

**Order of Worship Christ the King Sunday November 26, 2017**

+Please stand as you are able

Worship Leaders 8:45 Matthew Rivera 11:00 Judy Cover

Welcome and Friendship Connections

+Call to Worship (Isa. 60:1; Ps.36:9; II Cor. 4:5,6)

Arise, shine; for your light has come! And the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

**For with You is the fountain of life; in Your light we see light.**

For we do not proclaim ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord,

**And ourselves your bondservants for Jesus' sake.**

For it is God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, Who has shone in our hearts

**To give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.**

+Hymn of Praise "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" p. 140

+Affirmation of Faith "Apostles' Creed" p. 882

+Choral Response "O Little Town of Bethlehem" v. 3 p. 230

**How silently, how silently, the wondrous gift is given; so God imparts to human hearts the blessings of His heaven. No ear may hear His coming, but in this world of sin, where meek souls will receive Him still, the dear Christ enters in.**

Old Testament Reading Ezekiel 34: 11-16

Epistle Reading I John 1: 5-10

Prayers of God's people Pastor Pat

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 for Young Disciples Savannah Russett  
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 God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!**

Special Music "Start at the Manger" St. Matthias Choir  
Tammi Ellis, Soloist

Gospel Reading John 10: 22-39

Message "Hanukkah and Christmas: What's the Connection?" Lynn McCoy

+Hymn of Consecration "Once in Royal David's City" p. 250

+Benediction



The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God in honor of Elizabeth Murray, by her family.



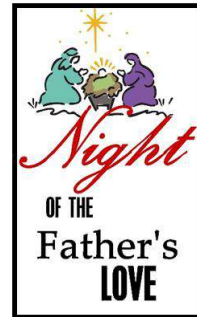
**ANGELS & DOVES 2017**

The Doves and Angels are both due back on or before Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>. All gifts should be delivered to our Church Administrative Office.

Thank you for your giving heart!

POC: Evette Russett and Rosa Hogue: 540-226-0218 or rosahogue365@gmail.com

BLOOD DRIVE ~ SATURDAY,  
DECEMBER 2 10:00 ~ 2:00 p.m.



CHRISTMAS CANTATA  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17  
DURING 11 AM  
WORSHIP



KID'S CLUB ~ CHRISTMAS COOKIE & CRAFT PARTY  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10 ~ 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.  
Kid's Club has been invited to join Olivia & CJ Gardner, and their family and friends to attend their annual Christmas Cookie & Craft Party! There will be fun crafts to make and yummy cookies to decorate. Snacks and drinks will be provided. All children are welcome!! Please sign up on the front bulletin board.  
POC: Liz Morris, [momx3gnmad@verizon.net](mailto:momx3gnmad@verizon.net) or (540) 226-5133

**MICAH COLD WEATHER SHELTER**

Micah operates a winter shelter November through February each year. The program provides a place for homeless men and women to sleep when they would otherwise be outside at risk of freezing to death. Two teams of volunteers from St. Matthias serve at the shelter on a weekly basis. St. Matthias has been asked to supply white T-shirts, size Medium to 3XL. If you would like to donate a package of T-shirts, please leave them in the mission hallway. POC: Dave & Trudy Monroe, (313) 550-3979 or [daveortrudy@yahoo.com](mailto:daveortrudy@yahoo.com)

**What is the connection between Hanukkah and Christmas?** We are grateful to God for Lynn McCoy (our presenter from Jews for Jesus) this Christ the King Sunday. Baskets for a love offering to support the world wide ministry of Jews for Jesus are at each door. You may also visit the table in the foyer for more information.

