



Saint Matthew's Episcopal Church

May 2005

201 E. Frederick Drive
Sterling, VA 20164

NEWSLETTER



Photo: Greg Strong

*"Daily the loveliness grows,
adorned with the glory of blossom;
heaven her gates unbars,
flinging her increase of light."*

Venantius Honorius Fortunatus (6th century)
From the hymn "Hail Thee, Festival Day!"

CALENDAR

From the Rector

Dear Friends,

Gardens, by their very nature, are works in progress. At any given moment they offer certain pleasures, but promise others still to come.

For instance, right now there are daffodils blooming. The great banks of cheerful yellow lift my heart each time I see them.

But, of course, they are just the start of the show. Still to come will be roses, daylilies, other lilies, columbine, foxglove, sunflowers, zinnia, cosmos, coneflowers, and more. There will be blueberries, blackberries, elderberries, and red raspberries. There will be an assortment of peppers and tomatoes.

Each will have its times; each will have its season.

So the trick is learning to enjoy what the present has to offer without being distracted by that which is yet to come. It's slowing down enough to be present in the present rather than chasing a future, which is always one or two steps away.

It's easier said (written!) than done, of course, but I think that is the trick in life as well. Each moment presents unique opportunities to embrace, but always with the possibility of being overshadowed and overlooked by the moments we hope yet will come.

Nowhere is this truer than in our spiritual lives. God speaks to us, calls us, offers himself to us, and invites us to join him in his great work of love.

Will we listen and respond? Or, like the spent bloom of a flower, will we let that moment drop to the ground, carrying with it all that could've been, all we could've become.

I've heard too many stories like that friends—of people who knew God was calling them, who sensed quite clearly that God had something important he wanted them to do, but who were too busy chasing after something else that never quite turned out to be what they thought it would be, to their great and ongoing regret.

I pray, dear and beloved friends in Christ, that that will not be true of me or you.

Rob †

Youth Minister's Report

Not a lot of people know this, but I actually got the chance to see the pope in Baltimore while I was in college. I was relatively close and got to see him in the pope-mobile (as our priest called it; he was Catholic, so it isn't blasphemous, right?).

What follows is that it was in college that I really came to a personal relationship with Christ. Up until that point I prayed to God, talked to him and believed he was here for me and the world. In college I made the next step of really walking around and sometimes feeling Jesus' hand in mine when I needed it, his shoulder when I needed to cry, his voice when I needed advice, and (most often) his ear when I needed to vent.

While I attended Marymount University (a Catholic college), the community's faith and life centered on God and the pope. It was interesting to see, with the pope being such an integral part of their daily lives and worship. We Episcopalians put our faith in communities of bishops for leadership, but it's different with the pope. When he opens his mouth and speaks, he is speaking the word of God. Not just every now and then, but every time, it's God's voice. What an awesome honor and responsibility.

Since college every article I've read about the pope brings me back to those times where I found Jesus as more than God, but also as a friend. It also reminds me that God does communicate with all of us, and does great works through us as individuals. I mean, there really is a person on this earth with a direct line to God, leading me to believe that since he does communicate with one of us, he communicates with all of us.

Pope John Paul II is in God's hands now, and he has lived a life I (and many people) can only hope to live as fully. Please take some time today to remember the pope in your prayers, and hopefully to take some time to openly pray for him. While we may not be Catholics, we are all part of "one church," and his influence has impacted my life and the life of all faiths.

Peace,
+Tom

Confirmation

The Bishop will visit Saint Matthew's on September 11, 2005. One of the purposes of the Bishop's visit is to perform the sacramental rite of confirmation. Confirmation, which is the expression of a mature commitment to Christ, signifies that one is ready to take on new responsibilities within the Church.

Confirmation is normally a sacramental rite for teens and up. Those wishing to be confirmed should plan to attend a confirmation study on Friday evening, September 9, and all day Saturday, September 10.

More details will be forthcoming regarding the confirmation study. Please keep these dates free if you wish to be confirmed during the Bishop's September visit.

For more information please contact Richard Leach or Rob Merola.

