

ANNUAL CONFERENCE REPORT

Copies of the report from Annual Conference are on the information table near the church office, for anyone wishing to have one. The DVD's of the worship services have been ordered, and will be available in 2 – 3 weeks. Also, the final report of the team tasked to find “a way forward” for the General Conference of the United Methodist Church will be available to all churches about July 7 or 8.

We can rejoice in that the Kits for Conference prepared by our UMW, with items donated by St. Matthias members, were part of the 44,774 disaster kits of all kinds that were collected at Annual Conference! 29,409 hygiene (health) kits, 13,367 school kits, and 840 cleaning kits (buckets) were among the total of kits and represented the types of kits prepared and paid for by St. Matthias. Thank you, church, for your participation in this wonderful ministry!



LOVE AND LAUNDRY:

On Friday, June 22, we served 36 patrons and spent \$310 for washers and dryers! We prayed for several of the folks who were there, and we shared laughter, and tears, along with a lot of laundry detergent!! Thank you, St. Matthias family, for your donations of quarters (and bills and checks), and the HOPE that they bring!

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: ●Jordan Garrison (B. Machleit) ●Conrad Tobin (J. Studley) ●Elaine Shanks (Shirley & A.C. Glover)

Continuing Needs: ●Velma Bailey (M. Holt) ●Paul Balgavy (R. Balgavy) ●Loretta Bass (Patsy Vida) ●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) ●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 June 24: ●Michelle Hutchinson ●Jason Toombs ●Family of Ruth Waple (B. Machleit) John Gregory, Ralph & Launa Trotta and Steve Waple ●Those affected by flooding (S. Frantum) ●Jim Bell (S. King) ●Joe Reichard (L. Reichard) ●Family of Francis Bray (S. Bray) ●Sara (P. Tony) ●Pastor Bert, Pastor Regina and family.

Prayer Requests from the week of June 17: ●Continued prayer for all pastors and churches in transition, including Pastor Bert and family ●Prayers for Shelby Powers in a summer ministry internship

●Thanks for the many laity who use the gifts God has given for His glory and for the good of the greater community ●Wisdom and compassion for our leaders in current immigration concerns ●Direction and healing for church and for renewal as we pray the prayer our Lord taught His disciples... Praying daily at noon is the challenge ●Family of Jordan Garrison (B. Machleit) ●Travel mercies for Lauren and family (B. Wood) ●Mrs. Botica, mother of Olga (P. Tony) ●Family of Conrad Tobin (J. Studley)

Prayer Requests from the week of June 24: ●Barbara Grant's household (B. Grant) ●Gen. Khalifa & Mo (B. Grant) ●Lauren Polen (J. Polen) ●Carrie Zollman (M.A. Holt) ●Nanette Hoback (B. Wood) ●Those dealing with flooding, locally & worldwide (Joyce Keene)

Prayer Requests from the week of July 1: ●Russell Anderson (K. Kauffman) ●Betsy Giannuzzi (B. Giannuzzi) ●Michelle Hutchinson (D. Jenkins) ●General Khalifa (B. Grant) ●For all who have lost loved ones and are grieving (M. A. Holt) ●Schepers' friend (L. Schepers) ●Steve Simmons (B. Wood) ●Mohammed Khalifa (B. Grant)



ST. MATTHIAS YOUTH GROUP

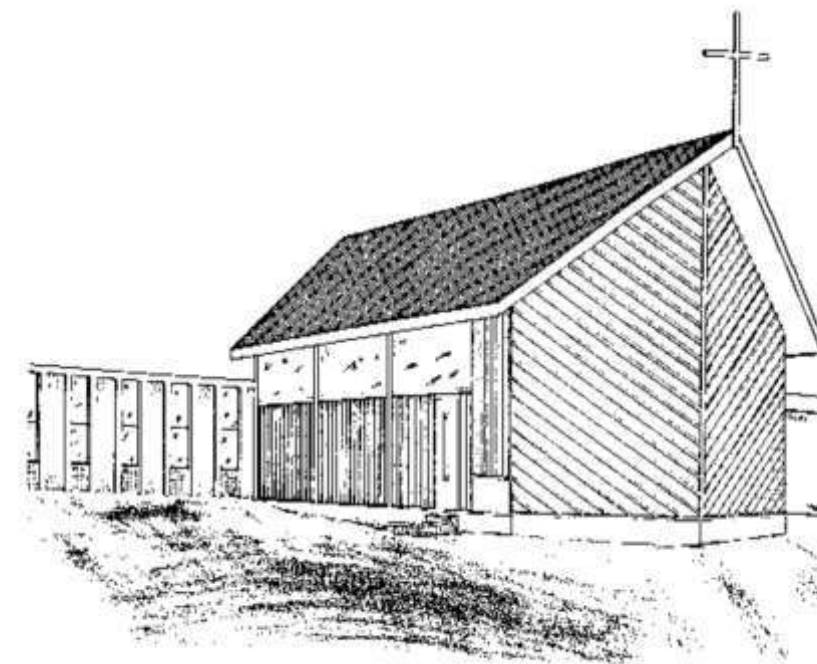
focuses on growing our faith, having LOTS of fun, and maintaining close knit fellowship. The group welcomes all 6th-12th graders! You do not have to be a member of the church to be a part of it....so invite some friends!

***Save the date --- 2nd Annual Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show, Sat., Sept. 8. - Rain date: Sept. 29**

Question for Reflection: Jesus charges his disciples to be vulnerable as he sends them out. The apostle Paul says that he embraces his vulnerability, “for whenever I am weak, then I am strong” (2 Cor. 12: 10c). In what ways might God be calling you to be vulnerable today?

Household Prayer, Morning: Fire of life, thank you for bringing me safely through the night. As this new day dawns let me receive it as a gift and a blessing. Open my mind and senses to be fully awake to you. Attune my body to the rhythms of the day so that I can love and serve others as you guide me. If I experience hardship or pain or if I am exposed to danger, send your Holy Spirit to help me to put my trust more fully in you. Remind me that in life and in death I belong to you. Let me walk gently on the earth, thankful for your providence and grace. Let me dance joyfully with you, mindful that I share movement with planets and stars. When the day is done and it is time to rest, grant that I can offer the day to you with thanksgiving. I offer my prayer in the name of the Beloved Son, Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Household Prayer, Evening: Holy One, I lift my evening prayer as shadows cover me and night sounds come from hidden places. But darkness is not dark to you, so I ask that you hear my prayers and see me through the night. I have only the activities of the day to offer as my living sacrifice of praise. Forgive my unholiness; reconcile me by your grace. For the sake of the risen Christ, this night grant me peace. Amen



St. Matthias United Methodist Church

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

July 8, 2018

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

11:00 a.m. Kids Own Worship (pre-school – 5th grade)

Discipleship Groups 9:45 – 10:45

Classes for all ages: 3 years - adults

Staffed nursery for infants - 2 years

Large print bulletins and hymnals are available upon request. A wheelchair is available at the office entrance and gender-neutral handicap accessible restroom available across from the kitchen.

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

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Attendance on July 1

Sunday School: 39

Morning Worship: 159