*This Week at a Glance*

**Sunday, November 26**  
Happy Birthday Rich Kaufmann  
Happy Anniversary Peter & Nancy Vernimb  
**9:45 a.m. Adults**  
"Good News" Bible Study Rm. 10  
"Moses" Fellowship Hall  
"The Shack" 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  
5:00 p.m. Praise Practice  
6:30 p.m. UMYF

**Monday, November 27**  
Happy Birthday David Hogue  
9:00-11:00 Food Pantry  
10:00 a.m. Prayer  
5:30 p.m. Upper Room  
6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts

**Tuesday, November 28**  
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, November 29**  
Happy Birthday Gene Feltner  
5:30 p.m. Bell Choir Practice  
6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts  
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

**Thursday, November 30**  
Happy Birthday Jeff McClure and Liliana Leffler  
10:00 a.m. Women's Devotional  
2:30 p.m. New Testament Survey  
6:00 p.m. Upper Room  
6:29 p.m. Prayer  
7:00 p.m. Al-Anon

**Friday, December 1**  
Happy Birthday Mike Trant  
4:00 p.m. Girl Scout Lock-In

**Saturday, December 2**  
7:00 a.m. Pray Like a Man  
8:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study  
10:00 a.m. Hanging of the Greens  
10:00 a.m. Red Cross Blood Drive



Labels for youth Christmas card delivery are available today for a \$5.00 donation to the St. Matthias Youth. Cards (within our local area) are due back NO later than 9:45 a.m., December

Year to date budget needs  
**11/19/2017: \$290,225**

Year to date contributions  
**11/19/2017: \$260,757**

Year to date Building for Future fund August 2017: **\$13,963**

Building for Future fund goal for 2017: **\$12,000**

## 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.

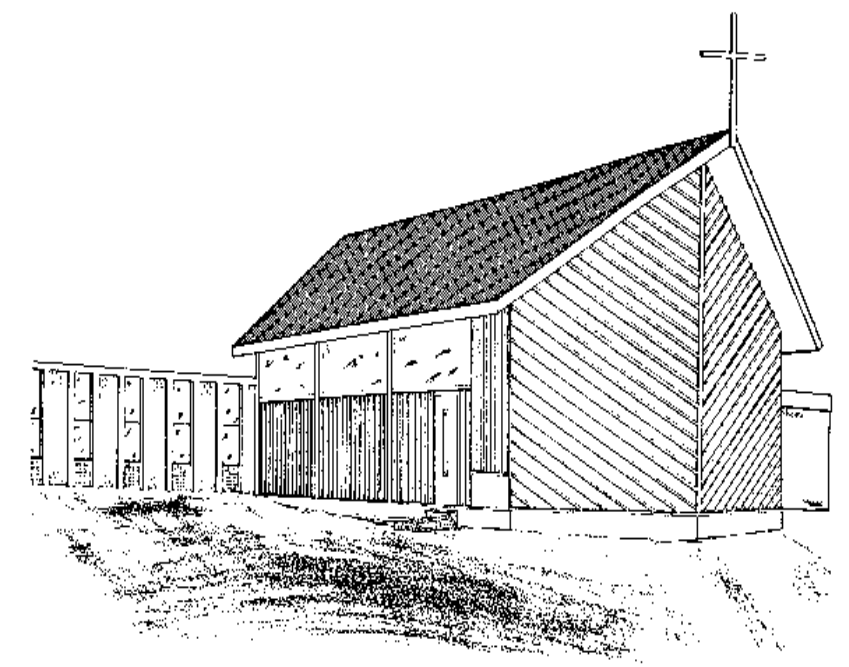
**Mourning / Families of:** ●Doris Jerman (P. Jerman) ●Brian Pace (K. Meyer & L. Pace)

**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 November 5:** Lauren Polen (J. Polen) ●Jim Haynie (R. Payne) ●Fredericksburg friend (J. Cover) ●friend's Dad (J. Cover) ●Judy Cover ●Washington State friend (J. Cover) ●Pete Jerman and family

