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## GLAD TIDINGS

### Greetings!

The world has been in turmoil with war breaking out on every front. What are the faithful to do in times like these? It can be a challenge to focus on love and care. And it may send us reeling with judgment and anger. I'm reminded of the story of the hymn Now Thank we All Our God.

Martin Rinkart, a German Lutheran minister, wrote the hymn "Now Thank We All Our God" in 1636. At the time, the Thirty Years' War was ravaging central Europe, claiming millions of lives. Rinkart served as pastor in Eilenburg, a walled town that became a crowded refuge for starving fugitives. Although Rinkart was struggling to provide for his own family, he opened his own home to people in need.

After the plague entered Eilenburg, Rinkart conducted up to 50 funerals a day — including services for his wife and the only other two pastors in town. Amid the despair, he wrote many hymns, including "Now Thank We All Our God." Originally intended as a table prayer, it's now sung at Thanksgiving to remember God's "countless gifts of love" — even during hardships. Blessings, *Monica*

### MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Would you like to learn about the church? **Francis Makemie and Naomi Makemie welcome you.** Whether you are a member or not, you are welcome to the *full participation of the work and worship of our congregations*. We will hold a ***new member class on November 1 at NMPC at 10 am & 6 Pm. And at FMPC, November 14 at 6 pm.***

We appreciate you!



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## Operation Christmas Child



It's that time of year again. It's time to start shop-

ping and packing a shoebox for **Operation Christmas Child**. Shoeboxes and handouts are available in the Cada Grove Room at NMPC. Collection date is **Sunday November 19th**. Let Jennifer know if you have any questions about it. What to put in a box?

Water bottles are gold! Band-aids - awesome. Tape measure - Hair accessories, but especially little pony tail holders for braids. Bright colored thread (thread is hard to find there). Tools. Toys.

Flashlights WITH batteries. Eating utensils, bowls, cups, anything they can put food in.

Picture books so they can practice English as they really want to learn. Drawings by your own children, of play & family activities. Pencils with sharpeners, pens, markers, crayons, notebooks, etc, for school.

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*O Lord that lends me life, lend me a heart replete with thankfulness.*

—William Shakespeare

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## Movie Night at NMPC

### November's movie: MILLIONS

What would you do if a ton of money suddenly fell into your lap? Invest it? Go on a buying spree? Give it to charity? OK, but what if you were *seven years old*?

Wednesday November 15

5:30 pm potluck dinner

6:00 pm movie

Discussion pre and post movie.





## An Advent Wreath For Your Home

This year our Education Committee has planned something special to help us draw closer to God and Je-

sus Christ during Advent and Christmas.

In November each household is encouraged to pick up an Advent wreath kit with set-up instructions and devotions for a home Advent wreath.

The devotions are developed to be meaningful for children, youth, and adults, whether you live alone, or with a large family. The devotions involve lighting a candle, a simple short reading, some scriptures, thoughts to ponder, and even some music. Yes, music!

Our intent is to help us find some moments of hope, peace, joy, and love during a busy Christmas season, and help us see that since Jesus came to live among us, God is with us always.

BE SURE TO PICK UP YOUR KIT beginning November 5th! The kits are free, but if they are a blessing to you in this season, prayerfully consider a designated donation to the Education Committee.

There are 24 kits with printed devotionals and a link to the online music.



Handicrafts can spark appreciation for simple items. Weave this basket as a gift.



### What you need:

- Paper plate
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Yarn (different colors)

### What you do:

1. In the center of the plate, trace something round. Draw 9 lines (evenly spaced) from the circle to the plate's edge.
2. Cut along each line, stopping at the center circle. Trim more of the plate off so the cuts make a gradual V shape.
3. Fold the plate's sides upward to form basket sides. Keep these upright as you weave a bowl-shaped basket.
4. Begin weaving a length of yarn at the circle's base. Hold the end of the yarn in place as you spread the length over and under each side of the plate.
5. Switch colors to make a pattern. Keep the yarn tight as you weave up the sides.
6. To finish, bend down any remaining paper. Leave a tail of yarn and tuck it under a woven portion. Share your craft with a friend!












Our annual spaghetti dinner will be **Friday, November 10th from 5:00 pm-7:00 pm.** This year the proceeds benefit **No Limits Eastern Shore Brain Injury Services and NMPC.** So mark it on your calendars and tell your friends!

