

**Order of Worship Wesleyan Covenant Renewal January 14, 2018**

+Please stand as you are able

Worship Leader 8:45 Brandon Ashby 11:00 Patrick Lonergan

Welcome and Friendship Connections

+Choral Introit "Blessed Be the Name" (2x) p. 63

+Call to Worship I Samuel 3: 1-10

+Unison Prayer

**O God, Searcher of all our hearts, You have formed us as a people and claimed us for Your own. As we come to acknowledge Your sovereignty and grace, and to enter anew into covenant with You, reveal any reluctance or falsehood within us. Let Your Spirit impress Your truth on our inmost being, and receive us in mercy, for the sake of our Mediator, Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

+ Hymn of Praise "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" (vv. 1-4) p. 117

Responsive Litany of Faith and Thanksgiving [see insert]

Choral Response "Spirit of the Living God" p. 393

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. (2x - second time "us")**

Epistle Reading Ephesians 1: 1-12

Blessings and Faith Stories Pastor Pat

Moments with Young Disciples Savannah Russett

*We provide a staffed nursery for infants - 5 year old during worship.*

Special Music "Come, Now Is the Time to Worship" St. Matthias Choir

Gospel Reading Mark 1: 4-11

Message "Gospel Changes" Pastor Pat

Covenant Prayer in the Wesleyan Tradition [see insert]

[Please bring your offerings forward as you come to renew your Covenant of Baptism. After you remember your Baptism, you are invited to pick up a shell flower.]

+Hymns of Discipleship "You Are Mine" p. 2218

"Be Thou My Vision" (vv. 1-2) p. 451

+ Benediction and Postlude Carole Hall



January KID'S CLUB will be meeting on Sunday, the 21st. We will be making snowman pictures, along with other planned activities. We will also be putting together activity bags for the children of Broward Health Salah Foundation Children's Hospital in Ft. Lauderdale, FL for terminally ill children.

We will gather following the 11:00 service in the social hall. Lunch will be provided.

POC: Liz Morris, [Momx3gnmad@verizon.net](mailto:Momx3gnmad@verizon.net) 540-226-5133

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

The Children's Choir will sing at the 11:00 service on Sunday, January 21! All children are welcome to join us. We practice during the first 15 minutes or so of the Sunday School hour, 9:45. POC: Liz Morris, [momx3gnmad@verizon.net](mailto:momx3gnmad@verizon.net) or 540-226-5133

**NEW SUNDAY am DISCIPLESHIP**

Sun., January 14, 9:45 a.m. ~ The Seekers are beginning a study of Paul's Letter to the Romans today. Our study will follow the outline of J. Vernon McGee's *Thru The Bible* study of Romans. The outline is provided. Purchase of a book is not necessary. For those who wish to follow along with J. Vernon McGee's Book, please let Mary Ella Fuquay know. There are two volumes, and are currently priced at \$8.66 and \$8.97 respectively on Amazon or for \$6.29 each at Lifeway. (Shipping may apply). Please join us for this long-term study (We will break for a Lenten study the Sunday after Ash Wednesday, and resume the Romans study after Easter). We expect to finish prior to Labor Day! POC: Patrick Lonergan, (540) 907-9794

**ANXIOUS for NOTHING ~ MAX LUCADO ~ STUDY OF PHILIPPIANS**

Sun., January 14, 9:45 a.m. ~ Finding Calm in a Chaotic World. Max Lucado says, "The presence of anxiety is unavoidable, but the prison of anxiety is optional." This class will meet in youth room A. Contact Britt Morris for more details, (540) 840-9181

**VA Disaster Relief Mission at VA Beach:**

Please pray for safety, for strength, and joy in the Lord for the following mission team members this Thursday, January 11th -- Sunday, January 14th: Peg Jones & Mike Murray (St. Matthias UMC); Barry Jones & Steve Eckel (Fredericksburg Presb.); Eddie Garrison, Shelia Newton, and Susan Shannon (Rock Hill Baptist). Pray for God-sent connections with others and for their witness in the community.