Living with Maximum Impact

"Most Americans do not know what their strengths are. When you ask them, they look at you with a blank stare, or they respond in terms of subject knowledge, which is the wrong answer." (Peter Drucker, from *Now, Discover Your Strengths*.) Join us any Wednesday night for the entire month of May! Dinner is offered from 7:00-7:30 p.m., and Bible study follows from 7:30-8:30 p.m.

G3 HAPPENINGS

It's May! So we're getting all ready for the end of the school year and the beginning of summer!

- **CREATIONFEST:** If you haven't already, the CreationFest sign-up sheet is in the parish hall. We'll be spending four days—leaving church the morning of June 29 and coming back July 2. We need drivers and youth to come. There's so much to be said about this moving experience, I really think you should just talk to others who have gone. I'd encourage everyone to attend. For more information contact Tom Leary at 703-858-1410.

- **MAMA MIA:** On Sunday, May 22, we're having a youth group outing to see Mama Mia. We have a few tickets remaining if you'd like to come. You can contact Richard Leach at 703-421-6310. We will not be having G3 that evening.

- **BIBLE STUDY AND WEEKLY ACTIVITIES:** Wednesdays through May, we'll have a weekly Bible study on the Gospel of John. Dinner starts at 7:00 p.m. with Bible study from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursdays we'll continue gathering at Starbucks for anyone interested. We'll finally be able to sit outside again and make *lots* of noise. G3 meetings will continue each Sunday night from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

If you have any questions about our activities, call Tom Leary at 703-858-1410.

Peace,
† Tom



**Rex is happy
cause he's a
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DOG**

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**NEW SERVICE AT SAINT MATTHEW'S
FOR PEOPLE AND THEIR PETS**

Father Rob Merola will be officiating this reverent but joyful celebration, making use of traditional service structures including Holy Communion (for the people) and blessings for the animals. Join fellow animal lovers in our beautiful Sanctuary in the Woods (in case of rain, we will meet in the sanctuary inside the church). This service will be held on the fourth Sunday of each month.

From the Senior Warden

Among other things, Jesus calls each of us to share the word of the Gospel with others. This calling is in two parts, sharing the Word with those who do not yet have a relationship with Jesus Christ and sharing the Word with others to help them further their relationship with Jesus Christ. This calling is what I would like to discuss with you today.

“Then he said to his disciples, ‘The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.’” (Matthew 9:37-38.) When Jesus said this to his disciples he saw the large crowds that were following them. He knew there were many people desiring to know the Word and to have a relationship with him. I am convinced many people today are longing for a relationship with Christ if someone (us) will show them the way.

“In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I give you this charge: Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great

patience and careful instruction.” (2 Timothy 4:1-2.) It was important for Timothy to preach the Gospel in his day, just as it is important for us to share the Word in our day. Half the people that have ever lived on this earth are alive today, and most do not know Christ.

Sharing the Word with others is one of the most important things we as Christians are called to do. The Bible makes this very clear. Jesus’ commandment to us is not an option if we are to live life to its fullest in Christ. I can testify to the fact that this is very hard or very inconvenient to do, as many times when I am following my will I take the easy way out and do not share the Word when the opportunity presents itself. However, if I am true to my conviction to follow God’s will, then it is something I must do. “He said to them, ‘Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation.’” (Mark 16:15)

Your vestry has an understanding for this mission, too. As you may have noticed, depending on the Sunday, the sanctuary can be a bit crowded, the parish hall can be a bit noisy, and the few classrooms we have can be a bit cramped.

Thus, your vestry is again investigating how to best improve our physical plant and increase the number of services we offer so we can continue to attract more people into a new, or deeper, relationship with Jesus Christ. No matter what we do in this regard, it will not be easy, but it will be very rewarding. Offering new services will require many of us to give up some of our precious scarce free time to help with the new service. Adding additional space, be it classroom, parish hall, or sanctuary space, will require all of us to find a way to give additional resources to fund this effort. Either or both of these things may create a short term pain, but the long term gain of knowing we did our part to help bring additional souls into a new or deeper relationship with Jesus Christ will be very much worth it. After all, the reward Jesus has promised us for being faithful followers of his Word is so glorious that it is indescribable and beyond our human understanding.

