

THIS WEEK

SEPT 25:	8:00 AM – Rite I Worship Service 9:30 AM – Contemporary Service 11:00 AM – Rite II Worship Service 12:00 PM – St. Matthew's Day Celebration 12:30 PM – Cherubim Choir Practice 2:00 PM – Rebounderz Trip for SNL 3:00 PM – MCVN 7:00 PM – AA
SEPT 26:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 12:30 PM – All Ages Read 3:00 PM – Pat Garrett Memorial Reception 7:00 PM – MCVN 7:00 PM – ESOL 7:30 PM – Free to Live Small Group and Bread of Life Small Group
SEPT 27:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 10:00 AM – All Ages Read 11:00 AM – Backpack Buddies Packing 7:00 PM – Vestry Mtg & LINK Mtg 7:00 PM – AA 7:30 PM – Band Rehearsal
SEPT 28:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 9:15 AM – Bridge to Discovery 12:00 PM – AA 12:30 PM – All Ages Read 5:30 PM – NA
SEPT 29:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 10:00 AM – All Ages Read 12:00 PM – Bible Study 7:00 PM – Financial Peace University 7:30 PM – Seraphim Singer's Rehearsal 7:30 PM – Women's Group
SEPT 30:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 7:00 PM – MCVN 7:00 PM – Old Dominion Dancers
OCT 1:	7:00 AM – Flower Guild 7:30 AM – Men's Group 10:00 AM – LEM Training & Lunch 4:00 PM – Band Rehearsal 5:00 PM – Contemporary Service 7:00 PM – AA and MCVN

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

SEPTEMBER 25:	Ellen & Richard Whitehouse
SEPTEMBER 26:	Shelly D'Antoni & John Runski
SEPTEMBER 30:	Jane Jenness & Gerry Franks

ATTENDANCE

SEPTEMBER 17 & 18, 2016

Time or Place	Service	Attend.
Saturday 5:00 PM	MPII	48
8:00 AM	MPII	22
9:30 AM	MPII	145
11:00 AM	MPII	90
Faith Factory		55
Sunrise	MP	5

FINANCIAL UPDATE

AS OF SEPTEMBER 18, 2016

Revenue Required for 2016	\$701,900
Revenue Received YTD	\$407,414



CONTACT INFORMATION

Saint Matthew's telephone and fax:
703-430-2121 (phone)
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<http://www.stmmts.org>

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

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

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SAINT MATTHEW'S CHURCH

September 25, 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

September – LINK Food Collection and Delivery
October 1 – Lay Eucharistic Minister Training
October 4 – Backpack Buddies Evening Pack
October 5 – Alpha Series Begins
October 8/9 – Broadway Music Weekend
October 15 – Fall Yard Sale
October 16 – Oktoberfest
October 21 – Concert Series: Lulu's Fate
October 23 – Small Hands Big Heart Mission Team meeting
October 30 – Faith Factory Character Dress Up Day and Small Hands Big Heart visit to Falcon's Landing
November 18 & 19 – BELONG Simulcast

Saint Matthew's Children's Choir

"Cherubim Choir", has weekly rehearsals on **Sundays, from 12:30-1:30pm**. The singers will lead worship at the 11:00am service on the fourth Sunday of each month. If you have a child who can read (words) and enjoys singing, contact Kevin at kevin@stmmts.org or 303-834-0601.

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:

ML, James, Hugh, Sean, Kevin, Mo, Kevin and family, Andrew and family, Bob and family, Kiia and family, Lusak and family, Jackie, Liisa and family, Jonne and family, Kristen and family, Debbie, Steven and family, Ray and family, Kelly, Joan, Felix, Mabel, Lolly, Valerie, Clarence, Bethany, Alexandra, June, Brooks, 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, Tricia, Liz, Gladys, Shaunte and family, 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, Mary, Cliff, Judy, Adam, Jim, and Charles.

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.

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 continues Season Three with a new format (see above). Our September series talks about how God "Wired" us for relationship...

9/25 - Jump for Joy after Confirmation!

Meet us at Church at 2pm to help clean up from the Picnic, and then ride with us over to our 3-4:30 jumps at Rebounderz! Group rates are \$15, email trevor@stmmts.org for details.

Adult Mission Trips

Would you be interested in assisting with the flood recovery effort in Baton Rouge? Would you like to be part of a group returning to Port Margot, Haiti? Would you like to propose a different mission trip? Would you be willing to lead an adult mission trip? If you said yes to any of these questions, please contact Mary Petersen at maryp@stmmts.org.

