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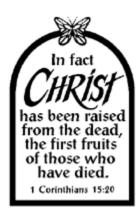


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| Linda Wilson | 04-01 |
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| Nancy Bateman | 04-06 |
| Cynthia Hall* | 04-07 |
| Rhudy Naylor | 04-10 |
| Julie Shubert | 04-11 |
| Laura Lucas* | 04-15 |
| Jo Penland | 04-30 |







Dear Friends, We are in this season of Lent and on our journey through the wilderness and we can become distracted. We can become caught into the darkness of the world around us, we can see only unfairness, or mocking, or the senseless loss of life. We suffer in these moments, especially as we seek to wrap our faith around the world of our life. Our faith is challenged at every turn. And so, we come to worship once a week. We come reminded of the One is in our midst who loves us and renews us.

Your love for Jesus is what draws us together and renews our community of faith. May you find this holy season your opportunity to be renewed in Jesus and with each other.

We are told that each Sunday is a mini-celebration of Easter and that Lent is a time to grow in faith. May we journey together and grow together. And, may your hearts be eager for the full joy of Easter Day!

Blessings'



| April 2025 | April 2025 | April 2025 | April 2025 | April 2025 | April 2025 | April 2025 |
|---|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|--|---|--|
| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUES- DAY | Wednesday | THURS- DAY | FRIDAY | SATUR- DAY |
| | | 1 Yoga 5:45-6:45 OBCA 5:30 | 2 Lent Study 5:30-7 | 3 Choir 4:30-6 | 4 | 5 NMPC work- day 10 am |
| 6 Lent 5 Communion 9:15 FMPC 11:00 NMPC Confirmation class | 7 Presbyterian Women 11:30-1pm | 8 Yoga 5:45- 6:45 | 9 Lent Study 5:30-7 | 10 Choir 4:30-6 | 11 | 12 Waste Watcher Mission 8:30 Choir re- hearsal 10 |
| 13 Palm Sunday 9:15 FMPC 9:45 Sunday School NMPC 11:00 NMPC Cantata | 14 | 15 Yoga 5:45- 6:45 | 16 Prayer meeting | Book Club 1-3 Choir 4:30-6 Maundy Thursday 7pm | 18 Good Friday Dinner mission @ ESCADV 5:30 | 19 Great Vigil |
| 20 Easter 6:15 am Community Sunrise at Onancock Wharf 9:15 FMPC Egg Hunt 11:00 NMPC Flowering cross | 21 | 22 Yoga 5:45- 6:45 | 23 Movie 5:30- 8:30 | 24 Choir 4:30-6 | 25 Men's Group 9 am | 26 |
| 27 Earth Day 9:15 FMPC 9:45 Sunday School NMPC 11:00 NMPC CCYF 2pm | NMPC Session 5:30 | 29 Yoga 5:45- 6:45 | 30 | MAY 1 Choir 4:30-6 | 2 | 3 |



Encounters with Jesus....

Wednesday Night Lenten Series

Dinner and Discussion

Wednesdays 5:30 pm -7 NMPC

April 2 nd; 9 th Join us for this Lenten series led by Pastor Monica looking at stories from the Gospel of John of those who had significant encounters with Jesus.

We will start the evening at 5:30 and end at 7pm with a Meal of Simplicity, soup, bread, fruit, cheese and a simple dessert.

We have had a wonderful time together as we prepare our hearts and minds for the joyful news of Easter.



NMPC will have a special **Palm Sunday worship service on Sunday April 13.** On Palm Sunday as we receive our palms and join in worship we'll listen to the choir present a special service of music and readings. You'll hear beautiful instrumentation and voices rejoice in the entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem and sense the sorrow of the passion and finally the hope of the resurrection. See you at 11 am.



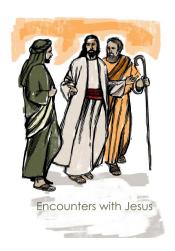
Maundy Thursday worship at Naomi Makemie on April 17 at 7 pm.

Communion and the service of darkness will be observed.











A Community **Easter Sunrise** service will be held at Onancock Wharf on **Sunday April 20 at 6:15** After a short service attendees are invited to Market St Methodist for a simple fellowship time.





Easter Sunday at FMPC at **9:15** followed by the traditional egg hunt and picture with Francis Makemie





We'll collect the One Great Hour of Sharing offering on Palm Sunday and Easter. Bring your small change and checks to help those in need globally and locally.

Bring your garden flowers to church on Saturday April
19 or early Sunday and we'll partially decorate the cross
before church begins.

At NMPC April 20
Easter Sunday
Flower the Cross 10:45
Worship at 11:00

Fellowship with cake following worship.



Confirmation 2025 for both churches.

If you are between 6th grade and 12th Come for five weeks of confirmation classes beginning **Sunday April 6 and then May 4, 11, 18, 25. 12:30-1:30** To be confirmed on Pentecost June 8.

During the confirmation experience you will be learning about The Bible and how to read it, Memorizing verses helpful in life, Learning about God, Jesus, Holy Spirit, Learning about the church and membership, Learning about faith, Making a faith statement, Participating in worship and doing worship design, Learning about the Sacraments, Being equipped to serve the world.



