

GLAD TIDINGS

The Newsletter of Francis Makemie Presbyterian Church

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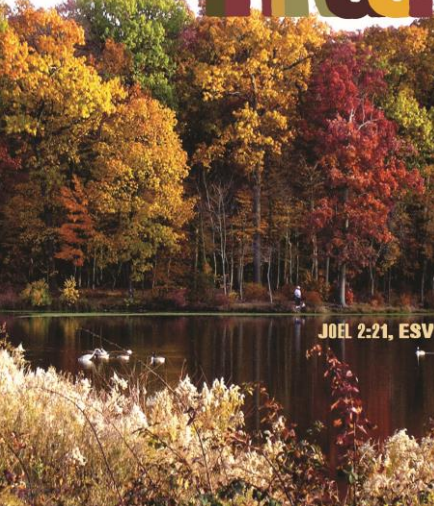
I recently saw this quote: *Autumn shows us how beautiful it is to let things go.*

I appreciate hearing these words as we enter into the season of being thankful.

It really can be beautiful to let go of a lot of things. We can shed things when we change our closets from summer to winter clothes. We can let go of emotions that have no place in our lives. Our minor mishaps do not need to become major meltdowns. We can let go of those things we read or watch on TV that take hold of us in negative ways. We can let go of feelings of helplessness by stepping back into the world of serving and giving.

FEAR NOT, O LAND;
BE GLAD AND REJOICE,
FOR THE LORD HAS DONE

GREAT THINGS!



We seek to serve, to love, to live with grace. It's not always easy, because life tumbles in. Life tumbles in with illness, surgery, economic hardship, limits in abilities and all kinds of other reasons. We are not what people call us, but we are who we answer to. I heard said today-the decisions we make today are our story we can tell tomorrow. We do not talk about it but we will be about it.

Fear not, O Land, be glad and rejoice, for the Lord has don great things!

A blessed November to you all,

Monica

- All Saints' Day, *November 1, 2018*
- Daylight-Saving Time ends, *November 4, 2018*
- Veterans Day, *November 11, 2018*
- Thanksgiving Day, *November 22, 2018*
- Reign of Christ Sunday, *November 25, 2018*

OCTOBER SESSION DIGEST from Clerk of Session NMPC

- The Stewardship Campaign will be the first three weeks in November and focus on what we need to do to offer "Open Minds, Open Hearts and Open Doors."
- A new payment voucher was approved by consensus. It includes an explanation of each account.
- The Personnel Committee met Oct. 13 to complete Monica's evaluation, terms of call, and benefits. There was no cash increase but for the 9/2019-9/2020 year there will be an extra 7 weeks of vacation granted. The church will pay for mowing the manse grass in the Pastor's absence if volunteers cannot be found.
- The Mission theme for November is "Supporting." The Halloween community candy giveaway appreciated all the congregational support.
- The ecumenical youth group will provide community service at Camp Occohannock on the Bay on November 10. It will be fun – bring your friends.
- The Adult Sunday School will tackle world religions starting November 4. See Jody for a copy of the book.
- Folks are working hard on the intergenerational Christmas Program. Let Monica know if you can help in any way.
- In January and February, 2019, Monica will lead a Kerygma study on the *Messiah* on Fridays after Senior Exercise. This music covers both the Christmas and Easter seasons.
- Monica appreciated the card celebrating Clergy Appreciation Month and praised Jennifer for her card ministry on the church's behalf. Monica increased the number of homebound visits and they are well received.
- Tom/Jack moved the approval of the Nominations Committee Report and it was carried. We thank all those who allow their names to be considered at the Annual Congregational and Corporation Meeting after church on December 2.
- The last Session meeting of the year will be November 28 at 4:30 PM.

Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors Stewardship Campaign 2018

These words appear on our website and on our sign on Fairgrounds Road. We believe these words. We seek each day to live out these words. All our programs at Naomi Makemie Presbyterian Church seek to live out the vision Bible verse Micah 6:8 To do justice, love mercy, walk humbly with our God. Please listen to the stories shared over the next few weeks and consider how your story has been changed, challenged, and encouraged to serve Christ and one another. Our giving allows the stories to continue for generations to come. We appreciate the giving of those who support us from a distance.

*Our hearts are open for the Lord to change us and one another.
Our minds are open to the challenges of faith to grow in God's love.
Our doors are open for carrying the light of Christ to the world.*

YES! I support Naomi Makemie Presbyterian Church

My contribution for 2019 will be

\$ _____ annually, monthly, weekly, one time

Payment Options, please choose what applies:

_____ I would like to receive offering envelopes

_____ I would like to make my donation in stock contribution

_____ I am interested in a bank draft or payment online

Please make your checks to Naomi Makemie Presbyterian Church

P O Box 397 Onancock VA 23417

Name: _____ Address: _____ Town/City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Contact Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____



