



# The Ivy Leaf

July 5, 2020

## **Welcome...**

to St. Matthew's. We're delighted to worship with you this morning, whether this is your first time here or your thousandth. The Episcopal tradition values all parts of the human person—heart, mind, and soul. We believe that all three are gifts from God, and God both sustains them and invites us to use them in God's service. Our passionate emotions, our questions and searching, our yearning for something deeper—God values them all, because God values all of us. Wherever you are on your journey in life, we hope you find something in this community that feeds your soul and strengthens you to share in God's work in the world.

## **New On Our Website: Coffee Hour Reflections**

Deacon Lauren has started a new online series called Coffee Hour Reflections, a weekly post in which she'll offer some spiritual food for thought for those who were unable to attend the Zoom Coffee Hour live. The first post can be found here:

<https://episcopalstmatthew.org/2020/07/coffee-hour-reflection/>.

## **Green Growing Sundays**

As we move into full blown summer, we will continue our tradition of Summer Sunday Fun with our younger parishioners. Each Sunday we will offer a summer craft idea for the little ones. We will have bags with all the materials needed each Sunday, and we will deliver them! The crafts will be fun, summer oriented, and reinforce our teaching and our community.

So, look out for our first upcoming Green Growing Sunday craft this coming Sunday on your doorstep.

~Janine Gerzanics

## Welcome to St. Matthew's Land!



We are building St. Matthew's Land around the Magnolia Tree in the Courtyard! I asked the children during our Chapel Time a few Sundays ago, "What does St. Matthew's mean to you?" I got various responses, from "angels" to "prayers" to "people" to "Coffee Hour and yummy things to eat!" And their first art project for the summer will be flying angels!

I wonder what St. Matthew's means to you? Please bring a representation of whatever that might be (something that isn't a treasure) to St. Matthew's Land and place it somewhere around the Magnolia Tree.

I'm excited to see how we as a community will come together to build St. Matthew's Land!

Peace and love,  
Deacon Lauren



## Blessings and Prayer List Additions

Names for blessings and prayers can be submitted by emailing or calling the church office: [office@episcopalstmatthew.org](mailto:office@episcopalstmatthew.org) or 650-274-0795.

## Contributions and Pledges

Your generous support helps St. Matthew fulfill its mission: to live God's love, to share the Gospel, and to grow spiritually. Thank you for continuing your giving during these times. Contributions and pledges can be mailed to the church or made online at: <https://episcopalstmatthew.org/giving/donatenow/>.