

THIS WEEK	
APRIL 30:	8:00 AM – Rite I Worship Service 9:30 AM – Contemporary Service 11:00 AM – Rite II Worship Service 2:30 PM – EFM 3:00 PM – MCVN 5:30 PM – SNL for Middle Schoolers 7:00 PM – SNL for High Schoolers 7:00 PM – Building & Grounds Meeting 7:00 PM – AA
MAY 1:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 12:30 PM – All Ages Read Together 6:30 PM – ESOL 7:00 PM – MCVN 7:00 PM – Falcons Landing Old Testament Bible Study 7:30 PM – Free to Live Small Group and Bread of Life Small Group
MAY 2:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 10:00 AM – All Ages Read Together 7:00 PM – Backpack Buddies Packing 7:00 PM – AA 7:30 PM – Band Rehearsal
MAY 3:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 12:00 PM – AA 12:30 PM – All Ages Read Together 5:30 PM – NA 7:00 PM – Finance Committee Meeting 7:15 PM – Financial Peace University 7:30 PM – Sandwich Generation Small Group
MAY 4:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 10:00 AM – All Ages Read Together 12:00 PM – Bible Study 7:30 PM – Seraphim Singers Choir Rehearsal
MAY 5:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 7:00 PM – MCVN 7:00 PM – Old Dominion Dancers 7:30 PM – First Friday Fun & Fellowship
MAY 6:	7:00 AM – Flower Guild 7:30 AM – Men's Group 8:00 AM – Fellowship Breakfast 2:30 PM – James & Zorana's Wedding 4:00 PM – Band Rehearsal 5:00 PM – Contemporary Service 7:00 PM – MCVN and AA

ATTENDANCE		
APRIL 22 & 23, 2017		
Time or Place	Service	Attend.
Saturday 5:00 PM	RII	35
8:00 AM	RI	23
9:30 AM	RII	184
11:00 AM	RII	105
Faith Factory		86
Sunrise	MP	6

FINANCIAL UPDATE	
AS OF APRIL 23, 2017	
Revenue Required for 2017	\$757,771
Revenue Received YTD	\$210,320

CONTACT INFORMATION

Saint Matthew's telephone and fax:
703-430-2121 (phone)
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A nursery for *children* is provided at all four services.

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Steve Buck, *Senior Warden*
Darrell Breed, *Junior Warden*
Susie Harding, Nick Hunter, Susan Jones,
David Lathrop, Dan Robertson, John
Thomas, Heather Tomaszek

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

SAINT MATTHEW'S CHURCH

April 30, 2017

Welcome...

...to Saint Matthew's. We trust you will find us to be a church of joyful worship, loving community, and vibrant witness to our Lord Jesus Christ. We could not be more excited about all that God is doing in our midst. We are grateful for this opportunity to worship with you today. We look forward to sharing our life with you in whatever way God leads – whether just this Sunday or as a long time member.

Save the Date

May 2 – Backpack Buddies Evening Pack
May 6 & 7 – Youth Weekend
May 13 – Community Lunch
May 14 – Mother's Day
May 28 – Park Worship & Picnic
June 2-4 – Family Camping Weekend
June 4 – Baccalaureate Service
June 18 – Father's Day
June 25-July 1 – Middle School Mission Trip to Clarkesville, GA
July 4 – Independence Day Music & Barbeque
July 15-21 – Adult Mission Trip to Haiti
July 24-28 – Vacation Bible School
July 30 – August 7 – High School Adventure Trip

Flower Dedications

The flowers behind the altar this morning are given by Dan and Adrian Mattina in joyful celebration of the baptism of their daughter, Grace Hazel, and by Hayden and Christianna Olenik in joyful celebration of the baptism of their daughter, Whitney Jayne.

Intercessory Prayer List

The Saint Matthew's intercessory prayer list is for those in or related to our community who are in need of prayer. It is designed so that all members of our community can pray for each other on an ongoing basis. In order to pray for those on the list, simply ask God to be with them and help them in any way needed - God knows what is going on, so we don't need to. Please pray for the following people:

Rick and family, Maniusko Family, Griffin's family, Tricia, Liz, Gladys, Shaunte, Tom, Mary Ann, Judy, Alex and family, Rachel, Brenda, Richard, Robin, Ellie, Lou, Dara, Laura, Anna, Missy, James, Hugh, Sean, Kevin, Mona, Hazel, Brian's family, Debbie, Amanda, Ana, Dan, Tony, Koko, Cliff, Judy, Adam, Jim, Charles, Nicholas, Fred, David, Rosie Lee, Anige, Michelle, Frank, Barbara, Joe, Anne, Kristen's family, Alina's family, Liisa's family, Hitchcock family, Jonne's family, Don, Jon, Denise, Emma, Jackie's family, Rashana, Scott, Mary, Norfleet & family, Jeanne, Kim, Jake, Kevin, Jen, Troy, Lanie, Becky, Michael, Johnny, Keith, Christina, Mason, Ali, Hazel, Justin, Alan, Virginia, Becky, Stacey, Norm, Nicholas, John, Kathleen, Brian, Marilyn, Christine, Jackie, Allison, Cara, Tom, Bilma, Kim, Marilyn, Gladys, Barbara, Braley & family, Ellie, Zader, Ken, Keegan family, Connie, Tristan, Shelly, Kathy, Marge, Kali, and Shannon.

If you or someone you care about is in need of Pastoral Care, please do not hesitate to call 703-430-2121.