Wishing you all the best in your spiritual journey,
Richard Leach

From the Lay Ministry Coordinator

As I am writing this letter, I am preparing to attend a few conferences over the next few Saturdays to help support my work at Saint Matthew’s. I thank you for letting me share my thoughts and vision for Saint Matthew’s during the services in April. The thought that keeps popping into my head is that image of a wheel and serving as the hub. As we are all asking “How can I serve?” and as we have ministries that have needs, I hope to be the connector of those two things.

If you would like to learn more about your spiritual gifts, how about attending a Network Class? Network will help you understand more of who God made you to be, and how your unique contribution in a meaningful place of service will make a difference in your life and in others. This course will help you live life more effectively and therefore with a deeper sense of fulfillment. If you are interested in taking this class, please sign up on the Spiritual Formation bulletin board in the parish hall. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 703-421-6310 or by email: jodieleach2@aol.com.

Jodie Leach

Outreach Committee

February, March, and April have been busy. We started with the Quilt Raffle in February, and on March 6, Lisa Lintelman's name was drawn. Congratulations on your new Bluebird of Happiness Quilt. Thanks to all who helped us raise \$650 for Cindi Hailu, the teenager we sponsor at Mountain Mission School (Grundy, VA), and the two most local chapters of Habitat for Humanity. Thank you to the dear ladies of the church who lovingly made the quilt: Deborah Denko, Pat Guenther, Sue Reier, and Marie Miller.

Through Sunday School, the Spiritual Formation Committee reached out to Bernadette, the teenager we sponsor in Senegal. Bernadette will be receiving a package soon thanks to Jodie Leach and others.

In April we sent an Easter Basket and allowance money to Cindi. Then we "ReachedOut" to the Community Committee and coordinated the Easter Champagne Breakfast. Thank you to Pam Hart for coordinating, and thanks to volunteers such as Kenny and Karen Thayer, Sandra Gentry, Katt Hancher, and Donna and Richard Henry for their hard work and dedication.

Helping Hands has been a ministry under Community for quite a while. However, many from the Outreach Committee found themselves willing to help. Those formerly of the Helper Brigade have joined forces to help parishioners and others in need. Those who would like to volunteer to shop for a homebound church member may contact either chairperson of Community or Outreach. You would not have to shop monthly, but if you could volunteer twice a year, please give us a call.

Spiritual Formation and Outreach have teamed up for Mission Possible, a service program for those in fourth to seventh grade. Announcements on projects will be found in the bulletins and future newsletters. One suggestion so far is that Mission Possible help wrap shoeboxes for Mountain Mission School.

Please pray for us, come to our meetings at 7:00 p.m. the second Tuesday of every month, and find your calling. Thank you,
Leanna Wilson and Kenny Thayer,
Co-Chairpersons

From the Vestry - March 2005

The March vestry meeting opened just after 7:00 p.m. with prayer and a reflection by Rob Merola on the story of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead (see John 11:1-44). The emphasis was on the need for the friends of Lazarus to unbind him, with the suggestion that this is the role of the church, to "unbind" people spiritually.

Due to a lack of a quorum, a number of items were discussed at the meeting, but no votes were taken. The treasurer reported on the church's fund balances, income, and expenses as of the end of February 2005. Actual pledge income is 6% ahead of budget year to date. Actual plate income is 2% ahead of budget year to date. He then went through expenses and highlighted items over budget and under budget.

After this report, the vestry discussed the fact that to date no one has agreed to serve as junior warden, or chair of building and grounds, or both. The functions are being handled on an ad hoc basis by various people, but there are canonical and practical needs to identify and elect a junior warden, and to identify and select a chair of building and grounds.

Next came a review of the project to identify and implement a set of policies and procedures for church operations. Sections on personnel and facilities sections have been adapted and distributed in draft form. Three other sections (leadership and management, general administration, and ministry) are in process of being adapted. Financial policies and procedures are already in place. The vestry affirmed the value and importance of continuing with this project.

After this the vestry considered ways to improve further its processes for planning and decision-making with respect to the church's strategic plan, operations, and budget. Discussion ensued about the church's vision, mission, and values in relation to the goals, objectives, and initiatives of the church's strategic plan; and about vestry and congregational clarification of and consensus on the church's vision, mission, values, and strategic plan.

