



LIVING FAITH

ST. MATTHEW'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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August 2011

PARISH BRUNCH SUNDAY, AUG. 28



The Fellowship Committee is sponsoring a brunch. See the poster in the narthex to sign up. The brunch follows the 10 a.m. service and all food is provided.

HOMELESS PREVENTION SHELTER

St. Matthew's will be providing food and serving meals at the Hilda Barg Homeless Prevention Shelter the week of **August 21 through 27**. See the sign up poster to indicate your availability to provide food item(s) and/or serve the meal at the shelter.

MEETINGS IN AUGUST

Fin. & Stewardship, Thurs., Aug. 4, 8 p.m.
Worship & Music, Tues., Aug. 16, 7:30 p.m.
Fellowship, Thurs., Aug. 18, 7:30 p.m.
SCS Teachers, Mon., Aug. 22, 7:30 p.m.
Christian Ed., Thurs., Aug. 25, 7:30 p.m.

WOMEN'S NEWS

Tuesday, September 13, Get Acquainted Salad Supper. Hear the plans for the upcoming program year. See highlights of the past year's activities. All women of the church are welcome. Look for a poster on the bulletin board for more information and to sign up.

Monday, September 19, 7:30 p.m. Women's Evening Study Group. This group meets the third Monday of each month for reflection and discussion. This year the group will be studying The Story of Ruth: Twelve Moments in Every Woman's Life by Joan Chittister and John August Swanson. Location information will be listed in upcoming bulletins and the September newsletter.

Book Group

Join us Sunday, August 14, 2:30 p.m. at Linda Mazzucchi's (13393 Gandall Ct., 20112, 703-791-3473.) We will be discussing Gilead by Marilynne Robinson.

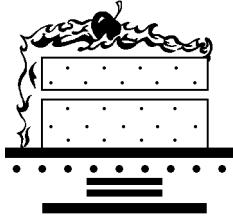
From the first page of the novel, the voice of Rev. John Ames mesmerizes with his account of his life—and that of his father and grandfather. Ames is 77 years old in 1956, in failing health, with a much younger wife and six-year-old son; as a preacher in the small Iowa town where he spent his entire life, he has produced volumes and volumes of sermons and prayers, "[t]rying to say what was true." But it is in this mesmerizing account—in the form of a letter to his young son, who he imagines reading it when he is grown—that his meditations on creation and existence are fully illumined. During the course of Ames's writing, he is confronted with one of his most difficult and long-simmering crises of personal resentment when John Ames Boughton (his namesake and son of his best friend) returns to his hometown, trailing with him the actions of a callous past and precarious future. In attempting to find a way to comprehend and forgive, Ames finds that he must face a final comprehension of self—as well as the worth of his life's reflections. Robinson's prose is beautiful, shimmering and precise; the revelations are subtle but never muted when they come, and the careful telling carries the breath of suspense. From Publisher's Weekly

New members are welcome. If you have any questions, please speak to Susan Kuhn.



**Sr. Choir begins Weds.,
August 31, 8-10 p.m.**

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



1-Jared Robbins
 Jeff Dion
 Beth Kuhn
 Jackson Kuhn
 2-Cathy Hand
 Skylar Petty
 John Urick
 Gram Watts
 3-Ken Smith
 4-Steve Gordon
 5-Matthew Walent
 Mike Bennett
 Greg Hata
 6-Timothy Butcher, Jr.
 Jagger Stageberg
 7-Jonathan Schwentner
 J.R. Lyons

Eric Taylor
 Tim Kline
 Heidi Petty
 8-Alexander Martucci
 Christopher Martucci
 9-Hugh Miller
 Kelsie Evans
 11- Martha McBride
 Judy Woronicz
 John Quast
 Trent Bean
 Janet Woessner
 12- Jim Stagner
 13-Katrina Jackson
 Joan Anderson
 Rose Abraham
 14-Edythe Jorstad
 Dalton Deem
 15-Allison Kinneberg
 16-Matthew Drupa
 Emily Moessner
 Dan Wuchenich
 17-Amy Lyreman
 Esther Stemple
 19-Carrie Scronce
 Tamera Lerch
 20-Lee Colbert

Emma Skelley
 Brian Bennett
 21-Tyler Humphreys
 Terry Lerch
 Susan Sexton
 Violet Lawton
 23-Suzanne Moessner
 24-Donna Bouchery
 Joshua Smith
 Anastasia Lyreman
 Alexis Lerch
 25-Andrew Drupa
 Monica Debban
 Samantha Weldon
 26-Hunter McElligott
 27-Brooklyn Albanese
 Anthony Joseph
 28-Theresa Tameris
 30-Christopher Bayne
 Brad Miller
 Kimberly Doerr
 Aris Runnels
 Gabriel Riedl
 31-Claudia Tameris

ANNIVERSARIES

2-Cetan & Theresa Tameris
 5-Shari & Gary Olson
 John & Angela Stageberg
 6-Terrie & Susan Sexton
 Stephen & Nancy Zimmerman
 Janet & Bill Woessner
 7-Larry & Donna Wiprud
 8-Brent & Kathleen Howard
 11-Dennis & Kay Melvin
 14-Darryl & Kathy Lundgren
 16-Vince & Shelley Amato
 Lee & Paul Schuessler
 Dan & Tessa Wuchenich
 Gram & Katie Watts

19-Al & Karen Schmidt
 Charles & Meredith Bertrand
 20-Art & Pat Reynolds
 21-Doug & Pat Robbins
 Tarja & Brian Stevenson
 25-John & Kathy Drupa
 27-Kevin & Jane Tamai
 29-George & Christine Gianakaris
 Tim & Jodi Kline
 Susan & Michael Thayer

ST. MATTHEW'S DAY SCHOOL

REGISTRATION continues for the '11-'12 school year with openings for 3, 4, and 5 year olds, 2, 3, or 4 sessions per week. Lunch Bunch on Thursdays and Fridays begins in October.

