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This week, I am taking a pause from discussing Evangelism to plug Bishop Elias' visit with us this weekend. Throughout my ordained ministry, I have been blessed to meet many fine men and women of God who are doing great work for the Kingdom. Bishop Elias and Lucy are one of the finest and holiest examples of a clergy couple that I have ever met.

I know that we will be blessed though +Elias' visit with us, and that he will bring us a message that will inspire and challenge us. We will also have the opportunity to hear how his Diocese, one of the bright spots of growth in the Anglican Communion, is reaching people for Jesus.

Please make Bishop Elias and Lucy welcome as only St. Matthew's can do.

Dave+

Service Schedule for the week of October 18, 2015

Holy Eucharist (Rite I)
7:30 AM

Holy Eucharist (Rite II)
10:00 AM

The Good News

A weekly newsletter of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church
October 16, 2015



Special Guest

The Rt. Rev. Elias Chakupewa and his wife Lucy will be making a visit to the Diocese of Springfield over the week of October 12-19th. They will be visiting each Deanery of the Diocese and attending our Synod. Bishop Elias and Lucy will spend the night of the 17th at the Rectory as guests of Fr. Dave and Amy, and worship with St. Matthew's on Sunday the 18th. Bishop Elias will be our preacher and celebrant on that day as well. Please plan on attending on this day to show our support for our Companion Diocese and our brothers and sisters in Christ in Tanzania.

Evensong 5:00 PM at St. Paul's Cathedral, Spfld.

Other Services:

Morning Prayer

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
and Friday mornings at 7 AM
Thursday morning at 7:30 AM
(4th Thursday - Holy Eucharist)

Rosary 5:30 PM Wednesdays.

Intercessory Prayer

Monday at 5:30 p.m., Wednesday
at 12:15 p.m., and Thursday at
10:30 a.m. in the Chapel

A potluck lunch and greeting time will follow the 10AM service. A sign up sheet is available in the hallway. Main course and drinks will be provided.

Men's Breakfast

There will be no Men's Breakfast on Saturday 10/17 due to Diocesan Synod. However, on Saturday 10/24 we will be hosting the Route 150 Vikings Varsity Football Team for a pancake breakfast. If you wish to help cook and serve, please see Fr. Dave.

Morning Prayer

Morning Prayer is offered at 7AM on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and at 7:30 AM on Thursday. The fourth Thursday at 7:30 AM is Holy Eucharist.

Some Photos Found

in a book donated for the Outreach sale. Did you accidentally leave family photos labeled "Grandma & Grandpa Staubus" in *Little Visits with God*; if so your photos are in the church office.

Musical Musings

The musical team of Heidi and Amy would love your input. You may have noticed some changes in music during the 10 a.m. service. Fr. Dave has asked us to explore the various Anglican resources. With these explorations, we would love your feedback.

Popcorn Sales

It might be a well-kept secret, but St. Matthew's has picked up the responsibility of being the Chartering Organization of Cub Scout Pack 42 located at Oakland School. This was done at the request of the Oakland School PTO and the Boy Scout Council. It is a natural fit for us as we are also the emergency partner for Oakland School.

This Sunday a couple of the Cub Scouts with their families will be here at and after the 10AM service to promote their annual popcorn sale. Please welcome them warmly.

PS. We also have a couple of Cub Scouts in the parish that are not members of this pack, and we ask that you support them as well.

Bishop's Homecoming

Bishop Daniel will celebrate his homecoming visit on November 1. We already have several folks who wish to be confirmed and received on that day, if you have not let Fr. Dave know you desire for this, please do so as soon as

Ministry Links

St. Matthew's Webpage
The Episcopal Diocese of
Springfield
Rector's Blog

you can.

Youth Group

The Youth Group meeting is 6-7:30 PM on October 25th.

Many, Many Thanks...

to the hard-working crew that cleaned the church kitchen on Friday, Oct. 9. We sorted and scrubbed, swept and mopped. We've organized food items together in a cupboard clearly labeled "FOOD." As always, we ask that if you use the kitchen, you 1. clean up after yourself; 2. put dishes and utensils back where they belong (read the labels on the drawers and cupboards); wipe up spills; wipe off the tables and counters you use. There are cleaning supplies under the sink and many dish towels and rags in drawers on the north side of the kitchen.

