

GLAD TIDINGS

THE NEWSLETTER OF FRANCIS MAKEMIE &
NAOMI MAKEMIE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES

PASTOR'S GREETING



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

What a joy it is to finally begin ministry with you all. Responding to God's call can be quite scary but I am reminded now, more than ever, that listening to God can lead to wonderful new discoveries. For us, it began with a whisper from God in an introductory conversation with Rev. Dr. Lissa Long, PEVA's General Presbyter, and a brief meeting with Rev. Monica Gould in late December as we were traveling through Virginia while on vacation. My name was then forwarded to the diligent pastor transitional team, and many questions were asked, on both sides, as we were all trying to see how this could work. God's nudge became more persistent in the spring, and we leaped in faith and went through all the necessary steps to make the big move from Sarasota, Florida.

God calls us all at one time or another to do something uncomfortable, to make a change. In truth, it is much easier to keep things the same. Many prophets were called by God and did not feel up to the task either but they responded in faith. Trusting in the Almighty God means that we can also believe that we will be equipped for the challenge ahead.

As we settle into our new state and town, please know that I will use the next few months to get to know you, to understand the community, and to listen to the Spirit for guidance in how I might best serve our beautiful two churches. I hope you will reach out and tell me more about you and your passion for your church.

I will be in the church office on Wednesdays from 11:00-3:00 and Thursdays from 2:00-6:00. Otherwise, I will work from the office in the manse, where my library is, which is only a few steps away from the church.

My day off is Friday, and I may not return your call or email right away on the weekend unless it is an emergency. There is so much nature to discover and we don't want to miss out!

Text or call me at 941.724.4592 if you have any needs or simply would like a listening ear. It is an honor to be your new pastor and I do not take the privilege lightly. I pray for all of you and for God to connect us in meaningful ways. Thank you for your warm words of welcome, for your trust in the process, and for your serving heart for God.

Peace,
Geneviève



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HAPPY
Sunday
SCHOOL



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES AT NMPC!

We are excited to be back in Sunday School and to once again be able to offer classes for all ages! Bill Baird will lead the Adults, Jean Beard and Joan May will work with our preschoolers and Kate Baird will be leading our youth! All the classes are open and welcome new members at any time! Please consider joining us as we learn and grow our faith together.

FALL SCHEDULE: (Classes start at 9:45am and are located upstairs!)

21 September

12 October

26 October

9 November

23 November

7 December

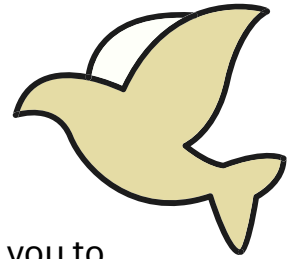
21 December



After finishing up Jesus's Sermon on the Mount, the Adult Sunday School Class looks forward to beginning a study this fall of the Book of Acts, and learning more about the birth and growth of the new church. Our class is discussion-based, and we all enjoy listening to each other's opinions and ideas. We meet upstairs from 9:45 to 10:30 on Sunday School days. Please join us!

Our Youth Class will begin the Sunday school year by sharpening our Bible skills and then taking a look at our relationship with God as seen in the book of Psalms and His promises to us as recorded in several of the Prophets. We will also hope to take an active part in Worship on a regular basis.

The Preschool Sunday School class explores stories from the Bible through crafts, music and play! Each Sunday we take a journey with people of the Bible and learn about their relationships with God.



The Women of **Naomi Makemie Presbyterian Church** invite you to



Women's Retreat

November 8, 2025

9:00 am to 4:30 pm

in the **Social Hall** at the **Commonwealth Senior Living**
23610 North Street, Onancock, VA 23417

Bring your friends and family and get away with us for a day. Enjoy a time of Bible study, personal reflection, prayer, community, and some good food.

Guest speaker: Reverend **Catherine Hart Monroe**, Covenant Associate Pastor for Discipleship and Spiritual Formation at 2nd Presbyterian Church of Norfolk. Catherine received her Master of Divinity from Union Presbyterian Seminary in 2016 and enjoys preaching, teaching, pastoral care, and planning special events for her church community.



REGISTRATION DEADLINE: OCTOBER 1

1. Fill out the form below.
2. Return form with a check for \$45 payable to Naomi Makemie Presbyterian Church, with "Women's Retreat" on the memo line. *This fee is non-refundable after Oct. 1.*
3. Bring the form and check to Kate Baird at NMPC, OR mail to:
Kate Baird, 30400 Hopeland Rd., Bloxom, VA 23308

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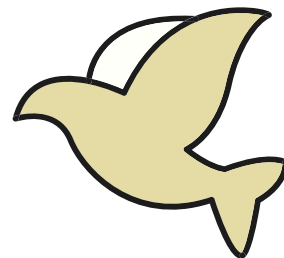
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OUR SEASON OF TRANSITIONS!



**PASTOR
MONICA
GOULD'S
HAPPY
SENDOFF...
9.7.25**



**PASTOR
GENEVIÈVE
BEAUCHAMP'S
WARM
WELCOME!
9.21.25**



“Who Meets When” at NMPC:

*** Please utilize the calendar in the Makemie Room for additional activities!***

Choir 4:30-6:00 pm every Thursday

Yoga 5:45-6:45 pm every Tuesday

Session 5:30 pm every third Monday

OBCA 5:30 pm every first Tuesday

Book Club 1:00-3:00 pm every third Thursday
6:00-7:00 last Wednesday of the month

Presbyterian Woman 11:30-1:30 pm every first Monday

Mens' Group 9:00 am last Friday of the month



OCTOBER 5, 2025

What is World Communion Sunday?

A celebration of unity: It's a time to remember that all Christians are united in Christ, regardless of their location or denomination.

A special offering: The day is associated with a special offering that provides scholarships for students, including those from international backgrounds and racial-ethnic minorities in the U.S.

A long-standing tradition: The observance began in the 1930s and has been adopted by many Christian churches over time

Happy Birthday
OCTOBER

Charlie Mahler 10/1

George Heinrichs 10/2

Bowdie Arvidson 10/2

Caroline Arnold 10/3

Tommy Vest 10/4

Joe Boggs 10/4

Ron May 10/7

Everly Statpleton 10/7

Kathy Boggs 10/11

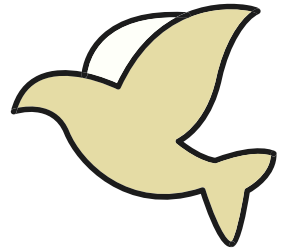
Richard Bingman 10/16

Linda Mears 10/19

David Hughes 10/22

Bill Baird 10/26

OCTOBER CALENDAR



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 Prayer Meeting 8:30 Choir practice 4:30-6:00	3	4
5 11:00 Worship service, World Communion Sunday	6 Presbyterian Women Meeting 11:30 	7 Yoga 5:45 OBCA 5:30	8	9 Choir practice 4:30-6:00 	10	11
12 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship service	13	14 Yoga 5:45	15	16 Prayer Meeting 8:30 Book club 1:00- 3:00 Choir practice 4:30-6:00	17	18
19 11:00 Worship service	20 Session meeting 5:30	21 Yoga 5:45	22 Movie Night and potluck 5:30 	23 Choir practice 4:30-6:00	24	25
26 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship service	27	28 Yoga 5:45 OBCA 5:30	29 CE meeting 3:00 Book Club 6:00	30 Choir practice 4:30-6:00	31 Men's Group 9:00 Halloween- hand out candy 5:00	