

THIS WEEK	
OCT 15:	8:00 AM – Rite I Worship Service
	9:30 AM – Contemporary Service
	11:00 AM – Rite II Worship Service
	12:00 PM – Children's Music Ministry
	2:30 PM – EfM
	3:00 PM – MCVN
	5:30 PM – SNL – Middle School
OCT 16:	7:00 PM – AA
	7:00 PM – SNL – High School
	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery
OCT 17:	6:30 PM – ESOL
	7:30 PM – Falcon's Landing Bible Study
	7:30 PM – Free to Live Small Group and Bread of Life Small Group
	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery
	9:30 AM – All Ages Read Together
OCT 18:	11:00 AM – Backpack Buddies Packing
	7:00 PM – AA
	7:30 PM – Band Rehearsal
	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery
	10:00 AM – Bridge to Discovery
	12:00 PM – AA
	5:30 PM – NA
OCT 19:	7:00 PM – Alpha
	7:15 PM – Financial Peace University
	7:30 PM – Sandwich Generation Group
	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery
	9:30 AM – All Ages Read Together
OCT 20:	12:00 PM – Bible Study
	7:30 PM – Seraphim Singers Rehearsal
	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery
OCT 21:	7:00 PM – Old Dominion Dancers
	7:00 AM – Flower Guild
	7:30 AM – Men's Group
	8:00 AM – Fellowship Breakfast
	4:00 PM – Band Rehearsal
	5:00 PM – Contemporary Service
	6:00 PM – Private Use
7:00 PM – MCVN and AA	

ATTENDANCE		
OCTOBER 7 & 8, 2017		
Time or Place	Service	Attend.
Saturday 5:00 PM	RII	Not Held
8:00 AM	MPII	20
9:30 AM	MPII	144
11:00 AM	MPII	94
Faith Factory		50
Sunrise	MP	7

FINANCIAL UPDATE	
AS OF 21 SEPTEMBER, 2017	
Revenue Required for 2017	\$757,771
Revenue Received YTD	\$449,484

**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*  
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 Susie Harding, Nick Hunter, Susan Jones,  
 David Lathrop, Dan Robertson, John  
 Thomas, Heather Tomaszek

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY	
OCTOBER 15:	Elizabeth & Shawn Carr
OCTOBER 16:	Linda & George Thurston
OCTOBER 17:	Michele & Mark Wilson
OCTOBER 18:	Bre & Ben Jacoby
OCTOBER 20:	Marie & Ray Thomen
OCTOBER 20:	Natascha & Nick Hunter

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER  
 PENTECOST  
 SAINT MATTHEW'S CHURCH  
 October 15, 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**  
 October 22 – Oktoberfest  
 October 28/29 – Survivor Weekend  
 October 29 – Faith Factory Character Dress Up Day  
 November 2 – All Souls Day Service  
 November 4 – Annual Convention  
 November 11 – Veterans Day Service and Community Lunch  
 November 23 – Thanksgiving Day

**Veterans Day Celebration Service**  
 Saint Matthew's invites you to celebrate and honor those who have valiantly served our country at the **3rd Annual Veterans Day Celebration Service on Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 am.** We are excited to welcome Lt. Col. (Ret) Glenn Schiraldi Ph.D. as our guest speaker.

To show our appreciation for the men and women who have served in the Armed Forces we are creating a video tribute. If you have a family member who is/was in the Armed Forces whom you would like to honor, please send a photo for to [Maureen\\_pgh@yahoo.com](mailto:Maureen_pgh@yahoo.com).

**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 & family, Anna, Rick, Allene, the Lutz family, Mart, Marie, Todd, George, Corinne, Barbara, Joe, Ryan, Frank, Frances, Jackie and family, Dan, Lorraine, Mac, Ayden, the Brittain family, Vera, Candace, Jane, Vivian, Chervenak family, Camden, Grace, Jack, Bill, Earthquake and Hurricane victims, Paul, Steve, Tristan, Emma, 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, Amber, and Michael.

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).