Rob then reported on questions of communion facing the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion. He encouraged the vestry to be aware of the situation and to consider the potential implications. The meeting closed shortly after 9:00 p.m., with the next meeting scheduled for April 19.



There's a Whole
"Trunkful" of Excitement at

Serengeti Trek: Where Kids are Wild about God!

A giraffe casually nibbles leaves from a lush acacia tree. A lion crouches in the tall grass, watching a herd of zebras. And you? You're standing on the vast savanna, gearing up for the adventure of a lifetime on a Serengeti Trek-where kids are wild about God! Join us in the grasslands of Serengeti Trek! You'll enjoy Bible Point Crafts and exciting games, experience thrilling Bible stories, and hear unforgettable music. Plus, you'll meet lots of new friends! The Trek will last from July 25-29. Crawling with fun from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Registration has begun! Forms are on page 9-10 of this newsletter.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

May and June will be filled with stories. The preschool class is continuing the study of Daniel and friends. The kindergarten and first graders are focusing on friendship through the book of Samuel. The second and third graders are continuing their study of the Ten Commandments. The fourth and fifth graders are exploring what it means to have God's love. We will end the "usual" class structure on June 12 when we will have a Sunday School Celebration Picnic for all families after all services. Get ready with your best potluck recipe! More details will be coming through the June newsletter and the church bulletin.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN FUND

In 1996, the Sunday School classes of Saint Matthew's decided to sponsor a child through the Children's Christian Fund. Every month since, the church has been making a contribution to this organization to support Bernadette Gueye from Senegal. These funds help support her education, nutrition, and health needs. Once a year, we receive a progress report and picture of Bernadette. If you would like to know more, please see the Outreach bulletin board for her latest letter. The Sunday School classes recently used their weekly offering to send her a small package and words of encouragement.

SUMMER TIME SUNDAY SCHOOL PLANS

This summer our plans are to hold large group instruction by Digging Into The Bible through art, cooking, games, music, science, storytelling, and video stations. Each week will hold a new emphasis and a new way to learn how to find specific Bible verses in the Bible, names of the books in the Bible and how the Bible offers us a guide for daily living. *Who wrote it? Where did it come from? How old is it? Is everything in the Bible true? What makes the Bible different from any other book?* Leaders will be answering these questions during the summer sessions! If you would like to serve as a station leader or assistant teacher, please contact Jodie Leach.

Community Committee

Spring has certainly arrived here in Northern Virginia, and what a beautiful place to be. Trees with such wonderful white and pink blossoms make us realize how lucky we are to enjoy God's earth with all its wonder, but before you get into spring planting, weeding and other yard work, think about the garden that you want to grow in your heart.

Church can be so much more than Sunday morning, and the reward you will feel in your heart from getting involved will be like the best garden you have ever seen.

Many people in this area have moved here from somewhere else and have to make new friends. Saint Matthew's can offer you many ways to make new friends and feel part of something. In joining the family of Saint Matthew's you will receive so much in return through friendships and support. The Community group began the first of our new small groups with a Scrapbook evening on Monday, April 4. For many this is part of a hobby, but for others like me it was a new learning experience and a time to meet some new ladies and even start a new friendship.

I would like to talk to you about my personal experience. I have been a church attendee for many years; yet since I became involved with Community I have met quite a few ladies here at the church that I can call friends – Cathy Tsao, Jodie Leach, Angela Brittain, Sandra Gentry, Donna Henry, Miriam Turner and now Barbara Dennis – who have helped with Community events and are all people anyone would be pleased to have as a friend. I enjoy spending time with them all.

Do you want Saint Matthew's to open doors to new friendships for you? There are many ways to be part of the community of Saint Matthew's through fun events. Let me tell you about some of our upcoming plans and future ideas. If you want to know more, please check the website or contact me.

May

- On May 22, our trip to see "Mamma Mia" in Washington
- Craft meeting – continuing our Scrapbook
- Book Club beginning in May

Summer

- In June a Pizza and Game night – details will be in the bulletin
- Planning a trip to the ballpark to see the Nationals this summer – details will be in the bulletins soon
- Planning for a Sunday family ballgame of softball – kids versus the adults
- Considering starting a weekly ladies' exercise session – looking for feedback on starting one right here in the parish hall
- September, the annual picnic

If anyone has suggestions on community events, please let me know; as always we welcome anyone who wishes to help with the events or wants to know more. Contact me at 703-430-9678 or by email: atlaok@aol.com.

