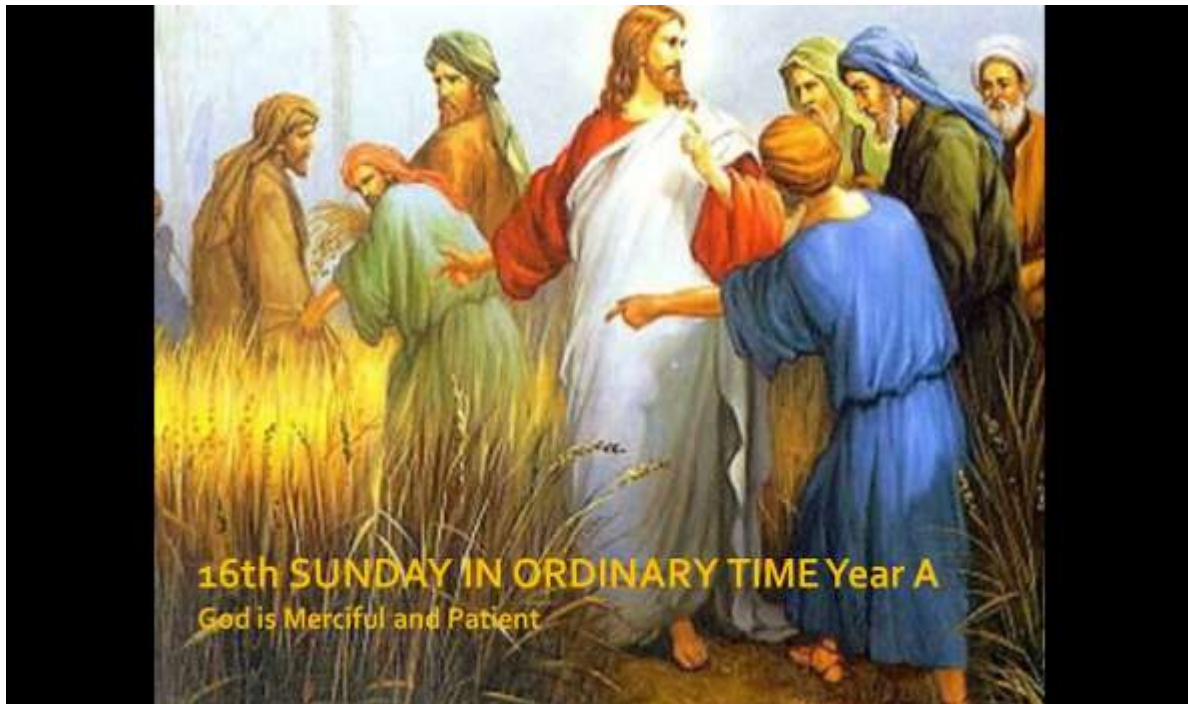


***Welcome to
Saint Matthew Ecumenical Catholic Church
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**July 19, 2026
The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**



**We are an emergent church practicing
an ancient faith in new ways,
a church of inclusivity where
All Are Welcome! - +Peter**

OUR ORDER OF WORSHIP

Introductory Rite

Gathering Song: GATHER US IN

- 1. Here in this place new light is streaming,
Now is the darkness vanished away,
See in this space our fears and our dreamings
Brought here to You in the light of this day.
Gather us in the lost and forsaken,
Gather us in the blind and the lame;
Call to us now and we shall awaken,
We shall arise at the sound of our name.**
- 2. We are the young our lives are a mystery,
we are the old who yearn for your face.
We have been sung throughout all of history,
Called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in the rich and the haughty
Gather us in the proud and the strong,
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly,
Give us the courage to enter the song.**
- 3. Here we will take the wine and the water,
Here we will take the bread of new birth,
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
Call us a new to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,
Give us to eat the bread that is you;
Nourish us well and teach us to fashion,
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.**

Greeting

*Presider says/sings: In the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*

ALL: AMEN.

*Presider: the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the Love of God
and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.*

ALL: AND ALSO WITH YO

*Presider: Coming together as God's family,
with confidence let us ask
the Father's forgiveness,
for he is full of gentleness and compassion*

***All: I confess to almighty God, and to you,
my brothers and sisters,
that I have sinned through my own fault,
in my thoughts, and
my words, in what I have done,
and in what I have failed to do; And I
ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me, to the Lord our God.***

PENITENTIAL RITE

*Presider: Lord Jesus Christ, You have come
to reveal to us the love of your Father.
Lord, have mercy! **All: Lord, have mercy!***

*Presider: Lord Jesus Christ, You invite us
to come to you when we are
weary and that you will refresh us.
Christ, have mercy! **All: Christ, have mercy!***

*Presider: Lord Jesus Christ, You are gentle
and humble of heart and
your yoke is easy and your burden is light.
Lord, have mercy! **All: Lord, have mercy!***

*Presider: May Almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life.
All: Amen!*

*Whatever you do,
DO IT ALL FOR THE
Glory of God*

1 CORINTHIANS 10:31

The Gloria

***Refrain: Glory to God, glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest
and peace to all people on earth.***

***1. Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory. (Refrain)***

***2. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
receive our prayer. (Refrain)***

***3. For You alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit in the glory
of God the Father. (Refrain)***

Opening Prayer

First Reading

Lector: A reading from the Book of Wisdom (12: 13,16-19)

Lector: The Word of the Lord ALL: Thanks be to God!

