

**Order of Worship Fourth Sunday after Epiphany January 28, 2018**

+Please stand as you are able

Worship Leader 8:45 Peter Vernimb 11:00 Judy Cover

Welcome and Friendship Connections

+Introit "I Will Call Upon the Lord" (2X) p. 2002

+Unison Prayer

**Almighty God, to You all hearts are open, all desires known, and from You no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You, and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

+Hymn of Praise "Grace Greater Than All Our Sin" p. 365

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

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")**

Gospel Reading Mark 1: 14-20

Epistle Reading Ephesians 2: 1-10

Blessings and Testimonies

Call to Prayer "I Need Thee Every Hour" (vv. 1-3) p. 397

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 Linda Reichard

*We provide a staffed nursery for infants - 5 year old 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! Alleluia!**

Special Music "There is None Like You" St. Matthias Choir

Old Testament Reading Jonah 3: 1-5, 10

Message "Lessons from Seaweed Hotel" Pastor Pat

+Hymn of Discipleship "Love Lifted Me"

+Benediction



Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God in honor of those who love and lead our amazing children in singing and serving others all to the glory of God!

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** Ash Wednesday is rapidly approaching (February 14), and St. Matthias UMW invites everyone to join us for a very special morning. Ash Wednesday worship and imposition of ashes will begin at 10 am (a good option for those who would prefer a daytime service), followed by a speaker, Lori Smith. Lori is the Director of All God's Children camp, a camp for children of incarcerated parents. Lori's talk will be followed by a simple potluck lunch of soup and bread. Sign up on the main bulletin board so we know how many places to set at the table. POC: Mary Ella Fuquay, (540) 479-8265

**"Soup-er" Bowl Sunday  
Sun., Feb. 4 ~ 12:15 p.m.**



The Youth Group will be hosting a 30 HOUR FAMINE FUNDRAISER selling a variety of homemade soup and cornbread!! You can dine in or carry out!! Each serving of soup sold on a donation basis. This event will take place in the Fellowship Hall.

**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

**5 Talent Academy** – Saturday, March 10, 9-3, Ebenezer UMC. This will be a day of great inspiration and learning, featuring Reverend Rachel Billups speaking on "Beyond Sunday School: Empowering Regular Folks to Lead a God Movement." **Early registration date is February 7;** cost is \$25 (that's \$10 off the regular price!) and if there are 5 of us from St. Matthias, one gets to go for free! Please sign up soon, and Mary Ella Fuquay will register us all at one time.

**Kid's Club – February 18 – 12:15 p.m.**

Kid's club will gather in the Fellowship Hall following the 11:00 a.m. service on Sunday, February 18. We will be creating our own lunch and dessert and playing games. Come and join us! POC: Liz Morris, (540) 226-5133, momx3gnmad@verizon.net

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR!** Will sing in church on Sunday, February 18, at the 11:00 a.m. service!! When do we practice? Immediately following the 8:45 a.m. service, in the sanctuary. Come join us!! POC: Liz Morris



**LOVE + LAUNDRY:** Thank you, St. Matthias family, for your wonderfully generous support of Love and Laundry! Because of your continued donations, on Friday, January 19 we were able to help 14 patrons/families with free laundry, and we spent \$174.00 to do it! We had some new helpers sharing the blessings as well; thank you, Rita Payne and Brandon and Sutton Ashby! **Next Love and Laundry event: Friday, February 9, 1 – 5 pm (please note this is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of February, rather than the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday).**

*This Week at a Glance*

**Sunday, January 28**

**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

3:30 p.m. Thurman Brisben  
4:00 p.m. Griefshare  
5:00 p.m. Praise Practice  
6:30 p.m. UMYF

**Monday, January 29**

*Happy Birthday Evelyn Penn*  
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 30**

*Happy Birthday Darryl Barnes*  
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 31**

*Happy Birthday Betsy Anderson*  
10:00 a.m. UMW Crafts  
5:30 p.m. Ringers Practice  
6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts  
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

**Thursday, February 1**

6:00 p.m. Upper Room  
6:29 p.m. Prayer  
7:00 p.m. Al-Anon

**Friday, February 2**

**Saturday, February 3**

7:00 a.m. Pray Like a Man  
8:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study



**UMW Crafters** are seeking donations of small toys for the Easter baskets which they assemble and sell prior to Easter. Please place donations in the labeled box in the missions hallway. Thank you!

Year to date budget needs

1/21/2018: **\$19,090**

Year to date contributions

1/21/2018: **\$17,544**

Year to date Building for Future

fund August 2018: **\$**

Building for Future fund goal for

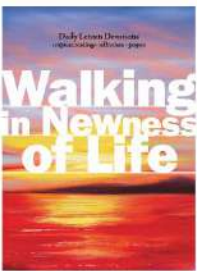
2018: **\$12,000**



**Do you love to read?** You can make a life-long difference for a child who doesn't get read to or read with at home by joining Reading Buddies, our partnering group with Grafton Village Elementary School. Starting on Tuesday, February 6 and going for 8 weeks (through March 27), we will meet with kids from Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, and work with them one-on-one, from 3:40 til 4:45 each week. You'll share your love of books and reading with these little ones, and you'll form a very special friendship with a very special child or two.

