

THIS WEEK	
JULY 30:	8:00 AM – Rite I Worship Service
	9:30 AM – Contemporary Service
	11:00 AM – Rite II Worship Service
	3:00 PM – MCVN
	5:30 PM – SNL – Middle School
	7:00 PM – Building & Grounds Meeting
	7:00 PM – AA
JULY 31:	8:30 AM – Drama Camp
	7:00 PM – Falcons Landing Old Testament Bible Study
	7:30 PM – Free to Live Small Group and Bread of Life Small Group
AUG 1:	8:30 AM – Drama Camp
	7:00 PM – AA
	7:30 PM – Band Rehearsal
AUG 2:	8:30 AM – Drama Camp
	12:00 PM – AA
	5:30 PM – NA
	7:00 PM – Finance Committee Meeting
	7:30 PM – Sandwich Generation Small Group
AUG 3:	8:30 AM – Drama Camp
	9:00 PM – Classroom of Discovery Set-up
	12:00 PM – Bible Study
	7:30 PM – Seraphim Singers Rehearsal
AUG 4:	8:30 AM – Drama Camp
	9:00 PM – Classroom of Discovery Set-up
	7:30 PM – First Friday Fun & Fellowship
AUG 5:	7:00 AM – Flower Guild
	7:30 AM – Men's Group
	4:00 PM – Band Rehearsal
	5:00 PM – Contemporary Service
	7:00 PM – MCVN and AA

ATTENDANCE		
JULY 22 & 23, 2017		
Time or Place	Service	Attend.
Saturday 5:00 PM	RII	42
8:00 AM	RI	29
9:30 AM	RII	148
11:00 AM	RII	100
Faith Factory		35
Sunrise	MP	8

FINANCIAL UPDATE	
AS OF JULY 19, 2017	
Revenue Required for 2017	\$757,771
Revenue Received YTD	\$342,811

#### 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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#### Vestry:

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY	
JULY 30:	George Devorshak
JULY 30:	Reagan Miskovich
JULY 31:	Nicole Callen
AUGUST 1:	Sue Reier
AUGUST 1:	Dawn Sharp
AUGUST 1:	Matthew Nowinski
AUGUST 3:	Eleanor Arozqueta
AUGUST 4:	Dick Shingleton
AUGUST 4:	Becky Smith
AUGUST 5:	Mark Wilson

## EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SAINT MATTHEW'S CHURCH July 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

July 30 – August 7 – High School Adventure Trip to Montana  
August 12 & 13 – Stories from the High School Adventure Trip  
August 19 & 20 – Blessing of the Backpacks  
August 27 – Summer Fun Day  
September 2 – Frederick Keys Game and Potluck Dinner  
September 3 – Faith Factory Kick-off  
September 9 – Community Lunch  
September 20 – Financial Peace Univ.  
September 24 – Saint Matthew's Day  
September 27 – Alpha Begins

### Church Offices and Space Closed

August 7-10, 2017

Due to the ongoing HVAC issues, the church office and classrooms will be closed August 7-10. Our HVAC company will be on site conducting a comprehensive review of the system. Staff will be available via cell, email, and the church office phone at 703-430-2121.

### 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:

James, Hugh, Sean, Kevin, Mona, Hazel, Brian'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, Shannon, Patricia, Deb, Ray, Charlene, Kim, Jerry, Bob, Marcia, Valerie, Dean, Kerstin, Jim, Keno, Ava, Mary & family, Anna, Rick, Allene, the Lutz family, Mart, Marie, Todd, George, Corinne, Barbara, Joe, Wayne, Ryan, Frank, Frances, and Jackie and family.

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](mailto:barocon7@aol.com).

### 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.

### Financial Peace University (FPU)

**Wednesdays, starting September 20<sup>th</sup>**

We are thrilled to announce that our spring Financial Peace University class paid off over \$47,000 in debt and saved more than \$27,000 in just nine weeks! How is this possible?

As a church, we want to share a practical plan that can help you discover God's way of handling money. We want to empower you to get on a budget, get out of debt, save for the future, and take control of your money. Financial Peace University is that plan.

Whether you are trying to figure out how to balance saving for retirement, college savings and vacations or you are struggling to make ends meet, FPU has something for you.

