

## THIS WEEK

NOV 19:	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 3:00 PM – MCVN 5:30 PM – SNL – Middle School 7:00 PM – AA
NOV 20:	7:00 PM – SNL – High School 9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 6:30 PM – ESOL 7:30 PM – Free to Live Small Group and Bread of Life Small Group & Falcon's Landing Bible Study
NOV 21:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 9:30 AM – All Ages Read Together 11:00 AM – Backpack Buddies Packing 7:00 PM – EfM 7:00 PM – AA 7:30 PM – Band Rehearsal
NOV 22:	12:00 PM – AA 5:30 PM – NA
NOV 23:	8:00 AM – NA All Day Meeting
NOV 24:	<b>Tile Floor Cleaning</b>
NOV 25:	<b>Tile Floor Cleaning</b> 7:00 AM – Flower Guild 7:30 AM – Men's Group 4:00 PM – Band Rehearsal 5:00 PM – Contemporary Service 7:00 PM – MCVN and AA 10:00 PM – MCVN

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

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

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

NOVEMBER 19:	Sam Sharp
NOVEMBER 19:	Megan Greenlund
NOVEMBER 20:	Susan Norris
NOVEMBER 20:	Brynn Hunter
NOVEMBER 21:	Danielle Gobeille
NOVEMBER 21:	Connor Grimm
NOVEMBER 21:	Matthew Milligan
NOVEMBER 23:	Ellie Hurst
NOVEMBER 24:	Erin Long
NOVEMBER 25:	Darrell Breed
NOVEMBER 25:	Lars Nyman
NOVEMBER 25:	Isaac Crawley

## ATTENDANCE

NOVEMBER 11 & 12, 2017

Time or Place	Service	Attend.
Saturday 5:00 PM	RII	37
8:00 AM	RI	23
9:30 AM	RII	170
11:00 AM	RII	87
Faith Factory		50
Sunrise	MP	6
Veterans Day Service	RII	95

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

AS OF NOVEMBER 9, 2017

Revenue Required for 2017	\$757,771
Revenue Received YTD	\$520,945

### Ways to Financially Support the Ministry Work at Saint Matthew's

- Online: [Go.stmmts.org/give](http://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

#### Saint Matthew's telephone and fax:

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#### Vestry:

Steve Buck, *Senior Warden*  
Darrell Breed, *Junior Warden*  
Susie Harding, Nick Hunter, Susan Jones,  
David Lathrop, Dan Robertson, John  
Thomas, Heather Tomaszek

## TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER

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SAINT MATTHEW'S CHURCH

November 19, 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

November 23 – Thanksgiving Day  
December 3 – Advent Wreath Making and Pageant Rehearsals Begin  
December 6 – Prayer and Praise  
December 10 – Pageant Rehearsal  
December 17 – Pageant Rehearsal  
December 23 – 10am Pageant Rehearsal  
December 16 – Parish Work Day and Living Nativity  
December 17 – Lessons and Carols  
December 23 – No Saturday Service and Pageant Final Full Rehearsal  
December 24 Christmas Eve Services – 3pm Pageant, 7pm, 9pm, & 11pm

### Christmas Worship Schedule

#### Christmas Eve: December 24

No morning services on December 24

- ❖ **3:00pm**, Christmas Pageant and Communion in the Parish Hall
- ❖ **7:00pm**, Festival Christmas Service with Band
- ❖ **9:00pm**, Classic Christmas Service with Choir
- ❖ **10:30pm**, Carols
- ❖ **11:00pm**, Radiant Candlelight Service with Choir.

#### Christmas Day: December 25

- ❖ **10:00am**, Peaceful Communion

### 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 and family, Anna, Rick, Allene, Lutz Family, Mart, Marie, Todd, George, Corinne, Barbara, Joe, Ryan, Frank, Frances, Jackie & family, Dan, Lorraine, Mac, Ayden, Brittain family, Vera, Jane, Candace, Vivian, Chervenak family, Camden, Earthquake and Hurricane 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, Nicholas, and Laurie.

**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).

### **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.

### **Christmas Flower Dedications**

Honor a loved one, give thanks for an anniversary or accomplishment, or commemorate a loved one's birthday, special occasion or memorial by contributing to the Christmas flower arrangements.

To make a flower dedication, please use the envelopes provided in the pews or the form on the table in the narthex. Place the envelope with your payment in the offering plate or church office by Sunday, December 18th. Please write "Christmas Flowers" in the memo of your check. Dedications of any amount are welcome.

### **Backpack Buddies**

Backpack Buddies is packing on Tuesdays! We would love volunteers to join us at **11am on November 28<sup>th</sup> or at 7pm on December 5<sup>th</sup>** 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 (HLLlearning@gmail.com) with any questions.

### **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@stmtts.org).

### **Giving Tree**

The 2017 St. Matthew's Giving Tree is in the Narthex. Please help others less than fortunate than we celebrate Christmas by selecting one or more ornaments from the tree and **returning the indicated items no later than December 10<sup>th</sup>**. The gifts should be returned unwrapped and left under the tree. If you would like to "adopt" a family this year, there are several house shaped ornaments on the tree with basic info about the families we are supporting this year. All donated ornament gifts will be taken to the LINK Christmas distribution site so they can be distributed to needy families. Contact Darrell Breed at 703-444-2451 or darrellandmerry@verizon.net for more information.

### **Prayer and Praise Worship**

**Wednesday, December 6, 7pm**

You are invited to join Fr. Rob as he leads our December Prayer and Praise worship service. He's specifically chosen musical selections that have been meaningful to him in his spiritual journey and he looks forward to sharing them with you.

### **ESOL Needs Volunteers**

ESOL continues to meet on Monday evenings from 6:45pm to 8:15pm to support language learners in our community. We'd love to have you join us! You do not need to know a foreign language, nor are you expected to come every week. Be part of this rewarding experience where we welcome the stranger in our midst. For further details, contact Roz Gann rrgann@gmail.com; 423-202-0007.

### **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. We had 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 12:15-1:15pm:** Full Pageant Rehearsal #1 in the Sanctuary

**Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> 12:15-1:15pm:** Full Pageant Rehearsal #2 in the Sanctuary

**Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup> 12:15-1:15pm:** Full Pageant Rehearsal #3 in the Sanctuary

**Saturday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> 10:00-11:30am:** FINAL Full Pageant Rehearsal in the Parish Hall (with risers/microphone)

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

2:15pm-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@stmtts.org.

### **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. Register at: <https://fpu.com/1053656>

### **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@stmtts.org, Susie Harding, Spiritual Formation Chairperson.

### **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. You can also access the same information online at: [go.stmtts.org/myprofile](http://go.stmtts.org/myprofile).

### **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.stmtts.org/Amazon](http://go.stmtts.org/Amazon). 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@stmtts.org](mailto:Office@stmtts.org) for information.

### **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. You may use the link ([Go.stmtts.org/survey](http://Go.stmtts.org/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.