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A Member of Presbyterian Church USA

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THIS YEAR'S LINE UP...

At the January Session Meeting, committee assignments were made for 2014. If you have comments, questions, or just want to talk about one of the areas, please see the committee Chair. If you would like to work on one of the committee,- I am sure!! they would like to talk to you. Please watch for announcements and dates of upcoming special events being planned by the session and the committees.

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SESSION DIGEST FROM CLERK OF SESSION

Our last Session meeting with Robert started with congratulations to Linda Arvidson on her engagement to Jim Gillespie. If there are pastoral concerns while we are searching for a new Pastor, call Jody Humphreys at 757-678-5308 to coordinate care.

Sadly we transferred Mike and Marge Carpenter's membership to their new church in Pennsylvania. Our active membership is now 54. Our average attendance for 2013 was 36 folks per service.

Thanks to Steve Green for monitoring our AED system. Rick Turner will monitor the manse temperature and pipes. Ed Weber and his crew have been working on the lift to repair the tower louvers and leaks. Dick Freeman will update the outside sign to reflect our visiting Pastors and the sermon titles.

Jennifer Stapleton has great ideas about revamping the Sunday School schedule. She will meet with all the teachers and try to hold the children's class during the worship service.

Laura Chuquin-Naylor noted the need to update the Shepherd's list and subsequently, she and Meg Adams held a meeting with each person who volunteered to be a Shepherd. They will provide a crucial communications link while the Pastor search continues. An initial budget of \$1,000 was approved for the Search Committee.

Everyone needs to sign up to read or host coffee hour after worship. Following up on visitors to worship will be done by Linda Arvidson and her committee. Cada Grove has volunteered to head up the Blood Drives.

New Corporation officers were elected. Rick Turner is President, Jody Humphreys is the Secretary and George Heinrichs will serve as Treasurer.

WHAT YOU REALLY WANT TO KNOW! THE SEARCH COMMITTEE...

The Search Committee (Jack Humphreys, Gloria Miller and Rick Hall) has been working hard. The Ministry Information Form was posted on the Church wide database and over 128 people read the description of our churches and their programs. Approximately 21 applicants have sent their e-resumes and the Committee has ranked and rated them.

The Session had the opportunity to do their own rating of the top candidates. The result was we all wanted different candidates. Luckily, the Committee has been unanimous so far.

Telephone calls are being made to the top 7 candidates to see if they are still interested and still available for this position. Two have already found positions, but we are following up on 2 others. Assuming they the candidates, they are asked to submit video sermons. Once the Committee has reviewed these, face-to-face interviews will be conducted.

This is really an exciting time and we invite the whole congregation to pray for the Committee and pray for the potential Pastor to accept our call to service.

SOMETHING NEW FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FOR THE CHILDREN...

Starting in January, the children now meet during the church service. The children will join us for the opening prayer and first hymn. The children's message will follow after the hymn then the children will leave us to go to their Sunday School room. The children's message will be presented by one of the teachers on Sunday School Sundays (Children's Sunday School is every other week). The minister will do the Children's Message on the off Sundays. We hope this change will make it easier for the parents and with the possibility of attracting more families to join us.

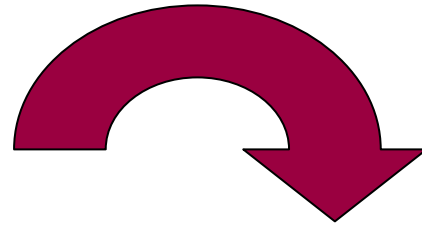
A REVIEW OF OUR MISSION WORK IN 2013...

NMPC had a wide ranging mission's program in 2013. In term of financial support we provided the following gifts:

