

# June 2023

**SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE:**  
 \*Contemporary Worship services are available online on Youtube.com via our Facebook page. Traditional service available on CD (audio only).

9:00 AM Contemporary Service  
 10:00 AM Sunday School (all ages)  
 11:00 AM Traditional Service

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 9 AM Graduate Recognition Service 2 PM Baccalaureate Service	5	6	7	8	9	10 MHS graduation
11	12	13 1 PM WMU mtg.	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 HELLO HAMMERS!	22	23	24
25	26	27 9AM-3PM TRIAD Health/Safety Fair	28	29	30 Scholarship Appl. Due	

**Counting committee for June:**  
—Alice & Larry Stewart

**Counting committee for July:**  
—Bill & Cathy Nelson

**9:00 Nursery Schedule:**  
 4 - Stephanie & Joy Lowe  
 11 - Katie Haywood/Amanda Kemp  
 18 - Glenda Ranner/Nikki Spiers  
 25 - Becky Erthington/Nancy Pait



## JUNE BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 3 Jason Barrick, Mona Frayser, Mildred Hudgins
  - 4 Kenny Brown
  - 7 William Earl Sadler, Addison Waddell
  - 9 Jerry Velez
  - 10 Malloy Sanger
  - 11 Lynn Braun, Matthew Hall, Bonnie Sue Smith
  - 13 Frances Ellis, Sherry Inabinet, Aaron Spiers, Robbie Whitehurst (heart b'day)
  - 14 Michael Brown, Tracy Whitehurst
  - 19 Austin Cottee, James Diggs
  - 20 Andy Diggs, Dorothy Norton
  - 22 Stella Johnson
  - 25 Laura Bowen, Ashley B. Johnson
  - 26 Noah Erthington, Lily Given
  - 27 Joey Calloway, Steven Gayle
  - 28 Bobby Gayle, Benjamin Rowe, Morgan Sears
  - 29 Carolyn Hogge, Jim Neiman, Alan Owens, Kaylee Russell
  - 30 Jennie Diggs
- ANNIVERSARIES:**
- 1 Jim & Gloria Travencki
  - 2 Jerry & Jean Stilwell
  - 6 Wayne & Christy Brown; Mike & Sue Smedley
  - 16 Sean & Amanda Rhodes, John & Delores Sanger
  - 18 Mark & Linden Barrick
  - 24 Mike & Michelle Sheilds
  - 25 Brent & Beverly Barefoot
  - 30 Richard & Amy Downis, Greg & Jennifer Morgan
- if your name is not listed above & you had a birthday or anniversary this month, please call the church office (725-3707). Thanks!

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## “The Lighthouse”

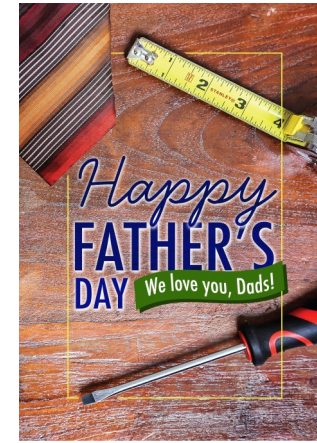


In the movie *It's a Wonderful Life*, one of my favorite scenes is a conversation between George Bailey and his father. Pa Bailey is trying to talk George into taking over the Bailey Brothers Building and Loan. George shares how he doesn't want to be “cooped up in a shabby little office.” He wants to “do something big and something important.” Pa responds, “I feel that in a small way we are doing something important.” Then George tells his father, “Pop, you want a shock? I think you're a great guy.” Then George yells to Annie, the maid, who has been listening through the door the

whole time, “Oh, did you hear that, Annie?” Annie yells back, “I heard it. About time one of you lunkheads said it.” This would be George's last conversation with his father. He passes away later that evening. Father's Day is a great occasion to tell your father how much you appreciate him. But really, any occasion is a great time to tell your father you appreciate him. If you are estranged from your father, remember you have a Heavenly Father. Tell Him how much you appreciate Him. By the way, Dad, if you are reading this, “I think you

are a great guy!” Proverbs 17:6 says, “*Children's children are the crown of old men, And the glory of children is their father.*” To all you “great guys” out there, Happy Father's Day!

Faithfully yours,  
 Pastor Brian



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### SPECIAL DATES

- ◆ 4<sup>th</sup> Baccalaureate Service @MBC
- ◆ 10<sup>th</sup> Graduation
- ◆ 18<sup>th</sup> Father's Day
- ◆ 21<sup>st</sup> 1st day of Summer
- ◆ 27<sup>th</sup> TRIAD Health/Safety Fair @Ruritan Club
- ◆ 26-July 1<sup>st</sup> FUGE
- ◆ 30<sup>th</sup> Scholarship application deadline

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 Return Services Requested

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**Church Attendance-May 2023**

Date	9:00	10:00	11:00
05/07/23	125	112	24
05/14/23	125	110	
05/21/23	120	115	32
05/28/23	93	83	26



Applications for our College Scholarship are available on the counter in the welcome area along with a copy of the guidelines and rules.

Completed applications are due back to the office **NO LATER THAN June 30, 2023**. Late applications will **NOT** be accepted.

Questions should be directed to Phil Putnam, Trustee. (757-880-2446).

