

Order of Worship**Fifth Sunday in Lent****March 18, 2018**

+Please stand as you are able

Worship Leader 8:45 Peter Vernimb 11:00 Dianne Moore

Welcome and Friendship Connections

+Introit "Guide My Feet" (vv. 1,3,5) p. 2208

+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 "Lift High the Cross" p. 159

+Affirmation of Faith from I Timothy p. 889

Choral Response "Change My Heart, O God" p. 2152

Change my heart, O God, make it ever true. Change my heart, O God, may I be like You. You are the Potter, I am the clay. Mold me and make me, this is what I pray. Change my heart, O God, make it ever true. Change my heart, O God, may I be like You.

Responsive Psalter Psalm 51: 1-17 pp. 785-786

Epistle Reading Hebrews 5: 7-9

Blessings and Faith Stories Pastor Pat

Call to Prayer "Open Our Eyes" (2x) p. 2086

Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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 uplift! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Special Music "Holy Ground" St. Matthias Choir

Gospel Reading John 12: 20-32

Message "Seeing Jesus" Pastor Pat

+Hymn of Discipleship "Have Thine Own Way, Lord" p. 382

+Recessional

*Please bring fresh cut flowers on Easter Sunday, April 1, for the living cross*EASTER EGG HUNT - SUNDAY, MARCH 25 ~ 1:30 p.m.
Please join us for Easter activities and our annual egg hunt**Children's choir - TODAY!**

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

POC: Liz Morris

THURMAN BRISBEN CENTER ~ TODAY

We will be preparing and serving a meal at TBC this afternoon. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Brenda Wood, (540) 809-4616

LOVE 'N LAUNDRY

Friday, March 23, 1-5 p.m. at The Laundry Basket, Chatham Square Shopping Village behind McDonalds.

VITAL CHURCH TEAMwill meet at Garaffe's Restaurant on Rt. 1, 6:00 p.m., Tues., March 20th.**RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE ~ SATURDAY, MARCH 24
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

Online scheduling is now available (redcrossblood.com) Please consider giving the gift of life. POC: Carole Hall, (540) 786-3194, cthrh2123@comcast.net

FredCamp 2018 ~ July 1-7 ~ \$100 deposit due April 1It's that time of year again! When we start to make our summer plans and think about serving others at FredCamp! Deposit and COMPLETED forms due April 1, but I would like to collect those by Sunday 18 Mar, if possible. (If that does not work contact Jim Davis and we can work something out). Forms can be found at fredcamp.org. Participant requirements for youth: going into 9th grade-completion of 12th grade. **We also need adults to attend and care for our youth!**
POC: Jim Davis, (540) 373-2308**Sunday, March 18 and 25: Our U.M. Women will offer Easter baskets and crafts for purchase. Thanks for your support for UMW missions.****Holy Week Schedule****March 25 - Palm Sunday**

8:45 a.m. Worship with special message by Peter Vernimb

11:00 a.m. Cantata & Easter Egg Hunt following covered-dish lunch.

March 29 - Maundy Thursday - 7:00 p.m.**March 30 - Good Friday - 7:00 p.m.****April 1 - Sunrise Service - 6:30 a.m., followed by light breakfast****April 1 - Easter Service - 8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.***This Week at a Glance***Sunday, March 18****9:45 a.m. Adults**

"Good News" Bible Study Rm. 10

"Restored" Fellowship Hall

"Anxious for Nothing" Youth Rm. A

9:45 a.m. Children & Youth6th - 12th Youth Youth Rm B1st - 5th Rm. 8

Preschoolers - K Rm. 6

Nursery Rm. 15

3:30 p.m. Thurman Brisben

5:00 p.m. Praise Practice

6:30 p.m. UMYF

Monday, March 19

9:00-11:00 Food Pantry

10:00 a.m. Prayer

11:30 a.m. Disciple 4 Class

5:30 p.m. Upper Room

5:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study

6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts

Tuesday, March 20

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, March 21*Happy Birthday Brandon Bailey*

