



LIVING FAITH

ST. MATTHEW'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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JUNE 2009



AFFIRMATION of BAPTISM Sunday, May 31

CONFIRMATION will be celebrated on Sunday, May 31 at the 11:00 service. Following the

service, there will be a congregational reception in Fellowship Hall.

God confirms the good work he began in baptism, as now his work is confirmed by:

- Patrick Henry Bliss*
- Ashlyn Leigh Brady*
- Jacob Adam Bushmire*
- Nicole Julianne Dowling*
- Amanda Rebecca Humphreys*
- Jason Anthony Johnson*
- Kristen Barbara Kinneberg*
- Genevieve Davida Mays*
- Audrey Pauline Miller*
- Moira Jane Skelley*
- Tara Marie Tabor*
- Leslie Lauren Woessner*

SENIOR HIGH GRADUATES FOR 2009

"Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established." Proverbs 16:3
We recognize our 2009 high school graduates.



Congratulations to:

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| <i>Ed Baron</i> | <i>Ryan Moyer</i> |
| <i>Aaron Bish</i> | <i>Ross Pallansch</i> |
| <i>Katelyn Bliss</i> | <i>Ariana Patton</i> |
| <i>Danielle Bouchery</i> | <i>Becki Pfister</i> |
| <i>Hannah Clark</i> | <i>Emily Schreiber</i> |
| <i>Ian Hoppe</i> | <i>Andrew Schwentner</i> |
| <i>Adrienne Laster</i> | <i>Caroline Strand</i> |
| <i>Daniel Miller</i> | <i>Eric Taylor</i> |

ALL CHOIRS LAST REHEARSAL & PARTY, THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 7:00-8:00 P.M.

Ice Cream Party follows rehearsal! Don't miss out. (Cherub, Youth, Teen & Senior choirs.)



Senior Choir End of Year Party – Saturday, June 13, 7:30 p.m. at the Langman's, 13018 Montpelier Ct, 22192, 703-490-4444.

A request for all Senior Choir Members: Past or Present: Please return all choir music & folders to the church office by June 12 so we can complete our files during the **Sr. Choir Workday**, Saturday, June 13, 9 a.m.

SUMMER WORSHIP HOURS CHANGE

SUNDAY, JUNE 21st TO
8:30 & 10:00 A.M.

Last Day of Sunday Church School
June 14

JUNE BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

1-Paul Knick
Jeanine Robba
Bill Pfister
Theresa Buabeng
2-David Larson
5-Karen Muschler
6-Debra Hallgren
7-Erik Ogilvie
Justin Bratton
John Pallansch
Catherine Petrone
8-Zachary Scronce
Brenda Lambert
Hannah Knick
Leila Amha
9- Sean Freeman
11-Tom Bortner
12-Claudia Martin
13-Katelyn Bliss
Laura Krauss
Dustin Capps
14-Gus Gusberti
15-Wayne Debban
James Bish

David Wolf
Brooke Parker
16-Adam Lervold
Michael Bouchery
17-Megan Zimmerman
Michael Thayer
18-Joanna Crowder
Matthew Robba
Kathy Drupa
19-Allyson Hinkofer
Carol Crowder
Adrienne Laster
Katie Blazek
Cassidy Kuhn
20-Melanie Occhiuzzo
Nancy McManus
Randy Steiner
Andrew Lee
21-Samantha Seubert
Chris Smith
Joan Schoof
Mary Ann Stagner
Steve Zimmerman
Tera Lerch
22-Cecelia Smith
23-Ethel Butcher
Shelby Jampole



24-Sabrina Pherson
Brenda Young
26-Jonathan Orndorff
Ryan Bogozi
Dolan Nethercutt
Robert Freeman
27-Wanda Stump
28-Stephanie Schmidt
Anthony Bombay
29-Mark Mabardy
Barbara Bombay
30-Jared Lerch
Don Hempel

ANNIVERSARIES:

1-David & Jane Bohannon
3-Bruce & Barbara Leiby
Marc & Laura Carlson
4-Rex & Amy Stone
6-Gavin & Claudia Tameris
John & Barbara McDaniel
Pat & Mark Victorson
Nancy & Joseph McManus
7-Helen & Doug Baumgardt
JoAnne & Glenn Renton
Paul & Janelle Jampole
8-Heidi & Mark Petty
9-Chris & Julie Moessner
11-Robert & Kristin Humphreys
Roger & Leslie Kinneberg
12-Lisa & Steven Muschler
14-Jim & Mary Ann Stagner
15-Tom & Pat Knock
David & Kate Strand