LOVE & LAUNDRY is **THIS** Friday, January 19, from 1-5 p.m., and we need your quarters in order to continue this ministry of blessings! The donation jug is located outside the sanctuary doors. The patrons we serve at The Laundry Basket are so grateful for the blessing of free laundry. We'd love to have you with us to share the fun! POC: Mary Ella Fuquay, (540) 479-8265

UMW NEEDS – Anyone having extra material or stuffing for pillows is asked to bring these items to the mission hallway. Please label them UMW Crafts. You are invited to the Fellowship Hall Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. as we work together for worthy causes. The pillows go to our local hospital for surgery patients. Pediatric bags for Broward Health Salah Foundation Children's Hospital in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. Carole Hall's daughter works in music therapy here. We will be making eyeglass cases for our Honduras mission soon as well as other craft projects.

**PLEASE SIGN UP (FRONT BULLETIN BOARD)**

**Sat. Feb. 24** ~ Ebenezer UMC – 8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Chat n Chew 2.0 – A listening session with Bishop Sharma Lewis focused on the Commission on the Way Forward. \$10.00/person. Lunch is included. Ebenezer UMC, 161 Embrey Mill Rd. Stafford, VA 22554

**Sat. March 10** ~ 5 Talent Academy – "Beyond Sunday School: Empowering Regular Folks to Lead a God Movement Event." Early Bird Registration is \$25 -- Please sign up by February 7 to take advantage of this rate! POC: Mary Ella Fuquay, (540) 479-8265

*This Week at a Glance*

**Sunday, January 14**

*Happy Birthday Geoffrey Morris*

**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

9:45 a.m. 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Fellowship  
5:00 p.m. Praise Practice  
6:30 p.m. UMYF

**Monday, January 15**

9:00-11:00 Food Pantry  
10:00 a.m. Prayer  
5:30 p.m. Upper Room  
6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts

**Tuesday, January 16**

7:45 a.m. Exercise  
11:30 a.m. Disciple 4 Class  
1:00 p.m. God's Celebrators @ Celebrate  
6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts  
7:00 p.m. Wesleyan Bldg. Bros.

**Wednesday, January 17**

*Happy Birthday Kiana Brooks*  
10:00 a.m. UMW Crafts  
6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts  
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

**Thursday, January 18**

10:00 a.m. Women's Devotional  
6:00 p.m. Upper Room  
6:29 p.m. Prayer  
7:00 p.m. AI-Anon  
7:00 p.m. Admin Council

**Friday, January 19**

1:00 p.m. Love & Laundry

**Saturday, January 20**

*Happy Birthday Becky Doyal*  
7:00 a.m. Pray Like a Man  
8:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study  
9:00 a.m. Missions Meeting



**CHRISTMAS CARDS**

**Don't throw those Christmas cards away!** Save the fronts for Ruby Courtney and put the signed portions in a special box for yourself. Each day, draw out a card and pray for the person!

Year to date budget needs

1/7/2018: **\$6,243.21**

Year to date contributions

1/7/2018: **\$7,325.00**

Year to date Building for Future

fund August 2018: **\$**

Building for Future fund goal for

2018: **\$12,000**

### CHRISTMAS EVE DINNERS FOR THE HOMELESS

Thank you to everyone who helped prepare, assemble, and deliver Christmas Eve meals to the less fortunate in the Fredericksburg area. This ministry would not be possible without the help of volunteers. Thank you for volunteering your time and resources.

Warmest Regards,  
Marian Lynch

### OFFERING ENVELOPES

2018 offering envelopes are available for pick-up outside the Sanctuary doors. Please note that you may have been assigned a new envelope number. Please discard any unused envelopes and begin using your new number today.

I have become  
**ALL THINGS**  
to  
**ALL PEOPLE**  
that I might by  
**ALL MEANS**  
save some.

