

# PENTECOST

A TIME TO GROW

**St. Matthews Lutheran Church**

WHERE COMMUNITY GATHERS AND GROWS

October 6, 2024

# Pentecost 20

Sunday, October 6, 2024

(\* indicates the assembly stands)

## Gathering

Prelude	<i>"Pastorale"</i>	R. Powell
Words of Welcome & Service Announcements		
*Hymn 532		<i>"Gather Us In"</i>
Baptism		p. 227
Baptismal Acclamation 212		<i>"You Belong to Christ"</i>
*Baptism Hymn 453		<i>"Baptized and Set Free"</i>
*Greeting		
*Prayer of the Day		
Anthem	<i>"Hallelujah"</i>	L. Cohen

## Word

First Reading		Genesis 2:18-24
Psalm Hymn 844		<i>"Praise to the Lord"</i>
Second Reading		Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12
*Gospel Acclamation	<i>"Alleluia!"</i>	p. 216
*Gospel Reading		Mark 10:13-16
Sermon		
*Hymn of the Day 732		<i>"Borning Cry"</i>
*Prayers of Intercession		<b>A: hear our prayer.</b>
*Peace		

## Thanksgiving for the Word

*Canticle of Thanksgiving		p. 219
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*Thanksgiving for the Word	p. 220
*Lord's Prayer ( <i>Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name</i> )	p. 221

## **Sending**

General Announcements

\*Blessing

\*Hymn 879

*"For the Beauty of the Earth"*

\*Dismissal

**A: Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

*"Festival Praise"*

R. Powell

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**In today's Gospel, Jesus' rebuke of the disciples** who are fending off the children should challenge us as well. What does it mean to receive the kingdom of God as a child does?

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### **Leading Worship Today**

**Presiding Minister:** Rev. Carey Meadows-Helmer

**Diaconal Minister of Music:** Deacon Scott Knarr

**Guest Musician:** James Wilson

**Choral Scholars:** Nicole Hamilton, Hannah Swiderski, Sarah Hu-A-Kam, Dylan Siebert

**Lector:** Kim Schaner

**Broadcast:** Jason Smolak

**Building Monitor:** Ron Roeder (519-895-6833)



"Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it."

Mark 10

This stained glass window is found in the chapel narthex by the lift. It was supplied by Cleyson Studios in Tilburg, Holland.

## Worship Notes

**In our prayers** Glennis Koenig, Judy, Clare, Yvonne, Jeanette, Meaghan, Henry, Grace, Maureen and John.

**Baptized today** is Viggo Jorgen Gunn born August 17, 2024 of parents Anelise Jorgenson and Peter Gunn. Viggo's baptismal sponsors are Nadia and Corin Jorgenson.

### Important Information for today's worship

- **Offering:** Please place your offering in one of the offering plates in the Narthex (entranceway) upon entering. The offering plates will be presented at the High Altar during the service.
- **The Peace:** We support people's choices for passing of the peace.
- **Exiting:** At the end of the service, please remain in place until the end of the postlude.
- **Please join us for Fellowship Time** after worship in the Community Hall. Use any of the staircases (Narthex, west stair tower, parking lot tower) to go down.
- **Downstairs Washrooms** can be accessed via any of the staircases. There is one wheelchair accessible washroom, and the rest are all-gender washrooms. A further all-gender washroom is also available via the west stair tower door (front left of the Sanctuary) on the same level. Turn right at the hallway.

### General Announcements

**Special Congregational Bylaw Meeting:** On Sunday October 27 following the worship service, we will be having a second special congregational meeting to approve the revised Articles of Amendment and Bylaws 1 and 2, to comply with the new Ontario Not-for-Profit Corporations Act. All voting members are encouraged to attend!

**Church Fire Plan** For everyone's awareness, a copy of the Church Fire Plan for safe exit from the Sanctuary appears in the back of the worship books. Please take a moment to review for your own safety. The AED and a first aid kit are in the hallway by the office.

