

GLAD TIDINGS

The Newsletter of
Francis Makemie Presbyterian Church
Accomac, Virginia
Naomi Makemie Presbyterian Church
Onancock, Virginia

MARCH 2017

PCUSA

1 Corinthians 3:10-11 New International Version (NIV)

¹⁰ By the grace God has given me, I laid a foundation as a wise builder, and someone else is building on it. But each one should build with care.¹¹ For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ.

The above Scripture was the lectionary text from February 19. It has been the Scripture that has spoken to me a great deal as we have been dealing with the structural concerns of our buildings. The story of how these buildings came to be and the generations of people who have worked and worshiped together inspires us today to value all we have. Each generation has built upon the one before and we have a bright and beautiful tapestry created through their stories of growth and struggle.

We want to thank so many of you who have contributed to the capital campaign for the roof of the Francis Makemie Church. We are at a third of our mark which makes it possible to begin the work as soon as our roofer is available. THANK YOU!

We want to thank the hard work of the building & grounds team of Naomi Makemie for their diligence with the work to get us back into the sanctuary. The good news is that heater is now truly fixed! All the electric heaters have been removed from the sanctuary area and the boilers are supplying heat throughout the whole building. The not so good news is that we still do not have an accepted quote for cleaning the soot damage. Church Mutual sent another round of inspections this past week and this coming week there will be an HVAC inspection. At this point we will have a final estimate and can contract the company to begin the work. We are so thankful to all of you for your patience and especially for your continued presence in worship and the life of the church. We are truly blessed!!

When this is all over we'll have an interesting chapter to add to the story of our heritage to pass on to the next generation. We have been blessed by our Presbytery's constant contact with us and their support through prayer and concern. We thank you our readers for your blessings through prayer and support. May you have a Holy Lent-See on ASH WEDNESDAY!
Peace, *Monica*

Rev. Monica Gould
Pastor

Naomi Makemie

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Klawitter

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SESSION DIGEST from our clerk at Naomi Makemie

Rick Turner (our elder commissioner to Presbytery) reported on the January 28 meeting of the Presbytery. Rev. Dr. Donald Broad was recognized for his 65 years of service. The extended Naylor family plus Dick Freeman, Rick, Monica and Jody were there to cheer him! Rick was really impressed with Rev. Gould as the worship leader. The major business item was the closing of Makemie Woods Camp and Conference Center on April 15. The final celebration of the camp will be on March 25 from 2-5PM. The Session celebrated those from our church that rewired and installed new lighting in the dining hall at Makemie Woods.

The Session approved a \$50 contribution to the PEVA Rise Against Hunger program. Consider joining us on Tuesday, April 25 at First Presbyterian Church in Hampton to pack over 10,000 meals in one hour. This intergenerational mission will follow the opening communion service at the next Presbytery meeting.

Nuts and Bolts:

- Jack Humphreys reported that the Church Mutual Insurance Adjuster and a contractor from Ocean City inspected the church attic to crawl space on Feb. 22. This third bid for the clean-up is expected in a couple of weeks. In the meantime, the organ has been cleaned and the pipes refinished. They will be reinstalled after the cleaning is completed. A chimney liner and cap were installed. A request for carbon monoxide monitors is being considered.
- Dick Freeman and the Personnel Committee completed the annual performance appraisals and contract reviews.

Mission:

- Vacation Bible School will be sponsored jointly by the Mission and Education Committees. The theme will be "Mission Madness."
- Habitat for Humanity support was added to our priorities for this year.
- The final Helen Bunch Memorial Blood Drive on February 14 netted 22 units. Thanks to all who helped and offered to help. And thank you to the continued relationship with Helen's family.

Presence:

- For Lent, the Adult Sunday School Class will study a book on the prophets entitled "Wind in the Wilderness." Come join us at 9:30 AM.
- "At the Crossroads" is Monica's theme for Lent. On Ash Wednesday, March 1 dinner will be provided at 6 PM to be followed by a messy church service that will run until 7:30 PM.
- The theme for the ecumenical Lenten services will be "God's Justice." The Wednesday brown bag luncheon series will begin on March 8 at noon at Market Street United Methodist Church.

