

THOSE WHO MAKE ST. MATTHIAS' ROCK ON SUNDAYS!

Ministry		February 23	March 1
Celebrant		The Rev. Brenda Overfield	The Rev. Brenda Overfield
Crucifer	Early	Alex Deas	Carter Ramkey
	Late	Marshall Ketron	Hazel Bittenbender
Server	Early	Dylan Lowe	Kendall Ramkey
	Late	Marshall Ketron	Olivia Walker
First Lesson	Early	Debbie Vance	
	Late	Vern Snipes	
Second-Lesson	Early	Debbie Vance	
	Late	Lenny Anderson	
Psalm	Early	Cheryl Boone	
	Late	Kevin Sweeney	
Prayers of the People	Early	Jonathan Page	
	Late	Bill Van Arnam	
Healing Minister			
Tellers		Mark Swenson Marcia Oglesby	Chris Greatwood Ann Hawkins
Altar Guild		Kathy Carter Laura Davis	
Greeters	Early	Nivia Woodaman Carolyn Ayres	
	Late	Zita and Michael Barree	
Ushers	Early	Brenda Hentges, Betsy Goodreau	John Gray
	Late	Gerry Noell Tom Napier	Mark Paullin Jerry Buckner
Children's Liturgy	Early	Sharon Lowe	Sharon Lowe
	Late	Audrey McElhinney	Audrey McElhinney
Flower Guild		Renay Hardy	Sue Baird
Sound Board	Early	Sam Giles	Mike Larkin
	Late	Tom Napier	
Vestry Rep.		Jeff Burke	Bill Oglesby

PRAYER LIST

Our Prayer Lists: Understanding that a lot can happen between Tuesday at Noon (deadline for bulletin information) and Sunday morning regarding requests for intercessions, there will now be a notebook on the podium outside the entrance of the Commons for people to add names for a given Sunday. That list will be given to Brenda. Names added will remain for six weeks, please contact office to renew if you wish.

Our Congregation is asked to keep in their prayers the following:

Rodger Hardy
Bob Gretchen
Alice Karen Dougan
Thomas Binney-
Amissah
Liz Brengel
Jim T.
David M.
Stuart
Denise M.
Melanie
Cody
/Dick Harman
Sam Hardy
Dawn
William
Bill L.
Donna Murray
Gary

/Adam
Matt
Ron
Julie
Joanna Turek
Ed McCowan
/Olga R.
Mike
Dick Nelson
Kellan R
Dave G.
Timothy
Phil Z.
Patty M.
Stella N.
Guy

We also pray for those in the military, especially:
Todd Batteau
Sooky Brooks
Alex Burton
Christopher Garland
Michael Handlan
Jake Hentges
Rebecca Jenkins
Donta Mason
Tom Montgomery
Jacob Murdock
Phillip Plourd
Andrew Rodgers
Heather Smith
Hank Truillo
Nat Williams
Corey
Spencer
Zach

For the repose of the soul of Pat Herring

MEMBERS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

Catherine Allen	23	MJ Perkins	25
Jeremy Kirkland	23	Anne Vandeweghe	25
Margaret Kolster	23	Mary Ellers	26
Hap Reisch	24	Carolyn Ayres	27
Nana Biney-Amissah	25	Dot Sibley	27
Kathy Carter	25		

St. Matthias' Episcopal Church

The Rev. Brenda S. Overfield, Rector

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Announcements for February 23, 2020

GENERAL INFORMATION

Holy Communion at 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

Nursery provided 8:15 AM - 12:30 PM

Formation Programs 10:00 - 10:50 AM

For after-hour emergencies and pastoral care, please contact the Rector or Parish Administrator: 804-464-1842. For baptisms, marriages, or funerals, please contact the Rector. For use of the facilities, membership, or giving and pledges, please contact the Parish Administrator.

Church sponsored, Sunday bulletin announcements are due in the office by 12:00 PM, Tuesdays and should be submitted here:

www.stmatmidlo.com/news-announcements

Please see our community bulletin board in Morrison Hall for personal and community announcements.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - 8:30 AM –7:00 PM

Tuesday—Thursday: 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Friday: 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Phone: 8 04-464-1842 Fax: 804-594-5982

Weather/Emergency Text Updates: Text UBUNTU to 84483

Web Site: www.stmatmidlo.com ~ Email: st.matthias@stmatmidlo.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Youth Group Events:

Youth Group meets from 5:00 - 6:30 PM on Sundays (unless otherwise noted); location varies.

