

## THIS WEEK

NOV 20:	8:00 AM – Rite I Worship Service 9:30 AM – Contemporary Service 11:00 AM – Rite II Worship Service 12:30 PM – Cherubim Choir Rehearsal 1:00 PM – Christmas Pageant Prep 2:30 PM – EFM 3:00 PM – MCVN 6:00 PM – SNL for Middle Schoolers 7:00 PM – AA 7:00 PM – SNL for High Schoolers
NOV 21:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 12:30 PM – All Ages Read Together 7:00 PM – MCVN 7:00 PM – ESOL 7:30 PM – Free to Live Small Group and Bread of Life Small Group
NOV 22:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 7:00 PM – Vestry Meeting 7:00 PM – AA 7:30 PM – Band Rehearsal
NOV 23:	12:00 PM – AA 12:30 PM – All Ages Read Together 5:30 PM – NA 6:30 PM – Alpha
NOV 24:	Happy Thanksgiving!
NOV 25:	7:00 PM – MCVN
NOV 26:	7:00 AM – Flower Guild 7:30 AM – Men's Group 4:00 PM – Band Rehearsal 5:00 PM – Contemporary Service 7:00 PM – AA and MCVN 10:00 PM – MCVN

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

NOVEMBER 20:	Kathryn & John Frawley
NOVEMBER 20:	Tricia & Mike Fischer
NOVEMBER 23:	Kathleen & Bart Ecker

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

NOVEMBER 20:	Susan Norris
NOVEMBER 20:	Brynn Hunter
NOVEMBER 21:	Danielle Gobeille
NOVEMBER 21:	Connor Grimm
NOVEMBER 23:	Ellie Hurst
NOVEMBER 24:	Erin Long
NOVEMBER 25:	Darrell Breed
NOVEMBER 25:	Lars Nyman
NOVEMBER 25:	Isaac Crawley
NOVEMBER 26:	David Royers
NOVEMBER 26:	Bi Wu
NOVEMBER 26:	Kayla Hart

## ATTENDANCE

NOVEMBER 12 & 13, 2016

Time or Place	Service	Attend.
Saturday 5:00 PM	RII	30
8:00 AM	RI	19
9:30 AM	RII	176
11:00 AM	RII	125
Faith Factory		66
Sunrise	MP	7
Veterans Day Svc		54

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

AS OF NOVEMBER 14, 2016

Revenue Required for 2016	\$701,900
Revenue Received YTD	\$515,779

### Youth Minister Search

We are actively seeking to hire a new Youth Minister. If you know someone who may be interested please direct them to our job search criteria on the website. [www.stmmts.org](http://www.stmmts.org)

### CONTACT INFORMATION

**Saint Matthew's telephone and fax:**  
703-430-2121 (phone)  
703-430-2638 (fax)

**Saint Matthew's web site:**  
<http://www.stmmts.org>

A nursery for *children* is provided at all four services.

#### **E-mail Us:**

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#### **Vestry:**

Pat Pritchett, *Senior Warden*  
Steve Buck, *Junior Warden*  
Theresa Helein, Dan Robertson, Susie Harding, Marcia Rugen, Joe Sharp, John Thomas

## THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SAINT MATTHEW'S CHURCH

November 20 2016

### 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 26/27 – Make an Advent Wreaths  
December 2 – First Friday Fun & Fellowship  
December 4 – Advent Evensong  
December 11 – Advent Evensong  
December 17 – Parish Work Day, Altar Guild Polishing, & LEM Training  
December 17 – Living Nativity  
December 18 – Christmas Sing Along  
December 23 – Pageant Dress Rehearsal  
December 24 Christmas Eve Services – 3pm, 6pm, 8pm, 11pm & 10pm Lessons and Carols  
December 25 Christmas Day Service – 10am  
January 1 – New Year's Worship – 10am  
January 29 – Parish Annual Meeting

### Flower Dedication

The flowers behind the altar this morning are in honor of the wedding anniversary of Malou and Douglas Rennert.

### 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, Mo, Kevin and family, Andrew and family, Bob and family, Kiia and family, Lusak and family, Jackie, Don, Dean, Kathy, Emily, Albert, Gloria, Kyle, Julie, Mona, Elizabeth, Evan, Eric, Kylie, Macallan, Shelly, Christina, Palmer family, John, Norm, Becky, The Young Family, Nancy, Tita, John, Charlotte, Sharon, Jack, Larry, Jack, Colin, Marcia, Amanda, Adam, Chele, Ethan, John, Pops, Don, Jennifer, Marcia, Claudia, Rob, Ruth, Emma, Brenda, Gairo, Dean, Valerie, Ashton, Bob, Darrell, Becca and family, Rick and family, Maniusko Family, Griffin & family, Tricia, Liz, Gladys, Shaunte, Tom, Mary Ann, Judy, Alex and family, Rachel, Brenda, Richard, Robin, Ellie, Lou, Dara, Laura, Anna, Missy, Hazel, Brian's family, Debbie, Amanda, Ana, Dan, Tony, Koko, Mary, Cliff, Judy, Adam, Jim, Charles, Nicholas, Fred, David, Rosie Lee, Anige, Michele, Frank, Barbara, Joe, Isaac, Madison, Jon, and Denise.

