

The Newsletter of  
Francis Makemie Presbyterian Church  
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## GLAD TIDINGS

### The Great God Hunt

Psalm 139:1-12 (7) *Where can I flee from your presence?*

This is the theme for our youth weekend at Camp Occohannock on The Bay. We have 26 youth from various churches and communities. We will join together to enjoy the great outdoors and learn about God in everyday life. As we retreat together I invite all of us to examine the scriptures for this weekend. Pray with us and go on your own Great God hunt. In Psalm 139:1-12 we discover how much God knows us and wants us to know him. Matthew 13-45-46 presents the parable of the pearl of great price. Our spiritual life is a journey that can and does happen right here under our noses. We can find God in the holy ground of our back yards, fields of play, streams of light and water. Here on ESVA we are surrounded by pearls of great price. God is closer than we think. I can't wait to share the oyster shells with the youth. Let's hunt together and rejoice in the discoveries we make.

Blessings

*Monica*

- National Day of Prayer, *May 2, 2024*
- Ascension Day, *May 9, 2024*
- Mother's Day, *May 12, 2024*
- Armed Forces Day, *May 18, 2024*
- Pentecost, *May 19, 2024*
- Victoria Day (Canada), *May 20, 2024*
- Trinity Sunday, *May 26, 2024*
- Memorial Day, *May 27, 2024*



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HAPPY  
 Birthday  
 FROM YOUR  
 CHURCH FAMILY

**MAY**

Emily Grey	05-01
Rose Elise Herbert*	05-02
Raelynn May Nock	05-02
Danielle Colona	05-05
Maureen Teague	05-06
Yvonne Isdell	05-07
Rick Arvidson	05-08
Skylar Stapleton	05-13
Paul Hughes*	05-12
Andy Mason*	05-17
Susan Sennello	05-18
Katie Klawitter	05-19
Angel Herbert*	05-20
AJ Nielsen	05-21
Joan May	05-22
Gerald Farris	05-23
Joe Van Hove	05-24



In all times and circumstances, we belong to Christ and to each other.

*John 16:6 So with you: Now is your time of grief, but I will see you again and you will rejoice, and no one will take*

Dave Wilson December 7, 1953 ~ April 11, 2024

As a new member at Naomi Makemie we are saddened by the sudden loss of Dave. He was described as a new best friend. He was always a friend to everyone he met. We miss you so much Dave.

A memorial service was held at NMPC April 16 and another service will be held at Neelsville Presbyterian Church in Germantown, MD, on Saturday, May 11, 2024, at 11:00 a.m



## Onancock Town & NMPC CHURCH Yard Sale Saturday May 11 8 am -12pm



Come out and help at the annual yard sale in Onancock at NMPC. It's tons of fun. We need your unwanted treasures to donate to the sale. No clothes or books please. We need folks to help price the items on Friday. And we need worker bees on Saturday to run the sale indoors and outdoors.

### All week May 6-9 and especially Thursday May 9

Bring your items and drop off in the Makemie Room (Fellowship Hall) at NMPC.

**Friday May 10** help pricing items and set up indoor tables.

**Saturday May 11** Yard sale starts at 8 am, helpers be there at 7:30 am

Can't wait to see you around the neighborhood.



## Church Picnic at Naomi Makemie on May 19

Join us at **Naomi Makemie on May 19** for a picnic following worship in the Makemie Room. The meat will be provided and sides and desserts are requested.

It's an exciting time in the life of the church and we want everyone to feel they have an important and meaningful stake in the everyday function of the church. You are important!

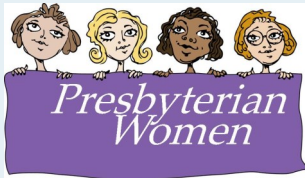
At our picnic we'll gather around tables and provide a summary of what the elders have been considering and praying over. We'll chat and hear from you and explore together where we think God is leading us in the next year.

We can't wait to picnic and chat together.

Blessings

Monica





**Presbyterian Women will on Monday May 6 at 11:30 am The group meets in the Makemie Room at NMPC.**

The study of Life Lessons in the Gospel of Luke. This month taught by Kate. Hosted by Melanie.

The annual Birthday Offering will be celebrated. Bring a bag lunch.



Meets the last Friday of the month. May 24 at 9 am.

## Steeple Project Complete...



After three weeks of work the steeple project is now complete. The cost of the project came to \$34,000. Insurance did not cover the damage because there is an exclusion for wind and rain.

We took money from our building endowment to help cover the cost. We hope to return some funds to the endowment in the future. We are especially grateful to you who have given designated gifts to offset the expense. The workday outside was a success and everything looks beautiful and welcoming.

Thank you to

Linda A. who places the wreaths on the doors of the church and to Suzanne R. who keeps the gardens fresh.



## TUESDAY YOGA



### Tuesdays at NMPC at 5:45 With Beth Belote \$10

This group is small and wonderful. There is a gentle approach and real comfort in the gathering space.

Consider joining this yoga group every Tuesday and discover your body's ability to feel whole.

There's been a wonderful response to having this group meet at the church. It is a safe and secure setting.

Let your neighbors and friends know about this really this time of rewarding exercise.



**The Eastern Shore Presbyterial Ministries (ESPM)** is pleased to once again serve our community's schools in 2024. ESPM was formed by the Presbyterian Churches on the Eastern Shore and provides

much-needed school supplies to all ESVA elementary schools. The annual purchase and distribution of supplies is a major event in the life of our Eastern Shore Presbyterian churches!

**Goal for 2024 is \$5500**

Let's measure up to the task again this year. It's been incredible every year meeting the goal. 21 years and counting! Fundraising starts now until June 4.

