

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN GARRETT COUNTY
WORSHIPPING AT ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
the episcopal diocese of maryland
10 A.M. ♦ MARCH 22, 2026

**St. Matthew's and St. John's
Episcopal Church
Easter Lily Memorial Flowers**

Please indicate below the number of plants you would like to order and the names of those family members and loved ones in whose memory they will be placed and return it to the church with your check by Tuesday, March 31st.

If mailing:

St. Matthew's - PO Box 303, Oakland, MD 21550

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Ordering _____ Plants @ \$15.00 each.

In Memory Of:

Given By:

(as you wish it to appear in the bulletin)

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Be thankful, be silent, be reverent, for this is the House of God.

Before the service, speak to the Lord.

During the service, let the Lord speak to you.

After the service, speak to one another.

The people standing,

Celebrant I see you

People **We are here.**

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **God's mercy endures for ever.**

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

HYMN 495

Hail thou once despised Jesus



1 Hail, thou once de - spis - ed Je - sus! Hail, thou Gal - i -
2 Pas - chal Lamb, by God ap - point - ed, all our sins on
3 Je - sus, hail! en - throned in glo - ry, there for ev - er
*4 Wor - ship, hon - or, power, and bless - ing thou art wor - thy



le - an King! Thou didst suf - fer to re - lease us;
thee were laid: by al - might - y love a - noint - ed,
to a - bide; all the heaven - ly hosts a - dore thee,
to re - ceive; high - est prais - es, with - out ceas - ing,



thou didst free sal - va - tion bring. Hail, thou u - ni - ver - sal
thou hast full a - tone - ment made. All thy peo - ple are for -
seat - ed at thy Fa - ther's side. There for sin - ners thou art
right it is for us to give. Help, ye bright an - gel - ic



Sa - vior, bear - er of our sin and shame! By thy mer - it
giv - en through the vir - tue of thy blood: o - pened is the
plead - ing: there thou dost our place pre - pare; ev - er for us
spi - rits, all your no - blest an - thems raise; help to sing our



we find fa - vor: life is giv - en through thy Name
gate of hea - ven, re - con - ciled are we with God.
in - ter - ced - ing, till in glo - ry we ap - pear.
Sa - vior's mer - its, help to chant Em - man - uel's praise!

OPENING PRAYER

Celebrant Father, send your Holy Spirit upon us as we come together to hear your word and to receive your sacrament. Keep us mindful that we are one with you and each other and help us to live our lives joyfully sharing the grace you have shown us and the life you have brought us. Mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do; and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Response **We offer ourselves to you, O Lord, and to each other, that we may serve in your Name. Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE S-102

Trisagion (sung by all three times)

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

The people sit.

THE FIRST LESSON:

EZEKIEL 37:1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 130 *De profundis*

Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord;
Lord, hear my voice; *
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, *
O Lord, who could stand?

For there is forgiveness with you; *
therefore you shall be feared.

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; *
in his word is my hope.

My soul waits for the Lord,
more than watchmen for the morning, *
more than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, wait for the Lord, *
for with the Lord there is mercy;

With him there is plenteous redemption, *
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

THE SECOND LESSON:

8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Reader
People

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Lenten Gospel Acclamation

L. DeLauder

Rea - dy my mind for the no-thing-ness. O - pen my heart to the wil-der-ness.

7
Who are we? Then who am I? What's qui - et - ly be-tween my soul and God? Let me
(2nd time)

11
find the les - son in the wil - der - ness.
sing the mes - sage of the wil - der - ness.

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in 4/4 time. It begins with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a common time signature (C). The first line starts with a fermata over a whole note, followed by a repeat sign. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are placed below the staff, with some words hyphenated across lines. The second line includes a fermata over a whole note and the instruction '(2nd time)'. The third line ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

2024

All standing,

THE GOSPEL:

JOHN 11:1-45

Celebrant
People

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called (*cont.*)

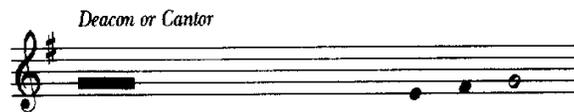
(cont.) the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him." When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world." When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

*Celebrant
People*

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

*All stand for***THE NICENE CREED**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Deacon or Cantor *People (unison or harmony)*

Lord, in your mer - cy Hear our prayer.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us true repentance; forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and grant us the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your holy Word.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Please warmly greet one another with the peace of Christ

PARISH LIFE

BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY PRAYER

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) N. as *he* begins another year. Grant that *he* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *his* trust in your goodness all the days of *his* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

Please stand as the Offering is brought to the Altar

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.

