

Order of Worship**Third Sunday in Lent****March 4, 2018**

+Please stand as you are able

Worship Leader 8:45 Tim Ware 11:00 Dave Hogue

Welcome and Friendship Connections

+Choral Call to Worship "Sanctuary" (2x) p. 2164

+Unison Prayer

Almighty God, with You no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may love You more completely, and worthily magnify Your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

+Hymn of Praise "How Great Thou Art" (vv. 1,3 & 4) p. 77

+Affirmation of Faith from the United Church of Canada p. 883

Choral Response "Change My Heart, O God" (2x) 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. (2x)

Old Testament Reading Exodus 20:1-12

Epistle Reading I Corinthians 1:18, 22-25

Blessings and Prayers of God's People Pastor Pat

Moments with Young Disciples

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

Special Music "In the Garden" St. Matthias Choir

Gospel Reading John 2:13-17 (New Living Translation)

Message "Righteous Anger" Pastor Pat

Invitation to Holy Communion

Hymn of Preparation "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross" (vv. 1-3) p. 301

Prayers of Confession and Words of Assurance Pastor Pat

The Great Thanksgiving pp. 15-16

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.

Receiving the Bread and Cup

All who seek the Lord with a humble heart are welcome at His table! A gluten-free option is available. You are invited to bring your Tithes and Offerings forward as you come for Holy Communion. The separate baskets are for our local mission fund which is used to help families with utility bills and food.

Prayer following Communion p. 11

Eternal God, we give You thanks for this holy mystery in which You have given Yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of Your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

+Hymn of Discipleship "For the Bread Which You Have Broken" (vv. 1,2,& 4) p. 614

+ Benediction and Postlude



The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God in memory of Helen Ferree by Jane Studley.

**Beef Stew and Biscuits Benefit ~ TODAY! 12:15 PM ~ FELLOWSHIP HALL
TO BENEFIT RISE AGAINST HUNGER***This is the first fundraiser for our Rise Against Hunger meals.***New Women's Bible Study (Began February 26)** First Corinthians – Living Love When We Disagree. Class meets Monday evenings, 5:30-7:30 pm until Mar. 26th. Workbooks are \$10.00 POC: Tammi Ellis, (540) 842-2858 or ellistw09@gmail.com**Girl Scout Sunday - March 11**

Shelby Powers will be speaking about "Living Water" and her recent Holy Land experience.

UMCOR Sunday ~ March 11 ~ One Great Hour of Sharing

The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is the humanitarian relief and development arm of The United Methodist Church (UMC), a non-profit 501(c)3 organization operated under the auspices of the General Board of Global Ministries. If you'd like to give, please make your check to St. Matthias UMC, and put UMCOR in the memo.

MEDITATION RETREAT ~ March 17 ~ 10:30 a.m.Please join us as we explore the personal meaning of putting on the armor of God in the context of meditation or centering prayer. Take a morning to learn the basics of meditation and how to spend quiet time in God's presence while contemplating His word. **RSVP:** to Betsy Giannuzzi at 703-586-3153 (leave a message), email meditate46@gmail.com or call the church office at 540-373-8759.**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, cthrwh2123@comcast.net**FredCamp 2018 ~ July 1-7 ~ \$100 deposit due April 1**It'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**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.****Holy Week and Easter Services***Come Worship With Us!**This Week at a Glance***Sunday, March 4**

Happy Anniversary Colin & Kerry Meyer

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

12:15 p.m. Beef Stew & Biscuits

12:15 p.m. Emmaus Gathering

5:00 p.m. Praise Practice

5:45 p.m. Evening Worship

6:30 p.m. UMYF

Monday, March 5

9:00-11:00 Food Pantry

10:00 a.m. Prayer

5:30 p.m. Upper Room

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

6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts

Tuesday, March 6

Happy Birthday Judy Harford

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, March 7

Happy Birthday Gordon Payne, Shirley Glover,

Justin Reichard & Randy Hubbard

10:00 a.m. UMW Crafts

5:30 p.m. Ringers Practice

6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts

7:00 p.m. Choir

Thursday, March 8

Happy Birthday Madelyn Wetzel

9:30 a.m. Upper Room Lenten Study

6:00 p.m. Upper Room

6:29 p.m. Prayer

7:00 p.m. AI-Anon

7:00 p.m. Worship

Friday, March 9

Happy Birthday Norma Polley, Sandy Rawlins & Sherry King

9:30 a.m. F.U.N. Group Trip

Saturday, March 10

7:00 a.m. Pray Like a Man

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

9:00 a.m. 5 Talent Academy

FOOD PANTRY

Please check the bulletin board in the mission's hallway for a list of current food pantry needs.