For information, call the office and ask for Mary-Catherine Deadman. You can also check the web at www.dayschool.stmatthews.us to read program information, newsletters, and print out necessary forms. The office is open for registration from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday – Friday.



FALL WORSHIP SCHEDULE BEGINS ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

8:30 & 11:00 WORSHIP
9:45 SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL

CALLING ALL SENIOR HIGH YOUTH

Pool Party, Saturday, August 13,
7-9 p.m. at the Occhiuzzo's,
13676 Andorra Drive, 22193
Rising 9th through 12th
graders are invited to come for an
evening of fun, fellowship and
swimming. See the poster on the narthex
bulletin board to sign up!



**Prepare and Serve Meal at the Homeless
Prevention Shelter – Sun., Aug. 21**

If you have any questions, please speak to Pr. Stevenson.

NEWSLETTER

**PARENTS PLEASE
NOTIFY THE CHURCH
OFFICE WITH THE
ADDRESS OF YOUR
COLLEGE
STUDENT**



**Please call to confirm all
addresses; even if the same
as last year. Thank you!**

To the Members of St. Matthew's

Dear Pr. Bohannon, Pr. Stevenson and fellow members of St. Matthew's,

This spring I was elected by the members of St. Matthew's Lutheran church to represent the youth for the Synod Assembly Spring Session. This was a great honor and I was proud to attend.

I was somewhat nervous about attending, as I did not know what to expect. However, that was soon gone once I was there! I especially enjoyed the motivational speaker on the first day. I even purchased two books to read and pass along to others in our youth group. I enjoyed the lunch and conversations with fellow members as well as new friends. This was an experience I will not forget.

I am proud to have served as your youth representative at the Synod meeting for 2011.

Sincerely,

Chadwick Deem

Second Sunday of the Month SCS Benevolence

A sincere THANK YOU to all our Sunday Church School students for their generous weekly offerings. These offering monies are carefully counted and recorded each week so that our SCS students can see how their contributions help St. Matthew's support many local, national and international benevolence causes.

As part of this effort, one-fourth of the contributions each class makes during the school year is set aside and the students in that class personally choose where to send this money. This is called our "Second Sunday of the Month Program". One-fourth of our total for the SCS year 2010-2011 was \$460.59.

The class' choices are as follows:

Nursery Class	Lutheran World Relief for Baby Layettes (\$12.43)
3 Year Old Class	Lutheran World Relief for Baby Layettes (\$10.25)
4 Year Old Class	Lutheran World Relief for Baby Layettes (\$17.26)
Kindergarten	ACTS (\$16.48)
First Grade	ELCA Disaster Relief – Severe Storms (\$66.74)
Second Grade	Salvation Army (\$59.13)
Third Grade	PWC Animal Shelter (\$40.13)
Fourth Grade	Samaritan Fund (\$15.88)
Fifth & Sixth Grades	ACTS (\$50.00)
Seventh & Eighth Grades	American Cancer Society for Research (\$172.29)

Thanks to Connie Clark who keeps these financial records throughout the SCS year and, again, THANK YOU VERY MUCH to all our SCS families for their generosity in giving. Thank you, students, for your thoughtful consideration in selecting these benevolence causes.

Jan Mouw,
SCS Coordinator

August 2011 Calendar (refer to the weekly bulletin and sign up board for more information)

Finance & Stewardship Committee	Thurs., Aug. 4, 8 p.m.
Fellowship Theater Outing	Sat., Aug. 6
Sr. High Youth Pool Party	Sat., Aug. 13, 7-9 p.m.
Book Group	Sun., Aug. 14, 2:30 p.m.
Worship & Music Committee	Tues., Aug. 17, 7:30 p.m.
Day School Teacher Meetings	Weds., Aug. 17 – Fri., Aug. 19
Fellowship Committee	Thurs., Aug. 18, 7:30 p.m.
Collating	Fri., Aug. 19, 10 a.m.
Homeless Prevention Center Week	Sun., Aug. 21 – Sat., Aug. 27
Sr. High Youth Prepare and Serve Meal for Homeless Prevention Center	Sun., Aug. 21, meet at St. Matthew's 5:30 p.m.
SCS Teacher Meeting	Mon., Aug. 22, 7:30 p.m.
Christian Ed. Committee	Thurs., Aug. 25, 7:30 p.m.
Brunch Set Up	Sat., Aug. 27, 9 a.m.
Parish Brunch	Sun., Aug. 28, following 10 a.m. Worship Service

Looking Ahead:

Sr. Citizen's Lunch	Sat., Sept. 17
Fall Worship Schedule Begins	Sun., Sept. 18
Sunday Church School Begins	Sun., Sept. 18

