

THIS WEEK

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| NOV 12: | 8:00 AM – Rite I Worship Service 9:30 AM – Contemporary Service 10:30 AM – Christmas Pageant Auditions 11:00 AM – Rite II Worship Service 12:00 PM – Children’s Music Ministry 12:00 PM – Christmas Pageant Auditions 3:00 PM – MCVN 5:30 PM – SNL – Middle School 7:00 PM – AA & Executive Committee 7:00 PM – SNL – High School |
| NOV 13: | 9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 6:30 PM – ESOL 7:30 PM – Free to Live Small Group and Bread of Life Small Group & Falcon’s Landing Bible Study |
| NOV 14: | 9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 9:30 AM – All Ages Read Together 11:00 AM – Backpack Buddies Packing 7:00 PM – EfM & Outreach Committee 7:00 PM – AA 7:30 PM – Band Rehearsal |
| NOV 15: | 9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 10:00 AM – Bridge to Discovery 12:00 PM – AA 5:30 PM – NA 7:00 PM – Alpha 7:15 PM – Financial Peace University 7:30 PM – Sandwich Generation Group |
| NOV 16: | 9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 9:30 AM – All Ages Read Together 12:00 PM – Bible Study 5:00 PM – Odyssey of the Mind 7:00 PM – Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse Training 7:30 PM – Seraphim Singers |
| NOV 17: | 9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 6:00 PM – Classroom of Discovery Harvest Festival |
| NOV 18: | 7:00 AM – Flower Guild 7:30 AM – Men’s Group 8:00 AM – Fellowship Breakfast 8:00 AM – Alpha Holy Spirit Day 9:00 AM – Reverence Committee Mtg 10:00 AM – K2P2 4:00 PM – Band Rehearsal 5:00 PM – Contemporary Service 7:00 PM – MCVN and AA |

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

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| NOVEMBER 13: | Malou & Doug Rennert |
| NOVEMBER 14: | Leanna & Michael Wilson |

ATTENDANCE

NOVEMBER 4 & 5, 2017

| Time or Place | Service | Attend. |
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| Saturday 5:00 PM | RII | 47 |
| 8:00 AM | RI | 26 |
| 9:30 AM | RII | 171 |
| 11:00 AM | RII | 92 |
| Faith Factory | | 48 |
| Sunrise | MP | 5 |
| All Souls Day Service | | 53 |

FINANCIAL UPDATE

AS OF OCTOBER 22, 2017

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| Revenue Required for 2017 | \$757,771 |
| Revenue Received YTD | \$500,269 |

Ways to Financially Support the Ministry Work at Saint Matthew’s

- Online: Go.stmmts.org/give
- Download ACS Church Life App (Site #111141)
- Text 703-635-7890 text "\$ amount" Ex. \$100
- Bill Pay From Your Bank
- Offering Plate

CONTACT INFORMATION

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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

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SAINT MATTHEW’S CHURCH

November 12, 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

November 12 – Christmas Pageant Casting, Thanksgiving Bags Returned, & Coat Drive Items Due

November 23 – Thanksgiving Day

December 3 – Advent Wreath Making and Pageant Rehearsals Begin

December 10 – Pageant Rehearsal

December 17 – Pageant Rehearsal

December 23 – 10am Pageant Rehearsal

December 16 – Parish Work Day and Living Nativity

December 17 – Lessons and Carols

December 23 – No Saturday Service

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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| NOVEMBER 12: | Amanda Henry |
| NOVEMBER 12: | Gabriel Peterson |
| NOVEMBER 13: | Teresa Gattoni |
| NOVEMBER 13: | Rachael DelNegro |
| NOVEMBER 14: | Dylan Buckingham |
| NOVEMBER 15: | Alexander McCall |
| NOVEMBER 15: | Bethany Layton |
| NOVEMBER 17: | Amanda Boone |
| NOVEMBER 17: | Elliott Smith |
| NOVEMBER 18: | June Harrison |
| NOVEMBER 18: | Susan Jones |
| NOVEMBER 18: | Mindy Zurawski |
| NOVEMBER 18: | Richard Whitehouse |
| NOVEMBER 18: | Henry Fleckner |
| NOVEMBER 18: | Tyler Buckingham |

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:

Zader, Ken, Keegan family, James, Hugh, Sean, Kevin, Mona, Connie, Tristan, Shelly, Kathy, Marge, Kali, Shannon, Patricia, Deb, Ray, Charlene, Kim, Jerry, Bob, Marcia, Valerie, Dean, Kerstin, Jim, Ken, Ava, Mary and family, Anna, Rick, Allene, Lutz Family, Mart, Marie, Todd, George, Corinne, Barbara, Joe, Ryan, Frank, Frances, Jackie & family, Dan, Lorraine, Mac, Ayden, Brittain family, Vera, Jane, Candace, Vivian, Chervenak family, Camden, Earthquake and Hurricane Victims, Grace, Jack, Bill, Paul, Steve, Emma, Tristan, Jackie, Ruth, Brian's family, Liisa's family, Kevin's family, Steven's family, Ray's family, Jon's family, Hazel, Debbie, Betty's family, Mike's family, Andrew's family, Kristen's family, Bob's family, Chambers family, Genesis, John, Chelsea, Joanne, Alina, Rebeccah, Amber, Sheri, Lise, Louise, Fredrik, Rolanda, Colleen, Stacy, Nicholas, and Laurie.

