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GLAD TIDINGS



Dear Friends,

I was shown the most beautiful garden yesterday filled with blooming daffodils. We followed winding paths through gardens lined with trees, flowers, shrubs, ponds, and places to sit and reflect. All this is located in Belle Haven in a regular subdivision. It reminded how we are responsible for the image we wish to share with our neighbors. This garden reflects the owner's life long love for nature, refuges, and forestry work. Her home felt like an oasis. Her garden and care of it shined with hospitality. That visit offered an example of how we may choose to live our lives beyond the resurrection that shines with care and hospitality in our neighborhoods, our work and our churches. This month of April we celebrate Easter and Earth Day please join us as we learn more and more about being people of Jesus.

Blessings *Monica* mongould@gmail.com

Easter Resurrection

In the early years of the U.S. space program, a small but powerful rocket was supported by a metal framework. This "escape tower" was bolted to the capsule in which astronauts awaited takeoff. If disaster occurred, the escape tower was to carry the capsule up and away from the main rocket. A parachute would then float the astronauts safely to earth.

Jesus' resurrection is more than a great escape. If he had merely eluded death, that would be akin to resuscitation. By God's power, Jesus didn't merely survive death but conquered it, once and for all. On Easter, Jesus returns to life not for his own sake but for the sake of all humanity. He reassures the disciples — and us — "Peace be with you."



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APRIL BIRTHDAYS

We apologize to Brandon Stapleton for leaving his March birthday off the list. *Please let us know your birthday so we can add to the list as well.*

Brandon Stapleton	03-31
APRIL	
Tracey Arvidson	04-05
Bobbie Allen	04-06
Cynthia Hall	04-07
Rhudy Naylor	04-10
Julie Shubert	04-11
Laura Lucas	04-15
Brooklyn Colona	04-25
Jo Penland	04-30

HAPPY
Birthday
FROM YOUR
CHURCH FAMILY



EASTER At FMPC April 9

Egg Hunt & annual photo Join us at 9:15 for worship followed by the egg hunt around the Makemie statue.

April Sunday Worship Schedule 9:15 FMPC, 11:00 NMPC

April 2nd Palm Sunday Psalm 118:19-29; Matthew 21:1-11 Communion
Our King is Coming

Thursday April 6
7pm Maundy

Thursday Lord's Supper, Tenebrae service-*The Last Words of Jesus*



April 9 EASTER Matthew 28:1-10

April 16 Psalm 16, John 20:19-31

April 23 Earth Day (guitars @ NMPC) Isaiah 55-Matthew 13:31-32



April 30 Shepherd Sunday Psalm 23
John 10:1-10



EASTER At NMPC April 9

Flower the Cross 10:45

Worship at 11:00

Bring your garden flowers along with flowers at church and we'll decorate the cross before the Easter procession.

April 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 PALM SUNDAY Sunday school NMPC 9:45 Church FMPC 9:15 am 11:00 am NMPC	3 <i>Presbyterian</i> <i>Women 11:30-1:00</i>	4 <i>OBCA 5:30</i> <i>Made with Love</i> <i>group 5:30</i>	5 <i>Passover begins</i>	6 <i>Prayer mtg 8</i> <i>Choir 5:30</i> <i>MAUNDY THURS-</i> <i>DAY service 7pm</i>	7 GOOD FRIDAY	8 EASTER VIGIL
9 EASTER Church FMPC 9:15 am 11:00 am NMPC	10	11 <i>Made with Love</i> <i>group 5:30</i>	12	13 <i>Choir 4:30</i>	14	15
16 Church <i>FMPC 9:15 am</i> <i>11:00 am</i> <i>NMPC Confir-</i> <i>mation 12</i> <i>CCYF Plant class</i> <i>4pm</i>	17 <i>NMPC Session mtg</i> <i>5:30</i>	18 <i>CCYF Tuesday</i> <i>group 4pm</i> <i>Made with Love</i> <i>group 5:30</i>	19	20 <i>VBS Planning meet-</i> <i>ing 4pm</i> <i>Book club 1pm</i> <i>Choir 5</i>	21	22 
23 Sunday school NMPC 9:45 Church FMPC 9:15 am 11:00 am NMPC <i>Earth</i> <i>day ,guitars</i>	24	25 <i>PEVA Assembly mtg</i> <i>10 am Williamsburg</i> <i>OBCA Board 5pm</i> <i>Made with Love</i> <i>group 5:30</i>	26	27 <i>FMPC Session mtg</i> <i>with Rev Jeff Bell 12</i> <i>noon</i> <i>Choir 5</i>	28	29 <i>PEVA Presbyterian</i> <i>Women Annual</i> <i>Gathering at Great</i> <i>Bridge PC</i>
30 Church FMPC 9:15 am 11:00 am NMPC	May 1 <i>Presbyterian Women</i> <i>11:30-1:00</i>	2 <i>Made with Love</i> <i>group 5:30</i>	3	4	5	6

