

## This Week at St. Matthias

### Sunday, April 12

One Service  
 Church Picnic  
 Sunday School Classes  
 Sleep in Heavenly Peace Speaker  
 Church Offices Closed

9:50 AM Sunday School Classes – Sunday School Building  
 10:00 AM Sleep in Heavenly Peace Speaker, Dan Guzman  
 10:00 AM One Church Service – Sanctuary  
 10:00 AM Live-Stream Virtual Worship via Facebook  
 10:00 AM Nursery Care – Sunday School Building  
 11:00 AM Church Picnic – Church Grounds

### Monday, April 13

*Hope Out of Office*

9:30 AM Count Team Two – Church Office  
 11:00 AM Beth Knight Counseling – Church Office  
 6:00 PM Claudia's Al-Anon Book Club – Parish Hall  
 7:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting – Parish Hall

### Tuesday, April 14

9:00 AM Everyone's Counseling Center – Counseling Office  
 11:00 AM Finance Team Meeting – Church Office  
 4:15 PM Choir Rehearsal – Music Room & Sanctuary

### Wednesday, April 15

9:00 AM Everyone's Counseling Center – Counseling Office  
 10:30 AM Bible Study with Wanda – Parish Hall  
 2:00 PM Food Providers of S.L. Meeting – Parish Hall  
 5:00 PM Tutoring with Linda – Sunday School Building

### Thursday, April 16

*Parish Hall Closed for Pancake Supper Set-Up*

11:30 AM Beth Knight Counseling – Counseling Office  
 7:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting – Church Office

### Friday, April 17

Church Offices Closed

*Parish Hall Closed for Pancake Supper*

5:00 PM Pancake Supper Event – Parish Hall (5pm – 7pm)

### Saturday, April 18

Church Offices Closed

No Events Scheduled for Today

### Sunday, April 19

Sunday School Classes

Church Offices Closed

7:45 AM Rite I Spoken Word Service – Sanctuary  
 9:20 AM Sunday School Classes – Sunday School Building  
 9:30 AM Rite II Service with Music – Sanctuary  
 9:30 AM Live-Stream Virtual Worship via Facebook  
 9:30 AM Nursery Care – Sunday School Building  
 10:30 AM Coffee & Conversations – Parish Hall  
 11:15 AM Rite II Service with Music – Sanctuary  
 11:15 AM Nursery Care – Sunday School Building  
 11:15 AM Adult Sunday School – Music Room

**The Altar Flowers are given to the  
 Glory of God & St. Matthias Church**

**The Sanctuary Candle is given to the  
 Glory of God & St. Matthias Church**

## Those on Our Prayer List

### Immediate & Urgent Prayers

Mother Jane Clark	Miranda Foster	Nadia Mashi
Linda Denslow	Diana Mahoney	Denise Thibault Vespa
James Dorn, Jr.	Jennifer Lacroix	

### Parish Family Continued Prayers

Doreen Asregadoo	Larry Lock	Mary Sturges
Renee Babcock	Anne Luposello	Joe Sturges
Tristen Babcock	Kathy Mahoney	Kayla Taylor
Josef Boeni	Imantee Mallay	Linda Thorp
Esther Catino	Stanley Mallay	Connie Tracey
Michael Clark	Lorna Manny	Liane Trainello
Hugh Dial	Don Manny	Sandy Unger
Robert Eyer	Edna Marcus	Stuart Wilson
Cheryl Ferrell	Olive McPherson	Vera Wilson
Michael Giallella	Tracy Morelli	Dolores Wilson-Malone
Jeannine Helm	Sheila Seale	
Deidre Huffman	Jim Storr	

### Family & Friends Continued Prayers

Nathan Allabaugh	Mary Dorn	Felicidad Robinson
Anakin Boeni	Eyer Family	Autumn Rose
Isabel Boeni	John Floyd	Gene Ruryk
Danielle Chavez	Bob Gourley	Suzanne Ruryk
Deena Chavez	Frances LaCroix	
Cooper Coole	Danny Nemeth	

### Military & First Responders

Jeff Blumenauer, U.S. Army Reserve  
 Nicole Blumenauer, U.S. Army Reserve  
 Vick Boothe, U.S. Army, Undisclosed Location  
 Delani Carter, U.S. Military Academy at West Point  
 Spencer Coole, U.S. Air Force, Charleston Air Force Base, SC  
 Greta Gaasch, U.S. Army Reserve  
 Lucas Freiberg, Federal Corrections Officer, Coleman Federal Prison  
 Jeremy Linney, U.S. Army, SOCOM, MacDill Air Force Base, FL  
 Tyler Mathews, U.S. Army, Iraq  
 Ryan Moore, Clermont Fire Department Station #3  
 Stephen Nettles, U.S. Navy, NAS Pensacola, Flight School  
 Luca Newby, U.S. Marine Reserves  
 Tyler Reece, U.S. Army, Afghanistan  
 Logan T. Wells, U.S. Marine Reserves

