

June 2019 Events & Activities

For more information, please see our website, www.matthewroad.org or call the church office at 972-641-2717.

June 4th:

~ Youth Event, please see Ben

June 6th:

~ Young @ Heart Breakfast at Outlaws, 8:30 AM

June 7th:

~ Women's First Friday Lunch at IHop, please see pg 3

June 8th:

~ Set up for VBS, please see Brittany

June 9th:

~ Deacon Meeting, 4:00 PM, Library

June 10th - 14th:

~ VBS, 6:00 PM, MRBC Campus, please see pg 2

June 19th:

~ Special Missions Dinner, 5:15pm, Fellowship Hall

~ Special Called Business Meeting, 6:00pm, Fellowship Hall (agendas at Welcome Desk)

June 21st:

~ Parents Night Out, 6:30pm, Worship Center, must rsvp to cyndikking@msn.com

Regular Weekly Activities

Sundays

Morning Worship	8:30 & 11:00AM
Morning Bible Study (all ages)	9:45AM
Evening Bible Study (all ages)	5:00PM
Evening Worship	6:15PM

Mondays

K2 Primary Academy (during the school year)	8:45AM
PAW Program	9:00AM

Tuesdays

MRA (during the school year)	8:30AM
Young @ Heart Activities	9:45AM

Wednesdays

K2 Primary Academy (during the school year)	8:45AM
PAW Program	9:00AM
AveNew (youth)	6:30PM
Adult Choir (during the school year)	6:30PM
Wet and Wacky Wednesday (children)	6:30PM
Adult Bible Studies	6:45PM

Thursdays

MRA (during school year)	8:30AM
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Fridays

Chick Time, at Chick-Fil-A (Camp Wisdom)	9:00AM
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Saturdays

Men's Coffee Group (Good Day Café, GP)	7:30AM
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For more information about our upcoming events & Bible studies, please see our website: matthewroad.org

Did you know that...
the influence
 Of A
Great Teacher
 Can Never Be
erased

**Bring your
 Teacher
 to Church day.
 Lunch to follow.**

**Sunday
 October 6th
 11:00 AM**

4601 Matthew Road
 Grand Prairie, TX
 75052

Financials as of May 24, 2019

Budget Income	\$ 383,482
Budget Expense	\$ (410,897)
Net Budget	\$ (27,415)

...if there
 is any
 excellence
 and if anything
 worthy
 of praise
 dwell
 on these things.
 philippians 4:8

Matthew Road Baptist Church ... a place to call home

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Fighting Sin

"Kill sin or it will kill you," wrote the puritan, John Owen in his great work *The Mortification of the Flesh*. The battle for the believer is real. We encounter temptations from our environment as well as the continual press from within our own hearts on a daily basis. The most dangerous approach to this battle is to ignore it. The enemies of Christ love the lethargic, ignorant believer. We need help in the battle. God has provided that help in a variety of ways. First, for all who have faith in His Son, God's Spirit takes up residence in our life in order to guide and empower us to godly living. The Spirit of God is often called the Holy Spirit. While verifying the inherent attribute of holiness in the third member of the Trinity, one of the primary reasons for the adjective "holy" in front of Spirit depicts the functional aspect of the Spirit's work in our lives. Second, God has provided the Bible as an instructional tool. The Bible gives us explicit instruction on the things that honor God and the things that dishonor Him. The Bible also provides instructional help in the battle. Third, the church provides the believer a support system in the fight. When we gather for worship, as we build community, as we come together for fellowship and study, God uses our common relationship with Him as a means of encouraging us in the fight. Fourth, our ongoing identity in Christ provides us with the theological underpinnings in our internal battle with sin. When we know who we are in Christ, we are able to use that knowledge to push back the adversary. Thinking through these four tools, the Student ministry began a new series in this critical aspect of the Christian life. We are exploring Romans chapter 6 as the primary section of scripture to explore truths with the desire that the truths become practical tools for the daily battle.