People **And of thine own have we given thee. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The people remain standing.

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant We thank you, Lord, for the beauty of this earth, our island home. We thank you especially for this place in which we live; for our lakes and our forests, our farmland, and the life which flourishes here. Guide us in the care of all you have given us, especially in our care of each other. You have given us much, and for that we are grateful. And so we join with Angels and Archangels, and all the company of heaven, evermore praising you, and singing:

HYMN S-124

Holy, holy, holy Lord



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and



earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: From New Plainsong; David Hurd (b. 1950)

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Recalling now his suffering and death, and celebrating his resurrection and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Accept, O Lord, our sacrifice of praise, this memorial of our redemption. Send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts. Let them be for us the Body and Blood of your Son. And grant that we who eat this bread and drink this cup may be filled with your life and goodness.

As we come to this table, Lord, grant that we may share your Spirit together, renew our strength, and reveal your love to a waiting world because we were here. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

*Celebrant
and People*

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD S-158

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -
way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -
on us. O Lamb of God, that
ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have
mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of
God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the
world, grant us thy peace.

All here are welcome to receive Holy Communion with us. Our tradition is to receive both bread and wine, sharing the common cup. Please assist the chalice bearer by guiding the cup to your lips. You may receive the bread only, if you prefer. After consuming the bread, simply cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you do not wish to receive the wine. You may also "intinct" by dipping the bread into the chalice. If you desire only a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest when you come to the rail.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN *Sung three times*

Jesus, Remember Me

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

The first system of musical notation consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The treble staff contains a melody with a quarter rest, followed by eighth notes, and a quarter note. The bass staff contains a bass line with a quarter rest, followed by eighth notes, and a quarter note. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

The second system of musical notation is identical to the first system, consisting of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff with the same melody and bass line. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

Text: Luke 23:42; Taizé Community
Music: REMEMBER ME, Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994
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THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

I am the bread of life (v. 1-3)



1 I am the bread of life;— they who
 2 (The) Bread that I will give— is my
 3 (Un-) less you eat of the
 4 I am the re - sur - rec - tion,
 5 (Yes,) Lord, we be - lieve that



1 come to me shall not hun - ger; they who be -
 2 Flesh for the life of the world, and they who
 3 Flesh of the Son of Man and
 4 I am the life. They who be -
 5 you are the Christ, the



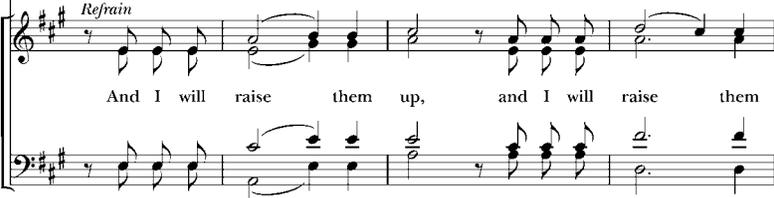
1 lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to
 2 eat of this bread, they shall live for
 3 drink of his Blood, you shall not have life with -
 4 lieve in me, e - ven if they
 5 Son of God who has



1 me un - less the Fa - ther draw them.
 2 ev - er. they shall live for ev - er.
 3 in you. you shall not have life with - in you.
 4 die, they shall live for ev - er.
 5 come in - to the world.



And I will raise them up, and I will raise them



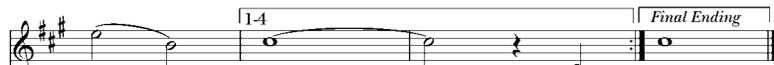
And I will raise them up, and I will raise them



up, and I will raise them up on the



up, and I will raise them up on the



last day. 5 Yes, day.



last day. 2 The day.
 3 Un- day.



4 —
 5 Yes,
 (?)

