

**Order of Worship**

**Holy Humor Sunday**

**April 15, 2018**

+Please stand as you are able

Worship Leader 8:45 Jerry Hardison 11:00 Peg Jones

Welcome and Friendship Connections

+Choral Introit "Somebody Touched Me"

+Call to Worship

Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: through your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow;

**Though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.**

Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

**May He teach us His ways and that we may walk in His paths of righteousness.**

+Hymn of Praise "Lay Me Down"

+Affirmation of Faith from I Timothy p. 889

Choral Response "This I Believe" ATD

**We believe in God the Father. We believe in Jesus Christ. We believe in the Holy Spirit, And He's given us new life! We believe in the crucifixion! We believe that He conquered death! We believe in the resurrection! And He's comin' back, He's comin' back again! He's comin' back again! We believe! We believe!**

Responsive Psalter Psalm 4 (with response) p. 741

Epistle Reading I John 1: 1-7

Blessings and Faith Stories

Call to Prayer "Mighty to Save"

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Moments with Young Disciples 8:45 Linda Reichard 11:00 Children Sing  
*We provide a staffed nursery for infants - 5 year olds during worship.*

Receiving the Offering Prayer of Dedication Worship Leader

+Doxology p. 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, Whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Special Music "I Cannot Come"

Gospel Reading John 20: 19-31

Message "Was There Ever a Doubt?" Tim Ware

+Hymn of Discipleship "Have You Seen Jesus My Lord?"

+ Benediction

+Recessional "A Place in the Choir"

**FREE BOOKS**

Books - Free to a good home ☺ Select one or more from the table outside the sanctuary.



**children's choir - TODAY!**

The CHILDREN'S CHOIR will sing at the 11:00 service TODAY.

POC: Liz Morris

**KID'S CLUB ~ KITE'S FOR JESUS ~ TODAY**

Following the 11:00 service

"Let's go fly a kite, Up to the highest height!!" \*\*PLEASE BRING A KITE\*\*



**U.M. Men's Yard Sale~ Sat., April 21**

If you would like to donate yard sale items, please bring them to the church Friday, April 20.



The Gideons International  
**Spreading the Good News**

On Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, we will welcome Matthew Wagoner to share a brief faith story from his recent travels with Gideons International. Please bring a love offering to share in the ministry of Bible distribution.

**POTATO BAR**

**Sunday, April 29**

To benefit **LOCAL MISSIONS**

**CINCO DE MAYO ~ TACO BAR AND BUNCO GAME NIGHT**

SATURDAY, MAY 5 ~ 4-9:00 PM ~ St. Matthias UMC

Proceeds to benefit the Honduras mission trip.

**KITS FOR CONFERENCE**

Thank you for supporting our UMW in the mission of Kits for Conference. If you are bringing ingredients for Health and School Kits, please bring them to church in the box in our mission hallway NO LATER THAN Sunday, May 6th. Kits will be assembled May 9th.

If you are bringing kits already assembled, please bring them to our church office NO LATER than Sunday, May 27th. Kits will be dedicated in worship Sunday, June 3rd

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

**AUGUST 6-10, 2018 ~ 9:00-12:00**



It's not too early to start thinking about Vacation Bible School! There are lots of positions to fill. Maybe you did something last summer that you'd like to do again? Planning Meeting will be during lunch on Sunday, April 29<sup>th</sup>. Grab a potato and bring it to room 10! Please contact Liz Morris for more information: [momx3gnmad@verizon.net](mailto:momx3gnmad@verizon.net), (540) 226-5133

**LAY SERVANT TRAINING ~ MAY 4-5, 2018**

The Rappahannock River District is pleased to offer Lay Servant training May 4-5 at Warsaw UMC (287 Main Street, Warsaw). The classes will be Friday evening from 6:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Applications are due no later than April 30. Contact Lay Servant Ministries Director, Dottie Garrison, 703.403.8953 or [dottiegarrison@yahoo.com](mailto:dottiegarrison@yahoo.com) for more information.

*This Week at a Glance*

**Sunday, April 15**

*Happy Birthday Becky Machleit*

**9:45 a.m. Adults**

"Good News" Bible Study Rm. 10  
"Romans" Fellowship Hall  
"Anxious for Nothing" Youth Rm. A

**9:45 a.m. Children & Youth**

6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Youth Youth Rm B  
1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Rm. 8  
Preschoolers - K Rm. 6  
Nursery Rm. 15

7:30 a.m. UMM Breakfast  
11:00 a.m. Children Sing  
12:15 p.m. Kite's For Jesus Kid's Club Event  
5:00 p.m. Praise Practice  
5:45 p.m. Evening Worship  
6:30 p.m. UMYF

**Monday, April 16**

*Happy Birthday Brian Plum*  
9:00-11:00 Food Pantry  
10:00 a.m. Prayer  
11:30 a.m. Disciple 4 Class  
5:30 p.m. Upper Room  
6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts

**Tuesday, April 17**

*Happy Anniversary Jerry & Barbara Hardison*  
7:45 a.m. Exercise  
1:00 p.m. God's Celebrators @ Celebrate  
6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts  
7:00 p.m. Wesleyan Bldg. Bros.

