

THIS WEEK

JAN 21:	8:00 AM – Rite I Worship Service 9:30 AM – Contemporary Service 11:15 AM – Live Stream from the National Cathedral 12:30 PM – Children’s Music Ministry 3:00 PM – MCVN 5:30 PM – SNL Middle School 7:00 PM – AA 7:00 PM – SNL High School
JAN 22:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 6:30 PM – ESOL 7:30 PM – Free to Live Small Group, Bread of Life Small Group, & Falcons’s Landing Bible Study
JAN 23:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 9:30 AM – All Ages Read Together 11:00 AM – Backpack Buddies Packing 7:00 PM – EfM & Vestry Meeting 7:00 PM – AA 7:30 PM – Band Rehearsal
JAN 24:	9:00 AM – Classroom to Discovery 9:30 AM – Bridge to Discovery 12:00 PM – AA 5:30 PM – NA
JAN 25:	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 7:15 PM – Financial Peace University 7:15 PM – WatCH on Thursday 7:30 PM – Seraphim Singers Rehearsal
JAN 26:	High Schoolers SNL Winter Retreat Starts 9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 7:00 PM – Old Dominion Dancers
JAN 27:	7:00 AM – Flower Guild 7:30 AM – Men’s Group 8:00 AM – Fellowship Breakfast 8:00 AM – Cub Scout Pinewood Derby 3:30 PM – Celebration of Life for Patricia Stevenson 4:00 PM – Band Rehearsal 5:00 PM – Contemporary Service 7:00 PM – MCVN and AA 10:00 PM – MCVN

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

JANUARY 23:	Pat & Tom Buehler
JANUARY 24:	Renee & John Martin

ATTENDANCE

JANUARY 13 & 14, 2018

Time or Place	Service	Attend.
Saturday 5:00 PM	RII	51
8:00 AM	RI	20
9:30 AM	RII	160
11:00 AM	RII	110
Faith Factory		36
Sunrise	MP	6

FINANCIAL UPDATE

AS OF JANUARY 16, 2018

Revenue Required for 2018	\$880,904
Revenue Received YTD	\$18,417

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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Thomas, Heather Tomaszek

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

SAINT MATTHEW’S CHURCH

January 21, 2018

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

February 2 – First Friday Fun & Fellowship
February 4 – Annual Meeting
February 6 – Evening Backpack Buddies
February 13 – Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
February 14 – Ash Wednesday Services at 6am, noon, and 7:30pm
March 3 – Children’s Wellness Day
March 10 – Community Lunch
April 1 – Easter
May 13 – Mother’s Day
May 20 – Pentecost
July 1-7 – SNL Middle School Summer Trip
July 23-27 – Vacation Bible School
July 29 – August 4 – SNL High School Summer Trip

Backpack Buddies

Backpack Buddies is packing on Tuesdays! We would love volunteers to join us at 11am on January 23rd or 30th or at 7pm on February 6th 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 HLLlearning@gmail.com with any questions.

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, Todd, George, Corinne, Barbara, Joe, Ryan, Frank, Frances, Jackie & family, Dan, Lorraine, Mac, Ayden, Brittain family, Vera, Jane, Candace, Vivian, Chervenak family, Camden, California Fire & Rain 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, Laurie, Nicholas, Gary, Angie’s family, Benjamin, Vivian and sons, Kathy, Cal, Patti, Melvin family, Charlene, Marvis, Chris, Valerie, Charlene, Ed, Ava, Gina, Cari, Brian, Amelia, Josie, Anderson family, Kim, Isaac, Matthew, Becca, Donald, David, Philip, Grey, Monica, Isabella and Nicolas, Chase, Chris, Hillary, John, Taylor, Grant, and Family Pets.

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.

SNL High School is doing **Youth Alpha** in January and February! **Join us from 7-9pm on Sunday nights.** St. Matt's high schoolers are invited to be a part of Youth Alpha. We'll share dinner together, watch a short video, and discuss what we all believe about God, faith, and church. Bring your friends!! Location to be announced, contact Elliott@stmmts.org for more details.

The High Schoolers are invited to our second annual Winter Retreat **the last weekend in January!** We are heading back up to Pennsylvania to the same epic cabin as last year for some fun in the snow, incredible food, worship, and fellowship! We will leave **Friday the 26th and return Sunday evening on the 28th.** RSVP ASAP with Elliott@stmmts.org! Cost: \$200

Is It Too Early To Think About The Stations of the Cross For Holy Week?