**Children's Music Ministry**  
 Children's Music Ministry continues today from 12:30pm-1:15pm in the music room. All students ages 5 and older are welcome to attend. We hope to see you there.

### 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.

### Alpha

Alpha is an introduction to the Christian faith and is open to anyone. **Join us on Wednesdays and at 7pm** for a simple meal, a short DVD on the subject for that week and then small group discussion. Join us at any time or email Alpha@stmmts.org with any questions.

### Become a Lay Eucharistic Minister or Lector!

Ever wondered what really goes on at the altar during services? Do you like to read aloud, or just feel called to serve? We need you to volunteer as a Lay Eucharistic Minister (LEM) and/or Lector (reader)! Training is short and easy and the more of us there are, the more flexible the schedule can be. For more information please contact Katt Hancher at cathrinekatt@gmail.com or 703-405-4057.

### Faith Factory Character Dress-Up Day **October 29th**

Pirates, Princesses and Super Heros too...we're having a Faith Factory Costume Day and we're inviting you! Dress up as your favorite character on Sunday, October 29th and join in the fun!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY	
OCTOBER 15:	Jonna McClure
OCTOBER 19:	Nathan Johnson
OCTOBER 20:	Webster Anderson
OCTOBER 21:	Hunter Lawall

### Small Hands, Big Hearts

K-5 Children - Join us for our 2nd annual visit to Falcons Landing residents with your Halloween costumes to hand out treats and for a Halloween story. They have even asked if any children play piano, so if you have a musician in costume interested in performing, please let us know! Bringing smiles to these residents' faces was so rewarding last year -- we hope you can help our group continue the tradition!

**Sunday, October 29 at 1:30pm at The Johnson Center and at 2:15pm at West Falls Center.** You are welcome to one event or join us for both. Each event will last about 30 minutes. We are limited to 10 children per center, so please RVSP to Alli Lesser with the number of children and if you can come to one or both time slots. AlliLesser@gmail.com

### 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 Committee Chair.

### Backpack Buddies

We would love volunteers to join us at 11am on October 17, 24, or 31, or at 7pm on November 7 in the Classroom on the Hill. We are also accepting donations of shelf-stable, single-serve pantry items (e.g. canned tuna, ramen, snacks, fruit cups).

Please contact Hilary Hultman-Lee at HHLlearning@gmail.com with any questions.

### Education for Ministry (EfM)

The Education for Ministry (EfM) program is a four-year study and group reflection process for the formation of Christian ministry through the development of knowledge, attitude, skill and identity as Christians. Published texts and essays provide the primary knowledge content. Saint Matthew's EfM group **will start its next program year on November 14<sup>th</sup> and will meet on Tuesday nights from 7pm to 9:30pm.** We have room to add 6 additional members to our group. Students commit one year at a time and the cost of \$375 includes the texts. Scholarships are available. Red info packets are available in the back of the church for those interested. For more information please contact susie.harding@stmmts.org.

### ESOL Needs Volunteers

ESOL at St. Matt's is growing. We welcome additional volunteers to assist with language instruction with adults and to assist bilingual children with homework. We can also use your old board games. **ESOL meets at 6:45pm Monday nights, and runs until 8:15pm.** You do not have to come every week-- once or twice a month is fine. Training and materials are provided. You'll find it a very rewarding experience. Help us to welcome the stranger in our midst. For more information, contact Roz Gann: 423-202-0007 or rrgann@gmail.com.

### New App to 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.

### 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. We offer a wide variety of worship experiences at Saint Matthew's but are always striving to improve. You should have received an email 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.

### Oktoberfest Celebration

**Sunday, October 22, 2017 at Noon**  
Our annual Oktoberfest will be held on Sunday, October 22, immediately following the 11am service. Authentic German sausages, pretzel rolls, and sauerkraut will be provided.

Based on your last name, please bring the following items to share:

A-E 24-pack of Root Beer or water and ice

F-M Dessert (15-20 servings)

N-Z Side Dish (15-20 servings)

Miss Ashly has fun activities planned for the children and we hope you'll take the time to get to know some St. Matt's friends from other services.

If you would like to help, please contact Susan at susan@stmmts.org.