Psalm Response:

***" Loving and forgiving are You, O Lord.
Slow to anger, rich in kindness,
loving and forgiving are you."***

***Second Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Church at Rome.
(8:26-27)***

***Lector: Hear what the Spirit says to the church.
ALL: Thanks be to God!***

Gospel Acclamation

please stand

Alleluia, The Gospel

***In the beginning was the Word of God
and the Word was with God and was God..***

***And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us
and we beheld His Glory.***

***Alleluia! The Gospel of the Lord has come to us.
Al le lu ia. Al le lu ia.***

The Gospel Reading

***Deacon: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew
(13:24-43)***

All: Glory to you, Lord.

The gospel is read. When the reading is over:

Deacon/Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

***All Sing: Alleluia! The Gospel of the Lord has come to us.
Al le lu ia. Al le lu ia..***

Homily

The Nicene Creed

*We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only son of God,
Eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
True God from true God, begotten, not made,
one in Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he was born of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered, died and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in fulfillment of the Scriptures;
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
And his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit,
The Lord, the giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father.
With the Father and the Son
he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen*

Prayers of the Faithful

Our Response is:

“Holy God, Hear us!”

The Sign of Peace

Presider: Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles....

*...where you live forever and ever. **All: Amen!***

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And also with you.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Giving of our Gifts

*Presider: Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which
earth has given and human hands have made.*

It will become for us the bread of life.

ALL: Blessed be God for ever.

*Presider: Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through
your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and
work of human hands. It will become our cup of salvation.*

ALL: Blessed be God for ever.



Song at the Offertory: UNLESS A GRAIN OF WHEAT

Refrain:

***Unless a grain of wheat fall to the ground and die,
It remains a single grain. But if it die,
It will yield a rich harvest.***

***1. In His own body, by His own wounds,
He brought your sins to the cross
And suffered for you.
Poured out His life blood upon the tree,
Pour'd out His lifeblood
For you and for me.***

Refrain

***2. Do not draw back now, do not be shy.
Turn not away from Him who paid the price
Come to His table, sit by His side,
There He awaits you: the Lord of Life.***

Refrain

Presider: Pray my brothers and sisters that our sacrifice.....

ALL: MAY THE LORD ACCEPT THE SACRIFICE AT YOUR HANDS, FOR THE PRAISE AND THE GLORY OF GOD'S NAME, FOR OUR GOOD AND THE GOOD OF ALL GOD'S CHURCH.

Eucharistic Prayer Introductory Dialogue Preface

Presider: The Lord be with you. ALL: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: WE LIFT THEM UP TO THE LORD.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

ALL: IT IS RIGHT TO GIVE GOD THANKS AND PRAISE.

The Holy

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest!

The Eucharistic Prayer continues.....

Words of Consecration:

When the Host is lifted ALL say:

"TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT IT.

THIS IS MY BODY WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU."

When the Cup is lifted ALL say:

"TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT.

***THIS IS THE CUP OF MY BLOOD, THE BLOOD OF THE NEW
AND EVERLASTING COVENANT.***

***IT WILL BE SHED FOR YOU AND FOR ALL SO THAT SINS MAY
BE FORGIVEN. DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME."***

The Memorial Acclamation

***When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come again,
until you come again.***

Doxology

***Through him, with him, in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, forever and ever.
Amen! Amen! Alleluia! Amen.***

COMMUNION RITE

The Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God

***Oh Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.***

***Oh Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.***

***Oh Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us your peace. Grant us your peace***

ALL are welcome to receive Holy Communion

Communion Song: Seed Scattered and Sown

Refrain

***Seed, scattered and sown,
Wheat, gathered and grown,
Bread, broken and shared as one,
The Living bread of God.
Vine, fruit of the land, wine,
Work of our hands, one cup that is
Shared by all; the Living Cup,
The Living Bread of God.***

***1. Is not the bread we break,
A sharing in our Lord?
Is not the cup we bless,
The blood of Christ outpoured?***

Refrain

***2 The seed which falls on rock
will wither and will die.
The seed within good ground
will flower and have life.***

Refrain

CONCLUDING RITE

Meditation

Greeting

Presider: Peace be with you!

All: And also with you.

Blessing

*Presider: May almighty God bless you +The Father, the Son,
and the Holy Spirit. All: Amen.*

Announcements

Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Recessional and Closing Song

Closing Song: ACT JUSTLY

Refrain

Act justly; love tenderly.

Walk, walk humbly with your God.

1. How shall we come before you?

With what gifts to adore you?

Will our sacrifices please you?

should we bring today?

Refrain

2. This is what the Lord asks you

only this will remain true,

what is good has been explained to you:

Listen again today.

Refrain