For those of you who participated in the Stations of the Cross last year, you could probably see that they took months to plan. We want to do that again, and then some! So, no, it is not too early. We are looking for 12 folks to provide their artistic skills to depict one of the twelve stations. We are currently taking names and will soon provide a list of the stations to the interested artists. Please contact Vicki Nelson at van@sacklaw.com if you are interested in participating as an artist. Also, if you are interested in being part of the planning of this exciting offering, please contact Vicki Nelson as well at van@sacklaw.com.

ESOL

ESOL at St. Matt's is on Monday nights **from 6:30 to 8:15pm.** We can always use volunteers. Come to participate in a rewarding experience. It is not necessary to know a foreign language. For more information, contact Roz Gann 423-202-0007 or rrgann@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).

Pancake Tuesday

February 13th – 6pm to 8pm

"Mardi Gras," "Fat Tuesday," "Shrove Tuesday"...these all tell us the same thing! It's time to clean out the pantry of all the rich foods and things we are giving up for Lent! It's one final 'hurrah' before many of us embark on our annual 40-day spiritual pilgrimage. And in typical church fashion, where there is great sorrow or struggle, there is also great rejoicing and celebration! So come on out to this Youth-sponsored event for a delicious breakfast feast of pancakes, fruit, and meat!

4th Annual Children's Wellness Day

Kids, it's time to get out and active! Save the Date for our 4th Annual Children's Wellness Day on **Saturday, March 3rd from 2:00-5:00pm.** This is a free community event and all are welcome. More details to come soon! We hope to see you there!

Vacation Bible School 2018

Save the date for the most awesome week of the summer! Vacation Bible School 2018 will be from July 23rd-27th! Be on the lookout next month for the announcement of the 2018 VBS theme!

WatCH - OT!

For many years now, one of the programs we have offered at St. Matt's is WatCH: Wednesdays at Church. This January, WatCH returns. On Thursdays!

Yes, you read that right. On Thursday nights, we'll meet at 6:45pm for dinner with the Choir and Financial Peace University. Then at 7:15, we'll start a Bible study on "Following Jesus." We'll consider that Jesus did not so much as hand out answers as demonstrate an approach to life—an approach that is every bit as powerful and transformative today as it was 2000 years ago. We hope you will join us!

SNL High School 2018 Mission Trip

We are headed to New York, New York for urban ministry with CSM (City Service Mission) this summer! We're going to be working with local kids, and a whole variety of community-based ministries around the city. It's going to be an absolutely incredible time of service, fellowship, faith, and fun. Don't miss out, and invite your friends! **Dates: July 29th-August 4th; Price: \$550** RSVP with a \$100 deposit starting in February.

SNL Middle School 2018 Mission Trip

We are teaming up with Team Effort again this year to do some mission work, but this time we are road tripping a little closer to home: Virginia Beach! We'll be working on different repair projects in lower income areas that need a little extra love, and would love it if you joined us!

Dates: July 1st-7th; Price: \$430

RSVP with a \$100 deposit starting in February.

Puerto Rico Mission Trip

We always go to help those with the greatest need! St. Matthew's is looking forward to serving the people of Puerto Rico after the devastating hurricane season of 2017. Tentatively scheduled for the week of August 4th, we are working with Praying Pelican Missions, who St. Matthew's has worked with for over a decade on other mission trips such as Haiti and Belize. This will be an adult mission trip that will involve a variety of ministries including rebuilding and children and community outreach. Please email David Diegtel at Diegtelsport@gmail.com if you have questions or are interested in attending.

Financial Peace University 2018

Are you ready to make a financial turnaround in the New Year? Join us for Financial Peace University on Thursdays starting in January. Free childcare is included. Register today at: <https://fpu.com/1053656>

HAPPY BIRTHDAY	
JANUARY 21:	Nick Sharp
JANUARY 21:	Jacob Westover
JANUARY 22:	Glenn Lintelman
JANUARY 22:	John Runski
JANUARY 24:	Natalie Brennan
JANUARY 25:	Ceci O'Grady
JANUARY 26:	Alice Otis
JANUARY 26:	Allison Lesser
JANUARY 26:	Madison Basil
JANUARY 27:	Grace Kelly