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.

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.

Backpack Buddies

Backpack Buddies is packing on Tuesdays! We would love volunteers to join us at 11am on November 14th in the Classroom on the Hill. We are accepting donations of shelf-stable, single-serve pantry items (e.g. canned tuna, ramen, snacks, fruit cups). Questions? Contact Hilary Hultman-Lee at HHLlearning@gmail.com.

Saint Matthew's Columbarium Niches

The Vestry approved the Columbarium Policy and Regulations which govern the Saint Matthew's Columbarium. This created an application process for those desiring to be interred in the Columbarium. A fee of \$1500 is required for each niche, which includes a portion for long term maintenance. If you would like to reserve a niche, please see Miriam for an application packet. Applications will be submitted through the Parish office to the Columbarium Executive Committee for action and approval. Questions can be directed to Steve Buck (stevbuck@aol.com) or Darrell Breed (darrell@stmmts.org).

Christmas Flower Dedications

Honor a loved one, give thanks for an anniversary or accomplishment, or commemorate a loved one's birthday, special occasion or memorial by contributing to the Christmas flower arrangements.

To make a flower dedication, please use the envelopes provided in the pews. Place the envelope with your payment in the offering plate or church office by Sunday, December 18th. Please write "Christmas Flowers" in the memo of your check. Dedications of any amount are welcome.

LINK Coat Drive Time

As you pull out your winter coats, please consider donating one or two to the LINK Coat Drive. We are collecting gently used and new winter coats, hats, gloves, and boots until November 12th for the LINK Holiday Program. Please place them in the bin in the Parish Hall. Contact Marcia Rugen at Marcia.rugen@gmail.com or 571-419-0283 with any questions.

Christmas Pageant Casting

Sunday, November 12th

It's hard to believe it's time to begin preparations for the Children's Christmas Pageant. The pageant is the Nativity Story told in a creative and rhyming way through the eyes of a child. All children who have an interest in acting and singing are invited to participate. We have lots of opportunities including speaking and non-speaking roles. There is a part for everyone!

The pageant does not work without all of you so please consider volunteering. **Casting and "auditions" for speaking parts will be held on Sunday, November 12th in Classroom 4 following the 9:30 and 11:00 services.** If you are unable to attend or need additional information, please contact Ashly Townsend at ashly@stmmts.org

ESOL Needs Volunteers

ESOL continues to meet on Monday evenings from 6:45pm to 8:15pm to support language learners in our community. We'd love to have you join us! You do not need to know a foreign language, nor are you expected to come every week. Be part of this rewarding experience where we welcome the stranger in our midst. For further details, contact Roz Gann rrgann@gmail.com; 423-202-0007.

Flower Dedications

The flowers behind the altar today are dedicated by Dick Shingleton in honor of veterans and active duty service members from all branches of the United States Military.

The flowers are also given by Matthew and Laura Karnas in joyful celebration of the baptism of their children, Zoe and Wyatt.

Thanksgiving Baskets for the Needy Bags to be returned today

Please pick up a reusable grocery bag as you leave this morning and return it filled with non-perishable food, cleaning supplies and toiletries. The grocery bags and lists of suggested items are available in the Narthex. We are also in need of grocery gift cards (available through the Scrip program) to allow the families to purchase turkeys and other perishable items.

Please return the filled bags and gift cards no later than today, November 12th, so they can be distributed before Thanksgiving, ensuring these families enjoy a brighter Thanksgiving Day. Contact Darrell Breed for more information at 703-444-2451 or darrellandmerry@verizon.net.

Worship Survey

Saint Matthew's goal is to help you "Know and share God's love". An important part of the goal is to provide meaningful worship experiences that allow you to move closer to God and experience His presence. We would like your input on how our worship services meet your needs. You may use the link (**Go.stmmts.org/survey**) or there are paper copies in the back of the Church if you would rather complete it that way. Your input is important to us. Thank you for taking a few minutes to share your thoughts with us.

Review and Update Your Account

Check out the ACS Church Life app on your mobile device. You can update your contact information, access the church directory, review your giving, and even make offerings. You can also access the same information online at: go.stmmts.org/myprofile.

Online Shopping

Looking for a quick and easy way to support Saint Matthew's? When making a purchase on Amazon, use the following link: **go.stmmts.org/Amazon**. Using this link will share a small portion of your purchase with Saint Matthew's. There's no additional charge to you. You can use the link and a scrip gift card to double your impact! Contact the church office at Office@stmmts.org for information.

Mission Trip Leadership Team Forming

Saint Matthew's is in the process of forming a Mission Trip Leadership Team. We are looking for members of this team with a variety of talents: travel scheduling, advance logistics, team leader during the trip, finance coordinator. If one of these roles is a match for your talents or if you are able to help in another way, please email Susie.harding@stmmts.org, Susie Harding, Spiritual Formation Chairperson.