Community:

- The next church yard sale will be May 6 so start gathering items as you do your spring cleaning.
- Dick Freeman indicated that the Tour de Shore would like to partner with us again on June 17 for a benefit Spaghetti Dinner. Watch for further details.

Moderator:

- Ed Satterfield, in addition to doing the Children's Choir, is interested in providing musical opportunities at both churches.
- We welcomed Dave and Katie Klawitter and Ed Satterfield in membership and we removed Spencer and Julia Schuyler and Sylvia Fazio so our members remain at 49.
- The St. Patrick's Day Parade starts at 2 PM on Sunday, March 12. Church participants need to line up at 1:00 PM and when we get to the monument at the town park, we'll take a group photo.
- In late March or early April, FMPC will hold the next discussion on racism by using "Waking Up White." PCUSA Co-Moderators have recommended this book for a nationwide read by all Presbyterians. Laura Lucas will moderate.

NMPC, Inc.:

- The Board appointed the Jones Zitrain Wealth Management Group of Merrill Lynch as managers of our accounts and act as fiduciary on an annual fee basis. It is understood they will continue to invest in conservative to moderate investments on our behalf.

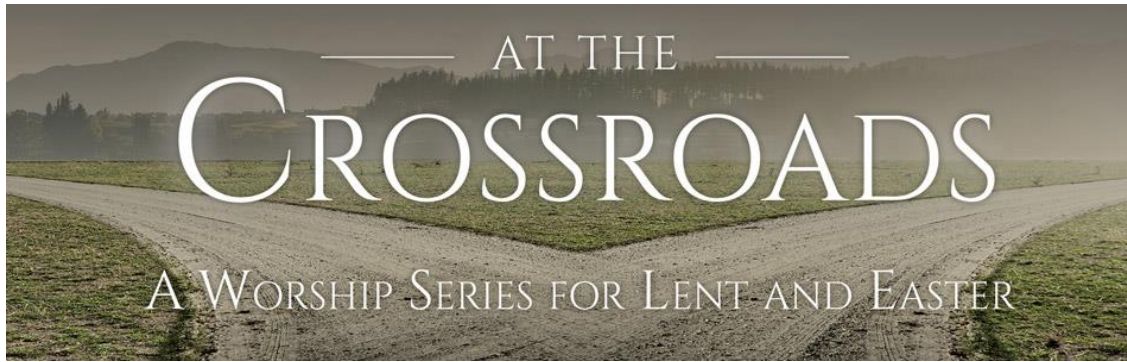
The next Stated Meeting of Session will be Wednesday, March 22 at 4:30 PM in the Makemie Room.

MARCH EVENTS

Here is a **quick glance calendar**. Please pay attention to the events marked. Read through the rest of the newsletter for the details to each of these opportunities. It is a month filled with wonderful opportunities for worship, growth, and service. Print and post this page on your fridge. ☺ Also, check out all the other non-calendar info, such as birthdays and pictures. ☺ ☺

MARCH 2017						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TEUSDAY	Wednesday	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Ash Wed service 6-7:30 pancake dinner	2 Prayer mtg 9 Choir 5:30	3 exercise 10am	4
5 1st Lent Sunday Adult SS 9:30 NMPC	6 Presbyterian Women 11:30-1	7	8 Lent Ecumenical service @ MUMC 12N w/ bag lunch	9 choir 5:30pm	10 exercise 10am	11
12 2nd Lent Sunday Adult SS 9:30 NMPC Children's SS 11:15 Kids Sing St Patrick Day Parade! @ 2pm -Line up 1pm	13 Lunch Bunch 12:15 Kendall's Kountry Kitchen @ Four Corner Plaza, Onley	14 Joe's Boys-Building & Grounds work @ 9am	15 Lent Ecumenical service @ Holy Trinity in Onancock 12N w/ bag lunch	16 Prayer mtg 9am choir 5:30pm	17 exercise 10am Contemplative Retreat Begins March 17-19, 2017 Chincoteague Island Music & Hymn Sing @ FMPC 7pm	18 Contemplative Retreat
19 3rd Lent Sunday Brass Group plays Adult SS 9:30 NMPC Children's SS	20	21	22 Lent Ecumenical service @ Gaskins AME 12N w/ bag lunch NMPC Session mtg 4:30 pm	23	24 exercise 10am	25
26 4th Lent Sunday Adult SS 9:30 NMPC Children's SS	27	28	29 Lent Ecumenical service @ FMPC 12N w/ bag lunch	30	31 Faith Meets Life Men's Group 9am exercise 10am	April 1