- The list of school supplies is simplified
- **Delivery to the schools will be in LATE JUNE**
- **Please make your checks to ESPM and mail to PO Box 680 Accomac VA 23301**

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**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL  
YOU ARE INVITED!**

Children 4 years old to 5th Grade.

Snacks and lunch included!

**July 22<sup>nd</sup> -26<sup>th</sup> 2024**



**9 am:** Begins at Naomi Makemie Presbyterian Church.

**12:30 pm:** Ends at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church on Mon., Wed. & Fri.

**12:30 pm:** Ends at Market Street Methodist on Tues. and Thurs.

**REGISTER NOW!**

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ALL are welcome!

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**July 22<sup>nd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> 2024 9-12:30**

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_ Grade Entering \_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Addr: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alt. Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies/Medical Information \_\_\_\_\_

Who has permission to pick up \_\_\_\_\_

Contact info for emergencies \_\_\_\_\_

Other information \_\_\_\_\_



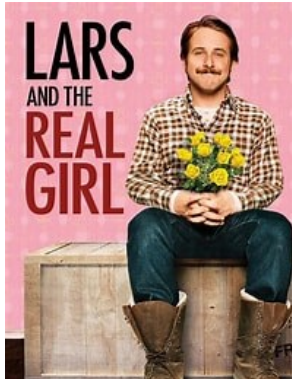
## A poem for Memorial Day

Lord, let me not in service lag,  
 Let me be worthy of our flag.  
 Let me remember, when I'm tried,  
 The sons heroic who have died  
 In freedom's name, and in my way  
 Teach me to be as brave as they.

In all I am, in all I do,  
 Unto our flag I would be true;  
 For God and country let me stand.  
 Unstained of soul and clean of hand,  
 Teach me to serve and guard and love  
 The Starry Flag which flies above.

-Edgar A. Guest

## Movie Night Potluck Wednesday May 15 @ 5:30 pm



How do you make a film about a life-sized love doll, ordered through the Internet, into a life-affirming statement of hope? In "Lars and the Real Girl," you do it with faith in human nature, and with a performance by Ryan Gosling that says things that cannot be said.

And you surround him with actors who express the instinctive kindness we show to those we love.

How does this tie in to a movie for church? Just come and witness the gentle sensitivity shown to a man struggling with relationships and the power of human connections. Once again we learn from great discussion before and after the movie.






As always a true potluck dinner. See you at the movies!

Contrary to common perception, Jesus' disciples weren't frightened and hiding during the 10 days between Ascension and Pentecost. Instead, they were actively preparing for the promised gift of the Holy Spirit. They "all joined together constantly in prayer" (Acts 1:14, NIV) and took steps to replace Judas.



After that inward focus, the disciples were ready to boldly burst forth on Pentecost, empowered and "enabled" (Acts 2:4) by the Spirit. They proclaimed Christ's death and resurrection, leading 3,000 people to faith that day, now known as the church's birthday.

"A great wave of faith and love swept through this newborn community," writes Suzanne de Dietrich in *Free Men*. "These Christians could not keep silent. Their joyful liberty had broken down all the walls behind which people would like to keep them; no prison could silence them."

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	Wednesday	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 May Day 	2 Prayer 7:30 am Choir 4:30-6	3 CCYF Retreat weekend	4 CCYF retreat at Camp Occohanock until Sunday 8:30 am
5 9:130 special joint service w/ Powelton at FMPC 11:00 NMPC Hymn Sing	6 PW 11:30	7 Yoga 5:45-6:45 OBCA 5:30	8	9 Choir 4:30-6	10 Yard Sale setup & pricing	11 YARD SALE DAY 8-12 
12 9:15 FMPC Sunday school 9:45 11:00 NMPC 	13 National Apple Pie Day	14 Yoga 5:45-6:45	15 Potluck Movie 5:30 at NMPC	16 Book Club 1pm Choir 5-6:30	17	18
19 Communion 9:15 FMPC-11:00 NMPC CCYF 3-5 Earthy Day NMPC	20 World Bee Day Session mtg NMPC 5:30	21 Yoga 5:45-6:45	22	23 Choir 5-6:30	24 Men's Group 9	25
26 9:15 FMPC 9:45 Sunday school 11:00 NMPC Guitars	27 	28 Yoga 5:45-6:45	29 National Flip Flop Day	30 National Mint Julep Day	31	1

## Worship Schedule



**May 5th** Deuteronomy 6:1-13; 1 Corinthians 12:31, 13:1-13  
What's Love Got to Do with It?

**May 12** Mother's Day 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Good News!

**May 19** Communion Pentecost Acts 2:1-4; 1 Corinthians 12:1-13 Both churches NMPC Picnic

**May 26** Rev Steve Doan at FMPC & Ron May at NMPC



Eclipse watching party at the Onancock Gazebo on April 8th. It was a fun time.

## Lois and Eunice - A Mother and Daughter



"I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well" (2 Timothy 1:5).

Timothy was the protégé of the apostle Paul and it is clear in Scripture that the faith of his grandmother Lois and mother Eunice had an impact on Timothy. This is a wonderful example of how the faith within a family can influence future generations. We should never underestimate the power of praying grandparents and parents, and remember to pray for mothers, grandparents and children also.



We'll celebrate our High school and college graduates on **June 2nd during church at Naomi Makemie at 11:00 am.**

This year we have 6 high school graduates from our churches and youth group. We have one college graduate from our NMPC church.

We'll highlight these wonderful students in the June newsletter. For now please take time to congratulate

**Quinn Ames** Broadwater Academy

**Kamryn Mears** Nandua High School

**Roandy Ramirez** Nandua High School

**Kristina Savage** Nandua High School

**Oliver Cossitt** Nandua High School

**Emma Cathey** Nandua High School

**Logan Stapleton** Eastern Shore Community College