- ⇒ **TODAY** - February 23rd - Convocation Youth Groups (at Drive Shack)
- ⇒ February 25th (Tuesday) - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper; 6:00 pm
- ⇒ March 1st - Youth Group (at St. Matthias)
- ⇒ March 8th - Convocation Youth Groups—Hot dog & S'mores Roast (at Redeemer)
- ⇒ March 15th - Youth Group goes to the movies
- ⇒ March 22nd - Youth Group (at St. Michael's)
- ⇒ March 28th (Saturday) - St. Matthias' Mission Project
- ⇒ March 27th-29th - Happening #72 (at Camp Chanco)

YOUTH GROUP TODAY - SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD; 5:00 - 6:30 PM: Meet at Drive Shack - 1647 Four Rings Drive, Richmond, VA 23233. We will be joining our Convocation friends from St. Michael's and Redeemer. Bring money for snacks. There are still a couple of spots open. Contact Kristen ASAP to secure your place: kristen.ketron@stmatmidlo.com.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper - Tuesday, February 25th at 6:00 PM: Today is the last day to sign-up! Help us know how much food to prepare. Your chance to be a part of this pancake ministry is available now. Sign up on the bulletin board in the Commons to help set-up, cook, or clean-up. Any questions see Kristen or email at kristen.ketron@stmatmidlo.com.

Do you sing or play an instrument?

It is not too late to join a choir here at St. Matthias.

All rehearsals are in the Music Room.

The 8:30 am Choir—HOLY APOSTOLIC BAND meets on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm. If you play string and/or wind instruments, give John Murdock a heads up before rehearsal.

The 11:00 am Choir—CHANCEL CHOIR meets on Thursday evenings at 6:30 pm.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR—meets Sunday morning at 9:30 am (before Sunday School).

If you have any questions, please contact John Murdock at 464-1842, ext. 103, or email him at john.murdock@stmatmidlo.com.

HANDBELLS

I would like to have handbells play Easter Day (April 12) for the 8:30 and 11:00 AM services. If you are in high school or older, and interested, please email John Murdock at john.murdock@stmatmidlo.com, or call him at 464-1842, ext. 103.

St. Matthias' Family Lunch at Candela's — March 1 at 12:30 PM. Candela's is located in the Robious Shopping Center next to Dave's Auto Wash. This year's hosts: Hap & Rhonda Reisch and Lou Montgomery. Church members AND their friends are welcome!

Free Directory Pictures!! No Sales Pitch!! :: Isn't it so much easier to meet and get to know people by having their picture!? That's why we need all members to participate in updating our directory by adding their pictures! We have two options:

* Send your own picture (jpeg file format)

* Have our own Dave Randolph take your picture in between church services on February 23 or March 8 in the back of Morrison Hall. Come join the fun in us all getting to know each other even better!

2019 Final Giving Statements: The final 2019 Giving Statements were recently sent out. Please check the amounts and references for accuracy. If you did not receive your Giving Statement or it is not accurate in any way, please contact Brother Mark at (804) 464-1842. If you inadvertently missed fulfilling your 2019 pledge and wish to do so, it is not too late! Your check with "2019 General, Outreach and/or Blessing Pledge" noted in the reference line would be welcomed and greatly appreciated.

The Flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God
and in memory of Bev Nicola by Eli Nicola

WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

Hip, Hip, Hurrah! Lent is coming! What a wonderful time of year for a reflective quiet and spiritual pilgrimage with Jesus along his journey to the Cross.—and ultimately to his Resurrection.

We begin with Shrove Tuesday, February 25th, and our annual Pancake Supper at 6:00 PM.

Ash Wednesday Services will be on Wednesday, February 26th at 12:15 & 7:00 PM.

