



# St. Matthew United Church of Christ

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## SEPT/OCTOBER 2017

Dear Friends and Members,

Fall is the time of the year when many folks regroup and begin new phases of their lives. Hopefully the summer has provided a break from familiar routines, and allowed time to spend with relatives, family and friends, or explored new places, or returned to familiar ones. For many this time of year marks the return to our regular duties and responsibilities. For others, the Fall represents beginning new adventures and moving their lives in new directions.

With this in mind I would like to draw your attention to the journey that some of our youth and young adults in our church family will be taking this Fall.

- + Grant Abraham will be attending the University of Baltimore and working part-time.
- + Zachary Fletcher will be attending the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, New York to prepare for a career in the food service industry.
- + Jewel Howard will be a Sophomore at the City Neighbors Hamilton High School here in Baltimore.
- + Anya Price will be a Freshman at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, Wisconsin, studying Russian and Chemistry.
- + Benjamin Price will be a Sophomore at the Friends School.
- + Benjamin Wancowicz will continue his studies at Essex Community College.
- + Daniel Wancowicz will be a Teaching Assistant at the University of Houston in Texas working towards a Master's Degree in Philosophy.
- + Robert Wancowicz will be stationed at Fort Stewart near Savannah, Georgia assigned to the Jazz Ensemble.

Our hearts and prayers surround these youth, as they embark on these exciting and life changing endeavors. God's peace and grace encourage them and surround them in all they do. What an exciting time.

Blessings  
Pastor Bartell





**September**



**September Birthdays**

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|---------------------|------------------------|
| 8 – David Carpenter | 24 – Kristen Carpenter |
| 9 – Keith Niemeyer  | 24 – Dante Howard      |
| 15 – Rob Wancowicz  | 27 – Robert Smith      |
| 19 – Penny Hawks    | 29 – Sandy Wancowicz   |
| 19 – Don Hecker     | 29 – Bill Nies         |

**September Anniversaries**

- 2 – Victor & Kim Lewis
- 10 – John & Lillian Lowensen
- 17 – David & Kristen Carpenter

**October Birthdays**

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| 3 – Iris Ciorca    | 22 – Sandra Pauley |
| 19 – Grant Abraham |                    |

**October Anniversaries**

- 10 – Bob & Sandy Wancowicz
- 10 – Don & Charlene Hecker

*Are we missing your Birthday or Anniversary? Please let us know! Your "Special" day is a great way to shout about the many blessings He has given to you ☺*

**Calendar of Events**

- Sept 3 – Worship & Communion service 10:30AM
- Sept 4 – Labor Day Holiday!
- Sept 5 – NO Bible Study
- Sept 7 – Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, 7PM
- Sept 10 – Save the Date, "Annual Church Picnic at Gunpowder, 11AM
- Sept 12 – Bible Study, 10:30AM
- Sept 14 – Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, 7PM
- Sept 17 – Worship Service, 10:30AM
- Sept 18-Oct 3 – Secretary on vacation
- Sept 19 – Bible Study, 10:30AM
- Sept. 21 – Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, 7PM
- Sept 24 – Worship Service, 10:30AM
- Sept 24 – Council Meeting after worship
- Sept 26 – NO Bible Study
- Sept 26 – Supper Club at the "Baltimore Station"
- Sept 28 – Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, 7PM
- Sept 28 - Northeast Ministerium Meeting at St., Francis of Assisi, 12 Noon
- Oct 1 – Worship & Communion service, 10:30AM
- Oct 1 – "Neighbors In Need" offering received!
- Oct 3 – Bible Study, 10:30AM
- Oct 5 – Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, 7PM
- Oct 5 – "Earl's Place Gala", Boumi Temple, 6PM, Pastor Bartell, Speaker
- Oct 8 – Worship Service, 10:30AM
- Oct 10 – Bible Study, 10:30AM
- Oct 12 – Handbell Choir rehearsal, 7PM
- Oct 15 – Worship Service, 10:30AM
- Oct 17 – Bible Study, 10:30AM
- Oct 19 – Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, 10:30AM
- Oct 21 – Save the Date!! MSB 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration! Details to come!
- Oct 22 – Worship Service, 10:30AM
- Oct 22 – Council Meeting after worship
- Oct 24 – Bible Study, 10:30AM
- Oct 24 – No Supper Club!
- Oct 26 – Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, 7PM
- Oct 29 - Worship Service, 10:30Am
- Oct 31 – Bible Study, 10:30AM
- Oct 31 – Reformation 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
- Nov 2 – Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, 7PM
- Nov 5 – Worship & Communion Service 10:30AM