THURMAN BRISBEN CENTER

We will be preparing and serving a meal at TBC on Sunday, March 18th. If you are interested in volunteering, please see the sign-up sheet on the front bulletin board or contact Brenda Wood, (540) 809-4616 or bwood@fredericksburgva.gov

Tear off and turn in with your check



**Order your
Easter
Flowers**

Your name & phone #:

How many of each:

_____ Lilies
_____ Azaleas
_____ Hydrangeas

In Honor of:

In Memory of:

Cost: Lilies \$15
Azalea \$26
Hydrangea \$26

Amount Paid: _____

Deadline: March 5

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: ●Jean Lee (D. Jenkins) ●Jose Ortiz (M. Rivera) ●Bill Ellis (T. Ellis) ●Sue Gordon (J. Cover) ●David Gilkerson (J. Cover) ●Families of those killed in the school shooting in Parkland, FL ●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) ●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 February 11: ● Gary Gardiner (B. Wood) Charlotte Burrill (B. Trant) ●Family of Jean Lee (D. Jenkins) ●Sy Symonds (C. Hand) ●James Davis, Jr (J. Davis) ●Paul Balgavy (R. Balgavy) ●Larry Vida ●Jason Toombs ●Rugby (C. Hambrick) ●Matthew Lonergan (P. Lonergan) ●Velma & Jim Bailey (M. A. Holt) ●Tim Gates (Admin. Asst. at Peace UMC) ●Barbara Kendall ●Bishop & Dist. Superintendent meeting this week to begin discussing pastoral assignments ●Rona Vernimb (P. Vernimb) ●Michelle Hutchinson ●Ron Hall

Prayer Requests from the week of February 18: ●Florida school shooting -- for the children & parents ●Michelle Hutchinson ●Jerry (P. Jones) ●Jim Bell (S. King) ●Renaldo Keene (B. Keene) ●Barbara Kendall ●Laura (A. Murray) ●Dick Moore ●Patsy & Larry Vida ●Jason Toombs (Angelique and family) ●Barbara Grant ●The Rucker triplets and others who are homebound during the flu season ●Our upcoming Honduras Mission May 26- June 2, with 10 serving on the team ●New Bible studies and on-going ones ●Basilio Hualpa (G. Russell) ●Susan Scheina

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)



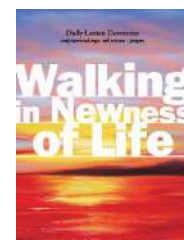
ST. MATTHIAS YOUTH GROUP

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 3/4, 3/11, 3/18

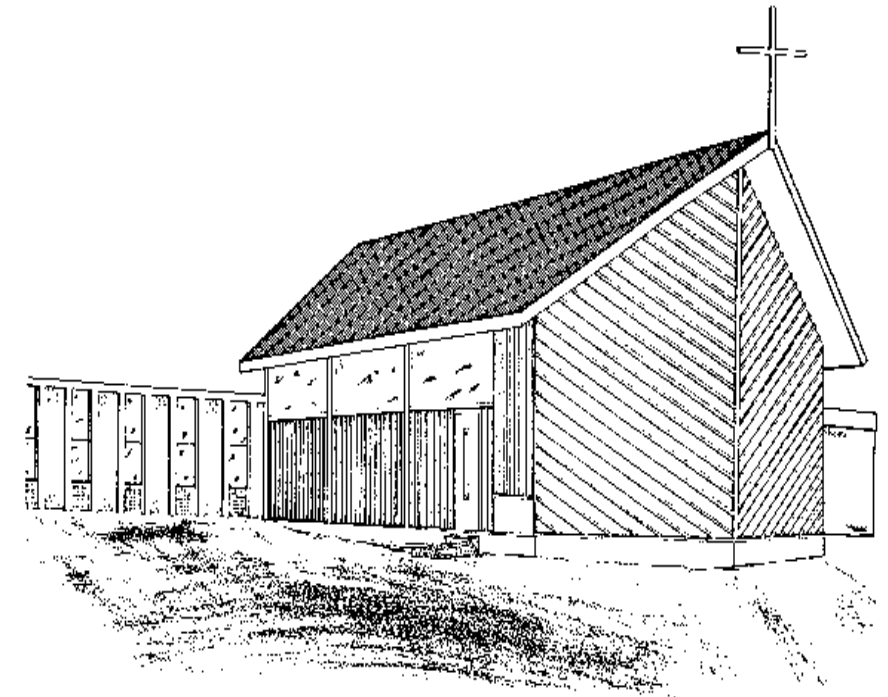
F.U.N. Group Trip ~ Saturday, April 28 ~ Museum of the Bible in D.C.

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



Society of St. Andrew Devotion for Sunday, March 4

Today's devotion shows the point-of-view change from a sense of duty, to a sense of blessing. The Society of St. Andrew, challenges us to remember our desperate 42 million children and adults here in the United States who struggle to put enough food on the table each day. Does your daily spiritual focus this season include giving? Every .30 you set aside for Society of St. Andrew will put ten servings of healthy food on the plates of those who need it most, giving both you and them, a blessing!



St. Matthias United Methodist Church

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

March 4, 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 February 25

Sunday School: 35

Morning Worship: 128