

THOSE WHO MAKE ST. MATTHIAS' ROCK ON SUNDAYS!

Ministry		October 20	October 27
Celebrant		The Rev. Dr. Bruce Gray	Rev. Michael Stone
Crucifer	Early	Carter Ramkey	Alex Deas
	Late	Kahner Kirsh	Chris Greatwood
Server	Early	Kendall Ramkey	Alex Deas
	Late	Mackenzie Kirsh	Marshall Ketron
First Lesson	Early	Joe Hegner	John Goodreau
	Late	Herbert Norman	Bill Van Arnam
Second Lesson	Early	Joe Hegner	John Goodreau
	Late	Herbert Norman	Nat Wooding
Psalm	Early	Chip Thompson	Chip Thompson
	Late	Sandy Noell	Vern Snipes
Prayers of the People	Early	Nancy Matthews	John Gray
	Late	Zita Barree	Lenny Anderson
Healing Minister		Marilynn Swenson	Cheryl Boone
Tellers		Mark Swenson Marcia Oglesby	Perry Jefferson Jeremy Kirkland
Altar Guild		Valerie Doebler Mary Ann Reid	Laura Davis Audrey McElhinney
Greeters	Early	Mike Larkin Renay Hardy	Ed Mazur Nancy Matthews
	Late	Merriann Clark Janice Dial	Wendy and Ed Ellis
Ushers	Early	Brenda Hentges Betsy Goodreau	Mary Deas Colleen Deas
	Late	Bob Bledsoe Ashby Baum	Skip Todd Tom Napier
Children's Liturgy	Early	Cece Allen	Liz Jones
	Late	Ruby McCowan	Tammy Reinhardt
Flower Guild		Kappy Atkins	Nicole Page
Sound Board	Early	John Goodreau	Pete Plourd
	Late	Chris Greatwood	Tom Napier
Vestry Rep.		Hap Rieisch	Ervine Reid

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:

Pamela Olga & Family
Ron Beller
Steve Stephanie
Amelia Karl Johnson
Helen Spalding
Bill Johnson /William
Gretchen Mie
Martha McElhinney
Nancy White
Maria Bower
Courtney /Paige
Samantha Tom and Ann
Carol and Alex
Ed Mazur
/Bob Adam
Marsha /Elliot Woodaman

Scott D. Neil Smith
Ed McCowan
Amy Bev
Sam Hardy
Stuart & Family /McNeil family
Genevieve Marti Bastedo
/Dick Harman
Joanne D'Aria
Courtney Peery
Nancy White
Richard Wandel
Arnold Strulson
Liz Brengel
Renay Hardy
Rodger Hardy
Olga & John

We also pray for those in the military, especially:
Alax Burton
Corey 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
Zach

For the repose of the soul of **John** Rusinko

MEMBERS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

Parker Allen	22	Kahner Kirsh	23
Carol Gardner	22		
Ax Kemp	22		

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God

By Debbie Thompson.

St. Matthias Episcopal Church

The Rev. Brenda S. Overfield, Rector

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Announcements for October 20, 2019

GENERAL INFORMATION

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

Nursery provided 8:15 AM—12:30 PM

For after-hour emergencies and pastoral care, please contact the Rector or Parish Administrator: 804-272-8588. 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 announcements.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Thursday: 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM

Friday: 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Phone: 804-272-8588 ~ Fax: 804-272-1718

Weather/Emergency Text Updates: Text UBUNTU to 84483

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Adult Group Forming!: Are you in your 20s-50s and want to join others in the same walk of life for group discussion, fellowship, and coffee? Join us during Sunday School time in the first Room 101-103 each Sunday starting October 6th. Questions? See Whitney Sears or Crista Cruz.

Sunday School Food Drive: Each week the classes will collect a different food item to be presented to our food pantry on October 20th (Crop Walk day). This has been a fun and important event that helps connect with the children and youth with a very special ministry within our church.

10/13 - Canned fruit

10/20 - Cookies

Crop Hunger Walk: The Chesterfield County Crop Hunger Walk will be held on Sunday October 20th at 1:30pm. The walk is celebrating 50 years, therefore we are hoping to have 50 participants from our church to participate. The walk will begin and end at Christ The King Lutheran and approximately 3 miles. Please contact Crista Cruz with any questions and let's get out and walk together on Oct. 20th

Name tags: While some of us find it easy to remember names, many of us could use the reminder of a name tag. Wearing name tags will help us greet one another by name, welcome visitors to our community and continue to grow in fellowship with one another. The Membership Commission will begin recognizing members wearing name tags with sweet treats. If you need a name tag, please contact Bro. Mark @ mark.jenkins@stmatmidlo.com to request one-it's absolutely free!

Worship Bags for Children: Children like to move and play, even in a sacred setting like church. And there isn't one right way to do church. We do want them to learn that church is a place where we hear God's Word. But I think we sometimes forget how hard it is for a little one to sit still for that long. In fact, it's sometimes hard for us adults to sit still and listen for that long! For that reason, we provide Worship (Busy) Bags with quiet activities during services, hanging from chairs in the back row of the Nave. Many thanks to Cathy Todd and Kim Vandeweghe for monitoring the bags for years now. It is time for them to hand this ministry over to others. It is an easy way to help our littles become disciples of Christ. If you are interested in participating, please contact Kristen Ketron (kristen.ketron@stmatmidlo.com -OR- 272-8588 ext. 104).