**Prayer Requests from the week of November 12:** ● Marty Archer (M. A. Holt) ●Judy Cover ●those healing from surgery ●Jim Haynie (R. Payne) ●Peg Jones (P. Tony) ●Mike Murray (E. Murray) ●Olivia Gardner (B. Gardner) ●Tyler Jenkins (D. Jenkin) ●Larry Vida (P. Vida) ●Lita & Joe Schperes ●Dereck Roesner (N. Russell) ●Gen. Khalifa (B. Grant) ●Steve Waple (B. Machleit) ●Margaret Mullins (L. Schepers)

**Prayer Requests from the week of November 19:** ● Marty Archer (J. Cover) ●Georgia Cockle (J. Cover) ●Judy Cover ●Bonnie Gardner's friend (J. Cover) ●Jim Haynie (J. Cover) ●Peg Jones (J. Cover) ●General Khalifa (B. Grant) ●Rylee Maslock (L. Morris) ●Margaret Mullins (L. & J. Schepers) ●Mike Murray (E. husband) ●Joe Schepers (J. Cover) ●Lita Schepers (J. Cover) ●Mike & Jeannette Thorp (D. Moore) ●Larry Vida (J. Cover) ●Cana Winberley (J. Keene) ●All those who struggle with grief, unemployment, with mental illnesses and family issues ●Diana, Mike and family ●"Big Mike" Tinsley from Vision Community



**Staff Christmas Gifts**  
 As is St. Matthias' tradition, we would like to honor our outstanding staff members with a gift to show them our appreciation for all they do throughout the year to support our mission statement of ....*Reaching, Teaching, Loving and Serving.* Our staff members are Pastor Pat Tony, Carole Hall (Choir Director), Judy Purinton (Nursery), Erin Wetzel (Youth Director) and Susan Courtney (Administrative Assistant). If you wish to honor our staff by blessing them with a gift, simply place your love offering in a separate envelope marked "**Staff Gift**" and put it in the offering plate by December 17. Your participation is appreciated and your prayers for these awesome employees is appreciated even more!



**Order Your Poinsettias**  
**COST \$16.00**

YOUR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

IN HONOR OF: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

IN MEMORY OF: \_\_\_\_\_

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NUMBER OF PONSETTIAS:

\_\_\_\_\_ RED with WHITE BOW

\_\_\_\_\_ WHITE with RED BOW

**DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 27**



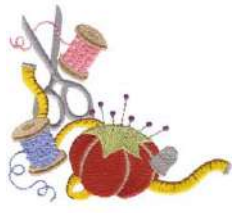
### ST. MATTHIAS YOUTH GROUP

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!

- ✿ November 26 ~ Regular Meeting
- ✿ December 3 ~ Regular meeting
- ✿ December 10 ~ NO regular meeting
- ✿ December 17 ~ NO regular meeting ~ Christmas card sorting and delivery.  
 \*All cards due by 9:45 a.m., The Sunday a.m. discipleship time!!
- ✿ December 21 ~ 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Youth Christmas party
- ✿ December 24/December 31 ~ NO regular meeting

### SEWING BASICS WITH KAREN BREGHENTI

Karen has offered to teach a sewing basics class here at St. Matthias. If you are interested in attending, please contact Karen to let her know which day/time would work best.  
 POC: Karen Breggenti, (814) 221-4507 or karenbreggenti@gmail.com



Advent, a season of preparing for celebrating the gift of our Savior Jesus, begins Sunday, December 3rd. Society of St. Andrew Advent devotional booklets are available now. Pick up your copy today, or go to [www.endhunger.org](http://www.endhunger.org) to have the devotional delivered to your email inbox daily starting Dec. 3rd.

## St. Matthias United Methodist Church

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

**November 26, 2017**

### A Prayer Covenant Congregation of the Virginia Conference

**8:45 & 11:00 Worship**                      **1st & 3rd Sundays**  
 Staffed nursery for infants – 5 yrs.                      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 November 19

**Sunday School:** 25                      **Morning Worship:** 146