

St. Matthias' Episcopal Church

The Rev. Brenda S. Overfield, Rector

11300 West Huguenot Road

Midlothian, VA 23113

Announcements for January 10, 2021

GENERAL INFORMATION

Morning Prayer via zoom—8:30 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

By Appointment Only

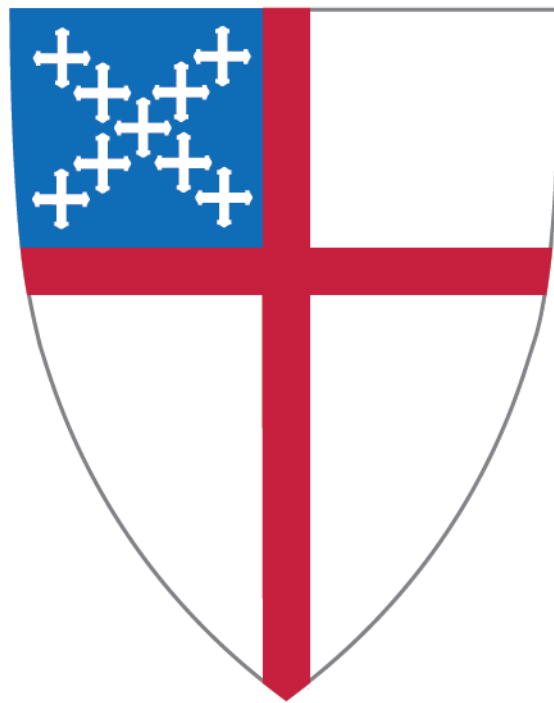
Masks Required.

Staff members are working from home and are checking voice mail and returning calls.

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

Weather/Emergency Text Updates: Text WeAreIAm to 84483

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



Weekly Update

To the Faithful Diaspora,

I bring warmth and love to you all in Christ's name!

God's Mission has a Church. In Midlothian we call ourselves St. Matthias and are committed to the fulfillment of His Mission and where God calls us.

This Sunday will be an opportunity for our annual review of how we're doing with our response to God. You will otherwise know it as "The Annual Meeting". (at which point you might actually groan and say, "uggh", or "boring", or "I'm not formally a member so it doesn't pertain to me.") May I encourage us all to think of this as a time to do some evaluation as a community regarding our faithfulness to God's Mission, and plan to be present for this review.

A few points for your information:

- There will be ONE service only at 10 AM. It will be followed by the meeting.
- The service and meeting will be held via Zoom. Look for links and other information in the coming days.
- If you have had difficulty logging onto Zoom, and would like to be present, we have a cadre of volunteers waiting to be of assistance to you. Please call the office as soon as possible if you need help. Please do not wait until Saturday or Sunday morning to reach out, as there may be difficulty in being able to assist on short notice.
- The Annual Report was sent both electronically and via mail last Friday, 1/8/2021. If you have not received a copy, please let Brother Mark know immediately. You are also free to pick up a copy at the office this week if you would like.
- Due to the nature of holding a virtual meeting, and subsequent complications for required vetting of nominees, there will be no allowed nominations from the floor this year for Vestry.
- To keep us connected as a community socially, we will have a "brunch" following the meeting. Join us with your breakfast, lunch, both!, and we will stay on Zoom and have a virtual meal together.

I would like to thank the leadership of our Vestry members and offer my gratitude to those who, after three years of faithful service to this incredible Church, will be rotating off.

I look forward to seeing all of you this Sunday at 10. Please reach out to us should you have any questions.

Yours in Faith,
Brenda+

[Click here for the 2020 Annual Report](#)

Limited Access: For the safety of the staff and those working in the pantry, the office and building are open by appointment only. If you need speak to or make an appointment to see the Rector or a staff member you can call 804-464-1842.

Office Closed: The office will be closed on Monday, January 18 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Christmas Pageant: Didn't get a chance to see our virtual Christmas Pageant 2020 on Christmas Eve? Well, here's your chance to watch it on our St. Matthias YouTube Channel. Click on this link and you will be able to see the children, youth, and adults retell the story of the Nativity of our Lord through scripture and hymns.

[Christmas Pageant 2020](#)

All the participants did an excellent job! Thanks to all who contributed to make this pageant fabulous!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School meets via Zoom on Sunday mornings, from 12:15 - 1:00 pm. Feel free to eat lunch during the class.

Here is the link to the Zoom Sunday School class: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82002087633>

You will be in the waiting room until the host (Sunday School teacher) lets you into the meeting.

January 17th - NO SUNDAY SCHOOL - ANNUAL MEETING

January 24th - *Jesus Goes to Nazareth* (Activity - Maze, Word Find & Trivia)

January 31st - *The Disciples* (Activity - Disciple Facts)

January supplies: supplies will be emailed to you this month; you can request supplies from Kristen at kristen.ketron@stmatmidlo.com

Even if your child does not attend our Zoom Sunday school gatherings - feel free to request the supplies so you/they are able to participate in spiritual formation when the timing suits you.