MARCH EVENTS details



This is the theme of our series of Sunday services throughout the season of Lent. Many of those involved in the story of the Passion of Christ came to a crossroads and had to decide which way to go. Some chose well, some did not, and the stories of each of these experiences at various crossroads help us to know what to do and what not to do when we encounter similar crossroads in our own lives. In the end, each service this Lent reveals in some way how Christ and his cross lead us to decide the path of God's will for us.

ASH WEDNESDAY

Confession Psalm 32:1-5

WEEK 1 March 5

Betrayal John 13:21-30

WEEK 2 March 12

Judgment Matthew 27: 11-26

WEEK 3 March 19

Compassion Luke 22: 47-51

WEEK 4 March 26

Declaration Luke 22:54-62

WEEK 5 April 2

Obedience Matthew 26:36-46

An ALL age church event.

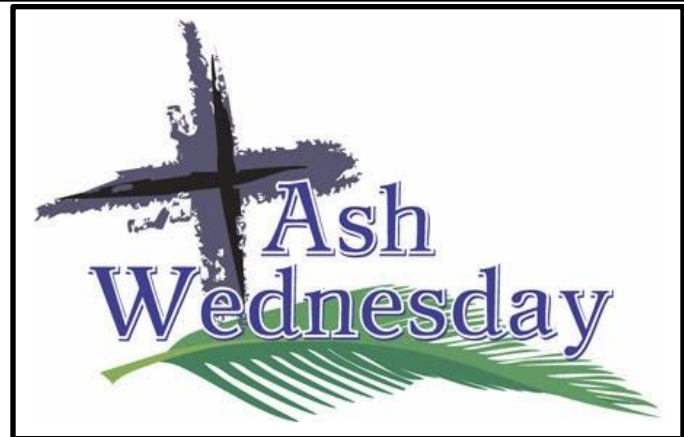
Ash Wednesday

March 1, 2017

Pancake Supper &
Study 6:00-7:00pm

Worship at 7pm

Messy times, messy lives
-made clean in God's hands



Please join us this Ash Wednesday as we eat together, learn and worship. This is an event for all ages, singles, families, couples, young and not so young, older and not so old. Here is what you can expect when you come.

1. Food. A pancake supper. (Pancakes, bacon, fruit, dessert)
2. Fellowship.
3. AND Hands on learning. We will make a mess together. We will make our crosses. We will learn about Ash Wednesday in a way we will always remember.
4. Worship. We will sing, pray, receive our ashes, sing, be dismissed.

All this is 90 minutes of your lifetime. Time well spent together. Please come.

Naomi Makemie's Presbyterian Women

Our next Presbyterian Women's meeting is

Monday, March 6 at 11:30 am.

Our Study: Resurrection: Jesus rose-do we and if so how?

Suggested readings: 1 Corinthians 15:38-58; Apostle's Creed.

We will have another lively discussion as we search the Scriptures together. Bring your Bibles! Read Chapters 19-21 from our book *Only Angels Can Win It*. Bring a bag lunch; dessert & drinks are provided.



Ecumenical Lenten Services 2017

*Observe a Holy Lent and participate together
with community churches as we observe the theme of God's Justice. Come out and meet
your neighbors and worship together during the Wednesdays of Lent.*

Worship services are @ 12:00

Bring a bag lunch.