### Those Celebrating Birthdays

**4.12** Rick Unger  
**4.12** Keith Whitacre  
**4.18** Cora Joseph-Thomas

### Those Celebrating Anniversaries

**4.12** Bill & Judi Horn  
**4.16** John & Lynne Mihalaki

### SERVICE ATTENDANCE

DATE	SERVICE	ATTENDANCE
4.1.2026	Healing Service	<b>16</b>
4.2.2026	Maundy Thursday	<b>40</b>
	<i>Online Views</i>	275
4.3.2026	Good Friday	<b>64</b>
	<i>Online Views</i>	274
<b>Total In- Person</b>		<b>120</b>
<b>Total Online</b>		<b>549</b>
4.4.2026	Easter Vigil	<b>52</b>
	<i>Online Views</i>	361
4.5.2026	Easter – 8:00 AM	<b>37</b>
	<i>Online Views</i>	170
4.5.2026	Easter - 10:00 AM	<b>146</b>
	<i>Online Views</i>	197
<b>Total In- Person</b>		<b>235</b>
<b>Total Online</b>		<b>728</b>

**SUNDAY SCHOOL THIS SUNDAY:** Sunday school will take place this **Sunday, April 12, 2026, at 9:50 am** in the Sunday School Building. Come join in on the fun! Please contact Karen Freiberg (703.862.2894 or freiberqs4@aol.com) if you have any questions.

**NURSERY CARE:** Nursery Care is available in the Sunday School Building during this Sunday's 10:00 am service for all infants and children aged one month to three years old. Abby Giallella, Nicholas Crumbo, and Elijah Mathews are our amazing caregivers who create a fun, safe, and loving environment for our youngest church family members and visitors. Please contact Karen Freiberg (703.862.2894 or freiberqs4@aol.com) if you have any questions.

**ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC:** The Annual Church Picnic will take place this **Sunday, April 12, 2026**. We will have **one service at 10:00 am with the picnic following immediately after**. We hope everyone will come to worship and fellowship together! The church will be providing hamburgers, hotdogs, buns, condiments, and drinks and we ask that you bring a dish and/or dessert to share. There will be indoor and outdoor seating, with a bunch of delicious food and fellowship. This is a fantastic opportunity to spend time catching up with all your church family members, especially those that may attend different service times.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING:** The Finance Committee will meet this **Tuesday, April 14, 2026, at 11:00 am** in the Church Office. Please contact Michael Giallella (michaelgiallella@stmatthiasfl1.com or 352.394.3855) if you have any questions.

**CHOIR REHEARSAL:** Choir practice meets this **Tuesday, April 14, 2026, at 4:15 pm** in the Music Room. Come see what it's like, meet new friends, and lift your voice with us. If you're interested or have questions, feel free to contact Gina Mobley (407.782.3065) or simply show up. We'd love to have you!

**BIBLE STUDY WITH WANDA KLAAS:** Please join Wanda this **Wednesday, April 15, 2026, at 10:30 am** in the Parish Hall. The current topic of study is a study of the Minor Prophets. Please contact Wanda Klaas (352.272.4653 or klaas46@yahoo.com) if you have any questions.

**FOOD PROVIDERS OF SOUTH LAKE MEETING:** Will meet this **Wednesday, April 15, 2026, at 2:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. Please contact Keith Whitacre (952.239.5870) if you have any questions.

**PANCAKE SUPPER:** The Ladies' Luncheon group will be hosting a Pancake Supper to help raise funds for the outstanding A/C loan. The event will take place this **Friday, April 17, 2026, from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm**. We hope everyone will come out to enjoy delicious food and fellowship! This year the menu consists of Pancakes, Waffles, Chicken, Bacon, Sausage, Fruit, and Beverages. If you would like to attend, and/or assist with set-up, clean-up, food donations, cooking, and/or serving, please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall. This is a wonderful opportunity to spend time fellowshiping with your fellow church family members, while enjoying some delicious foods, and raising funds to cover the outstanding A/C loan. Tickets are \$15.00 per adult and \$10.00 per child. If you have any questions, please contact one of the event chairs below:

Norma Sweeney: 516.906.3646 or nsween820@gmail.com

Cora Thomas: 407.719.2889 or coraj04@outlook.com

Angela Smith: 352.349.4155 or alanaleona2621@gmail.com

**SAVE-THE-DATE – BISHOP'S VISIT:** The Rt. Rev. Dr. Justin S. Holcomb will be celebrating with us on **Sunday, May 17, 2026**. We will hold one service at 10:00 am followed by a reception in the Parish Hall. More details to follow.