**Tickets Now On Sale!:** Jonathan Oldengarm will give an organ concert on Friday, October 18, 2024 at 7:30pm on our newly rebuilt Casavant organ. Jonathan will be accompanied by a Brass Quintet of Musicians of the KW Symphony playing works by French romantic composers Widor and Gigout. Tickets are \$30 and available at the Box Office of The Centre in the Square, 101 Queen Street North, Kitchener; by phone 519-578-1570 or 1-800-265-8977; or online at [www.kwtickets.ca](http://www.kwtickets.ca).

This concert celebrates the completion of upgrades to our organ console and electrical systems. All 3,000 pipes now have new wires connecting them to state of the art digital switching systems. Jonathan is well-known to Waterloo Region audiences performing regularly at St. Andrew's Presbyterian noon hour series, and early in his career at Benton Street Baptist. He was recently appointed Minister of Music at Metropolitan United Church, Toronto where you can find Canada's largest pipe organ with 8,333 pipes.

A concert not to be missed! Please see the poster on the following page for more information.

**Church Breakfast Group:** Our Breakfast Group got off to a good start in September with lots of lively conversation and another interesting presentation. We meet next on Tuesday, October 15 at 9:00 a.m. at Kypreos Restaurant, 305 Lancaster St. W. Kitchener. Attendees will order from the menu and pay for their own meals. Everyone is welcome. Our speaker on October 15 will be Debbie Chapman, Ward 9 (downtown area) Councillor for the City of Kitchener. Debbie grew up in Kitchener and, with the exception of living in Mexico for twelve years, has made her home here. She obtained a PHD in Political Science from the University of Western Ontario in 2009 and has been teaching at Wilfrid Laurier University in the Political Science and Global Studies departments since then. Debbie strives to involve all members of our community in decision-making and change, particularly as it relates to the city's rapid development. She believes that all members of society have a right to a dignified life. Debbie will give us an update and her views on some of the happenings in downtown Kitchener.



The St. Matthews Centre  
presents



# Jonathan Oldengarm Organ

with  
**Brass Musicians of the KW Symphony**

Friday, October 18, 2024 at 7:30 pm



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**Two Rivers and Grand River Ministry Area Round Table**

**23 November 2024**  
**9:30 am - 3:00 pm**

**St Matthews Fellowship Hall**  
**54 Benton St**  
**Kitchener, ON N2G 3H2**

**Join us for an inspiring event where Lutheran churches will explore how to reimagine their mission and utilize land assets for greater community impact.**

Discover innovative ways to repurpose space, foster partnerships, and create sustainable change in your local area. Whether you're looking to expand your outreach or transform your resources, this event offers practical insights and collaborative opportunities to help your church make a lasting difference.

**Members of our congregation, Lay Leaders and Pastors are invited to a one day workshop, hosted by Reléven (formerly Trinity Centres Foundation) and held at St. Matthews in the Fellowship Hall. It will be a day spent exploring and discovering innovative ways to repurpose space, foster partnerships, and create sustainable change in your local area. Registration is required and lunch will be provided.**

**REGISTRATION  
REQUIRED**



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# SUNDAY KIDS PROGRAMMING

ST. MATTHEWS LUTHERAN CHURCH  
54 BENTON STREET, KITCHENER

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OCTOBER 6 AND 27  
NOVEMBER 10 AND 24  
DECEMBER 1 AND 8  
DECEMBER 13  
CHRISTMAS PROGRAMME

JOIN US AS WE GROW TOGETHER IN FAITH  
THROUGH CREATIVE ART, MUSIC AND STORY

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# Fall Socials

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1 P M - 3 P M

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N O V E M B E R 2 7

I N T H E C O M M U N I T Y H A L L

Food, Conversation, Communion  
Friends are welcome!

ENTRY: GROUND LEVEL DOOR OFF PARKING LOT

RSVP: 519-742-0462 or [info@stmattskw.com](mailto:info@stmattskw.com)

# NOONTIME OASIS

EVERY WEDNESDAY NOON - 1 PM

TAKE A

*breath*

ST. MATTHEWS LUTHERAN CHURCH





  
**Blessing**  
**OF THE PETS**  
 Sunday, October 20  
 1 pm

Join us outside on the  
 Church Street grass  
 with your pet(s).

  
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54 BENTON STREET, KITCHENER

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