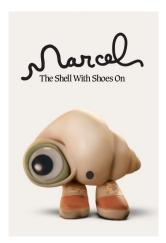
The Presbyterian Women will meet Monday, April 7th at 11:30 in the Makemie Room at NMPC. Donna Doan will lead us as we continue our study of Chapter 2, "A Lesson About Receiving the Word" in The Parables of Jesus. Our hostess is Melanie Bundick. We have had good attendance and meaningful discussions at our meetings this year. We invite others to join us. Bring a bag lunch. Beverages and desert will be provided. A short business meeting will follow our lesson and lunch. The PW would like to thank our members and community for their support of our Onancock Calendar project. With the money we raised we were able to donate \$800.00 (so far) to Eastern Shore charities. We still have a few complete calendars and refills available



What can we learn from a tiny talking shell with one eye and a pair of shoes? As it turns out, a whole lot!

Potluck: 5:30 Movie: 6:00

Discussion to follow!



Confirmation



Please prepare your **April Calendar** to participate in these timely missions and events. There are events that need sign ups and others that are opportunities to just show up if you're able.

NMPC WORKDAY SATURDAY APRIL 5th 10 am to 11:30





On **Saturday, April 12th** our church will be participating with the county's Waste Watchers to pick up trash along a road way. We need **6-10 volunteers** to help that morning from **8:30 am-noon**. Location will be on the sign up sheet in the Cada Room. Each bag of trash that we fill, our church will **earn \$20.00**. All monies earned will go towards a new **piano keyboard** in the Makemie Room for the choir. Gloves, grabbers, safety vests, and trash bags are provided. **Volunteers need to be over the age of 16.** If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Stapleton.

On Friday, April 18th, the mission committee will be providing an Easter Dinner for the residents and staff of the Eastern Shore Coalition Against Domestic Violence. There is a sign up sheet to provide an item off our menu and/or to volunteer to serve and clean up. The plan is to bring the food to the church by 5:00 pm on Friday, April 18th. The volunteers will take the food to ESCADV for dinner at 5:30. Additional information is on the sign up sheet. Please contact Jennifer Stapleton if you have any questions





NMPC Treasurer's Report Submitted by Patty Davis

We are starting the fiscal year in a strong position thanks to the generous giving of you all. General offering income for January & Ebruary totaled \$24,779 vs the budget of \$18,333. This year, quarterly financial reports will be presented to the congregation. Our 1 st quarter ends on 3/31/2025 and the financial report will be included in the May newsletter. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to speak with me with any questions, comments or concerns.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL YOU ARE INVITED! Children 4 years old to 5th Grade.

Snacks and lunch included!

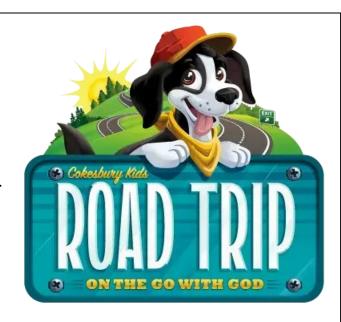
July 14th -18th 2025

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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Trinity Episcopal Church 66 Market Street, Onancock Email:admin@HolyTrinityEpiscopalOnancock.org Call 757-787-4430 ALL are welcome!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

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. July 22nd-26th 2024 9-12:30

| Child's Name | | _ |
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| Age Grade Entering | | |
| Parent/Guardian | | _ |
| Mailing Addr: | | |
| Primary Phone | Alt. Phone | |
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| Allergies/Medical Inform | nation | |
| Who has permission to pi | ck up | |
| | Contact info for emergencies | |







Dear Friends,

It is with sadness that we share the news of the loss of two members of Naomi Makemie Presbyterian Church.

Steve Sadtler the husband of Jeanne Sadtler passed away Thursday March 27. Funeral arrangements and obituary will shared when available. Please keep Jeanne and her family in your prayers.

Aurther 'Tom' Nielsen husband of Pam Nielsen and grandfather of A. J. Nielsen passed away Saturday March 29. Funeral arrangements and obituary will shared when available. Please keep Pam, A.J. and the family in your prayers.

THE HEAVENS DECLARE HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS, FOR GOD HIMSELF IS JUDGE.

Psalm 50:6,



Congratulations to Matthews Haynes the son of Barbara Haynes long time member of Francis Makemie on his investiture as the Honorable Judge of the General District Courts of District 2-A of the Commonwealth of Virginia on April 27.

- Holy Week, April 13-20, 2025
- Palm/Passion Sunday, April 13, 2025
- Maundy Thursday, April 17, 2025
- Good Friday, April 18, 2025
- Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025
- Administrative Professionals Day, April 23, 2025



CCYF will meet on Sunday April 27 at NMPC

Community

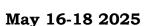
Christian

Youth

Fellowship

at 2 pm for an Earth Day project. Jean Beard will guide the youth in an understanding of plants.

They'll dissect a seed and make seed bombs to take home.



CCYF Weekend at Camp Occohannock

meet at Camp Occohannock Friday@5:30 pm www.ootbay.org

9403 Camp Ln, Belle Haven, VA 23306 (757) 442-7836 Sunday 8:30 am Depart

Sign up required. Complete the permission form.

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

A signup form for the camp weekend will be available at the April meeting.



PALM BRANCH — When Jesus entered Jerusalem days before his death, crowds welcomed him by waving palm branches, common symbols of victory and rejoicing. Churches still use them to remember that occasion, knowing that Jesus' crucifixion was the ultimate triumph over sin and death. As early as Leviticus 23:40, God commanded Israel to use palms in a festival of rejoicing. In Revelation 7:9-10, Christian martyrs carry palm branches as they praise the Lamb before God's throne.