**Class will officially begin on Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>** and run until the week before Thanksgiving. We hope you'll join us. For more information or to register for the class go online to: <https://fpu.com/1043797>. If you have any questions, please email Miriam or Mason at [Family@turnerville.us](mailto:Family@turnerville.us)

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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY	
JULY 30:	Rebecca & Matthew Pepper
JULY 30:	Erin & Thomas Jackson
JULY 31:	Patty & Matt Harmon
AUGUST 3:	Becky & Daniel Harding
AUGUST 5:	Danielle & Jeffrey Rickard

### Alpha

**Wednesdays, starting September 27<sup>th</sup>**

Alpha is an introduction to the Christian faith and is open to anyone. This fall we will hold a series of weekly meetings over 10 weeks. Each meeting will start with a simple meal, a short DVD on the subject for that week and then small group discussion.

The course is designed for those wanting to investigate Christianity, new Christians, newcomers to the church and those wanting to brush up on the basics of our faith. This is an opportunity for you to bring a friend to explore the faith in a nonthreatening environment.

**We will need volunteers to:**

- **Be prayer warriors who will commit to praying for the Alpha course (starting now)**
- **Help in facilitating the discussions in each of the groups**
- **Help with catering for the meals**

Training will be provided for volunteers:  
September 13 – Hosting small groups  
September 20 – Pastoral Care  
September 20 – Praying for others

Please pray about how you might be able to help with the course and about whom you might want to invite to the course. It is our mission to grow disciples – by growing in our own discipleship or by introducing someone to Jesus through the Alpha course.

Sign-up sheets are available on the bulletin board in the hallway or email [Alpha@stmtts.org](mailto:Alpha@stmtts.org) with any questions.

### Friday Flash

Are you receiving our weekly email, the Friday Flash? Stay up to date on all the latest happenings at St. Matt's. To sign up or update your email address, please email Miriam in the church office at [Miriam@stmtts.org](mailto:Miriam@stmtts.org).

### Add Your Voice!

The choir is seeking new members. No experience required and all ability levels accepted. Weekly rehearsals are held on Thursday evenings at 7:30pm. Remember the old African Proverb, "If you can speak you can sing!"

For more information contact Kevin at [kevin@stmtts.org](mailto:kevin@stmtts.org) or 303-834-0601.

### End of Summer Sunday Fun Day

**Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup>**

It is hard to believe that summer is coming to an end...but it's not over yet! Ms. Ashly is planning an End of Summer Sunday Fun Day on Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup> during Faith Factory classes. The kids will be outside and will get wet, so please dress accordingly. Looking forward to an awesome end of summer and kicking off the start of another school year.

### Daytime Co-Ed Bible Study

**Thursdays at 12pm**

We are wrapping up our study of Paul's letter to the Ephesians!

Our co-ed Bible study group meets on Thursdays from 12pm – 1pm in classroom four. Feel free to bring your lunch with you if you're joining us on your lunch hour. If you aren't currently involved with the Bible study group but are interested in joining for the summer or receiving more information, you can email Isaac at [Isaac@stmtts.org](mailto:Isaac@stmtts.org).

### Online Account Review

Would you like to review our account online? Head over to the website: [stmtts.org/parishioners](http://stmtts.org/parishioners) and click "Access and update your member information". From this link you can edit your address and phone number and review your offerings.

### Blessing of the Backpacks

**August 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>**

Summer is half over and fall is just around the corner. That means it's time to get back into our regular habits. Grab your calendar and create a recurring event for Church every Saturday evening or Sunday morning. Children are invited to bring their backpacks to any of the four services the weekend of August 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> to receive a special blessing before the new school year begins.

### 2017-2018 Faith Factory

**Classes Begin September 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Register by August 27<sup>th</sup>**

It's time to register for St. Matthew's 2017-2018 Faith Factory, where we build faith one child at a time. We have a great year planned with stories from the Bible, engaging music, dramatic skits, crafts, and relationship building. It is my hope that each child will be engaged in what they are learning and able to discover ways that the stories from the Bible connect to who they are and the world around them. This year is going to be an inspiring year and your kids will not want to miss out on this fun learning experience. Faith Factory classes will begin on Sunday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please complete the registration form and submit to the church office by August 27<sup>th</sup>. Forms are available in the August newsletter or online at [stmtts.org](http://stmtts.org).

If you have any questions or are interested in volunteering to be part of the awesome Faith Factory team, please email Ashly Townsend at [ashly@stmtts.org](mailto:ashly@stmtts.org).

### Flower Dedication

Your dedications for flowers are welcome to remember loved ones, honor birthdays, anniversaries, baptisms, or any special occasion. Please use the cards provided in the pews or advise Miriam in the office.