

THIS WEEK	
AUG 27:	8:00 AM – Rite I Worship Service 9:30 AM – Contemporary Service 11:00 AM – Rite II Worship Service 2:00 PM – Orchestra Rehearsal 3:00 PM – MCVN 5:30 PM – SNL – Middle School 7:00 PM – Building and Grounds Meeting 7:00 PM – AA 7:00 PM – SNL – High School
AUG 28:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 7:00 PM – ESOL 7:30 PM – Free to Live Small Group and Bread of Life Small Group
AUG 29:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 11:00 AM – Backpack Buddies Packing 7:00 PM – AA 7:30 PM – Band Rehearsal
AUG 30:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 12:00 PM – AA 5:30 PM – NA 7:00 PM – Vestry Strategy Meeting
AUG 31:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 12:00 PM – Bible Study 7:30 PM – Seraphim Singers Rehearsal
SEP 1:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 7:30 PM – First Friday Fellowship
SEP 2:	7:00 AM – Flower Guild 7:30 AM – Men's Group 8:00 AM – Fellowship Breakfast 4:00 PM – Frederick Keys Game & Potluck Dinner 4:00 PM – Band Rehearsal 5:00 PM – Contemporary Service 7:00 PM – MCVN and AA 10:00 PM – MCVN

ATTENDANCE		
AUGUST 19 & 20, 2017		
Time or Place	Service	Attend.
Saturday 5:00 PM	RII	53
8:00 AM	RI	30
9:30 AM	RII	180
11:00 AM	RII	79
Faith Factory		26
Sunrise	MP	6

FINANCIAL UPDATE	
AS OF 22 AUGUST, 2017	
Revenue Required for 2017	\$757,771
Revenue Received YTD	\$403,241

CONTACT INFORMATION

Saint Matthew's telephone and fax:
703-430-2121 (phone)
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Darrell Breed, *Junior Warden*
Susie Harding, Nick Hunter, Susan Jones,
David Lathrop, Dan Robertson, John
Thomas, Heather Tomaszek

HAPPY BIRTHDAY	
AUGUST 28:	Clara Johnson
AUGUST 29:	Sarah Dillistn
AUGUST 29:	Grayson Brennan
AUGUST 30:	Benjamin Milligan
AUGUST 31:	J.D. Rickard
SEPTEMBER 1:	Adrian Mattina
SEPTEMBER 1:	Vicki Nelson
SEPTEMBER 1:	Kathleen Ecker

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY	
AUGUST 30:	Kathleen & Jeffery Buckingham

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SAINT MATTHEW'S CHURCH August 27, 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

September 2 - Frederick Keys Game and Potluck Dinner
September 3 – Faith Factory Kick-off
September 9 – Community Lunch
September 11 – ESOL Begins
September 20 – Financial Peace Univ.
September 24 – Saint Matthew's Day
September 27 – Alpha Begins
September 28 – Talking to Kids about Race Workshop
November 2 – All Souls Day Service
November 4 – Annual Convention
November 11 – Veteran's Day and Community Lunch

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.

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:

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, James, Hugh, Sean, Kevin, Mona, 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, Ryan, Frank, Frances, Jackie and family, Dan, Lorraine, Mac, Ayden, the Brittain family, Vera, Candace, Jane, Vivian, and Chervenak 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.

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.

Join us Sunday, September 3rd for a special Back to School SNL!

Special Event

September 28th at 7pm

After Charlottesville: Talking to our kids about race.

Alpha

Wednesdays, starting September 27th

Alpha is an introduction to the Christian faith and is open to anyone. 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 are called to help with the course and about whom you might want to invite. 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@stmmts.org with any questions.

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@stmmts.org or 303-834-0601.

Backpack Buddies is Gearing Up

Backpack Buddies is gearing up for the new school year! We are in search of volunteers to help with delivery to Horizon ES. If you could donate thirty minutes a week to this cause, please contact Hilary Hultman-Lee at HHLlearning@gmail.com or 571-269-8648.

We can also use packing volunteers on Tuesdays at 11 am (except for first Tuesdays at 7pm).

SAVE THE DATE

Next Backpack Buddies packs **Tuesday Aug 29th at 11am and Sept 5th at 7pm** in the Classroom on the Hill.

St. Matt's Family Day at the Ball Field

Come and watch the Frederick Keys take on the Potomac Nationals on **Saturday, September 2nd**. The potluck dinner starts at 4:00pm – Fried Chicken and Drinks will be provided. Every family should bring a side dish or dessert to share. Dinner will be at the pavilion in front of the stadium. The game starts at 6pm and fireworks start as soon as game is over. Kids under 12 get to run the bases after the fireworks.

Tickets are: \$10 for Adults

\$8 kids 2-12 years (2 & under are FREE)

\$8 for seniors (over the age of 60)

\$7 wristbands for the "All you ride" (can NOT be purchased on game day)

Please use the sign-up sheet in the hall.

Any questions please call Maureen Albrethsen 703-431-5415 or email at maureen_pgh@yahoo.com

2017-2018 Faith Factory

Classes Begin September 3rd Register by August 27th

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 3rd. Please complete the registration form and submit to the church office by August 27th. Forms are available in the August newsletter or online at stmmts.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@stmmts.org.

Get Ready for ESOL

We will have a training and organizational meeting for the St. Matthew's ESOL program on Monday, August 28 from 7:00-8:15pm.

If you have not participated in this rewarding ministry, please consider doing so. It's a very rewarding experience. You don't need to be a teacher, and you don't need to know another language. You do not have to come every week. Classes themselves meet from 7:00-8:15pm every Monday during the school year.

For further information, contact Roz Gann: rrgann@gmail.com or 423-202-0007.

Financial Peace University (FPU)

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 20th 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