Let's keep our kitchen clean! Linda Thomas, Ann Sokan, Linda Stawick, Martha Lakin, Dedee Champion, Shelley Carter.

Local Mission Opportunities

COATS COATS - The nippy nights of October remind us that it's time to collect coats to donate to The Salvation Army for distribution to people in need. Bring your gently used coats to St. Matthew's and place them in the big white box opposite the church office, and you'll be blessed. Gently used scarves, hats and mittens are also welcome. Thanks so much.---The Outreach Committee

FAITH IN ACTION-is holding a fundraiser pancake breakfast at Applebees on Saturday, October 31st, from 8 AM-10 AM. Tickets are \$5.00 and can be obtained from the Faith in Action office at 827-7780 or from Ann Sokan at 664-1639.

Evening Prayer

Evensong is regularly held each Sunday at 5PM...

but because of Bishop Elias' visit, Evensong on October 18th will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral.

Good News Daily

This Week's Good News Daily is [here](#).

Readings & Music for October 18, 2015

Hymns: #492, #602, #660, and inserted music

Isaiah 53:4-12

Surely he has borne our infirmities

and carried our diseases;
yet we accounted him stricken,
struck down by God, and afflicted.
But he was wounded for our transgressions,
crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the punishment that made us whole,
and by his bruises we are healed.
All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have all turned to our own way,
and the LORD has laid on him
the iniquity of us all.
He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,
yet he did not open his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,
and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,
so he did not open his mouth.
By a perversion of justice he was taken away.
Who could have imagined his future?
For he was cut off from the land of the living,
stricken for the transgression of my people.
They made his grave with the wicked
and his tomb with the rich,
although he had done no violence,
and there was no deceit in his mouth.
Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain.
When you make his life an offering for sin,
he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days;
through him the will of the LORD shall prosper.
Out of his anguish he shall see light;
he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge.
The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous,
and he shall bear their iniquities.
Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great,
and he shall divide the spoil with the strong;
because he poured out himself to death,
and was numbered with the transgressors;
yet he bore the sin of many,
and made intercession for the transgressors.

Psalm 91:9-16 Page 720, BCP Qui habitat

9

Because you have made the LORD your refuge, *
and the Most High your habitation,

10

There shall no evil happen to you, *
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.

11

For he shall give his angels charge over you, *
to keep you in all your ways.

12

They shall bear you in their hands, *
lest you dash your foot against a stone.

13

You shall tread upon the lion and adder; *
you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.

14

Because he is bound to me in love,
therefore will I deliver him; *
I will protect him, because he knows my Name.

15

He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; *
I am with him in trouble;
I will rescue him and bring him to honor.

16

With long life will I satisfy him, *
and show him my salvation.

Hebrews 5:1-10

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

"You are my Son,
today I have begotten you";
as he says also in another place,
"You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchizedek."

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Mark 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

Ministry Assignments for October 18 & 25

18-Oct

7:30

Greeters: Ray Durham
Lector: Mona Johnstone
Lector: E.M.: Chris Bennett

10:00
Lector: Alex Davingman
Acolytes: Shelley Brenneman Carter, Alley & Devan Roberson
Crucifer: Brent Baughan
Shadow: Georgia
E.M.: Tim Leighton & Robin Levine
Monday Counter: Susan Clark
Coffee Hour: Dinner honoring Bishop Elias

25-Oct
7:30
Greeters: Doug & Dede Dyson
Lector: David Hanck
Lector: E.M.: Diane Gardner

10:00
Lector: Amy Halt
Acolytes: Liam Halt, Jack & Nolan White
Crucifer: Christian Pitts
Shadow: Sean
E.M.: Jack Pitts & Shelley Brenneman Carter
Monday Counter: Roy Laws
Coffee Hour: Lynne Baldwin & Kathryn Morris

Birthdays & Anniversaries October 16 - November 1

Pam & Roy Laws
Brad Brenneman
Natalie Laken
Kathleen Dean
Lynn & Kelly Gray
Adrienne Ives
Chris Bennett
Joe Freedman
Mark Smith
Alley Roberson
Vivian Kraft
Cris Embree & Gary Ploense
Bob Kohlhase

Collect for Sunday, October 18th

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations; Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

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