The descant may be sung after stanzas 4 and 5.
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THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

announcements

lenten meditations

Lenten Meditations and Holy Eucharist are held at St. Matthew's from 12 noon- 12:30 PM each Wednesday throughout Lent.

house church

House Church meets again on **Wednesday, March 25th**. The group meets every other Wednesday at **7:30 pm** at the Ludwig home at 101 F Street in Mt. Lake Park. The schedule can be found in the e-news. This session will be a study of the The Mystery of the Holy Spirit. (You can purchase the book from Amazon.) **All are welcome to join at any time!**

stephen's table

We served 87 meals at our March supper! Our next meal will be served on **Thursday, April 23rd from 5-6:30 pm**. If you can help in any way, contact **Kip Senholzi** at kwsenholzi@comcast.net, or simply show up and have some fun with us! The **Nearly New** will be open during this time, also.

seekers

The Seekers will gather again on **April 26th** after church for a hike at New Germany State Park. All in attendance should bring a packed lunch and a drink.

The Seekers are still collecting **non-perishable food** to replenish the food pantry at the Oakland Town Hall. They fill the pantry at least twice per month. If you are able to help, please bring your donations to the church.

2026 directories

The 2026 directories are at the back of each church. Julie can also email you a pdf of the directory upon request.

holy week schedule

March 29th	Palm Sunday	10 AM - SM
April 1st	Meditations & Eucharist	12 noon - SM
April 2nd	Maundy Thursday	7 PM - SM
April 3rd	Good Friday	7 PM - SJ
April 5th	Easter Sunday	10 AM - SJ

an Easter egg hunt will follow

fundraising for the diocesan youth & young adult summer service week in asheville, north carolina

Kendall, Margot, and Jules Ludwig will be attending the Diocesan Summer Service Week for youth and young adults in Asheville, North Carolina. The cost of the trip (travel, room, board, etc, etc.) is \$900 per person. In addition to the bake sale at the Nearly New Shop, we are also reaching out to our congregations for donations to help raise the \$2,700 needed for the Ludwigs to attend. If you would like to donate, be sure you mark on your check, cash envelope, or PayPal donation that this is for the NC fundraiser.

nearly new

The store is always looking for volunteers. The store creates a lot of income for St. Matthew's ministries to serve our church and community. The store is open on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from 10AM - 2PM. We are also open during Stephen's Table on the next to the last Thursday of each month from 5pm - 6:30pm.

If your teen needs to earn service learning hours, which they can do through volunteering at the store. (Anyone under 16 years of age must have a parent or other adult with them throughout their shift.)

If you are interested in lending a hand, you can just show up when we are open and we will get you started, or you can let us know in one of the following ways:

Send an email to nearlynewcrew@gmail.com
Contact **Kathy Zimmer** by cell at **412-287-7483** or by email at kathyzimmer24@gmail.com
Contact **Maryn Fisher** by cell at **240-409-6845** or by email at mhffisher@comcast.net
Contact **Julie Hartman** in her office at **301-334-2510 ext. 3** or by email at: episcopalchurchingarrettcountry@gmail.com

ministers of today's service

Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Chip Lee
Reader & Chalcist: Kathie Smith
Coffee Hosts: Donna Arnold

prayer list

We pray each Sunday and Thursday for members, relatives and friends of this faith community who have asked for our prayers. You may call Julie in the Church Office at 301-334-2510 ext. 3 or email your request to: episcopalchurchingarrettcountry@gmail.com

Let us pray to the Lord and for each other, especially for Nancy Ihloff; Ron Peterson; Michael Marine; Jason Stum; Kathy & Elon O'Connor; Mary Ely; Smith Lantz; Sarah Reed; Doug Anderson; Barb Riley; John Jorgensen; Hugh & Dolores Andrew; Jessie Harris; Bonnie Weiler; Dave Arnold; Jeff Arnold; Amy Harmon; Kim Lovett & Family; Mary Ann Crawford; Michael Null; Margaret Russ; Matthew Roper & Family; Greg Roper; Jack Skeen; Madalyn Hoffeditz; Megan Morin; Marshall Stacy; Sharon Pyle; Butch Virts; Roberta Seward; the Hodge-Williams Family; Don Loomis; John & Brenda Rathgeb; Frances Sharpless; Laura Tasker; Walt Tasker; and for all whom we hold in our hearts this day.

(Silence)

In the Diocese of Maryland, we pray for St. Paul's, Mount Airy, St. Peter's, Ellicott City; Transfiguration, Braddock Heights.

We also pray for Sean our Presiding Bishop, Carrie our Bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers.

In the Anglican communion we pray for the Anglican Church of Korea.

For relatives and friends of this faith community serving the victims of disasters and political unrest around the world, for those who are in harm's way in war zones, and for those who are working for peace everywhere.

For all victims of natural disaster, terrorism, war, economic and environmental injustice and addiction.