**Help volunteer to host the weekly Sunday Fellowship! Kudo's to everyone that helped with our Fellowship time last month! But here comes yet another month! Anyone can select any available Sunday by signing up in the rear of the church. It's easy... a cake or a couple dozen donuts = FELLOWSHIP 😊**



September	Hosted by:	September	Hosted by:
3	<i>We need you here!</i>	17	Edris Hendricks
10	Church Picnic!	24	Richard Jones

**Check out the Worship Assistance schedule for September & October to see when you will be helping. Don't see your name or would like to volunteer? Give the office a call, 410-235-3738! Please remember to secure a substitute, if you are unable to be there on your assigned Sunday. Always know there are not any age restrictions if you would like to assist in the worship service 😊**

DATE	LITURGIST	USHERS	GREETER	Tower Bell Ringer
September 3- Comm Asst-Carolyn M.	Elaine Niemeyer	Linwood & Raymond Herring	Fletcher Little	Ben Price
September 10 Church Picnic Gunpowder State Park				
September 17	Dorothy Foos	Alfred Taylor & Richard Jones	Iris Ciurca	Luke Salyers
September 24	Quiana Mondowney	Edris Hendricks & Will Doyle	Jewel Howard	Jason Vanisko

DATE	LITURGIST	USHERS	GREETER	Tower Bell Ringer
Oct 1-Comm Asst-Edris Hendricks	Norma Smith	Dante Howard & Alfred Taylor	Quiana Mondowney	Sharon Abraham
October 8	Francine Lane	Richard Jones & Raymond Herring	Dante Howard	Frank Cimino
October 15	Elaine Niemeyer	Norma Smith & Edris Hendricks	Edris Hendricks	Jason Vanisko
October 22	Iris Ciura	Dante Howard & Quiana Mondowney	Will Doyle	Luke Salyers
October 29	Kerry Price	Linwood & Raymond Herring	Elaine Niemeyer	Ben Price

*In Deepest Sympathy*



## *Christine Walz*

*On August 19, 2017, we lost a dear sweet member of our St. Matthew family.*

*Christine Walz, or "Miss Chris" as she was so fondly known, will be truly missed. She was always here for every event, helping to do anything she could. Her smile was contagious, and her love for the Lord was obvious! She was married here at St. Matthew, raising her daughter Elaine here too. Children were her passion, teaching Sunday School for 70 plus years! She was a light and beacon to all her many friends here at St. Matthew. She served the Lord always, and now she is in His presence. Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!!*

*She will be remembered always.*

Ooops!! Unable to reproduce invite electronically ☹

Tickets: \$70/person or \$520 for a table of 8 before 9/10 \$75/person or \$560/table after 9/10 Make checks payable to United Ministries, Inc. and mail to: United Ministries, Inc. 1400 E. Lombard Street Baltimore, MD 21231

To purchase online:  
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All proceeds benefit Earl's Place Transitional



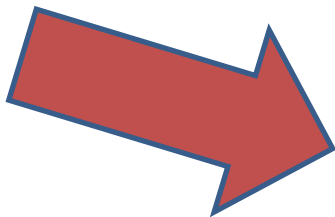
It's almost time!! The Annual Church Picnic!!

September 10<sup>th</sup>, at the Gunpowder State Park!

Beginning at 11AM for service, followed by burgers and dogs, and lots of games!! Bring your side dish and lots of smiles☺

**See You There!!!**

Gunpowder Falls State Park  
Hammerman Area, Chestnut Pavilion  
7200 Graces Quarters Rd., Middle River, MD 21220



*Dear God,  
I wanna' take a minute, not to ask  
for anything from you, but simply  
to say thank you, for all I have!  
Anonymous  
(Contributed by Norma Smith)*



The 2017 theme for the NIN offering is "Protect the Sacred: In a Just World, Clean Water is Life."  
  
St. Matthew will receive the NIN offering on Sunday, **October 1, 2017.**  
  
We take clean water for granted! Many just do not have ☹ Give as generously as you can!!

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*Every Sunday!*

*10:00 AM, fellowship*

*10:30 Worship Service!*

"No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey,  
you are welcome here."

Come and join us every Sunday.

Get to know God and Learn of Jes