Ann Lowden



The Classroom of Discovery

The Classroom of Discovery has almost filled its preschool slots for the fall, but plenty of Adult-Tot places are still available. These classes meet once a week on either Monday or Wednesday mornings. The Bridge to Discovery class emulates preschool and includes center and activity time, circle time, and snack time. It runs from 9:00-10:30 on Monday mornings. The Discovery Tots class runs for 45 minutes on Wednesday mornings and includes music, movement, and literary activities. Please call Sheri Brown if you have any questions about the Classroom of Discovery: 703-927-3333.



Easter Egg Dyeing Party

700 Eggs - Gone in 90 Minutes!

The 2nd "Annual" Easter Egg Dyeing party was a HUGE success! The parish hall was filled with children (and adults) having a great time. A big hit was the demonstration by Maria Johnson of Ukranian "Psyanka" eggs! We had several visitors come who saw the ad in the newspaper – hopefully we'll see them again at VBS. Big thank yous to everyone who helped make this party such a huge success.



Mission Trip Fundraisers

The teens had a great time getting together to plan their spring events! Unfortunately, the car wash scheduled for April was rained out! But other events are in the works. Keep an eye on upcoming church bulletins for the following events.

We will be hosting a Parent's Night Out offering babysitting services on Friday, June 3!

We hope to have another Band Night with high school bands performing and rocking the night away in May! We will be hosting an Art Show and Bar-B-Q in June or July, and we hope to reschedule our Car Wash.

Please continue to pray for this group of 21 teens and 6 adults who will be traveling to the Crow Indian Reservation on July 31! May God bless each of these individuals as they prepare for this journey.

Prayer Group

Each Sunday a group of parishioners gather to pray for the needs of Saint Matthew's. If you have special requests, please write a note and place it in the tin in the narthex. If you would like to pray with this group, you are always welcome to join them any Sunday at 7:00 p.m.

a diagram of stars

elevator makes its progression downwards –
cables have snapped. they writhe
like the final wriggles of dragontails –
they fizzle like deathrattle breaths.

doomed are the diagrammed people
standing in their separate corners
inside an expiring silicon box.

the person in the corner where the paneling is scratched
thinks of Missouri summers spent licking sweetvanilla
ice cream off his fingers, climbing up the elm trees
with his bare monkey feet and opposing thumbs,
feeling for crawdaddies in Luther's Creek – cold water
peeling away his suncrisped shin-skin. he can't stop
raining from his eyes down his aluminumwall pallid cheeks.

the one who just squeezed on at the last second
is numb. she thinks of her dog scratching at her apartment
door at home: she'll never let the shaggy creature out again and
the woman leaving messages on her answering machine,
sending wildflowers in November, promising to be back soon
because she loves her – she'll love a coffin-shadow before she comes home.

the one fixing her pursestrap remembers hometown Suburbia –
with white sidewalks soaking up sunflames, weak-willed emerald grass
drying sulfuryyellow in the August heat. she spent long evenings
eating lemon pie on a wickered porch with just a mother
to share it with – beside a splintering rocking chair
lingered a half-forgotten shadow of a gin-drinking father.

in another corner is a man who hides cigarettes in his coat
sleeves – he told his daughter he would quit and he always thought
he would.now smoke has curled around his feet like a feral cat:
but it's the smoke of termination – it tells him he's a failure
like his father and his father's father and his father's
father's father was. he shakes the cigarettes
onto the floor and thanks God he has no sons.

wrapped in aluminum walls – coffin walls –
splintering walls – smoky walls –
a falling-star elevator and the people inside
make their diagrammed progression downwards.

Kathryn Strong
inspired by an abstract painting

Saint Matthew's welcomes you! We hope the following information on how to join our church and the bottom chart on the different ministries will be helpful to you. There is a "membership profile sheet" that should be completed by anyone wishing to join Saint Matthew's. This form will help ensure you receive our monthly newsletter and information. The form is available in the narthex or by contacting the church office at 703-430-2121.