Members of our Faith Community for whom we are praying

Linda Ludwig Baker; Diane Burns; Lexie Byrne; Betty Jane Cook; Bernie Ferguson; Carolyn Germain; Larry Glatt; Regina Ray; Stephanie Hawtof & Kevin Rissell; Kolby Hefner; Dan Jonson; Smith Lantz; Madeline Meister; Brenda Rathgeb; Kat & Matt Rayner; Kip Senholzi; and Gavin Tasker.

also

Little ones have a place at St. Matthew's!

Our Sunday school and nursery are upstairs in the Parish Hall. Please ask anyone for directions.

Stay in touch with us digitally!

To receive the Parish E-news, please add your name, address, phone number, and email address to the guest register just inside the door of the narthex, or use the form on our website home page at www.episcopalchurchingarrettcountry.org. When you are not able to be with us on Sunday, you can watch the livestream at 10 a.m. on the 2nd, 4th, & 5th Sundays of the month.

In case of rare snow closures or sudden changes in our worship schedule, we will send an email to our address list announcing the change.

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upcoming church schedule

March 29(Palm Sunday)	St. Matthew's
April 1 (Meditations & Eucharist 12 noon)	St. Matthew's
April 2 (Maundy Thursday 7 pm)	St. Matthew's
April 3 (Good Friday 7 pm)	St. John's
April 5 (Easter Sunday - egg hunt to follow)	St. John's
April 12	St. Matthew's
April 19	St. John's
April 26th (Seekers - hike after church)	St. Matthew's

**Sunday, March 22nd
at St. Matthew's**

10 am Holy Eucharist Rite II
10 am Sunday School upstairs in the parish hall
Coffee hour in the chancel immediately following the service

Wednesday - March 25th

12 noon Lenten Meditations and Holy Eucharist at St. Matthew's

Thursday, March 26th

7:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II at St. Matthew's

**Sunday, March 29th - Palm Sunday
at St. Matthew's**

10 am Holy Eucharist Rite II
10 am Sunday School upstairs in the parish hall
Coffee hour in the chancel immediately following the service

sunday schedule

March 29th (Palm Sunday) St. Matthew's
April 5th (Easter Sunday) St. John's
April 12th St. Matthew's
April 19th St. John's
April 26th St. Matthew's

weekly

1st and 3rd Sunday at St. John's

10 am Holy Eucharist Rite II
10 am Sunday School downstairs

2nd, 4th, and 5th Sunday at St. Matthew's

10 am Holy Eucharist Rite II
10 am Sunday School in the Parish Hall

Wednesday

10 am - 2 pm Nearly New Open
11 am It's in the Bag Packing at St. John's

Thursday

7:30 am Holy Eucharist Rite II

Friday & Saturday

10 am - 2 pm Nearly New Open

monthly

third Sunday

6 pm EpiscoPals (none scheduled)

next-to-the-last Thursday

5 - 6:30 pm Stephen's Table (April 23rd)

monthly

11 am Seekers (April 26th)
7 pm Vestry/Advisory Board meeting at SM (3/26)

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clergy

The Rt. Rev. Carrie Schofield-Broadbent
Bishop of Maryland

The Rev. Dr. Chip Lee
Rector, St. Matthew's; Vicar, St. John's

The Rev. Anne Byrne-Deitch
Assistant Priest for Christian Formation, St. Matthew's

staff

Julie Hartman
Parish Administrator

Krysta Huxford
Senior Warden, St. Matthew's

Mark Ludwig
Junior Warden, St. Matthew's

Mike Voelkel
Senior Warden, St. John's

Gladys Virts
Junior Warden, St. John's

Leah DeLauder
Music Director

vestry/advisory board members

**St. Matthew's Vestry
St. John's Advisory Board**

Rev. Anne Byrne-Deitch ~ Assistant Priest
Mary Jane Fike ~ St. Matthew's
Julie Hartman ~ Parish Administrator
Dane Huxford ~ St. Matthew's
Krysta Huxford ~ Senior Warden, St. Matthew's
Rev. Dr. Chip Lee ~ Vicar, St. John's/Rector, St. Matthew's
Mark Ludwig ~ Junior Warden, St. Matthew's
Liz Morin ~ St. Matthew's
Leslie Roper ~ St. Matthew's
Larry Shipe ~ St. John's
Mike Shirey ~ Treasurer, St. John's
Gladys Virts ~ Junior Warden, St. John's
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