

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

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Raytown, MO 64133
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Invites Application for the Position of Rector



St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

Founded in 1953, St. Matthew's has a membership of 103 with an average Sunday attendance of 64. In addition to a full time Rector, we have a part time Parish Administrator and a part time Organist, Music Director.

We are a small but very energetic parish with 50 active ministries. We have a very successful English as a Second Language outreach program serving the Raytown area. The Raytown Emergency Assistance Program (REAP) receives significant financial support from our parishioners. We furnish our old chapel building to AA and NA for their exclusive use for their programs. We furnish space in our building for a Raytown widows group, the community band and the Jackson County Election Commission as a polling place.

The Raytown Community

Raytown is an eastern suburb of Kansas City with a population of some 30,000. From its central location in the metropolitan area to its extensive park system, safe, tree lined neighborhoods, excellent schools and broad choices in affordable housing; Raytown is truly a community of choice for residents and business owners alike.

St. Matthew's Congregation

Our Mission:

We are a community that seeks to serve Christ in all people through God's forgiving love.

Our Vision:

We are here to:

- worship, pray and grow in Christ
- strengthen and encourage each other
- advocate for and empower those in need
- offer sanctuary, acceptance and forgiveness

Sunday Worship

We enjoy the traditional Rite I and Rite II liturgies which are offered Sunday mornings at 8:00 and 10:15 AM respectively. The Sunday service with the most attendance is the 10:15 AM service.

Parish Traditions

These include the Shrove Tuesday pancake supper, Valentine's Day dinner, pot luck suppers at various times during the year, parish picnic in the early summer months, participation in the annual Crop Walk.

Christian Education

St. Matthew's provides a number of study groups, seminars, and lectures for adult education. During the past year there have been several unique opportunities for adult education such as a "Dinner and a Movie" series. Adult education is also available on line on the St. Matthew's web page

Clergy and Staff

The Rev Gary R. Gilbertson, Interim Rector

Patti McGill-Rowe, Organist – Music Director

Sherry Minzey, Administrative Assistant

Vestry

There are currently 14 members on the Vestry including the treasurer and the Rector. Three of the members are "Ex-officio" during the search process for our new Rector. The normal Vestry consists of 11 members including the treasurer and the Rector.

Facilities

Our main church building was completed in 1963 and is in excellent condition. The nave will accommodate around 200 worshipers. An addition consisting of the parish office, nursery, library – meeting room and

Facilities (continued)

vesting room was added in 1993. Both the original building and the addition are debt free. In addition the old Chapel Building is located west of the main building. This facility is now utilized by several AA groups for their meetings. It is in use almost daily.

2009 Operating Budget

Operating Revenue (Actual)

Congregational Giving	\$124,928
Assistance from the Diocese	16,023
Parish Reserves	14,166

Total Resources \$155,117

Operating Expenses (Actual)

Outreach – Diocesan Apportionment	\$22,312
Programs	7,695
Personnel	103,115
Property	21,995

Total Operating Expense \$155,117

Compensation & Benefits

Annual Compensation for the Rector of \$50,000 - \$55,000 Stipend and Housing

The benefits package also includes:

- Medical insurance
- Church Pension Fund
- Car & Travel Expenses - \$3,000
- Continuing Education – 2 weeks - \$1,000
- Other Professional Expenses - \$1,000
- Four weeks vacation

Selection Information

St. Matthew's Vestry will serve as the search committee.

CDO Profiles and Applications should go to the West Missouri Diocesan Deployment Officer The Rev. John McCann.

The search committee will review all applicants and select three for interview.

The parish will pay for all reasonable interview expenses.

The parish anticipates that the new Rector will be called by July 2010.

Application Deadline

March 31, 2010

The ideal Rector will be:

- A leader that will guide and direct effective church growth strategies for a turn-around parish
- Enrich and expand parish and individual spiritual growth
- Support, sustain and optimize outreach ministries.
- Be among us as Pastor and Priest.