Host churches will be providing drinks and dessert.

Week 1. Market Street United Methodist Church

Wednesday March 8 2017

75 Market Street Onancock, VA 23417

Phone: (757) 787-4873

Week 2. Holy Trinity Episcopal Church

Wednesday March 15 2017

66 Market St Onancock VA 23417

Phone: (757) 787-4430

Week 3. Gaskins African Methodist Episcopal Church

Wednesday March 22 2017

Savageville Rd Melfa, VA 23410

Phone: (757) 787-7645

Week 4. Francis Makemie Presbyterian Church

Wednesday March 29 2017

23355 Back St Accomac VA 23301

No phone

Week 5. Metropolitan UMC

Wednesday April 5 2017

21445 Bayside Rd Onancock VA 23417

Phone: (757) 787-8373

Week 6. Holy Trinity Baptist Church

Wednesday April 12 2017

is listed as Pungoteague, however if you are using GPS it will come up as Painter.



St Patrick Day's Parade Onancock VA Sunday March 12 @ 2pm

Join F&NMPC as *we are* the **MAKEMIE MARCHERS!** We had so much fun last year. Come along and help us represent. Meet at NMPC at 12:45. Onancock Streets will be blocked off just after Holly St. We will need to be moving to our 'spot' by 1pm. We'll have candy to throw and lots of fun together. Look forward to seeing you for another group photo!



St Patrick Day 2016 group photo

You're invited to
Lunch Bunch!



Join the LUNCH BUNCH on
**Monday March 13 at the
Kendall's Kountry Kitchen**
at 12:15, in Four Corners

Plaza, 25254 Lankford Hwy, Onley, VA
23418

Join Addy and Rhudy and a
chance to get to know each
other better.

Remember to call someone and
offer them a ride.

Join the Building and Grounds
team called Joe's Boys/Gang as
they meet once a month to do
odd jobs around the church.
Call Rick Turner 787-2797 and
let him know you'll join him
Tuesday March 14 at 9am.



Music & Hymn Sing
Friday March 17 at 7pm

Join with **Ed Satterfield** on the
third Friday of every month **at**
Francis Makemie Presbyterian
Church.

Guitar, voices, and other
instruments will join together to
make a joyful noise.

Threshold Times: Pilgrimages Amid Inner and Outer Change.

Contemplative Retreat, Friday thru Sunday March 17-19, 2017

Chincoteague Island, Virginia's Eastern Shore, www.creativecontemplatives.com

Leaders: Debbie Ryon, Nina Frost

Whatever our age, each of us is on a pilgrimage filled with our own crossroads and thresholds... calls to new life and questions about what needs to be put down. A "threshold" may be change that has happened... or something you are amidst... or something that is emerging but not yet clear. Some are chosen; others come about because of a change in circumstances. Whatever the origin, thresholds bring change and invitation, wonder and sometimes worry. But always they ask for engagement: Deep listening, patient exploration, and trust.

About the Retreat: Check in Friday afternoon and enjoy a leisurely beach walk or a visit to Chincoteague's nearby downtown. Following dinner (on your own at a nearby restaurants), we'll meet at 7:00 to settle into our cozy meeting spot and begin our journey together. On Saturday, enjoy presentations, quiet times, and opportunities to share. Choose from included events such as art projects, journaling, dream workshops, guided meditation and a social hour. Sunday morning features stretching with Robert, a wrap-up session and time for one last walk on the beach. We'll close before noon to allow time to explore nearby Assateague and for a leisurely return home, renewed and refreshed. Lodging is at the beautiful Island Motor Inn, with waterfront guest rooms, a panoramic-view meeting room, contemplative garden, gym, indoor pool and hot tub. Registration and rates: Full weekend, all programs, art supplies, materials, and refreshments: \$165 (lodging not included.) Saturday only, all of the above: \$95 To reserve your spot contact Debbie Ryon (757) 710-4661; or email ccretreats@gmail.com by March 10th, 2017. Lodging may be arranged for a nightly rate of \$98.00 plus tax (11%) per room, through Island Resort, 4391 Main St, Chincoteague, VA 23336, (757) 336-3141. www.islandmotorinnresort.com Be sure to mention you are with the Creative Contemplatives retreat! Catered lunch and dinner will be offered Saturday for a nominal fee.