**LADIES' LUNCHEON:** The Ladies' Luncheon is cancelled for the month of April due to the Pancake Supper event. Norma and her team are looking for volunteers to assist with the Pancake Supper, if you are available to volunteer, please contact Norma Sweeney (516.906.3646 or nsween820@gmail.com).

**COFFEE HELP NEEDED:** We are looking for a few more friendly volunteers to help serve coffee during our fellowship time! This is a wonderful opportunity to connect with others and be a part of creating a warm, welcoming environment for everyone. If you are willing to lend a hand—whether regularly or occasionally—please contact Peggy Hope (352.429.9778 or rush1937@embarqmail.com) or Mindy Giallella (407.222.4540 or allellaigm@gmail.com). Your help makes a big difference!

**FLOWER GUILD MEMBERS NEEDED:** If you are interested in joining the Flower Guild, please contact Wanda Klaas (klaas46@yahoo.com) and she will be happy to answer any questions you may have and get you on the volunteer schedule.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** We sure did have some fun last Sunday. What a great job all the kiddos did processing in at the beginning of the service with their banners. We were delighted to have several little visitors join us too--so nice to meet Violet, Magnolia, Lillian and dad and mom Wade and Katelin. Our other visitors, Megan, Emily and I'm so sorry I can't remember the third sister's name were happy to join in on the hunt for Easter eggs. After the service everyone was ready to hunt Easter eggs - thank you moms and dads for cheering them on. Thank you Barbie for the bundle of adorable cloth easter bags to collect the eggs in. What a great day celebrating our Risen Lord.

Sunday School will begin collecting used (or new) Christian books. Our teacher Joy volunteers at the women's prison wheeling a cart containing a selection of Christian books for the women to choose from. Joy tells us the women are very enthusiastic about reading the books so our next service project will be an attempt to provide some reading materials. You can drop them off at the Sunday School building or the counter in the back of the Parish Hall. Thank you for your help with this project.

Parents and grandparents VBS is moving forward and registration will begin in a few weeks. Please keep a lookout for the online registration forms to fill out and lock in your spot(s).

Be blessed...big hugs and see you in Sunday School! Karen (703.862.2894 or freibergs4@aol.com)

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: THANK YOU - THANK YOU** to all who have volunteered. We will begin movin' and groovin' to the launch as planned. Astronaut training is planned for Thursday, April 30, 2026, at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Please plan to attend this training session (meeting).

There are a variety of ways in which to volunteer, you can commit to teaching/assisting for a week, you can attend workshops as we prepare for the campus transformation in the Sanctuary, Parish Hall, and Classroom. You let me know what you are able to do and I'll find just the right job for you--it's that simple.

Our space trash is piling up nicely, **we no longer need paper towel rolls, toilet paper rolls, c-pap supplies or water bottles. We ARE in need of LOTS of aluminum foil.**

We will begin an online popcorn fundraiser in the near future. There are many varieties to choose from. Get ready to satisfy that sweet or savory taste buds.

We are anticipating in-house registration for VBS 2026 beginning May 1, 2026.

Come join the fun!!! Hugs and blessings, Karen (703.862.2894 or freibergs4@aol.com)

**A NOTE FROM CODY MCCLANAHAN:** As parents, Kessler and I have gained so much from Willis attending the nursery since he was about one year old. He gets genuinely excited to see Abby and Nicholas, which makes dropping him off such a joy. Knowing he is well cared for allows us to fully focus at church and on the sermon, while still coming back together as a family to participate during communion when he's brought back in with his sister from children's Sunday school. We are incredibly thankful that St. Matthias offers a nursery program, and Willis would absolutely love to have more friends join him. Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions or want to learn more. Cody McClanahan (832.880.7121 or cody.mcclanahan17@gmail.com)

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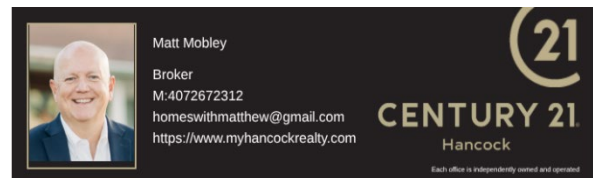
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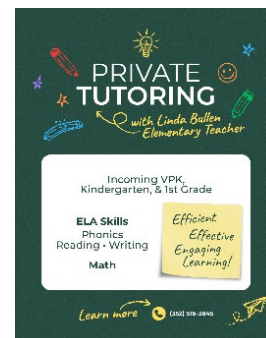
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