

HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT

St. Matthew

LUTHERAN CHURCH of HANOVER

September 27 – October 4, 2026

Sun.	Youth Return from Alive	
	Worship with Holy Communion w/ LWR Rev. Tim Krick (Nave)	8:30 a.m.
	LWR Presentation w/ Reverend Tim Krick (Fellowship Hall)	9:30 a.m.
	Worship with Holy Communion w/ LWR Rev. Tim Krick (Nave)	10:30 a.m.
	Youth Choir & Bells Rehearsal (Adult Rehearsal Room)	11:45-12:30 p.m.
	Intergenerational Theater Meeting (Fellowship Hall)	11:45-12:15 p.m.
	Tyler Canonico-Dilley Organ Concert	4:00 p.m.
Mon.	Grief Share (Upper Room)	3:00-4:30 p.m.
Tue.	Junior Choir Rehearsal (Children's Rehearsal Room)	4:30-5:15 p.m.
	Cub Scout Den Meeting (Gym)	6:30-7:30 p.m.
	Council Meeting (Upper Room)	7:00-9:00 p.m.
Wed.	Boy Scouts	7:00-8:30 p.m.
Thur.	Children's Choir (Children's Rehearsal Room)	4:15-5:00 p.m.
	St. Matthew Ringers Rehearsal (Adult Rehearsal Room)	6:00-7:00 p.m.
	Adult Choir Rehearsal (Adult Rehearsal Room)	7:00-8:00 p.m.
Sat.	<i>Beginning Spanish</i> Class (Upper Room)	9:00 – 10:30 a.m.
	Worship with Holy Communion	5:00 p.m.
Sun.	Worship with Holy Communion (Nave)	8:30 a.m.
	Bible Milestones (Nave)	Both Services
	Worship with Holy Communion	10:30 a.m.
	Youth Choir & Bells Rehearsal (Adult Rehearsal Room)	11:45-12:30 p.m.
	Youth Group (Room 304)	6:00-8:00 p.m.

This weekend, September 26 & 27, we welcome the Rev. Tim Krick from Lutheran World Relief to all services, plus a presentation in Fellowship Hall at 9:30 a.m.



Rev. Tim Krick serves as a Senior Advisor of Congregational Engagement at Lutheran World Relief. In this role, he is part of a team that connects congregations across the United States with LWR's work of bringing lifesaving aid and long-term hope, along with quilts and care kits to our most vulnerable neighbors around the world. Prior to this role, Tim served

ELCA congregations outside Appleton WI and the Seacoast area of New Hampshire for 14 years, where he and his family still live. He originally hales from the Western Suburbs of Chicago and bleeds Cubby blue.

Affirming God's love for all people, Lutheran World Relief works with Lutherans and partners around the world to end poverty, injustice and human suffering. As a church, St. Matthew has helped raise funds for many of the disaster initiatives that LWR responds to. The Women of the ELCA (WELCA) at St. Matthew have been collecting for and preparing Personal Care Kits since 2011. The Women of the ELCA alone collected for and prepared 1,095 Personal Care Kits from 2011 through 2021, at which point it became a church-wide event, headed by WELCA. From 2022 through 2026, the church prepared and sent out another 3,333 PCKs, for a total of 4,428 personal care kits packed up and shipped out from St. Matthew.



To donate to a specific disaster such as Venezuela/Columbia earthquakes or wildfires or the Ukraine, go to give.lwr.org. To donate through St. Matthew, make checks payable to St. Matthew with the memo line LWR-disasters or donate through our online giving.

Join Rev. Krick for his presentation in Fellowship Hall where our Welcome Place will be set up with coffee and snacks at 9:30 a.m.

Sunday at 4:00 PM - You Won't Want to Miss This!



St. Matthew
LUTHERAN CHURCH OF HANOVER

Tyler Canonico-Dilley, Organist in Concert



St. Matthew Lutheran
Church of Hanover

**Sunday, September 27
at 4:00 PM**

Doors Open at 3:30

Reception to Follow with Artist

Tickets are not required,
free-will offering accepted.

Hear the Austin Organ, Opus 1215 – 14,470 pipes – one of the ten largest pipe organs in the world!

Serving in Worship!



Each week, our worship services are shaped by the gifts of many. From reading scripture to offering a warm welcome at the door, each role matters. We will be preparing our schedules for November, December and January. Please use the

provided QR code to sign up if you have never served before and would like to give it a try. You can also contact the office by phone, 717-637-7101, or by email, info@stmattlutheran.org. We



will have volunteers to “show you the ropes,” for those signing up for the first time. Worship comes alive when we share it together!

Call Committee Update

The Call Committee met with members of the Church Council and Pastor Martini, Assistant to the Bishop, on 9/9/26 to review the completed Ministry Site Profile (MSP). There were minor revisions that were proposed and the Call Committee met on 9/15/26 to finalize the MSP and submit it to the Bishop's office.