SAVE the DATE VBS JULY 24-28 2023 9:00-12:30 Volunteers past and new please contact Monica.



Made With Love

Made with Love knitting & craft group. The group meets weekly on Tuesdays at 5:30 at NMPC



Rhudy's Friday exercise group will reconvene in May. There are no meetings in April



SCHOOL SUPPLY PROGRAM OF EASTERN SHORE PRESBYTERIAN MINISTRIES

ESPM was started in 2004 by the five (now only four) Presbyterian Churches on the Eastern Shore. We came to the realization that many students in our elementary schools did not have the required school supplies. In two schools 75% of the families live below the poverty level. We decided that our

goal would be to provide sufficient supplies so that the schools would have them available for any child who was living below the poverty level. Please mark your checks ESPM and mail to PO Box 397 Onancock VA 23417

2022 total donations were \$5,445. In 2023 our goal is a minimum of \$5500 to meet the ever higher prices of supplies and delivery charges.

The balance to use for 2023 is \$1902. We have reorganized and we can't wait to send out an individual invitation to participate. This month of April and May will be our campaign to raise funds to order and deliver supplies to the schools in June.

We look forward to sharing more with you soon.



NMPC has a tradition of Planting sunflower seeds top pass out on the Sunday we celebrate Earth Day. Please let Monica know if you want to help plant the seeds together. We'll choose an afternoon or evening whichever suits best. We need to plant them no later than April 11.

We also have a tradition of the youth being involved in the service. Please let Monica know if your child from either church is willing to be part of worship.



Community Christian Youth Fellowship (6th – 12th Grade) Rising 6th graders welcome
Becoming Servant Leaders for Christ

Participant name: _____

Age: _____ Grade: _____

Parent/guardian: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Email _____

Home church: _____

Allergies/medical information: _____

Emergency contact Name: _____

Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

Other information _____

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May 19-21 2023 CCYF Weekend at Kiptopeake State Park and A visit to Pfeiffer Riding Stables

Theme: Life is full of a variety of moments. Our lives are filled with joy, worry, hardship, and ordinary times. When we gather to learn something new such as the challenge of hiking a trail path, we learn the importance of teamwork and community. We discover how important community is for our faith and our seasons of life. *We'll study Philippians 4:4-7 and learn how God's word can lead us on the right trail.* We'll gather to enjoy the beautiful earth God has given us. We'll have games, food, fun, swimming, hiking and more games.

Leaders on this weekend: Monica Gould, Pat McArdle

Date: Friday May 19 until Sunday May 21

Meeting Time and Place: Friday 5 pm until Sunday 1pm

4 pm Friday at Naomi Makemie Presbyterian Church 89 Market St, Onancock.

5pm arrive at Lodge at Kiptopeake State Park

9 am Sunday Depart from Park to Pfeiffer Riding Stables Franktown.

12:30 pm Depart from Pfeiffer Riding Stables to Naomi Makemie Presbyterian

1:00 pm arrival at Naomi Makemie Presbyterian-head home

Sign up required. Complete the permission form.

Things to wear and bring: Clothes for two days, pajamas, bug spray, bedding for bunk beds, toiletries, towel, hat, sunglasses, rain gear, snacks to share, Bible if you have one.