10:00 a.m. UMW Meeting

5:30 p.m. Ringers Practice

6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts

7:00 p.m. Choir

Thursday, March 22

9:30 a.m. Upper Room Lenten Study

11:00 a.m. Retired Teacher's Luncheon

6:00 p.m. Upper Room

6:29 p.m. Prayer

7:00 p.m. Al-Anon

Friday, March 23*Happy Anniversary Rich & Cathy Kaufmann*

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

Saturday, March 24

7:00 a.m. Pray Like a Man

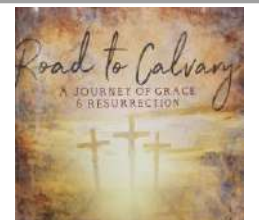
8:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study

10:00-2:00 p.m. Blood Drive

4:00 - 9:00 p.m. Girl Scout Flashlight

Easter Egg Hunt

4:00 p.m. Bell Practice

**ROAD TO CALVARY
CHOIR CANTATA
WITH BELL CHOIR
SUNDAY, MAY 25
11:00 WORSHIP**



EASTER FOOD BOXES

St. Matthias will be packing food boxes Monday, March 26, 9-11 a.m. and distributing them Wednesday, March 28, 9-10 a.m. Volunteers are welcome!! Each box will contain the following: ham, scalloped potatoes, 4 cans of vegetables, pie mix, pie filling, macaroni-and-cheese, rolls, 1 dozen eggs, pie pans, cereal, peanut butter, jelly and snacks. If you would like to purchase items to fill a box, please bring them to the mission hallway. Contact the church office for more information, (540) 373-8759

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: ●Roberta Finnell (C. Hawkins) ●Piper Elizabeth Ford (C. Powers)

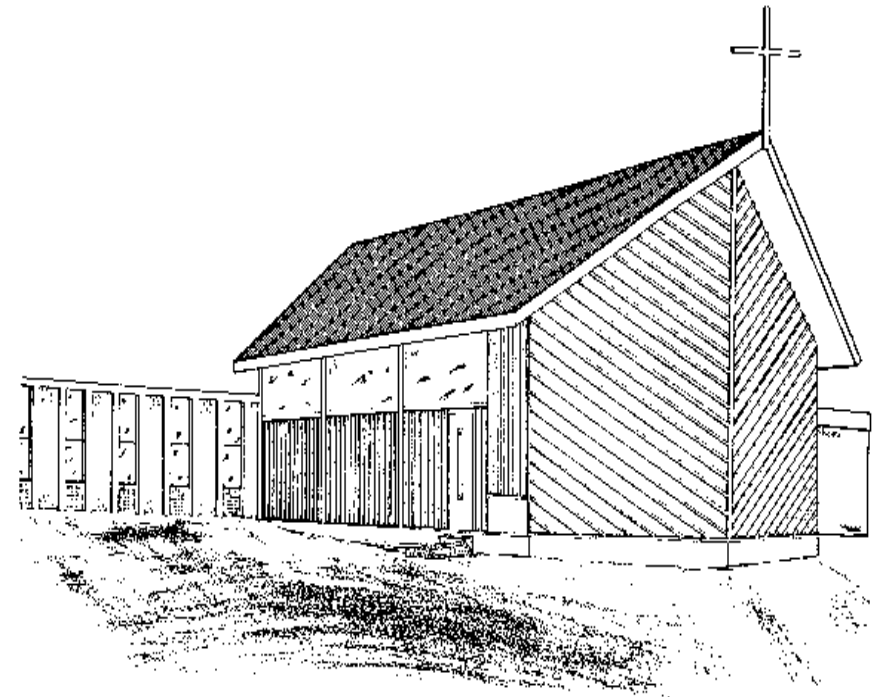
Continuing Needs: ●Velma Bailey (M. Holt) ●Paul Balgavy (R. Balgavy) ●Eileen Bowles (R. Keene) ●Janet Bowling (R. Courtney) ●Debbie Carpenter (B. Anderson) ●Margaret Courtney (R. Courtney) ●Pattie Cushing (R. Keene) ●Lindsey Fortune (D. Farrar) ●Jennifer Giannuzzi (B. Giannuzzi) ●Dennis & Connie Hagan ●Mrs. "Clyde" Hambrick ●Mary Ann & David Hill (J. Studley) ●Rev. Wayne Hogue ●Shelley Holmes (B. Holmes) ●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 February 25: ●Michelle Hutchison ●Barry Jones, mission trip in Haiti this week ●Peg Jones, mission trip in Columbia this week ●Barbara Kendall ●Dick Moore