Requests for Prayer Shawls

To request a prayer shawl for yourself or someone else, please send a request to barocon7@aol.com.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY	
APRIL 30:	Sara & Rick Breed
MAY 1:	Patricia & Bill Schneider
MAY 3:	Barbara & Joe McKinney
MAY 3:	Gabriella & Rob Distasio
MAY 5:	Maria & Allen Tuttle

Sunday Night Live for Teens

SNL meets Sunday nights in the trailer. 6th-8th graders are invited to join from 5:30-7:00, and 9th-12th graders from 7-8:30. We'll see you there for relevant teachings, life-changing small groups, wacky activities, and worship.

There are still spots available for the SNL mission trips this summer! SNL Middle School is headed to Clarkesville, GA for some VBS and local housing projects, the price is \$375.

SNL High Schoolers are invited on a once-in-a-lifetime trip to Montana for adventure camping, and working with homeless youth in Spokane. The price is \$625, late fees may apply.

Scholarships are available for both trips so please don't hesitate to ask!

Contact: Elliott@stmtts.org

Small Hands, Big Hearts Family Team

Bring your elementary-aged children to connect with other families and inspire our children to serve the community.

May 13, 12pm – Serve the community with lunch, arts & crafts and music.

June 2-4 - Save the date for our camping weekend.

Please RSVP for any of these events Alli Lesser - AlliLesser@gmail.com

Community Luncheon

Saturday, May 13, 12pm - 2pm

Are you looking for a way to build relationships with people in our community you might not otherwise meet? You're invited to our next Community Lunch!

Here are few ways you can contribute to this vital ministry:

- 1) Donate children books - new or gently used
- 2) Bring a dessert to share
- 3) Volunteer – (Greeters/Kitchen Help/Servers/Set Up/Clean Up/Kid's Activities/Displays)
- 4) Attend – join us for lunch – meet our wonderful neighbors
- 5) Offer to share a skill, hobby or talent with the children and/or adults
- 6) All of the above

Donations can be dropped off 9am-11 am on Saturday. Have questions? Contact Sandra at sandra.gentry1@verizon.net.

Mark your calendar for the upcoming Community Luncheons on September 9 and November 11.

Please put the dates on your calendar and plan to participate, as you are able. And, as always, please help to get the word out to the community.

Youth Weekend:

The youth of Saint Matt's will be taking over the services on **May 6 and 7**. Don't miss this fun weekend where you'll see our St. Matt's youth stepping out in faith to speak words from their heart, play in the band, lift their voices to sing, serve, and of course everyone loves our Saint Matthew's dancers. All youth are invited to participate. Please contact Elliott at Elliott@stmtts.org or Ashly at Ashly@stmtts.org to be part of this great weekend!

Park Worship and Picnic

Sunday, May 28 at 11am

Join us for worship at Algonkian Park. After the service, stay to enjoy a day filled with activities and games! Bring friends; make friends—we can't wait to see you there! If you can't make it to the park, please join us at St. Matt's for the Saturday 5pm service or Sunday 8am service – **no 9:30 service on May 28th**.

Backpack Buddies

Backpack Buddies is currently feeding 220 students at 7 schools in Sterling and we always need help restocking our pantry! Individual-sized: 100% juice boxes/packs, protein (canned tuna, chicken, Vienna sausages, beans, ravioli), snacks (granola or cereal bars, fruit gummies, pudding), shelf-stable milk, Ramen noodles, mac n' cheese, or fruit cups.

We'd love to have your help packing! **Join us Tuesday, May 2nd at 7pm, Tuesday, May 9th at 11am, and May 16th at 11am in the classroom on the hill.** Supervised children are encouraged to attend! If you have any questions, please contact Hilary at HLLlearning@gmail.com.

Daytime Bible Study

Join us for a 6 week bible study on Galatians each Thursday at noon. We will be using Paul for Everyone: Galatians and Thessalonians by N. T. Wright. We will have an extra copy available for new attendees. Join us any time you are available.

One Hit Wonders

Mark your calendars for the weekend of **May 20th/21st** as the St. Matt's Praise Band blows the dust off their collection of vinyl 45's, 8-tracks and cassettes and presents their take on the best of the One Hit Wonders. Will your favorites make the cut? Join us and find out as we also take time to celebrate- what many believe-was the greatest One Hit Wonder of all time.

Vacation Bible School 2017

Maker Fun Factory! A world where curious kids become hands-on inventors who discover they're lovingly created by God! It's time to register for the most awesome week of the summer! Vacation Bible School 2017 will be from **July 24th-28th from 5:30pm-8:30pm for preschoolers – rising 5th graders**. Grab your friends and prepare yourself for a week of innovative inventions, experiments, service, music, creative crafts, games, and so much more! Dinner will be provided each night. You don't want to miss out on this once in a lifetime VBS experience so participants and volunteers should register online NOW at: <http://www.myvbs.org/stmatts2017>

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

MAY 2:	Jack Kowalik
MAY 4:	Tristan Hart
MAY 6:	Shawn Carr
MAY 6:	Aaron DiBeneditto

Adult Mission Trip

Ask anyone who has ever gone on a mission trip, and they will confirm that mission trips are life changing. At Saint Matthew's, it is our hope that as many people as possible will have the opportunity to participate in a mission trip. This summer, we will return for our third year to Port Margot, Haiti, where we will continue our partnership with Eglise Baptiste Eben-Ezer Church. On past trips we have erected the roof on their church, built an altar, and laid the floor. This year our challenge is to build the steps leading up to the front of the church. This trip is an adult only trip (college and above). The dates are **Saturday, July 15th, through Friday, July 21st**, and the cost is \$1,450 (scholarships are available on an as needed basis). Is this your year to go on a mission trip? For more information contact Mary Petersen at maryp@stmtts.org.