17-Jim & Lesley Reifsnyder
18-Jennifer & Bill Nowell
19-James & Margaret Lee
John & Jenni Rigot
Bob & Sue Wolf
20-Bryan & Sue Orndorff
Richard & Joan Schoof
Bruce & Wendy Keener
21-Tony & Tina Occhiuzzo
Fran & Chad Lienau
22-Hal & Mary-Catherine Deadman
23-Frank & Lee Ann Henry
24-Stephen & Tamara Albanese
Sean & Erin Lambert
25-Jonathan & Amy Lyreman
26-Bruce & Julia Anderson
27-Korey & Tana Jackson
28-Bob & Diane Wilcox
29-Mark & Cheryl Mabardy

PARISH PICNIC SUNDAY, JUNE 21

Join us **Sunday, June 21** following the **10 a.m. service** for the Parish Picnic. See the sign up poster on the bulletin board. Wear your picnic clothes to church. Bring your own meat and a side dish or dessert to share. Paper products, grills and lemonade will be provided.



There will be pony rides, moon bounce, games, water balloon toss and more!

Dessert Auction to benefit the Sr. High Youth Trip to Lynchburg to support Habitat for Humanity and the Prince William County Drop in Center. Is there a special dessert recipe your family has handed down for generations? Maybe homemade cheesecakes are your specialty or you're famous for your chocolate cake. If so, sign up to participate in the Dessert Auction. During the picnic, these desserts will be auctioned off to the highest bidder. Sign up on the poster in the narthex and join in the fun.

SUMMER MUSIC 2009 July 6-17 "Life of the Party!" The story of Mary & Martha

For children who have completed Kindergarten and older. Registration forms are located on the Information Table in the narthex and on the web. The musical will be presented on Sunday, July 19 at both services.



SENIOR HIGH YOUTH CARWASH SATURDAY, MAY 30 STARTING AT 10:30 AM

Come support our youth as they prepare for their trip to Lynchburg to support Habitat for Humanity.

NEWSLETTER Calling All Senior High Youth Habitat Sign Up Deadline Approaching

Habitat for Humanity in Lynchburg, VA, June 21 through 26, is a great opportunity to do hands-on work. This year, the Sr. High Youth will work from Monday-Friday repairing homes for needy families.

In the evenings, we go out to eat and do fun stuff in the Lynchburg area.

See the sign up poster in the narthex. The deadline to sign up is May 31. If you have any questions, please speak to Pr. Stevenson.

ONGOING MINISTRIES

ACTS Thrift Store Volunteers: Final work session until fall will be Tuesday, June 2, from noon to 2:00 p.m. Call 703-491-2898.

COLLATORS: please pencil in summer work sessions. Meet in the church narthex at 10:00 a.m., Fridays--June 19, July 24, and August 21.

DAYTIME DRIVERS: Help us provide round trip transportation to medical and other essential services for area senior citizens with destinations on the eastern end of Prince William County. Most of our passengers are residents of Fellowship House in Tackett's Mill. Children are welcome. Most drives require a 2-hour commitment. Most drivers accept one commitment a month. Schedules vary. We encourage morning or early afternoon appointments. Call 703-491-2898 for more information.

Drivers, please remember to relay vacation schedules to Susan Kuhn.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Beginning June 15 through July 17,
office hours are 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Mark your calendars now for these summer time events:

Sunday, June 7 – Sr. Recognition. Cookie reception follows the 11:00 a.m. service.

Sunday, June 7 – Sr. High Youth to the Night Vision Lab, leave at 1:45 p.m. See the poster on bulletin board for details.

Sunday, June 28-Annual Golf Tournament
Watch for more information on the poster on the Narthex bulletin board.

Wednesday, July 22 – 7th & 8th Grade and Sr. High Youth Trip to Busch Gardens

Saturday, July 25 – Women’s Field Trip to Gunston Hall

**VCS
Discovery Canyon**

"I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart and tell about the wonders you have worked."

(Psalm 9:1)

This summer, plan to explore rugged and majestic DISCOVERY CANYON. Hike along pathways, make new friends, and share the wonders of the Word. Enter in with your heart, mind, and eyes wide open. Look in unexpected places, listen closely, pause, and reflect. Craft away in Cavern Crafts, run and jump and play Gully Games, sing tunes that ROCK, and hear good news echoing off the canyon walls.

Daily VCS offerings will help provide food, health care and a good education for children and adults living at the Navajo Lutheran Mission School in remote Rock Point, Arizona.