Naomi Makemie Presbyterian Church
Treasurer's 9 Months Report 2018

Year to Date

	This Year	Plan	Last Year
Income			
Envelope and Plate	72394	68625	68974
Fundraisers & Miscellaneous	5746	2400	2528
Memorials & Special Offerings	9244	0	3082
From Trusts	0	0	0
Total Income	87,384	71,025	74,584
Expenses			
Church Building	13205	10967	14819
Clergy, Manse & Pulpit Supply	55121	54469	52596
Less MPC Share	-11038	-10950	-10371
Other Payroll	9715	9750	9520
Mission	4350	9000	2737
Presbyterian Women	1200	1330	1200
Miscellaneous	5181	6145	3963
Total expense	77,734	80,711	74,464
Profit (Loss)	9,650	-9,686	120

The best news is on the Income side. **Plate** income continues to run better than plan, **Fundraisers and Miscellaneous** benefited from an extraordinary Tagsale donation and sale, and Special Offerings benefited from a large donation for youth ministry and better than anticipated support for the School Supply Project. On the Expense side the Building is over budget and there are timing differences as to when the funds are actually disbursed, primarily in Missions. Our goal is consistent giving and giving according to one's ability. We may still need to rely on the Belote Trusts to match income with expenses.

Francis Makemie Session Highlights from October

Rev. Gould opened the meeting with prayer.

Minutes: Minutes of the 19 July 2018 were approved as circulated.

* Vernon Bell, our liaison to PEVA, will now visit us yearly instead of every second year.

communion was set for Oct 7, 2018 and Christmas Eve and in 2019-Jan 6, Apr 7, and Oct 6.

*Poulson plaque-Rick has spoken with contractor about reattaching but there is concern about damage to wall.

* Rick reported that snowflake glass was procured and broken pieces are being replaced. * The church sign is being restored.

*We discussed nomination of new elders and returning to 3-year terms. It is proposed that January 2018, Cissy will rotate off. The class of 2019 will be Charlie and Rick. The class of 2020 will be Joe and Paul and the class of 2021 will be Leslie and Fitz. *Monica has contacted the COM to put on the agenda the reversal of perpetuity we were granted.* An Annual congregational meeting will be scheduled in December following the news from PEVA.

*The next session meeting will be at noon at The Island House November 29 at noon. Paul will make the reservation for us.*Monica reported on the Presbyterian churches on the Shore that gathered at Makemie Park for the October 7 picnic and service. Our two congregations were well represented.



Events for NOVEMBER

*Hi All-Happy Fall!

Our next **Presbyterian Women** meeting will be on **November 5 at 11:30** in the Fellowship Hall.

Please do Lessons 3 and 4 from our book Life Lessons from Philippians. Anne will be presenting the **Thank Offering** at this meeting. Bring a bag lunch and look forward to this fellowship time! Blessings, Pam

****Susan says we need hair brushes, socks, towels & washcloths for first night kits for ESCADV. We can assemble kits after our meeting on Nov. 5 if you can stay. ****

"Christianity and World Religions" by Adam Hamilton is being tackled by the Adult Sunday School Class. Please join us **at 9:30 AM in the Belote Room** to watch a short DVD and then discuss the following topics:

Nov. 4 - Introduction and the Wise Men

Nov. 11 – Hinduism

Nov. 18 - Buddhism

Nov. 25 – Judaism

Dec. 2 – Islam

Dec. 9 - Christianity

On Dec. 16 we will join in the preparations for the Christmas Program.

If you can't come for the whole series, feel free to join us for the topics that you are interested in. See Jody if you need a copy of the book.

Community Youth Group (6th – 12th Grade)

Community
Service at Camp
Occohannock



Date: Saturday, **November 10th 2018**

Theme: We, as christians, are called to use whatever gift we have received to serve others. When we are volunteering some of our time to community services it can be very rewarding both for us and the people we help. Participating in community service activities can help show the world around us Christ's love.

Things to do:

Help to clean-up the camp grounds and other areas of the Camp Occohannock after their busy summer programs. A Covered Dish Dinner/lunch after the work (A graceful invitation from the Program Director at the Camp Occohannock, Mr. Michael Henry)

Meeting Time and Place:

8:00 AM: at Naomi Makemie Presbyterian Church on Market St.

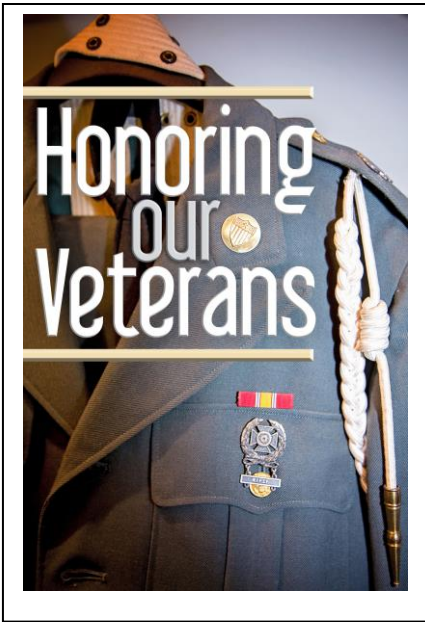
9:00 AM: at Camp Occohannock (9403 Camp Ln, Belle Haven)

3:00 PM: Depart from the camp and return

Things to wear and bring:

Wear old clothes and shoes that can get wet or dirty. **A favorite dish of food to share**

Community Service Document to be signed



SUNDAY NOVEMBER 11, 2018

Please join us for a special service of worship at 11 am at **NMPC** bringing honor to our veterans and commemorating the 100th anniversary of the end of WWI. The Brass band will play the music will be familiar national hymns.

