

# Naomi Makemie Presbyterian Church February 26, 2023 Large Print

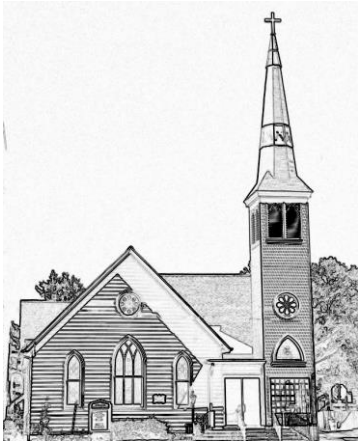
## Onancock, VA

### Our Mission Statement

*“Do what is fair and just to your neighbor, be compassionate and loyal in your love, and don’t take yourself too seriously—take God seriously.” Micah 6:8*

Compassionate, Fair and Loyal

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**Welcome to worship!** We are glad you joined us today. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to join in the fellowship and ministry of this congregation. We look forward to seeing you again. Please fill out one of the visitor cards and drop it in the offering plate.

**Prayer Concerns** Carolyn Lin, Jo Penland, Eli Chen, Ginger Pruitt, James Hill, Wilma Motley, Margaret S. Joe K, Coralei Provenzano, Meg Adams, Ned Ames

**Ways to serve:** host fellowship hour, read Scripture, acolyte, a signup sheet is available in the Grove room.

Coffee Hour-George, Wilma and Joan; Reader -Joan Motley

### A Lenten Journey of Amazing Grace - Devotional Reading Recap

In this past week's devotion we were reminded of how truly amazing God's Grace is. Grace is God's gift to us, given out of his unfathomable love for us. We can do nothing to earn this gift and surprisingly we can never stray too far away, nor become too lost in despair or shame that God's Grace can not find us. It is truly *Amazing Grace*. Let us join together in reading about this amazing gift as we travel along this Lenten journey.

### Looking ahead.

March 6<sup>th</sup> – Presbyterian Women Bible Study and Meeting at 11:30 am

March 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> – Sunday School

Every Wednesday March 1-29, 5:30-7 We will have Lenten suppers. The study is for all ages.

### This Week:

**Sunday school** February 12&26 @9:45

**Monday** Madrigals 6pm **Tuesdays** 5:30 Made with Love knitting/craft group

**Thursdays** Choir meets at 5. **Fridays** Senior Exercise with Rhudy at 10:00.

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**\*Asterisk is to stand in body or spirit. Bold print is congregational response.**

Prelude

Welcome

Announcements

Choral Opening

Call to Worship

After he was baptized by John, Jesus went to the wilderness where he was tempted.

**Forty days in the desert, Jesus was tempted to become relevant, spectacular, and powerful.**

Today, we begin to journey with Jesus through the season of Lent, which brings us to face some of our own weaknesses and temptations.

**Let us worship God and walk the journey together, seeking the spirit as our guide and companion along the way.**

Opening Prayer (Responsive)

**God, you know our hearts. You created us in your image. You knit our inmost being. You know our weaknesses and you know our deepest fears. You know too, the desires of our hearts. Wrapped around us is the comfort of your love. Help us to journey during this Lenten season knowing you are always with us through our temptations and our sorrows. Cover us with your blanket of assurance, in Jesus' name. Amen.**

\*Opening Hymn

*I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art*

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Prayer of Confession

**Gracious and merciful God, we confess to you our reluctance to enter the wilderness places where we are confronted with our true selves. The places where we are tempted to put worldly values before our desire for you, and when our hunger for power and wealth is greater than our hunger for seeking and doing your will: Forgive us, O God, and increase our trust in you. When we are tempted to use the gifts you give us to benefit ourselves at the expense of serving others: Forgive us, O God, and increase our trust in you. Forgive us our sins and fill us with the joy and peace of your salvation. So strengthen us with your Spirit during this Lenten season that we put our whole trust in you as confidently as Jesus did. Amen.**

Words of Assurance

**\*Gloria Patri #579 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; world without end, amen. Amen.**

**\*Affirmation of Faith Apostle's Creed**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Reading Psalm 32; Matthew 4:1-11 Joan Motley

Anthem *Heart of God*

Sermon Into the Wilderness Rev. Monica Gould

\*Hymn *Jesus My Boundless Love to Thee* #366

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen**

Offering/Offertory

**\*Doxology Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*Hymn *We Walk By Faith and Not by Sight* #399

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction *Make me a servant, humble and meek*

Postlude