- Accomack Interfaith Crisis Council \$2000.00 NMPC help start this program many years ago. It provides financial support to families who have an immediate need to help pay utility bills and others as a result of loss of work, accident or illness.
- Coalition Against domestic Violence \$1500.00 ESCADV provides both counseling and shelter to over 250 clients each year. In 2013 they provided over 3500 shelter nights to their clients. This is the only group on the shore involved with this problem.
- Eastern Shore Presbyterian Ministry (ESPM) \$1000.00. It was started over 10 years ago by the 5 Presbyterian Churches on the shore. Its mission is to provide school supplies to all elementary schools in both counties. Over the past ten years ESPM has provided well over \$50,000.00 in supplies so our children have the tools to help them learn.
- Foodbank \$500.00 The Foodbank tries to help feed those in most need on the shore with basic food items so that they don't have to go to bed hungry.
- Lighthouse \$1000.00 Lighthouse's mission to help house the homeless and assist the families so that they can become self sufficient going forward.
- Literacy Council \$1000.00 The council provides tutors to assist those who cannot read or write or want to learn English as a second language.
- Brown Bag Lunches and Habitat work camps \$230.00 We help to feed volunteers who come to the shore to work at Habitat projects.
- GF Horne Christmas Dinner and Gifts \$750.00 Each December we prepare and serve a full Christmas dinner to the 60 residents of GF Horne. This year we also supplied them with necessary toiletry item they cannot afford. We also provide each resident with a Christmas bag with a few gifts to make their Christmas a little brighter.

The members of NMPC do much more than is shown above. Many of us volunteer our time with Habitat, the Coalition, Red Cross Blood Drive, the Salvation Army and many more groups. In addition we provide funds to support the mission work of our Presbytery. In 2014 we provided over \$4000.00 in support of the various missions of the Presbyterian Church USA.

We have a lot to be proud of here at NMPC!



NMPC's Now Famous Spaghetti Dinner
is returning February 21st

at 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

If you want to help serve, bake cakes or pies,
or whatever please see

Linda Arvidson or Rick Turner

A great evening of fun for everyone

Join us on Sunday February
16th for an Old Fashion Hymn
Sing. Instead of our
traditional church service we
will be singing and enjoying
some of our favorite old and
new hymns. If you have a
hymn you want to make sure
we sing, please fill out the
card in the bulletin the next
two Sundays or see Rick
Turner

WHO RECEIVES OUR NEWSLETTER...

Everyone at NMPC wants to share our story, but we are not sure who should get Glad Tidings. For sure everyone who attends and our members and friends living apart from us! But who else? Is there anyone you can think of who would like to receive our monthly letter. For those that we mail, we have included a return post card to make sure it is arriving and they still want to receive Glad Tidings.
But who else...?

Please let us know if there is someone you know would like to receive Glad Tidings.

A Summary of Upcoming Events and Announcements for February

The Church Calendar of Events for February *Please mark your calendar*

Church School starts at 9:30 am – every Sunday
Church Services start at 11:00 pm – every Sunday
Choir Practice is 5:30 pm - every Thursday
PW is on the 3rd at 11:30 am
Prayer Group at 10:00 am on the 6th and 20th
Session at 5:00 pm on the 10th
Joe's Boys (ladies welcome) 9:00 am on the 11th
Spaghetti Dinner 5 pm on the 21st

**Don't forget to check the full church calendar on the web
or in the Makemie Room for non church meetings and
activities. WWW.NMPRESCHURCH.ORG**

On the Pulpit in February

February 2nd - Rev. Richard Goodman
Feb. 9th - Rev Linda Marley Smith
Feb. 16th - Hymn Sing (see details on page 4)
Feb. 23rd - Rev Rhudy Naylor
Mar. 2nd - Rev Michelle (Mike) Burcher

Christian Education UPDATES

The Adult Class is meeting on Sunday morning at 9:30 AM and enjoying a variety of topics from the history of the church to Christianity in Japan. All adults are invited to join this fun and spiritual group. All topics touching on religion are encouraged

NMPC PW Bible Study

NMPC Presbyterian Women will meet Monday, February 3, 2014 at 11:30 a.m. in the Makemie Room. Please read Chapter 5 on Beauty, A Year of Biblical Womanhood by Rachel Held Evens. We will have a group discussion on the chapter. All ladies are welcome... Please bring a brown bag lunch (dessert and beverage will be provided).

CADV is still in need of adult toothbrushes, toothpaste and hair brushes.

A short business meeting will follow after the book discussion.

The Newsletter team continues to encourage you to consider receiving your newsletter by email. The newsletter is produced with lots of color and photos. The email version also saves money for the church. For those wishing a hard copy we will continue to distribute them the first Sunday of the month and mail those not picked up the following Monday. To receive by email send a message to cadagrove@att.net.

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To:



2014

Happy Birthday to all our
members and friends born in
February.

Did we miss someone?
Please let us know.

Rick Turner	02-07
Gil Gordon	02-08
Janet Booth	02-09
Jennifer Stapleton	02-10
Herman Floyd	02-17
Logan Stapleton	02-21
Meg Adams	02-22
Spencer Schuyler	02-23