

Special Music

Give Me Jesus

St. Matthias Choir

Prayer for illumination

**Holy God, whose Spirit comes to us in moments of both strength and weakness, come now into our midst that we might be able to hear your Word in fullness and in truth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Isaiah 35:4-7

James 2:1-17

+In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful, FWS 2195

+Mark 7:24-37

Message

He Does Everything Well!

Pastor Bert

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer, UMH 895

Sharing our Tithes and Offering

Prayer of Thanksgiving

+Doxology, UMH 94

+He Touched Me, UMH 367

+Blessing

Postlude

**Things to know about worship**

First, we new glad you are here! We hope that your visit gives you a glimpse of God's love for you, and we want to make your time here as comfortable as we can. The screens will help you with words and directions and this bulletin will guide you through the service. Please quiet you phone or device but the use of Bible apps are encouraged. There are times when we will invite you to stand as you are able, and these are marked with a '+'. Large print bulletins and hymnals are available upon request. A handicap accessible restroom and wheelchair are available. Please let one of the users, greeters or pastor know if you need anything or have questions. Thank you for any financial contributions you may make during the offering time or online at [stmatthiasumc.org](http://stmatthiasumc.org). These are tax deductible and help us offer ministry to our community and world. Please be sure to use the tear-off sheet to check in, share prayer requests, register for activities and get more information. May God bless us all!

**Give Me Your Peace**

God, I am angry, frustrated, and sad. At the root of these bitter feelings, I feel hurt. Please help me to let go of the painful memories – the fights, the jealousy, the unkind words, the scorn I feel from other people. Take my pain and transform it for good. Help me to see that those who hurt me are hurting too. Teach me to be more understanding, to offer them the love I need so much. Remind me that you see all of us as worthy of love and forgiveness. Give me your peace, God. Fill me with your strength and your love so that I might be an instrument of your peace. – From **devozine** an *Upper Room* devotional for teens, *May-June 2018 edition*.



**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!

A printed copy of the monthly newsletter is located on the table outside the church office. An electronic version is accessible on our church website, [stmatthiasumc.org](http://stmatthiasumc.org). Here you will find a list of birthdays and anniversaries for the month of September. Pick your copy up today!



**Beef Stew & Biscuits**  
Sun., Oct. 14 ~ 12:15 p.m.  
Donations to benefit Rise Against Hunger.  
Food packing will take place Sun., Nov. 4 ~ 2-4:00 p.m.

**THURMAN BRISBEN CENTER**

We will be preparing and serving a meal at TBC on **Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>**. 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](mailto:bwood@fredericksburgva.gov).

**Jesus is loving our neighbors. Here are a couple of ways you can help...**

Mission trip November 4-10 in Fayetteville, NC. Planning meeting **16 Sept. @ 12:15**, Room 10.

Our **2019 mission trip to Honduras** is scheduled for **29 June to 6 July**.

**Annual Craft/Bake Goods Sale & Yard Sale**



**Sat., October 6** ~ You may bring donated items to the church starting Sun., Sept. 30 (please, not before). See front bulletin board for more information.



**Winter Coat Mission Shorey Chapel, Maine**

Please bring your winter coat donations to the church office on or before **Sun., Oct. 7**.



**United Methodist Men's Night Out**  
Shannon Air Museum Tour  
**Friday, Sept., 14 – 6-9:00 p.m.**  
\$7.00 (cash only please)  
Invite a friend!  
POC: Butch Cover (540) 429-3331

**Week at a Glance**

**Sunday, September 9**

10-10:50 a.m. Pastor's Coffee  
11:00 a.m. Kid's Own Worship  
5:00 p.m. Praise Practice  
6:30 p.m. UMYF

**Monday, September 10**

9:00 a.m. Food Pantry  
10:00 a.m. Prayer  
6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts

**Tuesday, September 11**

7:45 a.m. Exercise Class  
6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts  
6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts Comm. Mtg.  
7:00 p.m. Wesleyan Bldg. Bros.