Children's Choir

Practice: Sundays at 12N at NMPC

Sing in worship: March 12
Director: Ed Satterfield

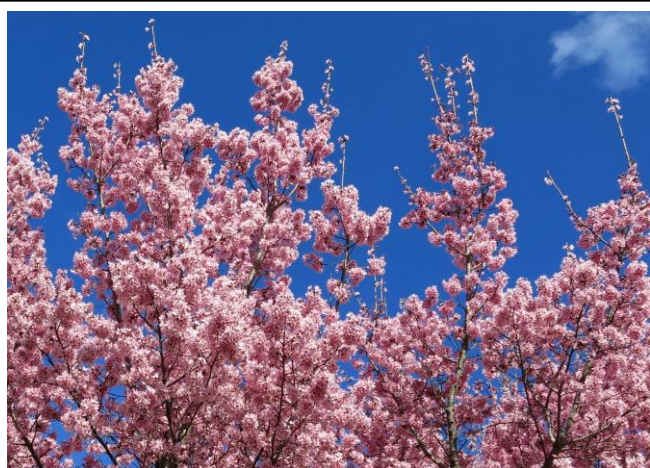
"Faith Meets Life" men's group will gather together on Friday **March 31 at 9 a.m.**

Please take a look at 1Samuel 16:1-13, Psalm 23, Ephesians 5:8-14, and John 9:1-41. Hope to see you then. Grace and Peace, Howard





Birthdays of the Month



Last days of February! Photo by Joe Valentine

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Joanne Humphreys	03-01
Jerry Fluharty	03-02
Wanda Hughes	03-05
Kate Jacob	03-05
Erin Fletcher Hall	03-09
Carol Rush	03-09
Gloria Santacrose	
Broad	03-12
Mike Gould	03-15
Harold William	
Deuter	03-16
Barbara Mears	03-18
Rick Hall	03-21
Brandon Stapleton	03-21
John Callander	03-21
Fitz Godwin	03-22
Miles Barnes	03-24
Bruce Holland	03-26
Ales Gregor	03-29
Carey Tuttle	03-30

Did we miss anyone?

Please, Let us know!

Happy late birthday to Barry Mears 02-17

Throw back photo.

Do you recognize this building?

It's an aerial shot taken of Francis Makemie Presbyterian

If you have a throw back photo for next month. Send them to me and we'll publish whenever the newsletter has room.





Welcome to new members of NMPC Dave & Katie Klawitter



Quinn Ames has been selected as a goalie for the Eastern Shore Street Hockey League (ESSL) Super Juniors All Stars team. (Pictured here with teammate and brother, Christopher).

More **THROW BACK & DID YOU KNOW?**

Notes taken from the 150th anniversary of Makemie (now Francis Makemie) Presbyterian Church

“An important event in this period after the War between the States was the organization of the Onancock Church, now called Naomi Makemie Church. ...Eleven members from the Makemie Church moved their membership to this offspring church. For more about this read the extra attachment which includes the complete scanned document.



Faith Meets Life Men's Group in February. The men value this time together in study, discussion, and prayer.

Did you know?

Using the church envelopes even when you give cash in the plate can save you tax money.

If you use the envelope and put your cash in it, it will be credited to you and you can deduct it from your taxes. Think about it. It will work for your advantage even if you only give \$5 a week, month or year. We have extra boxes just pick one up any Sunday.

LOOKING AHEAD

A few notes for the months ahead

- *Yard Sale is May 6-so set aside your spring cleaning items* for the church sale
- Palm Sunday April 2
- Maundy Thursday service 7 pm April 13
- Agape meal April 13 6 pm

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TO:

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