The following are some of the ideas from Romans chapter 6. We must see God is infinitely more precious and valuable than any desire in this world. Our new life in Christ allows us to see God as He really is. We must also see our sin as it really is in the eyes of God. Sin as a personal affront to God. He hates sin. He hates what it does to us and what it does to the creation as a whole. When we see the utter disdain that God has for our sin, then we can use that understanding in our battle against sin. We also must see the work God has done for us in Christ. The gospel of Christ is the cornerstone of the New Testament. In the Gospel, believers have been set free from the eternal consequences of sin through our saving faith in the perfect life of Jesus Christ. Since God requires perfect, we must be perfect. However, we are far from perfect. We are imperfect in our thoughts, our words, our motives, our actions and our desires. All of these betrayals of the perfection of God, cause us to be separated from Him both now and forever. In order to be in right relationship with God we must be perfect as He Himself is perfect. We realize the horrible news that our sin has forever made our restoration with God impossible, at least impossible for us. The Good News (Gospel) contains the truth that God made our perfection possible through the perfection of His Son. We can be perfect, not on our own, but through faith in Jesus Christ. His perfect life becomes my perfection in the eyes of God, both now and forever. This reality of justification, the theological truth that God declares me to be righteous in His eyes on the basis of faith in His Son, provides us with everlasting hope.

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However, the Gospel is not merely an eternal reality, but also a daily reality. Our hope for freedom from the ravages of sin lies not only in the distant future, but supplies us with the power for liberation from sin's power over our lives in the here and now. That's why Paul said in Romans 6:5-7, "For if we have become united with Him in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall also be in the likeness of His resurrection, knowing this, that our old self was crucified with Him, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin; for he who has died is freed from sin." The Gospel speaks to the massive, eternal reality of heaven. All who believe in Christ are united with Him in His death and resurrection. We are alive forevermore because of His resurrection. We have eternal hope. We also have daily hope. Hope that God has provided us with the necessary tools through Christ to live free from the burden and destruction of sin. We may struggle with our sin. We may battle, but in Christ we have the ability that we never did before Christ came into our lives. We now have the right status before God as forgiven and liberated sinners. We now have the right power within us through the abiding Holy Spirit to live according to our status. We must fight. We must go to war with our own sinful desires. This battle is not an isolated battle but God, His Word, His abiding Spirit, His people and the Gospel, are all tools for the battle.

~ Daniel

Children's Ministry



Our schedule each Wednesday:

- ☺ 6:30-6:40 PM
Scripture Memory
- ☺ 6:40-7:05 PM
Bible Study with New City Catechism
- ☺ 7:10-7:35 PM
Worship through Music or Art (Choose one track for the summer)
- ☺ 7:40-8:00 PM
Wet & Messy Games on the Lawn

WILD WEEK VBS



**JUNE 10TH - 14TH
PRE-K THRU 6TH GRADE
(PRE-K MUST BE 4 BY JUNE 1ST, 2019)
6:00PM - 8:30PM**

We need you!
If you already know how you'd like to serve and/or if you have any questions, contact Brittany, at brittanymrbc@gmail.com.

Women's Ministry

Weekly Bible Studies:

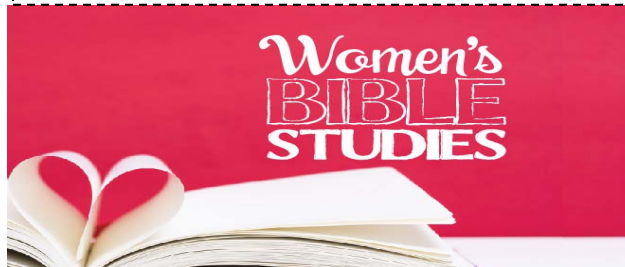
Sunday Mornings
Rachel Sullenger & Tiffany Marich - Minor Prophets
Joy Richards & Chris Anderson - Book of Hebrews

Sunday Nights
Meg Trihus - The Epistles

Wednesday Nights
Cyndi King - Book of Acts

Friday Mornings, Chick Fil A (Camp Wisdom Location)
Cyndi King - 9:00 AM
Minor Prophets

Monthly First Friday Lunch at IHOP, 12:00 PM (Carrier & I-20)



Summer Bible Studies for Women

June thru August (Except VBS week)
Women of the Word, by Jen Wilkins @ 5:30 PM
(childcare available for those that attend this class)

June (Except VBS week)
Foundations of the NT @ 6:30 PM

July
Philippians @ 6:30 PM

August
Ephesians @ 6:30 PM

Contact Rachel at Rachel@MatthewRoad.org to find out the latest events & activities!




Paint with Ellen
July 13th
Cost - \$20;
Potluck Salad



GAME DAY


August - more details to come



The Women in the gospel of john

September 21, 2020
more to come information to come

Women's Conference
Cost \$15.00
details TBA



Job

Friday at 11:00 AM
Starting June 21
?s Call Jamye 817.614.7312