### **GLAD TIDINGS**

The newsletter of Francis Makemie Presbyterian www.francismakemiepc.org and Naomi Makemie Presbyterian Churches www.nmpreschurch.org

# October 2020

You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hid. ...let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:14-16

Dear Friends,

Welcome to October! It has cooled down and turned into a beautiful fall season. As always, the seasons here on the Shore remind us of the wonder of God. Our children are back in school either virtually or in person, both churches are now worshiping in person and virtually. Some things are having a sense of routine again and it is lifting our spirits and filling us with hope.

We are grateful for the technology that provides the opportunity for us to stay connected with one another. Our denomination is structured nationally and regionally. Thanks to our connection as a member of the Presbytery of Eastern Virginia we have been the recipients of a technology grant. It's our connections that are important as we seek to understand the needs of each other. Churches reach out to other churches and members reach out to members. Please take the time to become familiar with all the opportunities available to you on our websites. We hope you will join us this month in the many activities available to you in person and online.

October is stewardship month. We hope you will consider joining the church this month as we seek to further the mission and ministry of the church in this place. If you are interested in becoming a member of the church (FMPC or NMPC) through baptism, profession of faith, or transfer of letter, please let us know-even in Covid times we are still the church and engaging in the Lord's work.

Please contact us. We miss you and we want to hear from you. May the Lord richly bless you and keep you safe.

Blessings to you all,





I have a new cell phone number since June: c-757-709-2846

#### **Special Dates**

Pastor Appreciation Month

October 2 Custodian Appreciation Day

- World Communion Sunday, *October 4*, 2020
- Reformation Sunday, October 25, 2020
- Reformation Day, October 31, 2020





## **OCTOBER**

Charlie Mahler	10-01
George Heinrichs	10-02
Bowdie Arvidson	10-02
Dennis Schirmer	10-04
Joe Boggs	10-04
Kim Penland	10-05
Ron May	10-07
Linda Mears	10-19
David Hughes	10-22

On September 20, 2020 Francis Makemie

Presbyterian received to new elders through ordination and installation service. We welcome Barbara Haynes and Joe Boggs as ruling elders for a three year term. Please extend the right of fellowship to them when you see them next. Thanks be to God for this gift to the church.



#### Please Join Us!

World Communion Day We're observing several ways...

Saturday, October 3, 2020 4:00 PM at the Onancock Gazebo

Elements provided or you may bring your own.

Sunday, October 4, 2020 Sunday, October 4, 2020 9:15 AM at FMPC 11:00 AM at NMPC Elements provided (or bring your own)

We look forward to seeing you!

#### **Operation Christmas Child**

Once again, our church will be participating in the Operation Christmas Child program. Operation Christmas Child started in 1993 under Rev. Franklin Graham. Since 1993 more than 178 million children in more than 150 countries have received a shoebox. Shoeboxes are filled with toys, school supplies, clothes, hygiene products, and information about God and Jesus. National Collection Week is November 16th-23rd, so please turn in shoeboxes by Sunday, November 15th. More information about the program and how you can participate will be coming to you soon.





#### Wands for Wildlife

Wands for Wildlife is a program that started just a few years ago in 2017 at a wildlife refuge in North Carolina. The refuge sent out a request for people to send in clean, used mascara wands to help clean injured wildlife that came to their refuge. It has been so much of a success that Wands for Wildlife is now it's own entity serving wildlife refuges worldwide. We will be collecting used mascara wands until November 2nd. You do not need to clean the wand, we can do that for you. Please look for more information coming your way about how you can participate.

On the **Naomi Makemie website** you will find everything there at the click of a button. www.NMPreschurch.org

We call it 'one stop shopping'. The bulletin, the worship video live or later can be found at the worship link.

Youth Sunday School & Bible Study can all be found at the Education link.

Go to the website and explore ways you can stay connected.

<u>We would love to hear from you.</u> Let us know how you are doing and how you would like for us to connect with you. While we miss each other, we can choose to stay connected through the many opportunities provided for you.





Hi Ladies.

Our next PW meeting will be on October 5, at 11:30am. We will be studying Lesson 8, The Loss of a Friend.

Please join us in person (socially distanced) or you can join us on Zoom. Please preregister for Zoom.

I look forward to seeing you all on Monday! Bring a bag lunch! Pam

Register in advance for this meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEkd--ppzsuGNWzUyrngOORzO0FiUuM8S6d



Here is the **current budget report for Naomi Makemie**. Please note that we are **behind in our current budget by <u>\$8,523.00</u>** It has been a challenging year. We are grateful to many who have been able to maintain their pledge and so many who have increased their giving.

As we make plans for the budget for 2021 we are concerned about how we will go forward. We have and will always honor our mission giving to the full amount. Yet, other areas in the church budget will need to be reviewed. Early in the pandemic the Board of Pensions offered a package relief that saved the church an additional \$6000. We are extremely grateful for their generosity.

As we launch our stewardship campaign, we ask you to pray and consider your pledge for the future.