●Joe Schepers ●Traveling mercies ●Unspoken ●Patsy Vida ●Bob Watts ●Austin Wolfe (R. Varela) ●Wanda & Michael Harner (B. Wood) ●Brian Plum (D. & C. Hawkins) ●Mohammed Khalifa (B. Grant) ●Lisa Otto (J. Gardner) ●Renaldo Keene (B. Keene) ●Jason Toombs ●Allison Fuquay (M.E. Fuquay)

Prayer Requests from the week of March 4: ●Electricity is out in many homes/praying for electricity to be restored quickly ●Michelle Hutchinson, Larry Vida, Joe Schepers, Wendy Trant, Lauren Polen ●Allison Fuquay (M. E. Fuquay) ●Darlene & Dean Brandon (L. Monaghan) ●Stormie (K. Leffler) ●Transition – new pastor ●Janet Bahmer, Elsie Williams, Steve Waple (B. Machleit)

Prayer Requests from the week of March 11: ●Hosan (B. Grant) ●Judy Clark's father (J. Clark) ●Jose Carter ● Mohammed Khalifa ● Sayed (B. Grant) ● Joe & Lita Schepers ● Jason Toombs (Haley's Dad) ● Patsy & Larry Vida ●Gusha Family (S. Gmitter) ● Yiana Shaw (L. J. Berry)



St. Matthias United Methodist Church

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

March 18, 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 March 11

Sunday School: 46

Morning Worship: 178

HEARTWOOD CENTER SCHOOL BREAK MEALS

will be packed in our Fellowship Hall, 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, March 27th. Foods (apples, mac-n-cheese, cereal bars, etc.) may be brought to the Missions Hallway.

F.U.N. Group Trip ~ Saturday, April 28 ~ Museum of the Bible in D.C.
F.U.N. Group trip to the Museum of the Bible in D.C. will be on Saturday, April 28, leaving the church parking lot approximately 9 a.m. Cost will be determined by the mode of transportation: \$8 - \$10 per person if we go by van (16 or fewer people); \$20 per person if we go by bus. The museum requests a donation of \$15.00. Sign up on the front bulletin board for this interesting trip! **POC:** Mary Ella Fuquay, (540) 479-8265



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!

Regular, Sunday night meetings 3/18

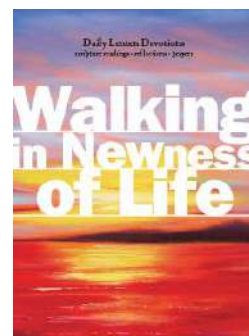
• Sunday, March 25 ~ youth & children's ministries leading Easter activities and our annual egg hunt.

• NO regular meeting March 25

• NO regular meeting Easter Sunday, April 1

• Regular meetings April 8 and April 15.

• April 20-22 – Annual youth retreat to Duck, NC! More information coming soon!



Society of St. Andrew Devotion for Sunday, March 18

People all around us are trying to get their day's duties completed, and they're getting in my way! Today's devotional asks us to fill God's prescription for a right spirit in us. In 2017, the Society of St. Andrew mobilized more than 30,000 volunteers to glean (pick, dig, or gather) and bag fresh fruits and vegetables to feed hungry people across the United States, sharing more than 80 million servings of nourishing food. During your devotional time this week, ask God to fill His prescription for us, to not grow weary in doing what is right – helping brothers and sisters in the United States and around the world have enough to eat.

LIFE WALK 2018 ~ will be Saturday, April 14th at Old Mill Park in Fredericksburg. Help Choices Women's Center, Mary's Shelter, and Bethany Christian Services raise funds to help women and men facing crisis pregnancies. Go to lifewalkfxbg.org to register for just \$10, create your own webpage, or sponsor another walker. Questions? Email events@cwcv.org or call 540-370-1800.