**Wednesday, April 18**

10:00 a.m. UMW Meeting  
5:30 p.m. Ringers Practice  
6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts  
7:00 p.m. Choir

**Thursday, April 19**

*Happy Birthday Bonnie Gardner & Pete Wick*  
6:00 p.m. Upper Room  
6:29 p.m. Prayer  
7:00 p.m. AI-Anon  
7:00 p.m. Ad Council

**Friday, April 20**

1:00-5:00 p.m. Love & Laundry

**Saturday, April 21**

*Happy Birthday Brittany Morris, Erin Wetzel & Gene Pitzer*  
7:00 a.m. Pray Like a Man  
8:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study  
9:00 a.m. UMM Yard Sale

*WE SHARE THE AIR*

In consideration of those with respiratory difficulties, please consider using fragrance free or lightly scented products and colognes. Thank you for considering those with allergies and breathing problems.

## Joe Dunkin Scholarship

The United Methodist Men annually accept applications for a \$500 scholarship to a graduating senior from the congregation, in memory of Joe Dunkin. Joe, retired from the Stafford High School, was a long time member of the Church, a spiritual leader to many and a tenor in the Church Choir. In his 80's, Joe's voice could still make the building reverberate to his song. Young men wishing to apply need to submit a free form essay discussing your faith and church involvement, community and school extracurricular activities, collegiate plans; and what you see as God's calling for your future.

Essays should be submitted in hard copy to the either the Church Office or dropped in the United Methodist Men (UMM) mailbox; and by email attachment sent to Mr. Matt McBride at [mattmcb29@verizon.net](mailto:mattmcb29@verizon.net). Essays should be submitted no later than May 25<sup>th</sup>. Presentation of the scholarship will be during a worship service in June.

## CELEBRATING 70 YEARS OF THE ADVANCE

Seventy years ago this year, The Advance was born out of disaster – a postwar world where hope seemed lost for many people. Bringing people hope and healing in the hour of greatest need has been near the heart of The Advance for seven decades. It should come as no surprise, then, that the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) has been central to the work of The Advance from the beginning. The Advance funds more than 300 missionaries and over 600 projects affecting every geological region of the world. To learn more or to make a donation, please Visit [UMCmission.org/give](http://UMCmission.org/give)

## Prayers of the Community of Faith!

There is power in prayer! Please write the names of those you want lifted up in prayer on the Prayer Card in your Friendship Pad. These persons will remain on the prayer list for 21 days (Daniel 10:10-14). Their names may be resubmitted after the 21 days.

**Mourning / Families of:** ●Norma Jean Keaton (S. Rawlins) ●Diana Farrar's father-in-law ●Charles Sterling (M.A. Holt) ●Janet Bowling (R. Courtney) ●Roland Bales (J. Schepers) ●Roy Werner (Paula Werner) ●Liz Ross (B. Wood) ●Diane Portner (R. Balgavy)

**Continuing Needs:** ●Velma Bailey (M. Holt) ●Paul Balgavy (R. Balgavy) ●Eileen Bowles (R. Keene) ●Debbie Carpenter (B. Anderson) ●Margaret Courtney (R. Courtney) ●Pattie Cushing (R. Keene) ●Lindsey Fortune (D. Farrar) ●Jennifer Giannuzzi (B. Giannuzzi) ●Dennis & Connie Hagan ●Mrs. "Clyde" Hambrick ●Mary Ann & David Hill (J. Studley) ●Rev. Wayne Hogue ●Shelley Holmes (B. Holmes)

●Michelle Hutchinson (D. Jenkins) ●Billie Jo Hynson (B. Gmitter) ●Pete Jerman ●Jim Kocher (J. Belako) ●Kyra (P. Vida) ●Ed Marks (J. Clark) ●George Nosek (D. Garrett) ●Mary Rose (Gene & Ruth Feltner) ●Dian Rubiera (B. Giannuzzi) ●Emerson Rudacille (J. Studley) ●Bob & Claire Runger (B. Anderson) ●Joe & Lita Schepers ●Dorothy & Pastor Bob Van Natta (W. Hogue) ●Amy Watkins (C. Hall & L. Cooper) ●Bob Watts (J. Cover) ●Renewal of UMC ●Ken & Charlotte Stockwell ●Patricia Turley (J. Keene) ●Austin Wolfe (R. Varela) ●Betty Zelloe (D. Jenkins)