Community Christian Youth Fellowship Scholarship Fund

Who: for CCYF seniors pursuing a college education

Why: The vision of CCYF: *Becoming servant leaders for Christ.*



The mission of the group is to provide learning and engaging opportunities to develop leadership skills for 6th to 12th graders. It is a group that provides basic Christian principles in an ecumenical setting. It is a group that embraces all Christians. It is a group fostering multicultural and ethnic relationships. It is a group that provides fellowship opportunities to embrace the scripture, 1 Thessalonians 5:11 *"Therefore encourage one another and build one another up"*; Matthew 25:35b *"I was a stranger and you welcomed me."*

What: CCYF is offering four scholarships to graduating seniors applying to college. It is a renewable scholarship during the years of education. The scholarship awards will range from \$500 to \$2000. The funds must be used for tuition, room & board, and/or books. Half of the amount will be sent to the school of attendance the first semester. The second half in the second semester.

In order to apply for the second year of college, the student must have no less than a 2.8 GPA/grade point overall average. The third year of college the student must have maintained a 3.0 average. When applying for consecutive years the student will have to respond with a letter to the scholarship board describing their educational experience and how they continue to benefit from scholarship funds. They are to share their community service experience and their leadership opportunities while in college. They are to describe how their goals for education are being met.

Eligibility: This scholarship is for eligible active members of CCYF. An active member is defined as a member of NMPC, Holy Trinity Episcopal, Market St United Methodist and/or a full participating member of the group CCYF attending meetings and events.

Criteria for scholarship award will be based on:

The student has good standing in school; Community service; Christian fellowship (CCYF) participation; colleges and scholarships applied to and awarded, financial need, and essay.

A review committee will receive the applications and will evaluate the award based on listed criteria. Student finalists will have an interview with the scholarship committee. Awards will be announced by letter in mail and phone call.

Applicants

On a separate sheet of paper Applicants must:

1. A record of High School junior and senior grades.
2. A list of community service (name and number of hours) with dates.
3. A statement of your involvement with CCYF-not at all, sometimes, very active.
4. A list colleges applied to and/or accepted.
5. A list of grants or scholarship funds, names applied to and anticipated award amounts.
6. A list of the amount of assistance offered by family.
7. Essay with a minimum 500-word, maximum 2000-word essay. The essay must respond

to the following:

- a. Describe your goals for education.
- b. How will your education help you achieve those goals.
- c. Describe your experiences with CCYF. Be specific.
- d. How has community service impacted your desire to serve others.
- e. Describe how your church has guided you in your faith and your life.

The application must be submitted no later than May 15, 2023. Awards will be announced June 15, 2023

Please note that incomplete applications will not be considered.

Personal data

Legal name First _____, Last _____

Home Address _____

Mailing Address _____

Phone Number _____ email _____

High School _____

Home Church _____

Student Signature _____

Date of application _____

Applications must be mailed to Naomi Makemie Presbyterian Church (Scholarship Committee)
P.O. Box 397, Onancock, VA 23417 or turned in to Monica Gould in person. For questions email
mongould@gmail.com or call 757-709-2846

March in Pictures



CCYF Dylan, Emma, Kelly, Nick, David at HOS planting trees.

Harper helping in church



Mini-mission received at CHKD. Project done by NMPC kids with Jennifer



Guitar service at NMPC



Becoming Servant Leaders for Christ

Grades 6-12
Come be part of this growing group

Please plan to come to the meetings in April, May and June. There is a lot happening and we want you to be part of it.

April 16 4pm at NMPC come learn flower and gardening skills and take home a plant for you to care for.

April 18 4pm Tuesday meeting at NMPC

May 19-21 Friday 5pm-Sunday 1pm- Camp Kiptopeake; with a Sunday morning horse riding experience with Pfeiffer Christian Equine Outreach in Franktown **requires reservation**

June 3 Graduation celebration

Please contact Monica Gould mongould@gmail.com or text 757-709-2846

June 3 Graduating seniors celebration!



CCYF Scholarship for seniors accepted to college is now in effect. \$500-\$2000 award to those seniors qualifying. This is a renewable scholarship for the years in college.