If previously you belong(ed) to another Episcopal Church	If you belonged to another denomination, and have already been baptized	If you have never belonged to a Church and have not been baptized or confirmed	What about my children- are they recorded as members?
Write or call your former Episcopal Church and ask that a "letter of transfer" be sent to Saint Matthew's	We can record your baptism and thus your "membership" in the Parish register simply by giving us a duplicate of your baptismal certificate or an acknowledgement that you have been baptized with water in the Name of Father, Son and Holy Spirit.	Speak with Father Rob and let him know your desire for baptism and whatever instruction necessary. Your baptism will normally be scheduled for Sunday morning.	Actually yes they are! If your child has been baptized, that baptism is recorded and they are a part of your "family" records. When the children get older and would like to be confirmed, there is instruction for that purpose.
	If you were confirmed, likewise submit a copy or acknowledgement that you have been confirmed, or made a public affirmation of Christ. In most cases, you would then be formally received by the Bishop at his next visit.	If you have not been confirmed, that is made a public profession of faith in Jesus Christ; you are encouraged to join the next confirmation class, usually held in September.	If your children have not been baptized, speak with the clergy to arrange for this.

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Community	Reverence	Outreach	Spiritual Formation	Stewardship	Building & Grounds
To create and sustain a welcoming environment for all members of Saint Matthew's	To craft services that honor God and powerfully bring people into his presence	To genuinely improve the quality of life for those less fortunate than ourselves in Sterling, the local community, and the world while presenting a witness for Christ	To introduce people to Jesus as Lord and Savior and to help them deepen their relationship with him and one another. To provide opportunities for people of all ages to grow in their faith, knowledge, worship, and service to others as devoted followers of Christ	To provide the resources for the continued support of Saint Matthew's through members' time, talent, and treasures. To encourage concern for God's creation.	To maintain our building and the grounds that surround Saint Matthew's
<i>Vestry Member:</i> Ann Lowden	<i>Vestry Member:</i> Vicki Nelson	<i>Vestry Member:</i> Leanna Wilson	<i>Vestry Member:</i> Tom Leary	<i>Vestry Member:</i> Merry Breed	<i>Vestry Member:</i>
Newcomer Welcome Ann Lowden Women's Group Chris Hallett Sunday Coffee Hour Mary Peterson Pizza and Game Night Ann Lowden September Parish Picnic Ann Lowden & Sandra Gentry Lend a Hand Program Miriam Turner Craft Group Barbara Dennis Book Group Richard Henry Monthly Newsletter/Publicity Angela Brittain	Music Team Elaine Rendler Lay Eucharistic Team - Readers & Acolytes Altar Guild Lisa Lintelman Flower Ministry Barbara McKinney Technology Team Tom Leary Sunrise Service Martha Olson Greeters & Ushers Jim McKeown	ESL - English Classes Leanna Wilson Link Katt Hancher & Jack Prisley Mountain Mission School Ken Thayer Habitat for Humanity Ken Thayer Youth Mission Trip Richard Leach Prison Fellowship Ken Thayer Holiday Coalition Merry Breed & Maria Tuttle World Hunger Sunday Kerry Baldwin	G3- Teen Youth Group Tom Leary Sunday School Jodie Leach February Parish Retreat Vacation Bible School Jodie Leach Bible Study Mark Vereb Christian Life Workshops Confirmation Class Rob Merola & Richard Leach Teen Bible Study Richard Leach & Tom Leary	Stewardship of Creation Merry Breed Adopt-A-Trail /Claude Moore Park Merry Breed Recycling Merry Breed Financial Charlie Biegel Sunday Tellers Randy Palmer & Erin Leary Volunteer -Lay Ministry Jodie Leach	Interior Renovation Committee Sharon Ferguson Parish Work Day Grounds Crew Adopt-a-garden Randy Chamblin Staff Support Photographer Web Page Support Angela Brittain Lay Delegate to Diocesan Council Allen Tuttle

Listed above are the contacts for many of the ministries of Saint Matthew's. We hope this list is helpful. If you are in need of assistance or would like to serve in any of these ministry areas, contact Jodie Leach at home 703-421-6310 or by email: jodieleach2@aol.com.

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