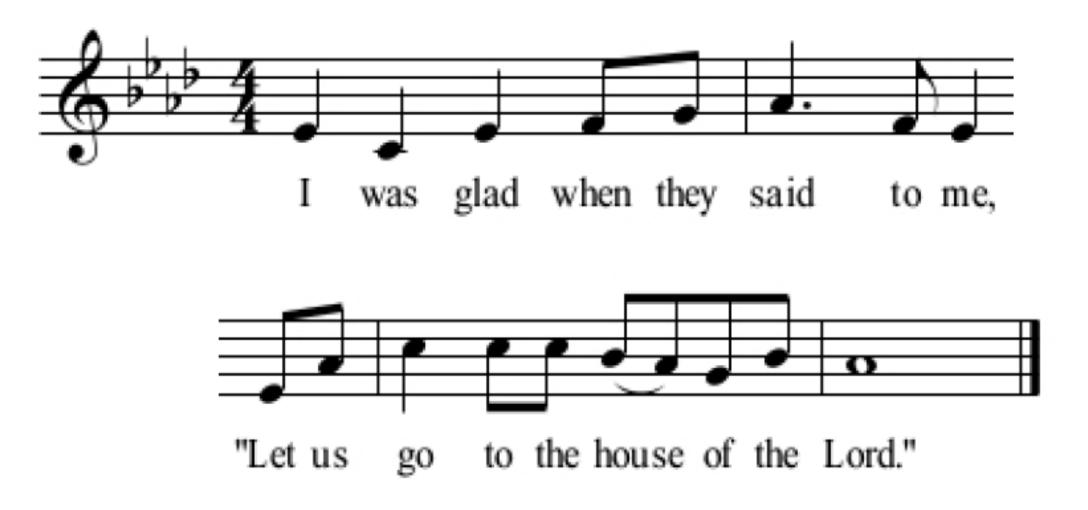
Choral Scholar: Laura Moolenbeek

Trumpet: Paul Mitchell

Broadcast: Gary Pootz

Building Monitor: Steve Dickin (519-580-8407)

#### **Psalm 122** Refrain



#### **Worship Notes**

**In our prayers:** Bruce, John, Susan, Marie, Grace, Maureen, Frank and Bernice.

#### Important Information for today's worship

- Self-Screening: Members are reminded to continue to perform selfassessments if they have COVID symptoms.
- Masks: We support people's choice to wear a mask, and we strongly encourage the following of current guidelines.
- **Physical distancing:** Members are encouraged to continue physical distancing where possible indoors.
- . **Offering:** Please place your offering in one of the offering plates in the Narthex (entranceway) upon **entering.** The offering plates will be again presented to the High Altar during the service.
- . The Peace will be shared without physical contact

- **Guides to Worship:** Please place these in the recycling bins in the Narthex upon leaving, or take them home.
- **Exiting:** At the end of the service, please remain in place until the end of the postlude.
- **Coffee Hour** will be organized on an occasional basis, and dates will be announced.
- **Pastors** will be greeting after the service outdoors (weather permitting) or indoors, maintaining physical distancing.

### **General Announcements**

As we resume activities this September maybe this is the right time for you to join the St. Matthews Sanctuary Choir! Singing brings many benefits to choristers such as increasing your breath control, strengthening of your immune system, releasing endorphins which promote relaxation and more. Choir practices begin on Thursday, September 22 at 7:30 pm. Come and share the joy of music!

#### **Update on Phone System Outage:**

We thank you for your patience with the broken phone system. Quotes are coming in and will be presented to the Board of Directors on Tuesday Sept 20th. Once the decision is made on what company to go with, we'll have a better understanding of the timing of when the phone will be operational again. Another update will be sent out once we have that information.

Thank you

Ron Roeder and Kim Schaner

Space for your notes on today's service, for your personal reflection.

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