**Wednesday, September 12**

10:00 a.m. UMW Meeting  
5:30 p.m. Bell Practice  
6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts  
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice  
7:00 p.m. Finance

**Bulletin Deadline**

**Thursday, September 13**

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

**Friday, September 14**

**Pastor's Sabbath**  
6-9:00 p.m. U.M. Men's Night Out

**Saturday, September 15**

7:00 a.m. Pray Like a Man

**Discipleship Classes**

9:45 – 10:45

Staffed nursery for infants - 2

**9:45 a.m. Adults**

"Good News" Rm. 10  
"Romans" Fellowship Hall  
"Rock, Road, Rabbi" Youth Rm. A

**9:45 a.m. Children & Youth**

6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade Youth Rm. B  
1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade Rm. 8  
Preschoolers – K Rm. 6  
Nursery Rm. 15

**SMUMC by the Numbers**

**Attendance on September 2**

**Sunday School: 23**

**Morning Worship: 108**

**CONNECT**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Update contact information

**Please circle one**

Visitor Member

Regular Attender

Please pray for....

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**I would like this to be shared:**

in the bulletin

with the prayer team

only with the Pastor

I would like the Pastor to call me

## *Prayers of the Community of Faith!*

I would like to sign-up for the following events:

UMM night out @ Shannon Airport  
Name(s) & contact info

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Volunteering at the Thurman Brisben Center  
Name(s) & contact info

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Beef Stew & Biscuits  
Name(s) & contact info

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What is your Sanctuary Banner?

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I would like more information about:

- Love & Laundry Ministry
- Honduras Mission Trip
- Fayetteville, NC Mission Trip
- Rise Against Hunger Food Packing
- Serving a meal at the Thurman Brisben Center
- Micah Ministries Cold Weather Shelter
- Reading Buddies @ Grafton Elementary School
- Lay Servant Ministry Training
- Becoming a Member of SMUMC
- The Food Pantry

**Mourning / Families of:** ●Wingfield Butler (J. Studley)

**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 August 19:** ●Chip Purks ● Marty Archer ●Dee Naifeh's granddaughter ●Micro Burst 8/12/18: God's provision for recovery and restoration ●those transitioning to college and their families ●Wanda Smith

**Prayer Requests from the week of August 26:** ●Wanda ●John McCain's family ●Dick and Dianne Moore ●Nancy ●Prayer for a light sentence was answered ●Roman Catholic Church ●John Thomas ●Continued prayer for Mohamed Klahifa ●Harley ●Dodie Walker ●Maya Wick ●Bob Archer ●Lisa Powell

**Prayer Requests from the week of September 2:** ●Kseniya ●Greg Shanks ●Mo Khalifa

**Questions for Reflection** Try to recall the first time in your life when you did not retreat in the face of opposition. How is your experience like that of the Syrophoenician woman putting her case to Jesus? Where in your life today is that same courage calling you to speak out? What could you do this week to take steps in that direction?

**Household Prayer:** Morning Holy God, I thank you for another day, whether it brings the sort of happiness for which I always hope or the challenges I sometimes fear. Each day in your presence is a time to notice the marvels of creation that surround me. Help me to see them today and to move gracefully from one hour to the next, in the name of your holy and miraculous ways. Amen.

**Household Prayer:** Evening Giver of all good things, you have been at my side, beneath, above, and within me all day long, and I thank you for your presence. I thank you now, as well, that as I grow weary, you have given me a place to lay my head. Watch over all who sleep this night, especially those who have no shelter. Guard them and keep all your people in safety, in Jesus' name. Amen.

### **St. Matthias United Methodist Church**

Called to Make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World

#### **Worship:**

Sundays: 8:45 & 11:00 | Nursery for infants to 5 yrs  
Kids Own Worship (pre -5th grade): 11 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Worship: 1st & 3rd Sundays @ 5:45 p.m.