The Pritchett Family, who now live in New Orleans, have reached out to see if we could put together a team to assist in Baton Rouge. We are looking at a possible January 2017 date. Please let Mary know if you are interested, so we can begin to make plans.

A return to trip to Haiti has been scheduled for July 15th – July 21st, 2017. Unfortunately, our housing location in Port Margot can only accommodate 12 people, so a reserved spot goes to the first 12 to sign-up and make a \$200 non-refundable deposit. If more people are interested, a second trip during the week of July 22nd – 28th can be added. Please see the bulletin board to sign-up. The estimated cost of this trip is \$1,400 - \$1,500.

Relational English Ministry

ESOL at St. Matt's is off to an impressive start. The large attendance numbers point to the need for English instruction in this community. We continue to need volunteers. ESOL meets on Monday evenings at 7pm. In addition to English instruction for adults, we're offering homework help to kids, childcare for the youngest, and snacks. See Roz Gann if you'd like to help. Contact information: rrggann@gmail.com or 423-202-0007.

Lay Eucharistic Minister Training

Lay Eucharistic Ministers (LEMs) are licensed by the diocese, after training here at St. Matt's, to administer the consecrated elements of the Eucharist either during a regular service or to share the sacrament with members of the congregation who are unable to be present at the celebration because of illness or infirmity.

A new half day training to license both existing LEMs and those interested in joining this important ministry will be held **Saturday, October 1st from 10 AM to 1 PM**. Lunch is included! The training will go over both the physical (stand here, do this) and the spiritual or theological aspects. An RSVP would be appreciated, but if you are moved at the last minute to join us, please do! RSVP to Katt at 703-405-4057 or cathrinekatt@gmail.com.

Small Hands, Big Hearts Mission Team

Our Mission Project for October is a Halloween visit to Falcon's Landing Retirement Community.

Sunday, October 23rd at 2pm, families are invited to join us in the Parish Hall to prepare trick or treat bags and practice singing songs for our visit on Sunday, October 30th.

Sunday, October 30th at 3pm, families will bring good fellowship and the Halloween spirit to the seniors at Falcon's Landing. Children will hand out treat bags, sing songs and read stories to their residents. Children and care givers are encouraged to wear Halloween Costumes. Space is limited, so **please RSVP by October 23rd** to Joleen Gradich at joeasterday@hotmail.com.

Alpha at Saint Matthew's

Wednesdays 6:30pm starting October 5
Explore life and the Christian faith in a fun, friendly, relaxed environment. Alpha is a series of gatherings where people can explore the big questions of life. It starts with food, then there's a short talk, followed by good conversation. There's no obligation to say anything and there's nothing you can't say (seriously!). It's an opportunity to hear from others and contribute your own perspective in an honest, friendly, and open environment. Alpha begins Wednesday, October 5th at 6:30pm. More details can be found on the hallway bulletin board or email John and Tom at Alpha@stmmts.org.

Oktoberfest

Our annual Oktoberfest will be held on **October 16, 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 & ice;
F-P Side Dish (15-20 servings); **Q-Z** Dessert (15-20 servings)

If you would like to help, please contact Mike at Brennan.mg@gmail.com.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

SEPTEMBER 25:	Julie Jacoby
SEPTEMBER 25:	Mia Jurkovic
SEPTEMBER 26:	Brian Rugen
SEPTEMBER 26:	Max Morrison
SEPTEMBER 27:	Mike DelNegro
SEPTEMBER 28:	Rob Merola
SEPTEMBER 28:	Allison Pritchett
SEPTEMBER 29:	Megan Rickard
SEPTEMBER 30:	Zack Rugen
OCTOBER 1:	Brenden O'Hara
OCTOBER 1:	Kathleen Buckingham
OCTOBER 1:	Natascha Hunter
OCTOBER 1:	Jack Runski
OCTOBER 1:	Ana Hendon

Backpack Buddies

We will be packing this Tuesday, September 27th at 11:00 am in the classroom on the hill. Join us to help pack weekend food for our needy kids. We are also taking food donations (ALL INDIVIDUAL sized): ravioli, canned tuna or Vienna sausages, oatmeal or cold cereal, 100% juice packs, MILK, fruit cups, and Ramen. We also need regular and substitute delivery volunteers for schools in the Sterling/Cascades area.

Please email for more info: carolwhitakerblack@gmail.com or micheledevaney@gmail.com. THANKS!

Yard Sale is Coming - October 15th

As you start to pull out your fall clothes, please consider donating your gently used items to the Yard Sale. We'll start to accept donations the week of October 9th. If you have questions regarding the Yard Sale and how you can help, please reach out to Wilma Sargent at wilsar2@verizon.net