

THIS WEEK	
OCT 22:	8:00 AM – Rite I Worship Service 9:30 AM – Contemporary Service 11:00 AM – Rite II Worship Service 12:00 PM – Oktoberfest 2:30 PM – EfM 3:00 PM – MCVN 5:30 PM – SNL – Middle School 7:00 PM – AA 7:00 PM – SNL – High School
OCT 23:	7:30 PM – Falcon's Landing Bible Study 7:30 PM – Free to Live Small Group and Bread of Life Small Group
OCT 24:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 9:30 AM – All Ages Read Together 11:00 AM – Backpack Buddies Packing 7:00 PM – Vestry Meeting 7:00 PM – AA 7:30 PM – Band Rehearsal
OCT 25:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 10:00 AM – Bridge to Discovery 12:00 PM – AA 5:30 PM – NA 7:00 PM – Alpha 7:15 PM – Financial Peace University
OCT 26:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 9:30 AM – All Ages Read Together 12:00 PM – Bible Study 7:30 PM – Seraphim Singers Rehearsal
OCT 27:	9:00 AM – Classroom of Discovery 7:00 PM – Old Dominion Dancers
OCT 29:	7:00 AM – Flower Guild 7:30 AM – Men's Group 9:00 AM – Reverence Committee Mtg 10:00 AM – LEM Training 12:00 PM – Private Use 4:00 PM – Band Rehearsal 5:00 PM – Contemporary Service 8:00 PM – Private Use 7:00 PM – MCVN and AA 10:00 PM – MCVN

ATTENDANCE		
OCTOBER 14 & 15, 2017		
Time or Place	Service	Attend.
Saturday 5:00 PM	RII	46
8:00 AM	RI	19
9:30 AM	RII	147
11:00 AM	RII	114
Faith Factory		53
Sunrise	MP	5

FINANCIAL UPDATE	
AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2017	
Revenue Required for 2017	\$757,771
Revenue Received YTD	\$491,631

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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TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SAINT MATTHEW'S CHURCH October 22, 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 28/29 – Survivor Weekend
October 29 – Faith Factory Character Dress Up Day
November 2 – All Souls Day Service
November 4 – Annual Convention
November 5 – Christmas Pageant Mtg
November 11 – Veterans Day Service and Community Lunch
November 12 – Christmas Pageant Casting
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 11th, 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 to 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, Hurricane, and Fire 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, Sheri, Lise, Louise, Fredrik, Rolanda, Cathy, and Amber.

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.

ESOL Needs Volunteers

ESOL will not be held on Monday, October 23rd or November 7th. We hope to see you on Monday, October 30th. For more information, contact Roz Gann: 423-202-0007 or rrgann@gmail.com.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY	
OCTOBER 22:	Theresa & Jim Helein
OCTOBER 27:	Mimi & Fredrik Nyman

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.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

OCTOBER 22:	Angela McKeown
OCTOBER 22:	Harrison Collins
OCTOBER 23:	David Diegtel
OCTOBER 23:	Jessica Pyhtila
OCTOBER 23:	Kyle Wilson
OCTOBER 23:	Cammie Ecker
OCTOBER 24:	Kevin Fletcher
OCTOBER 24:	Ashly Townsend
OCTOBER 24:	Tristan Fishel
OCTOBER 25:	Keith Townsend
OCTOBER 26:	Brenda Jacoby
OCTOBER 26:	Holly Marvin
OCTOBER 26:	Patrick Whitehouse
OCTOBER 27:	John Thomas
OCTOBER 27:	John DelNegro
OCTOBER 27:	Morgan Fisher
OCTOBER 27:	Taylor Fisher
OCTOBER 27:	Jack Milligan
OCTOBER 27:	Jacob Fano
OCTOBER 28:	Donnie Zurawski
OCTOBER 28:	Audra Vallejo

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.

Lay Eucharistic Minister/Lectors Needed

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 will be on October 29 at 10am and is short and easy. For more information please contact Katt Hancher at cathrinekatt@gmail.com or 703-405-4057.

Flower Dedications

The flowers behind the altar this morning are given by June and Van Harrison in honor of their late friend, Joseph M. Young.

Faith Factory Character Dress-Up Day

October 29th

Pirates, Princesses and Super Heroes 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!

Small Hands, Big Hearts

K-5 Children - Join us for our 2nd annual visit to Falcons Landing residents 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.

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 14th 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.

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.stmmts.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.

Backpack Buddies

Please join us at 11am on October 24 or 31, or at 7pm on November 7 in the Classrooms 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.

All Souls Day Memorial Worship

Thursday, November 2, 2017, 7:00pm

Saint Matthew's will hold an All Souls Day Memorial Service on Thursday, November 2nd at 7:00pm in the sanctuary. Everyone is welcome to join us as we remember those we have lost through music, prayer and poetry. The names of those we are remembering will be read aloud during the service and an opportunity will be given to light a candle for your loved one. All those in attendance are invited to a reception immediately following the service.

Christmas Pageant Meeting and Casting

November 5th & 12th

It's hard to believe 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. All children who have an interest in acting and singing are invited to participate. We have lots of opportunities including speaking and non-speaking roles. There is a part for everyone!

The pageant does not work without all of you so please consider volunteering. An informational meeting will be held on Sunday, November 5th for parents of interested children following the 9:30 and 11:00 services in Classroom 4. Casting and "auditions" for speaking parts will be held on Sunday, November 12th in Classroom 4 following the 9:30 and 11:00 services. If you are unable to attend or need additional information, please contact Ashly Townsend at ashly@stmmts.org

New Ways 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. You can also access the same information online at: go.stmmts.org/myprofile.