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2020 Budget		2020		2019	2020	2019
	Actual		Difference		12	12
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	Date	Date	Date	Date	MONTHS	MONTHS
Income	E0 07E	CE 222	C 0.E.7	CO 540	00 000	07.005
Envelope & Plate	58,375					
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From Trusts	0	0		0	15,000	
Total Income	\$58,375	\$66,898	-\$8,523	\$69,142	\$115,450	\$111,935
Expenses						
Clergy,Manse & Pulpit Supply	41,572	50,739	-9,167	48,118	75,725	71,762
Less FMPC Share	-9,490	-10,875	1,385	-10,853	-14,500	-14,527
Net Pulpit	32,082	39,864	-7,782	37,265	61,225	57,235
Other Payroll	8,725	8,750	-25	8,370	14,220	12,870
Church Building	7,866	11,591	-3,725	9,343	18,575	14053
Mission	6,958	6,000	958	3,174	12,000	10,374
Presbyterian Women	600	1,330	-730	1,200	1,330	1,200
Miscellaneous	4,341	6,398	-2,057	5,313	8,100	8,276
Total Expense	\$60,572	\$73,933	-\$13,361	\$64,665	\$115,450	\$104,008
Net	-\$2.197	-\$7,035	\$4,838	\$4,477	\$0	\$7,927

#### "Let Your Light Shine" Stewardship Campaign

"Let Your Light Shine" is our theme for our upcoming 2021 stewardship campaign. The year 2020 has certainly been a tough year for all of us. The COVID pandemic has caused a darkness in our way of living.

We've had to be away from family and friends. People have been isolated to protect themselves from the virus. Schools, stores, restaurants, and churches closed down for a time. People have to wear masks everywhere they go.

It was hard closing our doors for a few months; not coming together for services and coffee hour. But during this time of darkness, our little church has been a beacon of light. In the beginning of the pandemic, we still opened our sanctuary for online services. We researched and shopped for hours trying to get the appropriate equipment needed to provide the online services for all us stuck at home so that we could still hear Monica bring us the word of God. We still provided help to our mission charities during the pandemic even though we were not allowed to have our normal fundraisers or regular Sunday offerings.

Back in April we helped ESCDV with much needed supplies as they took in more families than normal. Recently, we did our annual school supply drive to help our elementary schools. Both of these organizations were beyond grateful that we were able to come through for them during this awful time.

Now it's time to focus on what we can do in the future. We as a church want to get back out there doing what we love to do and that is helping our community. We can't do that without your help. Please think about how you can help our church. More stewardship information including pledge cards and mission stories are coming your way soon.



**Halloween** on **Saturday October 31.** In Onancock we will have trick or treating from **5-8.** This will be out 7<sup>th</sup> mission event

We will *collect candy* for our annual mission throughout the month of October at NMPC.

We will have <u>drop off hours at NMPC on Tuesdays and Sundays when the church is open</u> or call and we'll be glad to pick up or meet at church to receive it.

We look forward to seeing everyone's costumes.



Trick or Treat 5-8

#### **Dear Sunday School parents and grandparents,**

I am teaching SS this fall with children in grades K-6th grade. We are recording the lesson and it will be available on the church's web site by the second and fourth Sundays each month. This way you can choose the best time for your family to have SS.

We are studying stories from the Old Testament this fall and the New Testament in the spring. There is a packet of materials for your child at church. In it your child will find things to be used each week with the lesson. Each week you will receive a Parent Page with info about discussing the lesson and activities your family can do. I plan to distribute that and other pages via email to you. One more thing - my nephew's family does this every night at the dinner table - each person at the table shares his/her answer to these questions

- 1. What was the best part of your day?
- 2. What did you learn today?
- 3. What did you do today to show kindness?

I'm looking forward to sharing the year with you and your children! *Joan May* 





Clean Up day at NMPC Saturday October 10 at 10 am. The will be trimming, painting, and general cleanup. All safely socially distant. Please join us as we work to keep our building beautiful.

We are collecting your photos for ALL SAINTS DAY & VETERANS DAY. Please email, snail mail us your photos (BOTH CHURCHES) of your loved ones who have passed away and your loved ones who have served in the military. We plan to honor them in worship on November 1 for All Saints Day and on November 8 for Veteran's Day





Are you interested in reading through the Bible but don't know where to start? Look up Monica's YouTube channel and begin reading the Bible with her today.

# **September in Pictures**

Church at the gazebo, Zoom Bible Study, Standing in the Gap Internet for Students, FMPC back at worship!



Church at the Gazebo



Church at the Gazebo





Francis Makemie BACK to In person Worship after months apart



NMPC's Internet for Students Program Science & Physics



NMPC's Internet for Students Program outdoor lunch & P.E.

October 2020	October 2020	October 2020	October 2020	October 2020	October 2020	October 2020
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	Wednesday	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Vorship SCHEDULE				1 Prayer mtg Choir 5:45	2	CHURCH Gazebo world communion 4pm @ Gazebo
4 9:15 FMPC 11:00 NMPC	5 Presbyterian Women 11:30	Gap Internet Students 8- 2:30	7 Zoom Bible Study 10am	8 Choir 5:45	9	10 Work Day at NMPC @ 10 am
9:15 FMPC 11:00 NMPC	12	Gap Internet Students 8- 2:30	14	15 Prayer mtg Choir 5:45	16	17
18 9:15 FMPC 11:00 NMPC	19 NMPC Session 5:30	20 Gap Internet Students 8- 2:30	21	22 Choir 5:45	23	24
25 9:15 FMPC 11:00 NMPC	26	Gap Internet Students 8- 2:30	28	29 Choir 5:45	30 Men of Faith Group 9 am	31 HALLOWEEN 5-8 AT CHURCH
November 1 All Saint's Day 9:15 FMPC 11:00 NMPC	2 Presbyterian Women 11:30	Gap Internet Students 8- 2:30	4	5	6	7

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