The process now shifts to applicants reviewing our profile and contacting the Synod / Call Committee and scheduling interviews. It is important to know that we are unsure how long this part of the process could take but we will do our best to keep you informed of our progress.

Thank you,

The Call Committee

Last Week of Back-To-School Clothing Collection/De-Clutter Your Closet

If you have women's/children's clothing that you would like to donate somewhere, St. Matthew may have an opportunity for you. The Social Ministry Committee is collecting women's/children's clothing to donate to our friends at HACC. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Amy Beck, abeck1976@comcast.net or Beth Szymanski, bszymanski3@hotmail.com. **Please bring clothing to the Gathering Place and place it in the bin** through September 27.

This Sunday! Acting All Ages



Are you interested in acting? How can theatre enhance worship in Church and in the community? There will be a meeting this **Sunday, September 27 from 11:45-12:15 p.m.** in Fellowship Hall for anyone interested. This is for ALL ages. To register, please visit:

bit.ly/StMattTheater. If you are interested in our Theatre Ministry

and cannot attend the meeting, please register or email

dsmith@stmattlutheran.org.

2026 Green Bean Collection!

GOAL: 1,000 Cans of Green Beans

October 11-November 1

Benefitting New Hope Ministries Thanksgiving Meal Kits.

If you prefer to make a financial contribution, please note Green Bean Drive in the Memo Line

Any questions, please contact Amy Beck, abeck1976@comcast.net



Fall Community Meal



Monday October 26, 5:00-7:00pm

Meal: Hot Dogs, Chili, Corn Bread, Chicken Corn Soup

Volunteers Needed: To make chili, corn bread, chicken corn soup, set up, serve, and clean up on the 26th. We will meet at 4:15pm for set up.

*If you are willing to help, please email Amy Beck, abeck1976@comcast.net or the church office, info@stmattlutheran.org.

Veterans Breakfast

Sunday, November 8 at 9:40 a.m.

The Youth invite all Veterans and their families to join us for a special breakfast as we honor and celebrate those who have served our country.

We would like to include our Veterans' service photos in a special PowerPoint presentation during the breakfast. If you are a Veteran and would like your photo included, please email your service photo to Deb Smith at dsmith@stmattlutheran.org.



Please submit your Veteran photo by October 31.

If you have submitted a photo in the past, there is no need to send it again. Deb still has your photo on file.

We look forward to gathering together as we give thanks for the service and sacrifice of our Veterans.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Contact Tim Peck for more information, youth@stmattlutheran.org

Youth Group

Our next Youth Group meetings will be Sunday, October 4th and 18th in the Youth suite on the third floor, room 304, from 6 – 8 p.m. We would love to see you there, so if you are in 6th through 12th grade, come and bring a friend! All Are Welcome!



SCAN ME

CONFIRMATION

Sunday Faith Formation
for Grades 6-8
3rd Floor Youth Suite

Confirmation is not just a class. It is a journey of faith, where we ask honest questions and explore what it means to follow Jesus. Sign up with the QR code above.



Contact Tim Peck
Youth@stmattlutheran.org
717-637-7101, ext. 230
with any questions!

Trunk or Treat



Just a reminder that **on October 26th** we will be having Trunk or Treat from 5:30-7:00 p.m. Get your trunk ideas starting to brew and come enjoy a safe and fun evening at St. Matt's parking lot. Let Tim Peck know if you want a space reserved! We will have candy donation boxes for Trunk or Treat in the elevator lobby area and in the Gathering Place. Thank you to everyone who donates to this wonderful evening.

Any questions, ask Tim Peck youth@stmattlutheran.org or call 717-637-7101 ext. 230. All are Welcome! GET IT ON YOUR CALENDAR!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Contact Missy Smith for more information, msmith@stmattlutheran.org.

INTRODUCING: GLOW



GLOW is being held during the 10:30 service. Children 3 years old through 5th grade will gather at the back of the Nave to participate in a lesson and activity after the first prayer and return before communion.

Our 3-5 year olds will be in the Pray Ground in Fellowship Hall. Kindergarten-2nd grade will be in the Faith Connections room in the Lower Level and 3rd-5th graders will be in the

Children's choir room in the Lower Level. Please contact Missy Smith with any questions, msmith@stmattlutheran.org or 717-637-7101, ext. 232.

The Adult Faith Formation classes will continue at 9:30-10:20 on Sundays, along with Confirmation class for 6-8th graders.

Sunday, October 4th- both Sunday Services- Bible Milestones- We like to make sure that our youth have God's word in their hands. Those in third thru fifth grade are welcome to join us during the 8:30 or 10:30 a.m. Sunday services and receive their Bible.

INFORMATION UPDATE FORM

Please fill out the pertinent part(s) for you, tear off this page and put in the offering basket or email the church office at info@stmattlutheran.org.

_____ I'd like to receive _____ e-mail updates and/or _____ newsletter in the mail. (Provide name, e-mail, and/or mailing address)

_____ I am a member of St. Matthew and below is updated contact information.

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