At 10:00 AM, on Sunday, August 2, Canyon explorers will share a few Discovery Canyon songs with the congregation. Pick up your family's **Discovery Canyon Song CD** at the VCS registration table.

Each day, VCS activities will begin at 9:00 AM and end at noon. **Parents are invited to join us for closing prayers and songs at 11:45 AM.**

Registration forms are included in this newsletter.

I  *Dad*

*Don't forget Dad on Father's Day
June 21.*

**YOUTH TRIP
TO
BUSCH GARDENS**



When: Wednesday, July 22

**Who: All Current 7th – 12th Grade Youth
Roller Coasters! Water Rides! Shows!**

**Watch for a sign up poster with more
information.**

Come join the fun!

BOOK GROUP

You are invited to join us for conversation and refreshments at 2:30 PM, on Sunday, June 14, at Barbara Leiby's home. The group has selected for discussion: The Soloist by Steve Lopez.

From Publishers Weekly

Starred Review. Scurrying back to his office one day, Lopez, a columnist for the *L.A. Times*, is stopped short by the ethereal strains of a violin. Searching for the sound, he spots a homeless man coaxing those beautiful sounds from a battered two-string violin. When the man finishes, Lopez compliments him briefly and rushes off to write about his newfound subject, Nathaniel Ayers, the homeless violinist. Over the next few days, Lopez discovers that Nathaniel was once a promising classical bass student at Juilliard, but that various pressures—including being one of a few African-American students and mounting schizophrenia—caused him to drop out. Enlisting the help of doctors, mental health professionals and professional musicians, Lopez attempts to help Nathaniel move off Skid Row, regain his dignity, develop his musical talent and

free himself of the demons induced by the schizophrenia (at one point, Lopez arranges to have Ayers take cello lessons with a cellist from the L.A. Symphony). Throughout, Lopez endures disappointments and setbacks with Nathaniel's case, questions his own motives for helping his friend and acknowledges that Nathaniel has taught him about courage and humanity. With self-effacing humor, fast-paced yet elegant prose and unsparing honesty, Lopez tells an inspiring story of heartbreak and hope. (Apr.)
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CHURCH WOMEN'S SUMMER FIELD TRIP

Saturday, July 25, you're invited to gather in the church parking lot at 9:00 AM, to car pool to Gunston Hall. Following a brief orientation film beginning at 9:45, we will meet our guide for the "Women on the Plantation" tour. After being directed through the mansion, and we will be able to explore the outbuildings, gardens, and grounds on our own. There are also museum exhibitions and a museum shop.

Gunston Hall was once the center of a 5,500-acre tobacco and wheat plantation. Its owner, George Mason IV (1725-1792), was a fourth generation Virginian who became a senior statesman and one of the era's most influential figures. As author of the Virginia Declaration of Rights, Mason was among the first to call for such fundamental American liberties as religious toleration and freedom of the press. Thomas Jefferson once referred to Mason as "a man of the first order of wisdom."

Mason's home, constructed between 1755 and 1759, is an outstanding example of Georgian architecture. The elaborate carvings of the interior, designed by indentured servant William Buckland, are among the finest creations of artisans working in Colonial Virginia. Mason's "regular" garden, south of the mansion, features the original configuration of gravel pathways, a 250 year old boxwood allée, massive earthen terraces, and vistas of

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the Deer Park leading to the Potomac River and Maryland shore beyond.

We have lunch reservations for 12:15 PM, at nearby Pane E Vino Ristorante in Lorton Station.

The museum tour costs \$10. Pane E Vino lunch specials cost \$9.99 for soup and salad. This price does not include appetizer, beverage, or dessert. An 18% gratuity will be added to all meals. Other entrees cost up to \$20. Desserts are \$5 -\$7. You may see a sample menu at www.paneevino-ristorante.com.

Please indicate your intention to participate by signing up on the poster on the church bulletin board.

In Thanks

Dear Pastor Bohannon & the St. Matthew's Family,

Thank you very much for being part of Emma's baptism. It means so much to all three of us to belong to such a warm congregation. Both Elisha & I recognize the importance of a religious upbringing and are proud to know Emma has received a great welcoming in to the Christian Family.

Thank you again for being part of each of our lives and we look forward to growing together as a family.

Love,

David, Elisha & Emma Matvay

Church Cookbooks

It's not too late to get a copy of the St. Matthew's cookbook, Feeding the Flock. Copies are available in the church office. Cost is \$3.00.