YOUTH MINISTRY

We meet weekly on Sundays from 4:00 - 5:00 pm via Zoom. Gathering activities are being planned and will happen as soon as permitted.

Here is the link to the Zoom Youth Ministry meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81326382189>

You will be in the waiting room until the host (Youth Ministry leader) lets you into the meeting.

January 24 & 31 - Goals (a series on Wisdom) We all have goals! Whether your goal is to raise your grades, learn a new skill, get TikTok famous, change the world, or all of the above, there are things you want to do, accomplish, and become. But let's be honest — it's not always easy to achieve our goals. Sometimes it's difficult to even know which goals to set in the first place! That's why, in this 3-week series, we'll explore the story of a guy with a seemingly impossible goal and the steps he took to make his goal a reality. His name is Nehemiah, and because of his example we can learn a lot about goal-setting, decision-making, leadership, and trusting God.

February 7, 14, 21 & 28 - Free People (a series on Authority)

Please register your youth here: <https://forms.gle/wwr1T73uYYnReCS27>

EYC Virtual Hangout is back!

The EYC Board will be hosting virtual game nights the first and the third Thursday of the month over zoom at 5 p.m. The next date is January 21st. Youth from across the Diocese are invited to join as we play games, build community and spend some time in prayer. We will use the same Zoom link week to week, but youth who are interested in joining us will need to register here to obtain the Zoom link. Stay tuned in for more details to come about what games we will be playing week to week. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Megan Dern at mdern@diosova.org or at 757-213-3393.

Seekers Class: In January, the Seekers class, will use the Daily Meditations from Richard Rohr found at cac.org. The theme for his meditations this year is A Time of Unveiling. If you're uncertain about God's will and his place for you in his creation please join us at 9:30am on Sunday. You can sign up for the daily meditations at cac.org and locate the sign up button. The class's zoom meeting code can be found on the Sunday service email.

Seeker will not meet on Sunday, January 17.

For more information contact Barbara Stout at bnbstout@comcast.net or 804-937-8705.

Weekly Zoom Gatherings

All you have to do is click on the links below to join. If there is an access code listed with a link, you will need to use that access code to enter that meeting.

All Sunday Service information and links will sent to you in a separate email.

[Morning Prayer & Annual Meeting 10:00 AM](#) Pass Code: 431305

[Monday Evening Kerygma Monday 7:00 PM](#) Pass Code: 555850

[Men's Group Tuesday 8:30 AM](#)

[Passing the Peace Tuesday 7:00 PM](#) Pass Code: 579942

Wednesday Kerygma 10:00 AM: Meeting ID is 651650950

[Centering Prayer Wednesday 7:30 AM](#)

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Contributions to the Church

Please continue to offer your faithful gifts by mailing your check to our church office at 11300 West Huguenot Road, Midlothian VA 23113. Please be sure to note on your check if it is for the General Fund or the Outreach Fund and or how you would like your amount split between the two.

Now that staff are in the office you may also give via debit/credit card over the phone by calling Br. Mark.

On-line giving has been set up and activated to provide an avenue to continue to receive members' donations. This includes debit and credit cards as well as direct ACH transactions. We offer these various forms of payment of your donations for your convenience and ease, but never with the wish that you indebt yourselves in so doing. We are grateful for your generosity.

On-line giving is available through our website at www.stmatmidlo.com.

Text Giving

Text: Stmatmidlo and Amount to 73256

PRAYER LIST

Prayer requests can be sent to Br. Mark at Mark.jenkins@stmatmidlo.com.

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

Christian Gianola	\Opal & Nancy Moore	For the repose of the souls of Gwen, Ernie
Michael	Lee	Mendell, Evelyn Slowe, Betty, Sara
Caroline	Betsy	
Hannah	The Tucker Family	We also pray for those in the military, especial-
Preston	Pete	ly:
Rebecca	Lou	Todd Batteau
Regan	Matt	Sooky Brooks
Chris	/Bob	Alex Burton
Racheal Garcia	Jagne (Jang)	Christopher Garland
Leslie	Mary Elizabeth	Michael Handlan
For the Residents and Employees at Bickford	Michael	Jake Hentges
Sheila Mandt	Nicholas	Rebecca Jenkins
Jane Griffin	James	Donta Mason
Liz Brengel	Carl & Helen	Tom Montgomery
Rodger Hardy	Nancy	Phillip Plourd
Gretchen	/Lisa Stanko	Andrew Rodgers
Dick Harman	Ed	Heather Smith
Ed McCowan	John Allen	Hank Truillo
Nancy	Madison	Nat Williams
/William	Luca	Corey
/Ann	Nancy Petrelli	Spencer
Sarah	Albert Uzel	
Courtney		
Julie Lucas		
Linda Seamster		
Edward Black		
George Kirkland		
Betty		

MEMBERS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

Linda Seamster	17
Rick Kolster	18
Brenda Overfield	18