#### **Pastor:**

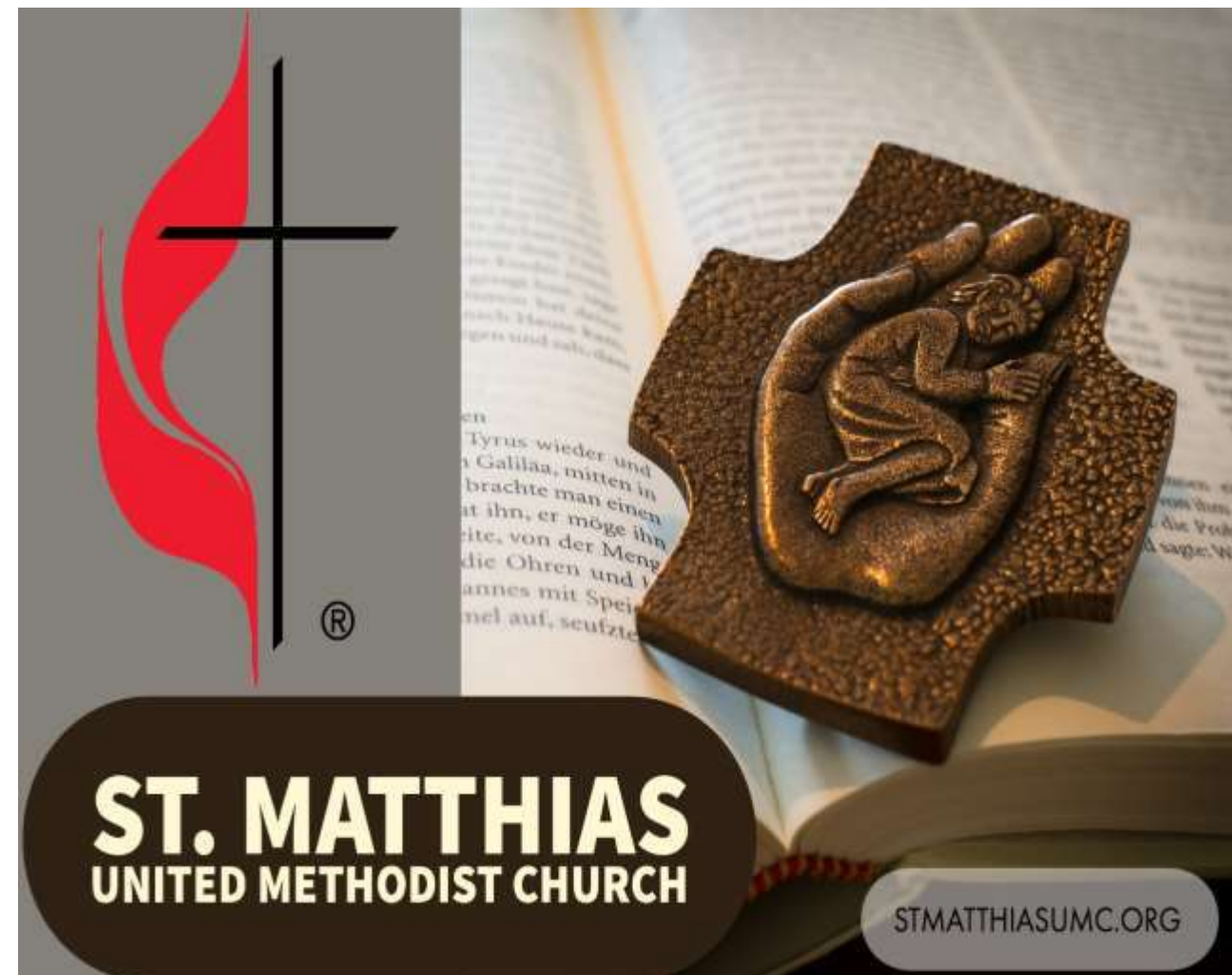
Rev. Bert Cloud  
540-736-7007 (voice & text) | [pastorbert@stmatthiasumc.org](mailto:pastorbert@stmatthiasumc.org)

#### **Office:**

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#### **Find us:**

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Physical & Mailing: 426 Deacon Road, Fredericksburg, VA 22405



**September 9, 2018**

**The Season of Nurture & Growth**

Greeting and Opening Prayer

+Introit Rules of Life St. Matthias Choir

+Call to Worship (Prov 22, Ps 125, Jas 2)

Those who trust in the Lord shall never be shaken.

**Those who place their faith in God stand on firm foundations.**

Just as mountains surround Jerusalem, God's love and mercy surround God's people.

**Just as rivers flow through mountain ravines, God's mercy and compassion flow through us.**

Come! Let us worship the One who brings us peace.

+O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing, UMH 57

+Affirmation of Faith (based on Ephesians 4)

**We believe in one body, the church,  
one Holy Spirit,  
one hope to which we are called,  
one Lord Jesus,  
one faith,  
one baptism,  
one God and Father of all,  
who is over all and through all and in all.**

+Choral Response Into My Heart, FWS 2160

Children's Moment 8:30