

The St. Matthew's Missive

A Ministry of the Office of the Pastor

A potpourri of Art, Prayer, Literature, Scripture,
and Community Information
to support the faith and life
of members and friends of St. Matthew's Lutheran.



A drawing by Gabriel Liston of a photograph of Mary and Jesus
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A Prayer of the Day for December 24, 2011

God of glory,
your splendor shines from a manger in Bethlehem,
where the Light of the world is humbly born
into the darkness of human night.
Open our eyes to Christ's presence in the shadows of our world,
so that we, like him, may become beacons of your justice,
and defenders of all for whom there is no room.
Amen+

A Scripture from the coming Sunday

This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger."

A Quote

"If you could turn your heart into a cow stall
Christ would be born again on earth."

Angelus Silesius (1624- 1677)

Christmas Eve Services

(Candlelight and Holy Communion)

4:00 p.m (especially for children)
7:00 p.m. & 11:00 p.m. with our Samoan neighbors

Christmas Day

A Simple Holy Communion at 11 a.m.

New Year's Day

A New Start. A New Time. A New Beginning.

Holy Communion at 10 a.m.
Now the Feast and Celebration as our Liturgy

Christmas Eve + December 24, 2011 + St. Matthew's Lutheran + ELCA

**Please remember St. Matthew's and its ministry and presence
in your prayers, your actions, your giving.**

St. Matthew's is a member congregation
of the
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

and a part of the Rocky Mountain Synod of the ELCA
and the Utah Conference of Churches.



God's Work. Our Hands.
Rejoicing in Christ. Empowered to Serve.

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