## NOVEMBER

Dave Klawitter	11-02
Judd Everhart	11-06
Amelia Stapleton	11-11
Steve Sadtler	11-11
Leslie Mosher	11-12
Carter Klawitter	11-14
Donna Doan	11-14
Jeanne Sadtler	11-15
Jill Cathey	11-16
Barbara Haynes	11-16
Eva Osborne	11-18
Laura Chuquin-Naylor	11-21
Becky Everhart	11-24
Christopher Ames	11-26
Cassie Parker	11-27



November 2023	November 2023	November 2023	November 2023	November 2023	November 2023	October 2023
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUES-	Wednesday	THURS-	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
10/29 CCYF 3pm 	10/30 Madrigals 6	10/31 Halloween candy give- away 5:30- 8	1  ALL SAINTS' DAY Member class 10 am 6pm NMPC	2 Prayer mtg 8 Choir 4:30 'Made with Love' group 5:30-7	3	4 Bee Keepers 8-1 
5 9:15 FMPC- Sunday school 9:45 11:00 NMPC	6 PW 11:30  Madrigals 6	7 OBCA 5:30	8	9 Choir 4:30 'Made with Love' group 5:30-7	10 Spaghetti Dinner 5-7 	11 Bee Keepers 8- 1 
12 9:15 FMPC 11:00 NMPC Guitar Sunday	13 NMPC Session 5:30 pm  Madrigals 6	14 Member class FMPC 6pm	15 Wednesday Night Potluck & movie at NMPC 5:30 'Millions'	16 Prayer mtg 8 Book Club 1 Choir 5 'Made with Love'	17	18
19 9:15 FMPC Sunday school 9:45 11:00 NMPC Brass playing CCYF 2 pm	20 Madrigals 6	21	22	23 	24 Men's group 9  MEN'S GROUP	25
26 9:15 FMPC 9:45 Sunday school 11:00 NMPC	27 Madrigals 6	28	29	30 Choir 5 'Made with Love' group 5:30-7	Dec 1	Dec 2 Choir retreat Children pro- gram rehearsal NMPC

### November 5

Which Team do you Love more,  
God?

1 Kings 12:1-17,25-29; Mark  
10:35-45

### November 12

Veteran's Day  
Guitars

### November 19

Brass

Isaiah 5:1-7, 11:1-5; Mark 12:1-  
3 Thanksgiving  
Song of the Vineyard

### November 26

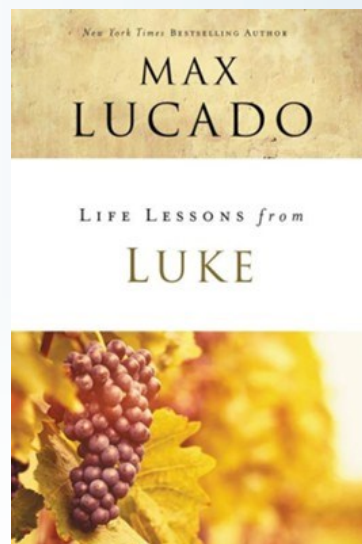
2 Kings 22:1-10, 23:1-3; Luke  
24:30-32 Christ the King  
Josiah's Reform-Burning Hearts





## Presbyterian Women

**Presbyterian Women** will start a new study in November. Life Lessons from Luke. This study offers the insight into the gospel of Luke and the themes of faith, hope, worship and love. Please consider joining the Presbyterian Women as they embark on this new adventure of study together. See you **Monday November 6 at 11:30 am** in the Makemie Room at NMPC.



**Sunday November 19, 2023**

**Leaving from NMPC**

89 Market St, Onancock, at **2 pm**

**Returning to NMPC at 6 pm**

**Theme:** Have the opportunity for a fun experience with peers to learn how to bowl and to learn to work as a team.

**What is provided** : includes shoes, 1 game, 1 slice pizza, and 1 small drink.



### Looking ahead

Youth Christmas programs at **NMPC** will be **December 3rd at 11 am**

The program is called the *Littlest Star*.

Youth Christmas Program at **FMPC** will **December 17 at 9:15 am**

The program is called *Let the Stable Still Astonish!*





## Stewardship at NMPC

The three main components of a sailboat... hull, mast and sail (Compassionate, fair, loyal) -- As sailors (faithful servants), we need all 3 to move in the right direction.

As we share our talents, tithes, and time with one another and the community please join us as we voyage to new horizons.

## NOVEMBER MISSION at FMPC



**Collecting cash for Food Lion gift cards** to help the seniors on the Shore who suffer from Food Insecurity. We are hoping to collect enough cash to **provide \$50 cards to 50 seniors**. Please send your checks to

FMPC

PO Box 680

Accomac, VA 23301

We want to get the cards to the seniors before Christmas. Thank you for your support.

Check with Paul Hughes for further information.

## Looking ahead at NMPC

**Choral Program Sunday December 17 at 11 am.**

'The Work of Christmas'

A variety of anthems, duets, and instrumentals to prepare our hearts for Christmas.





## Some pictures from October

Making prayer jars for morning mission.



Visiting the Godspeed at  
Onancock Wharf