**MATHEWS BAPTIST CHURCH INVITES YOU TO...**  
**ONE DAY ONLY! FAMILY STYLE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
**SATURDAY, AUGUST 12 | 10:00AM - NOON**  
 JOIN US FOR THIS SINGLE DAY VBS EVENT DESIGNED FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY! MOMS, DADS, GRANDMAS, GRANDPAS, GUARDIANS, SIBLINGS... BRING EVERYONE! EACH FAMILY UNIT WILL ROTATE THROUGH A BIBLE LESSON, A CRAFT, AND GAMES TOGETHER. EVERYTHING WILL BE FAMILY ORIENTED, AND **LUNCH IS PROVIDED!**  
**REGISTRATION AND CHECK-IN WILL BE FROM 9:45- 10:00.**  
 Please call the church office for more information 804-725-3707

**FOR FATHERS and OTHER GOOD & FAITHFUL MEN**  
*in our lives,*  
**we give you thanks!**

**"He's using the devotional we gave him for Father's Day."**

**Mathews County TRIAD's Senior Connection**

The Mathews TRIAD is a partnership between the Mathews County Sheriff's Office and Seniors in the community, agreeing to work together to reduce the criminal victimization or fear of criminal victimization among the elderly. This is done by developing, expanding and implementing effective crime prevention and education programs for older community members. The TRIAD works to improve quality of life for seniors and enhances the delivery of law enforcement services to them.

**Report Abuse**  
 To report adult abuse, neglect or exploitation, contact the DSS Monday-Friday from 8:30 - 4:30 pm at 804-725-3103.

**The Senior Safety Fair**  
 We welcome you to join us at the  
**June 27th**  
 9:00am-3:00pm  
 \$3.00 admission  
 Includes a continental breakfast and lunch  
 Piankitank Ruritan Club

The Speakers will include:  
 Chesapeake Bank's Fraud Manager  
 The Attorney General's office will speak about scams  
 The Sheriff's Department will provide valuable information  
 Booths that provide information on local resources

**Registration Form:**  
 Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: P.O. Box 190  
 Mathews, VA 23109

**Mission News**

**What we aim to do:**

WMU's unwavering focus is **making disciples of Jesus who live on mission.**

**We carry out this mission by**

Providing missions' discipleship resources for our church as a whole and for individual members,

Offering opportunities to engage with compassion ministries, and

Equipping people through leadership development experiences.

Our thanks to those of you who added **HAM** for **Hands Across Mathews** to your grocery list. Just one item added to your grocery cart will help us in our support of this local ministry. We currently have 5 large boxes of donations to carry to our community resource for local families who have suffered some crisis that puts them in need of the basic amenities of food, clothing, shelter, prescription medications or fuel. When all other avenues of support have been exhausted, HAM helps them get back on their feet. They have combined the efforts of 35 churches to provide non-denominational, charitable aid to families, which have been evaluated and approved by the Mathews County Social Services Department.

They continue to need

canned goods: soup, fruit, vegetables, pasta, pasta sauce and rice. They also need protein items like Mac n cheese, Spam, tuna fish, dried beans. Also needed are cereal and instant oatmeal. Any of the above would be helpful. Additionally, items not covered by SNAP such as soap, toothpaste, shampoo, personal care items and baby food and supplies. Even pet food is welcomed. We have a box in the Fellowship Hall and in the Welcome Center for your donations.

WMU meets monthly on the second Tuesday of the month at 1 pm in the area next to the church secretary and pastor's office. We heartily welcome new members! Our next meeting will be June 13. Come help us plan for the future. We welcome your input and prayers!

**Do you enjoy singing?** You don't need to have a perfect singing voice, just enthusiasm. Come join us on Tuesday mornings at 10:30 at Mathew's Nursing Home on New Point Comfort Highway, just down Main Street and out of town on the left, (corner of Tabernacle Road). The residents are very appreciative of the time



**Please be Praying for...**

- Steve Taylor dealing with back pain and surgery coming up.
- Diane Vogel with back pain.

**Our love and sympathy go out to...**

- The family & friends of Doris Clements who passed away on May 21, 2023.
- Christy & Wayne Brown at the passing of Christy's sister Carole Wolf on May 29.

**Praise God...**

- For our church family and our pastor!
- For our military!

**Homebound:** Julie Harvell, Mildred Hudgins, Archie/Marilyn Owens, Jim/Gloria Travenski  
**Those in long term care:**

Ed Haufler (Mathews) & Mildred Lockwood (Harmony on the Peninsula)

**Those who need our continued prayer:**

- William Scott Smith • Mathews High
- Leonard Downs, Jr. • Pauline Barrick
- Daniel West • Raymond Harris
- Derek Zwiers • Don & Christy Talbott
- Sherry Inabinet • Kathy Diggs
- Billy Bodurtha • Timmy Forrest
- Homer Smith • Karen Wiant
- The Ramer's daughter-in-law
- Liam (the Neiman's cousin)

**Our Church Families' Missionaries:** Susan/ Mike Mangerchine (Navigator)

we spend with them.

In the coming months, we will be collecting school supplies for students who need assistance in going back to school (July) and baby supplies for CareNet Crisis Pregnancy Center (August). If you are a knitter, crocheter or quilter, hand made baby blankets are greatly appreciated.

*Donna Frantz & Judy Lowe*

**Congratulations**  
  
**Graduates**  
**2023**



**Coming in July:**

- 1<sup>st</sup>: Independence Day Fireworks at MHS
- 18<sup>th</sup>: Blood Drive
- 19<sup>th</sup>: Quarterly Business Meeting