Shelter Feeding October 26th bagged lunch sign up: The Shelter Feeding Ministry needs 150 lunches made with loving hands. We are asking each person or family to make 10 bagged lunches for Saturday, October 26th.

Each lunch to include: a sandwich without condiments: ham, turkey, beef or peanut butter & jelly (please mark PB&J bags for allergies), fruit, dessert, snack and napkin.

Meet us in the church parking lot at 9 AM or leave in the church refrigerator Friday before noon.

Call or email Carrie 804 986 6460 carriecdeane@aol.com or Mary 804 908 1575 ellersm@chesterfield.gov with any questions. A sign-up sheet is in the commons area. Thank you ALWAYS for help! Blessings and Love, Mary and Carrie.

Planting Day Oct. 26: THANK YOU, THANK YOU to all who brought in daffodils. Now comes the hard part - they have to go in the medians. If we get a good turn out it will be easy. Please come Sat. morning Oct. 26 at 10:00 am. Anyone seeking volunteer hours for school come and get some time signed off. You will feel so proud when you see all those pretty yellow flowers next Spring.

Halloween Goodie Bags Are Coming! The Women of the Church will meet Tuesday, October 22 at 7:30 to assemble Halloween goodie bags for our St Matthias college students. We will meet at the church in Morrison Hall. Please bring something to include in each box. We think we will have about 30 boxes to fill.

Also, we would appreciate contributions to help with the mailing costs or goodies to be included in the boxes. Please give money or goodies to Margaret Kolster. You can also write a check to St Matthias with Women of the Church in the memo section.

We invite all women to attend this meeting. It is a great chance to get acquainted and hear what else we have planned for the year.

Thank You Notes:

The Vestry and fellowship committee wishes to thank all who made the fall BBQ a success. Committee members, chefs, choppers, and additional helpers including Rhonda Reisch, Beverley & Herbert Norman, Carol Giles, Don & Kathy Carter, Maggie and Kevin Houghton, Nat Wooding, John Watkins, Jason Fiske, Mark Paullin, Nell & Malcolm Turnbull, Eli Nicola, Brenda Hentges, Jeff Burke, and Ervin Reid. A special shout out for all their hard work to Meg and Brian Griffin. Thanks to all attendees and any helpers not mentioned. We could not hold this activity without this tremendous support!

The Membership Commission wants to thank everyone who participated in the Ministry Fair. It was a great way to meet new people and learn more about the wonderful ministries at St. Matthias

Outreach Fund: Shelter the homeless. Feed the hungry. Visit the prisoner. Heal the sick in mind, body or spirit. Help the marginalized. Love.

These are admonitions from Christ that explain how we as Christians are to live. Through the Outreach Fund, we can participate in sheltering, feeding, visiting, healing, helping and loving.

Caritas, Home Again, Crossover Ministries, Art for the Journey, Grace Inside, Micah, the Healing Place, the Food Pantry. All these organizations and more receive money from the Outreach Fund. They all answer the call to shelter, feed, visit, heal, help and love. When you donate to Outreach, you are answering the call to be the hands and feet of Christ.

Please fill out the Outreach Card with your Estimate of Giving. You will change lives!

Our service begins... Many of you know the benefits of service and spiritual journey - growing personally, growing communities, and growing our relationship with God and each other. The vestry is looking to provide opportunities for all of us to participate. To make sure the opportunities are meaningful, we want to get your input. What areas you would like to participate in. What activities you would like to participate in. What you would like to get out of it. To get your input, there will be a survey that you can fill out at the service. That same survey will be emailed if that is more convenient. We look forward to hearing from you.

Status of the 2019 & 2020 stewardship campaigns.as of 10/10/2019.

Received:

2019 General Fund: \$356,871 of \$463,746.

2019 Outreach Fund: \$42,188 of \$67,122.

2019 Blessing Gifts: \$8,400 of \$14,910.

Estimates Received:

2020 General Fund: 29 cards for \$187,576.

2020 Outreach Fund: 14 cards for \$13,880.

2020 Blessing Gifts: 14 cards for \$12,575.

Pete Plourd

Chairperson

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

The nursery is available during both services, as well as during Adult Forum. Children are welcome at all services. Feel free to make use of the nursery for all or part of our services. Busy 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, are invited to join with others for Children's Liturgy, and return during the Peace.

Children's Liturgy

October 20th – Don't Give Up

Luke 18:1-8

October 27th – The Pharisee and the Tax Collector

Luke 19:9-14

Sunday School

October 20th:

⇒ Pre-K - 1st – Joseph in Egypt

⇒ 2nd - 4th Grade – The Battle of Jericho

⇒ 5th- 8th Grade – Prayerful Perseverance

⇒ 9th - 12th Grade – Jonah

October 27th:

⇒ Pre-K - 1st – Elijah and Elisha

⇒ 2nd - 4th Grade – Naomi and Ruth

⇒ 5th- 8th Grade – Open Before God

⇒ 9th - 12th Grade – Creation

Adult Forum

◇ October 20: Tools for Coping in Difficult Times: The Rev. Bruce Gray

◇ October 27: Guest Speaker, The Rev. Michael Stone: (it's a surprise!)

◇ November 3: Conversations with the Vestry: bring your questions, compliments and/ or concerns!

◇ November 10: Studying the Gospel: BSO+

◇ November 17: Spiritual, not Religious: Brian Griffen, Religious Studies at Trinity Episcopal School