The more adults we have participating, the more children we can help; say "yes" to this wonderful ministry!

**POC:** Mary Ella Fuquay,  
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Society of St. Andrew  
Plantation, Virginia

**SOCIETY OF ST. ANDREW LENTEN DEVOTIONALS** and money banks are available for pick up on the table outside the office door.

## 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:** ●Axton Farmer (B. Kendall) ●Carolyn Childress (J. Keene) ●Sylvia Hakala (D. Hoiska) ●Peggy Heatherman (R. Balgavy) ●Craig Cate ●Debbie Marshall (J. Keene) ●Larry Lancaster (J. Keene) ●Horace Brown (Roger Keene) ●Ken Sargent (P. Vida) ●Joyce Westerhoff (P. Jones) ●Iris Bray (S. Bray) ●Don McCullen (M. A. Holt) ●Rob Klukun (S. Frantum)

**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) ●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 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) ●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 ●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

**Prayer Requests from the week of January 14:** ●Susan Beckman ●Larry (Patsy) Vida ●Maryann Seay (D. Garland) ●Steve and his family ●Pency Croy ●Bill Howell (M. A. Holt) ●Hughes Home Ministry – for someone to lead services there once a week ●Basilio Huallpa (G. Russell) ●Linda Beard & Family (L. Reichard) ●Earline Haney ●Peter Vernimb's mother ●Kseniya (D. Naifeh) ●Terry Tomlison (Michaela) ●Mrs. Navila Khalifa (B. Grant) ●Families of Debbie Marshall & Larry Lancaster (J. Keene) ●Ron Hall (C. Hall) ●Luke Curtas (B. Cover) ●Angie Horne ●Mary (M. McBride) ●Doug Boring

**Prayer Requests from the week of January 21:** ●Darlene & Dean Brandon (L. Monaghan) ●Kevin Betancourt (C. Hull) ●Family of Rob Klukun (S.Frantum) ●Norma Jean Keaton (J.Harford) ●Messianic Jews in this area for a place of worship (J. Keene) ●Chang Tang (M. A. Holt) ●Rosemary McCollum (M. A. Holt) ●Jody Cook (M.A. Holt) ●Joyce Westerhoff (P.Jones) ●Erin (C. Powers) ●Mohammed & family (B.Grant) ●Rachel Jacobs (T. Ellis) ●Rugby Baker (C.Hambrick) ●Larry Vida (Patsy) ●Basilio Huallpa (G. Russell) ●Rucker Triplets



### 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:

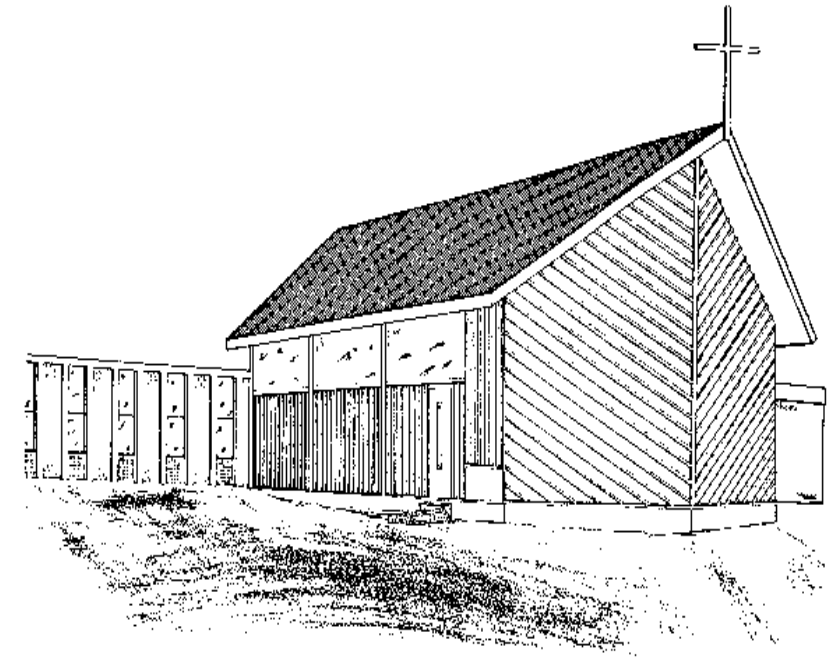
**January 28** ~ Youth will volunteer at the Thurman Brisben Center from 3:30-7:00 p.m.

**February 4** ~ "Soup-er" Bowl

**February 23-24** ~ 30 Hour Famine Lock In

**F.U.N. Group Trips** There will be a short meeting after 11:00 worship on February 11, to choose a date for the F.U.N. Group trip to the Museum of the Bible in D.C. Anyone interested in this trip (this will be a van trip, with the Stafford County Parks and Recreation van, thanks to Lois Nedza!) should try to come to the meeting, to add your voice to the decision-making.

To participate in other F.U.N. Group trips, to Shannon Airplane Museum and to the Terra Cotta Army exhibit (Richmond), sign up on the sheet on the main bulletin board.



## St. Matthias United Methodist Church

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

**January 28, 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 21**

**Sunday School: 36**

**Morning Worship: 151**