Beginning on Wednesday, March 4th through Wednesday April 1st, the following program and Services will be available to you for your Lenten pilgrimage this year:

Holy Eucharist each Wednesday March 1st through April 1st at 12:15 PM

Special Programming for Children & Youth will be offered on Wednesday evenings to run simultaneously with the Adult program. Look for announcements to follow.

On the Way to Jerusalem : following Jesus.

Join us Wednesday evenings beginning March 1st through April 1st from 6:00 – 8:30 PM for a shared light supper followed by a presentation of the Rector's Pilgrimage to Israel in February. We will travel with Jesus to Jerusalem according to the Gospel of Mark and explore sights and experiences of Israel & Palestine to deepen our understanding of the Gospel message that Mark has brought us. The evening will be concluded by a short Eucharistic Service. Participants are asked to purchase "Jesus: A Pilgrimage" by James Martin from Amazon and to bring their Bibles weekly as we read the Gospel of Mark. (book may be purchase through Amazon)

Holy Week Services:

Palm Sunday: April 5, 8:30 & 11:00 AM

Wednesday: April 8, Stations of the Cross at 12:15 PM

Maundy Thursday: April 9, Agape Supper at 6:00 PM followed by Maundy Thursday Service at 7:30 PM

Good Friday: Good Friday Liturgy at Noon; Tenebrae at 7:30 PM

Holy Saturday: Easter Egg Hunt: 12:00 Noon

Easter Day: Holy Eucharist at 7:00 AM; 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

The rosebuds on the altar are in celebration of the birth of...

Esther Virginia Grey, daughter of Sara & John Grey, grandson of Laura & David Duke and great grandson of Nancy Matthews. Essie was born on September 14, 2019.

Rainer Austin Brooks, son of Jeff & Sooky Brooks and grandson of Linda Brooks. Rainer was born on October 14, 2019.

William Ervin Lasseter, son of Sarah & Patrick Lasseter and grandson of Mary Ann & Ervin Reid. Will was born on February 2, 2020.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Nursery (newborn through Pre-K) – Room 111

The Nursery is available during both services, as well as during the formation hour. Feel free to make use of the nursery for all or part of our services.

** Please note that children are welcome at **all** services. Worship bags with quiet activities are available hanging from chairs in the back row.

Children's Liturgy; during both services (Kindergarten through 5th Grade)

Children's Liturgy follows the Sunday gospels, introducing children to God's word and encouraging them to learn about Jesus in a way that is both suited to their age and sensitive to their level of understanding. Children begin the service with their parents. They are invited to join with others for Children's Liturgy, and return during the Peace.

Children's Liturgy

⇒ February 23rd – *Love Your Enemies*

Matthew 5:38-48

⇒ March 1st – *Jesus is tested!*

Matthew 4:1-11

Sunday School

February 23rd:

⇒ Pre-K - 1st Grade – Jesus Calms the Storm

⇒ 2nd - 4th Grade – Jesus Feeds 5,000

⇒ 5th- 8th Grade – Jesus Transfigured

⇒ 9th - 12th Grade – 7 Signs

March 1st:

⇒ Pre-K - 1st Grade – The Widow's Offering / Lent

⇒ 2nd - 4th Grade – The Greatest Commandment / Lent

⇒ 5th- 8th Grade – Facing Temptation / Lent

⇒ 9th - 12th Grade – Jarius' Daughter

The Village (Room 103)

This is a self led, conversation-based group for those in their 20s-50s.

Adult Seeker's Class: The following is the schedule for the new Adult Seekers Sunday School class.

February 9, 16, 23 & March 1 a book discussion on Deep Roots, Wild Branches by Michael Adam Beck. For a preview you can go to the web site deeprootswildbranches.com.

March 8, 15, 22, & 29 : **Make Me an Instrument of Peace: A Guide to Civil Discourse.** We will watch and discuss this timely video series from the National Episcopal Church web site over these four weeks. Our discussions will be theologically grounded, and based on Christian faith and values.

April 5 & 12 - no class due to Palm Sunday and Easter Day.

April 19 - May 17 a study on the book of Acts of the Apostles lead by Debbie and John Vance.

May 24 - wrap up with a brunch and discussion of topics for the fall.

Please plan on attending this enriching class that meets in the round in Morrison Hall.