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

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**

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

SNL Season 3 is STILL Broadcasting! Although we are all missing our creator Trevor, the SNL Leaders are working hard to make sure that SNL continues to be a thriving, service-oriented, safe, and fun space for youth to come on Sunday evenings! We need YOUR help and attendance to make sure our show "stays on the air" and continues the energy and enthusiasm. Please join us for the rest of the semester as we finish out Season 3!

**11/20 Episode 310 – Happy, Part I**

**11/27 – Thanksgiving; No SNL**

**12/4 Episode 311 – Happy, Part 2**

**12/11 Episode 312 – Happy, Part 3**

**12/18 – Come to the Christmas Sing  
Along**

**12/25 – Christmas; No SNL**

### **Relational English Ministry**

ESOL at St. Matt's continues to grow thanks to the efforts of our many volunteers. After our classes each week, we have snacks. Donations of cookies, cupcakes, and donuts are always appreciated. We can always use help with publicity and additional volunteers. Contact Roz Gann for more information: 423-202-0007.

### **Invitation to Join the Altar Guild**

Altar Guild is a group of men & women (and families) in the Sacred Service of setting the Lord's Table with cherished items that honor those who came before us. If you (and/or your family) are looking for a quiet, unassuming, behind the scenes ministry, please contact Lisa Lintelman, Elly Hilz or Sue Reier (lisa.m.lintelman@sprint.com; eah126@verizon.net; sue@stmmts.org) for further information.

### **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](https://www.amazon.com/stmmts). 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](mailto:Office@stmmts.org) for information.

### **Learn English Country Dance**

Dance like you're in a Jane Austin movie! Join the Old Dominion Dancers for step-by-step instruction in this easy and fun historic dance. Open to all ages, and fun for the whole family. Live fiddle music most Fridays. For more information, please call Chelle at 301-366-5579. Dances will be held on the following dates at 7pm: December 2 and 16.

### **Advent Wreaths and Materials**

Can you believe advent is just around the corner? To help slow things down and put the "reason in the season", we will be offering advent materials for you to create the right kind of preparation for Christmas. Start by joining us **November 26 and 27, after each service** as we make advent wreaths with fresh greens and candles!

We will also have family-oriented materials, teen/young adult and personal devotionals. You will be sure to find something to make this a special advent season. The printed materials will be available during advent in the Narthex.

### **Advent Evensong**

**December 4 & 11 at 7pm**

Evensong is one of the most beautiful, contemplative, and distinctively Anglican liturgies in the world and will offer any who attend a wonderful opportunity to focus on the significance of the season of advent. Through the lovely prayers, psalms, and hymns of Evensong, the church in advent urges us toward slowing down, introspection, and preparation for the gift of God born anew.

### **Living Nativity**

**December 17, 6pm – 8pm**

Come experience the true meaning of Christmas and the beauty of the night Jesus Christ was born. This is an outdoor event with live characters and animals, your favorite Christmas carols, hot cocoa and candy canes. Donations of non-perishable food items will be accepted for our Backpack Buddies program.

### **Cherubim Choir will be Singing**

"Hallelujah, let the angels sing..."The Cherubim Choir will be singing the offertory anthem at the **11am service on Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>**. Please plan to attend this service to hear the angelic children's voices of Saint Matthews.

### **Christmas Pageant Rehearsal Schedule**

It's hard to believe that Christmas is just around the corner! That means 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. There was an amazing turnout for casting and speaking auditions and I am excited to work with this talented group of children.

### **Important Rehearsal Dates:**

**Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup> 12:15-1:15pm:** Full

Pageant Rehearsal #1 in the Sanctuary

**Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> 12:15-1:15pm:** Full

Pageant Rehearsal #2 in the Sanctuary

**Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup> 12:15-1:15pm:** Full

Pageant Rehearsal #3

**Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> 6:00-7:30pm:** Dress

Rehearsal in the Parish Hall

**Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve**

2:00pm-Children arrive to get into costumes

3:00pm Christmas Pageant!

If you are interested in volunteering or have further questions, please contact Ashly Townsend at [ashly@stmmts.org](mailto:ashly@stmmts.org).

### **Giving History and Contact Info**

Did you know you can update your contact information and check your giving history anytime from the church website?

[stmmts.org/parishioners](https://stmmts.org/parishioners)

Simply click "Access and Update your member information". You can also submit a pledge to Saint Matthew's any time you feel called by contacting the office at [office@stmmts.org](mailto:office@stmmts.org).

### **Backpack Buddies**

BACKPACK BUDDIES - Food donations (individual sizes) are ALWAYS needed and appreciated. We always need shelf-stable milk and protein such as tuna, beans, Vienna sausages, or ravioli.

Please note: We will NOT be packing on November 22nd due to the shortened school week. For more information on food donations, conducting a food drive at your office, or packing, please contact Carol Black or Michele Devaney: [carolwhitakerblack@gmail.com](mailto:carolwhitakerblack@gmail.com) [micheledevaney@gmail.com](mailto:micheledevaney@gmail.com)

### **Save the date:**

Tuesday, December 6th, 7:00 pm, evening pack in the classroom on the hill. Supervised children welcome.