**Prayer Requests from the week of March 25:** ●Allison Fuquay (M.E. Fuquay) ●Julie Rose (B. Dunkin) ●prayers for complete healing and the peace of Christ ●Cynthia Gallant (J. Cover) ●Michelle Hutchison ●Joe & Lita Schepers ●Larry & Patsy Vida ●Shaun Runion (M.T. Moore) ●Barabara Kendall ●For all who are incarcerated, their families and for truth to set captives free ●For Pastor Bert, Pastor Regina, and family as they prepare to move to Fredericksburg in June ●For Psalm 31 connections with Passion Sunday message ●For All who battle cancer and their families ●For those who work against violence and terrorism to make our world and nation a safer place ●For opportunities this week to share the love of Jesus, our Redeemed and Lord ●Layla Jefferson ●Lisa Reeves

**Prayer Requests from the week of April 1:** ●Family of Roy Werner ●Layla Jefferson ●Prayers for all who have cancer ●Shawn Moran (Susan Courtney) ●Family of Liz Ross (B. Wood) ●Ken Whitley (B. Wood) ●Lauren Polen ●Steve Waple, Jason Toombs, Janet Bahmer (R. Machleit) ●Family and friends of Diane Portner (R. Balgavy) ●Chris Scheina (Julie) (Pastor Pat) ●St. Matthias Bell Choirs traveling to Hampton for a Bells Festival Fri/Sat ●Peter Jerman ●Bob Buckman and family (M. E. Fuquay) ●Family of Janet Bowling (R. Courtney)

**Prayer Requests from the week of April 8:** ●Bert Cloud's mother (B. Wood) ●the unemployed ●Natalie Scheina (Julie & Chris) ●Pastor Bert, Pastor Regina, and family as they prepare to transition to ministries in Fredericksburg ●Families in crisis ●Amanda ●Michelle Hutchinson



## ST. MATTHIAS YOUTH GROUP

focuses on growing our faith, having LOTS of fun, and maintaining close knit fellowship. The group welcomes all 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders! You do not have to be a member of the church to be a part of it....so invite some friends!

### Upcoming:

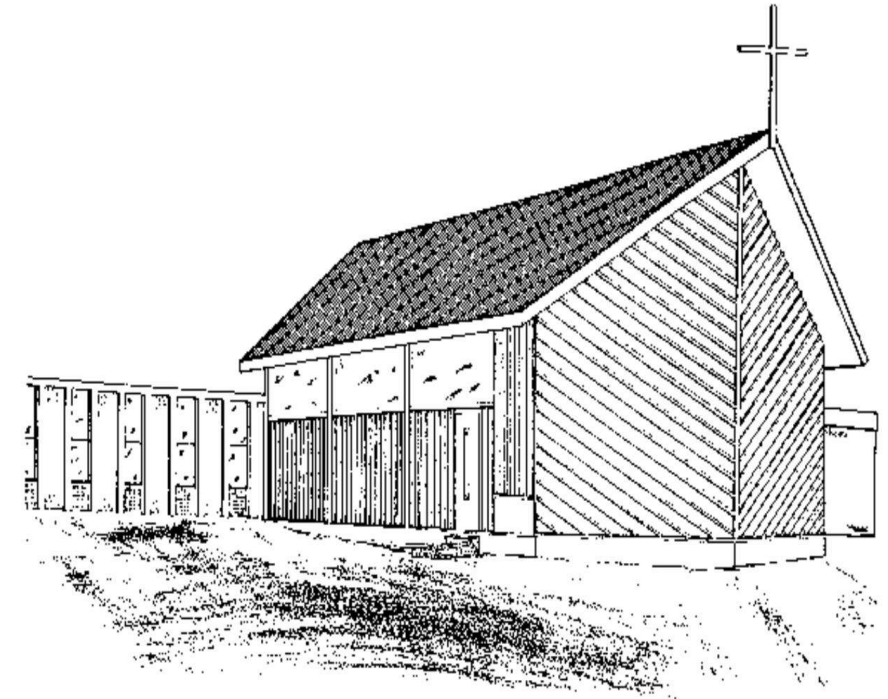
4/15 - Regular meeting: We'll be going over all info for the retreat the following weekend!

4/20-4/22 - OBX Faith Retreat!!!

4/29 and 5/6 - Regular Meetings from 6:30-8:30

5/13 - Mother's Day - No Regular Meeting....spend some quality time with your mammas!!

\*\*\*\*6/3 is Youth Sunday!!!....We'll be covering both services:\*\*\*



## St. Matthias United Methodist Church

**A Christ-centered community of faith, reaching, teaching, loving, and serving.**

**April 15, 2018**

### A Prayer Covenant Congregation of the Virginia Conference

**8:45 & 11:00 Worship**

Staffed nursery for infants – 5 yrs.

**1st & 3rd Sundays**

5:45 p.m. Evening Worship

### Discipleship Groups 9:45 – 10:45

Classes for all ages: 3 years - adults

Staffed nursery for infants - 2 years

... wheelchair available and gender-neutral handicap accessible restroom available.  
... large print bulletins and hymnals available upon request

**Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.**

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**Rev. Pat B. Tony**

### Attendance on April 8

**Sunday School: 46**

**Morning Worship: 178**