1 Corinthians 9:22, NRSV

## 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.

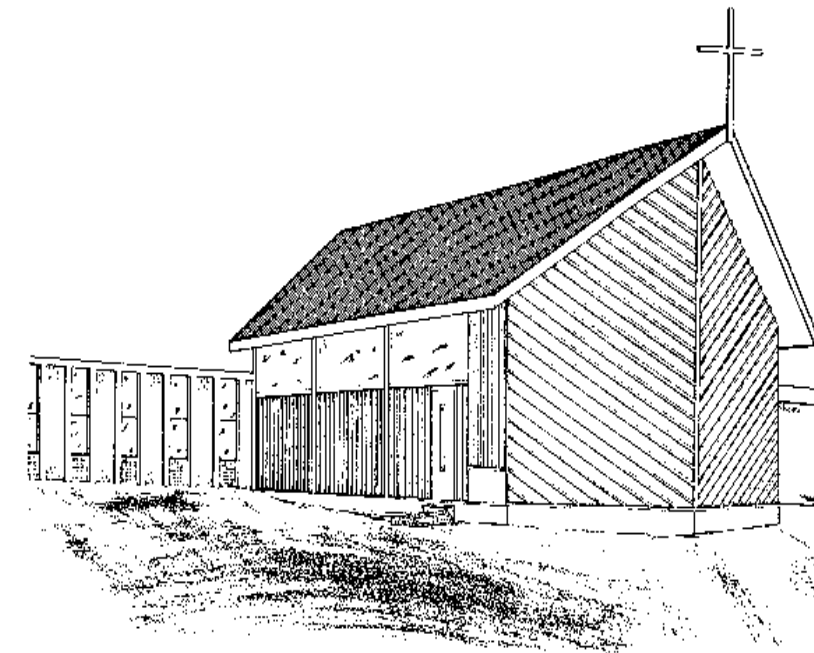
**Mourning / Families of:** ●Mary L. Selders (J. Kinneer) ●Axton Farmer (B. Kendall) ●Carolyn Childress (J. Keene) ●Ken Sargent (P. Vida) ●Horace Brown (R. Keene)

**Continuing Needs:** ●Velma Bailey (M. Holt) ●Paul Balgavy (R. Balgavy) ●Eileen Bowles (R. Keene) ●Janet Bowling (R. Courtney) ●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) ●Billie Jo Hynson (B. Gmitter) ●Jamie Kahler (M. Holt) ●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)

**Prayer Requests from the week of December 24:** ●Janet (Dave) Kinneer ●Justin Mosher and family (A. Murray) ●Those battling cancer ●Holiday travelers ●California fires

**Prayer Requests from the week of December 31:** ●House Speaker, Bill Howell ●Axton (B. Kendall) ●Janet Kinneer (death of her mother, Mary L. Selders) ●Carolyn Sprinkle ●Katherine & Chang Tang (M.A. Holt) ●Michelle Hutchinson ●Peggy Heatherman (R. Balgavy) ●Gail Smith (R. Balgavy) ●Ruth Young (Anna Rae) ●Erin (C. Powers) ●General Khalifa ●Mohamed Khalifa ●Peter Vernimb's mother ●Unspokens

**Prayer Requests from the week of January 7:** ●Peter Vernimb's Mother ●Larry Vida (P. Vida) ●Lisa (J. Cover) ●pray for all dealing with the extreme cold ●Bill Howell ●Family of Axton Farmer ●Chisato ●Shelby Powers (C. Powers) ●Carolyn Sprinkle (J. Cover) ●Joyce Westerhoff (P. Jones) ●Janet Bahmer, Steve Waple, Christy Ellison, Kelly Craig (B. Machleit) ●Joe (Lita) Schepers ●Vital Church Team meeting Tues., Jan. 9 ●Family of Carolyn Childress (J. Keene) ●Joyce Childress (J. Keene) ●Kseniya (D. Naifeh) ●Angie Horne ●Sonny Bray's Parents ●Family of Ken Sargent ●Family of Horace Brown (R. Keene) ●Ron Hall (C. Hall) ●Luke Curtas (B. Cover) ●All who may have been affected by the recent earthquake in the Caribbean Sea



## St. Matthias United Methodist Church

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

January 14, 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 January 7**

**Sunday School:** 37

**Morning Worship:** 123

### 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 EVENTS:

January 14 ~ Regular Meeting

January 21 ~ 30 Hour Famine Call-a-Thon! CONGREGATION, be listening for your phone to ring from 6:30-7:45....we will be calling to ask for PLEDGES!

January 28 ~ Youth will volunteer at the Thurman Brisben Center from 3:30-7:00 p.m.

February 4 ~ Flag Football Tournament

February 11 ~ Pancake Brunch & Talent Share

February 23-24 ~ 30 Hour Famine Lock In

#### ALTAR FLOWER SIGN UP SHEET



Altar Flowers

If you would like to order flowers to be placed on the altar in honor of or in memory of a loved one, please sign up on the bulletin board outside the office door. The cost per bouquet is \$25. If paying by check, please note "altar flowers" on the memo line. For more information contact the church office, 540.373.8759