

APRIL 2021

# THE MESSENGER

ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## ST. MATTHEW'S STAFF

**Sherry Minzey**  
Admin. Assistant

**Patti McGill**  
Music Director

**Jim Minzey**  
Sexton

## OFFICERS

**Judy Taylor**  
Senior Warden

**Carl Turlin**  
Junior Warden

**David Macey**  
Treasurer

**Linda Gerding**  
Secretary

## SERVICE TIMES

**10:00 a.m.**  
**Sunday Zoom Service**

**Check calendar for Holy  
Eucharist and Morning  
Prayer Sundays.**

## Easter Vigil live from Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral

### THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER

APRIL 3, 2021 • 7 P.M.



THE DIOCESE OF WEST MISSOURI  
AT GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

Join us for the Easter Vigil, shared live online from Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral, with readings and music from Episcopal churches throughout West Missouri.

[Easter Vigil live from Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral - YouTube](#)

**St. Matthew's Easter Zoom Service with Mtr. Elisabeth Sinclair will be 10:00 a.m. Sunday. Link will be sent via email.**

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## ST. MATTHEW'S COMMUNITY OF CHAPLAINS

The Community of Chaplains met for their Circle of Care meeting, via Zoom, on March 14, 2021.

Patti McGill was the Host, and for the 3<sup>rd</sup> month in a row all eight Chaplains were in attendance. Carl Turlin even attended in his car at the top of the hill from his cabin so he could have internet reception.

After some brief business and discussion Patti had everyone read a paragraph in a chapter from the book The Gift of Years, Growing Older Gracefully by Joan Chittister. We always remember Jane Petrie when we read from this book because she enjoyed it so much.

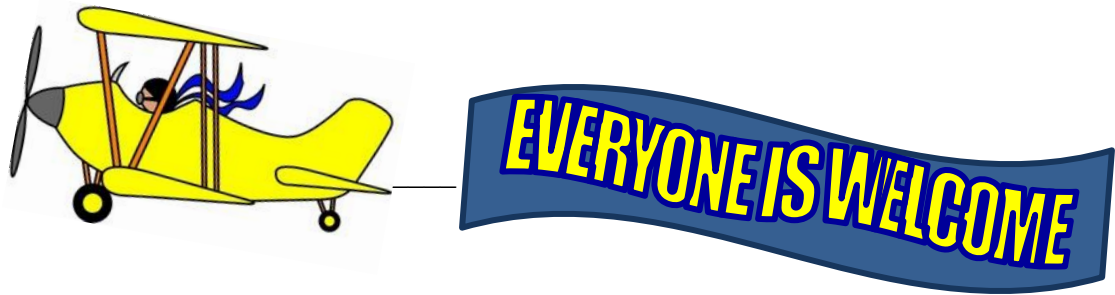
The "Hollywood Squares" left to right starting at the top:  
Zella Forsythe, Linda Gerding, Patti McGill, Jim Laney, Mary Cease, Marci Turlin and Carl Turlin. (Brenda Laney came in later.)

Linda Gerding  
COC Chaplains



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## FLYING SOLO



Did you know that some chickens lay green eggs, or that a piano has 88 keys, or that Charles has more hats than Linda Gerding! If you did the you would have been a winner in the flying solo trivia contest held via zoom on March 20. If you missed out don't worry. We had so many laughs and so much fun we plan to do this again some time.

Our next get together is planned for April 17. We will meet at noon in Swope Park for a picnic lunch followed by a trip to the zoo. Don't miss out!

Beth Cook, Evangelism



Pictured: Beth & Darrel Cook, Linda Gerding, Patti McGill  
Mary Cease, Zella Forsythe & Judy Roberts

Special Guests: The Chickens



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## A Litany for Lent

*We fast from judging others,  
but feast on patience.*

*We fast from apparent differences,  
but feast on unity of all life.*

*We fast from words that pollute,  
but feast on words that affirm.*

*We fast from complaining,  
but feast on appreciation.*

*We fast from bitterness and anger,  
but feast on forgiveness and mercy.*

*We fast from discouragement,  
but feast on hope.*

*We fast from suspicion,  
but feast on trust.*

*We fast on idle gossip,  
but feast on purposeful silence.*

*We fast from problems that overwhelm,  
but feast on prayer that strengthens.*

On February 27<sup>th</sup>, Representatives from our Chapter, attended Province 7's Spring Assembly, via Zoom. Guest Speaker, Canon, Carrie Headington. Topics: Jesus, King of the Feast and Feast of Life. Life defined as: Loved unconditionally, Identified as Christ's own, Forgiven and Free, Eternally Alive.

Linda Batson, Daughters of the King



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## GIVING REMINDER



Just a reminder that you have options on how you can send in your pledge.

By mail: Dave Macey's address: 2200 NW Summerfield Dr., Lee's Summit, MO 64081

Online: Online Giving Link: <http://stmatthewsraytown.org/>

## DON'T FORGET:



### **AIDS WALK APRIL 24, 2021-**

[Aidswalkkansascity.org](http://Aidswalkkansascity.org); or you can also give your donation to Linda.

Linda Gerding  
Community Service & Outreach

**MAY**

**Messenger/Calendar Deadline**

**April 21<sup>st</sup>**

