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into a Growing
relationship
with Jesus**

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March 6, 2016

Attendance

Bible Study: 438
Worship: 444

Giving

Budget Offering:
\$41,895
REIMAGINE:
\$4,599

March 13, 2016

Attendance

Bible Study: 404
Worship: 420

Giving

Budget Offering:
\$25,556
REIMAGINE:
\$40,811



Sunday, March 20, was a wonderful day of worship and celebration as we observed Palm Sunday and REIMAGINE Celebration Sunday. Under God's guidance St. Matthews Baptist Church has pledged to give \$2,821,980.85 over the next three years to fund our REIMAGINE initiatives. Our church family has committed to prayer, service, and sacrificial giving as we strive to follow God's leading. We are grateful to Greg and Cinda King and Pat Miller along with countless other church members who have served on the leadership team of the REIMAGINE team.

May our prayer continue to be, "Lord, what do You want to do through me to carry out Your will for our church?"



Sunday night, March 13, was a filling night at St. Matthews Baptist Church. The Fellowship Hall was filled with people who were supporting our youth ministry and the two big trips for this summer. 24 contestants filled large pots with chili and soup in order to fill smaller bowls for all those who came to fill their stomachs. Baskets were filled for the silent auction portion of the evening. Envelopes were filled with checks and cash as people generously gave to the students who will go to the Dominican Republic and to Passport Camp.

At the end of the night, all those individuals and families who benefited from the 9th Annual Great Bowls of Fire Chili Cook-off were filled with gratitude for a church that cares enough about students to invest in them. Thank you to everyone who was able to be part of the filling process and, as we progress toward the trips, we invite you to pray that each one attending will be filled by the presence and the spirit of God as they go.

MPACT Update

*Now you are the body of Christ and each
one of you is a part of it.
1 Corinthians 12:27*

The Leadership Team is a sub-team of MPACT, and we are following up on the 17 action items listed in Transition statements 12 -15. (Details can be found on the board outside the sanctuary). As the verse above says, everyone, lay leadership as well as staff leadership, needs to use their talents and spiritual gifts in different kinds of services to fulfill the vision and mission God has given SMBC.

The work of the Master Planning Committee as approved by our church continues. Different parts of our church body; councils, committees, deacons, teams and staff, are working to implement the action items. To highlight some actions items, look to the Deacons. With prayers and dedication to serving, our deacons are already implementing action items and fulfilling many ministries opportunities.

Soon the Nominating Committee will start its work recruiting new members to fill positions that are expiring this year. This will be an opportunity to involve others in leadership in our church. What is your part in this body? As we continue to pray our REIMAGINE prayer and pray for others and staff, God will be Glorified.

MPACT
Leadership sub-team
Sue Cahoe and Susan Harmon



Vacation Bible School Registration is now OPEN!

June 13-17, 2016; 8:30 am-Noon

Register online by clicking on the scrolling slide at www.smbclouisville.org

**Our VBS is for children age 3 (MUST be born on or before October 1, 2012) through completed Grade 6.
If you would like to pre-order a VBS t-shirt, contact Emily Thompson at ETHompson@smbclouisville.org**

Thank You

To All My Christian Brothers and Sisters at St. Matthews Baptist Church:

Thank you so very much for all your cards, calls, thoughts, and especially your prayers during my recent illness. One of the greatest blessings God can give us is the gift of someone who cares. Thank you for being that someone.

God Bless You,
Terry Windhorst

To St. Matthews Baptist Church,

The family of Dora Gladys Foley acknowledges with deep appreciation your kind expressions of sympathy.

Thank you very much for your expressions of sympathy. My dad, Ed Foley, was a faithful member. You, the church, is full of Christian expression!

Love,
Sharon Morgan

Welcome New Members



Gretchen Taylor



Charlie & Alicia Edmiston

REIMAGINE Campaign

These are exciting days in the life of St. Matthews Baptist Church! To learn more about the REIMAGINE campaign, visit : smbclouisville.org and click on the scrolling REIMAGINE slide on the Homepage.

Dental & Construction Mission Trip In Lynch, Kentucky

May 19-21, 2016

Cost: \$65.00 (includes food, lodging, and transportation in Harlan County)

We need nurses, dentists, dental hygienists, and those skilled in construction. If you are interested, please contact Terry Seelow.

Sponsored by the St. Matthews Baptist Church Health Ministry

Deacon Nominations

Who do you know that is already faithfully serving the Lord? Who do you know that serves the Lord and our congregation with joy? Please prayerfully consider who you would like to nominate to serve as a deacon. Forms were distributed at church on March 13th. Additionally, nomination forms are available at www.smbclouisville.org. The term is a 3 year commitment. The deadline to have the completed forms back to the church office is April 3rd.

Wayne Oates Media Center

We would like to express our gratitude to the OASIS Sunday School class for the following books:

The Emmaus Code: Finding Jesus in the Old Testament by David Limbaugh was given in memory of G.A. Coulter

Out of Darkness: My Story of Finding True Light and Liberation by Stormie Omartian was given in memory of Mrs. Annie Rhodes.

2016 Women's Retreat THESE THINGS

April 15 - 17
Salt Creek Resort
Brown County, IN

Start making plans now to attend this fun and inspiring event at beautiful Salt Creek Resort in Nashville, IN with guest speaker Alica Kirkpatrick Bremer. We will be studying Philippians 4:8 - *Whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy, meditate on THESE THINGS.*

Shared room is \$160, private room is \$240. Registration has begun!

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES IN SCRIPTURE AND ARCHAEOLOGY

FEATURING Dr. Joel F. Drinkard, Jr. Old Testament Professor



LUNCH WITH TERRY
For Retired/Senior Adults

WHEN
Tuesday
April 12 Noon

WHERE
Fellowship Hall

COST
\$6 (Due at Sign-up)
Deadline
Sunday, April 10

Wednesday Night Meals

If you do not have standing reservations, please make sure and call the Church Office **by Monday at 4:00 pm** to make reservations for next week.

If you DO have standing reservations, but need to cancel any given week, please do so by 4:00 pm on Monday.

March 23

- Chicken in Mushroom Sauce
- White Rice
- Green Beans
- Sauteed Carrots
- Assorted Green Salads
- Rolls
- Assorted Desserts

March 30

- BBQ Chicken
- Three Cheese Pasta Bake
- Oven Roasted Asparagus
- Spinach and Strawberry Salad
- Rolls
- Assorted Desserts

April 6

- Spring Break—No Meal

April 13

- Salisbury Steak
- Mashed Potatoes and Gravy
- Vegetable Medley
- Assorted Salads
- Assorted Desserts

April 20

- King Ranch Chicken
- Black Beans
- Spanish Rice
- Southwest Caesar Salad
- Salsa with Corn Chips
- Assorted Desserts

April 27

- Meat Lasagna
- Broccoli
- Caesar Salad
- Vegetable Salad
- Garlic Bread
- Assorted Desserts

May 4

- Hot Brown Casserole
- Asparagus
- Fruit Salad
- Strawberry Orange Salad
- Derby Pie

**All Menus are Subject to Change*



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