At **FMPC** we will also hold this special service with music and hymns at 9:15 am

We request a photo be submitted of you (in or out of uniform now or from the past) and your family members so we can include them in a slideshow to bring honor to all who have served this nation.



Veterans Day, which is November 11 each year, is a holiday to honor America's veterans for their patriotism and willingness to serve and sacrifice for our nation's common good.

Christians follow the Prince of Peace, so war is a dilemma that often challenges people of faith. Some Christians are pacifists, while others believe in a "just war." Many believe that the goals of freedom, justice, equality and democracy are worth the cost required.

Whatever individual Christians decide about any given conflict, most Christians believe that men and women who strive to make this world free of tyrants are to be respected. As Winston Churchill said, "Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few."

Thank you to all the men and women who served or are now serving our country.



God says to give thanks in everything. That doesn't mean you need to give thanks *for* everything. You don't need to give thanks *for* that bad day. Or *for* that bad relationship. Or being passed over at work. Financial hardship. Whatever it is — you are not to give thanks *for* the difficulties but rather *in* the difficulties.

That is a very important distinction, and one I think we often miss. Giving thanks *in* everything shows a heart of faith that God is bigger than the difficulties and that he can use them, if you approach him with the right heart and spirit, for your good and his glory. —Tony Evans



November Mission Matter

Supporting

Mission Mega (Congregation Effort)

Giving Tuesday & Recognize our Veterans.

Please consider in giving a sum of money or energy to any non-profit on **November 28th**.

Mission Mini (Youth Effort)

Greeting cards designed by our youth to be sold and profits given to a benefit of their choice.

Wait till you see them! You will want a set too!

Mission Move (Ongoing Effort)

Encouragement to support our local commerce by participating in the

Artisan Trail & Shopping Local Day **November 24**.

Let's plan an outing together to spend some money!



Keep our homebound members in your thoughts and prayers, drop them a note and stop by to visit.

Harriet Adams
Elta Green
Gloria Miller

Don and Gloria Broad
Virginia 'Pete' Hall
Kim Penland



Babyshower for baby Klawitter



CHRISTMAS MEANS JESUS
COMMUNITY YOUTH CHRISTMAS PROGRAM Rehearsal Schedule including changes
Sunday December 16



Please take note of the CHANGES in the rehearsal schedule. Especially youth who will be joining our Sunday practices even if they cannot make the Tuesday evening practices. This is a joint Christmas program with BOTH congregations to be held at **11 am 12/16 at NMPC on 12/16** youth are invited to **sing a selection of songs at FMPC at 9:15 service.**

Practice schedule:

Tuesday **November 6** 5:30-7pm Youth & Cherubs Tuesday **November 13** 5:30-7pm Youth & Cherubs
Tuesday **November 27** 5:30-7pm Youth & Cherubs Tuesday **December 4** 5:30-7pm Youth & Cherubs
Tuesday **December 11** 5:30-7pm Youth & Cherubs

Sunday rehearsals December 2, 9 12:15-12:45 and **dress rehearsal** Saturday December 15 at 10 am.
Program December 16 at 11 am

We are looking for help with creating new costumes (our 40 year old costumes have reached their limit) or helping order them please talk to Monica.

Great turn out from our churches to the **Makemieland Picnic.** The food and fellowship was great!



Thanks Walt & Janet for a fabulous spooky Fellowship hour!





Our condolences to Fitz Godwin in the loss of his brother the Reverend Phil Godwin. Information about services are through Williams Funeral home.

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." 2 Timothy 4:7

With deepest sympathy, may you feel God's comforting presence during this time of sorrow.

Dave Klawitter	11-02
Carolyn Armstrong	11-08
Amelia Stapleton	11-11
Antonina Schuyler	11-11
Steve Sadtler	11-11
Leslie Mosher	11-12
Jack Humphreys	11-13
Donna Doan	11-14
Jeanne Sadtler	11-15
Jill Cathey	11-16
Barbara Haynes	11-16
Laura Naylor	11-21
Mary Ryser	11-24
Agnes Willard	11-24
Christopher Ames	11-26
Cassie Parker	11-27

Did we miss anyone? Please let us know.



Spaghetti dinner success!



Mission Halloween! Success!



November 2018						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	Wednesday	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				November 1 Prayer group 8:30 Choir 5:30	2 Exercise 10	3
4Worship @ FMPC 9:15 NMPC Adult Sunday school 9:30; Worship 11 Youth SS	5 Presbyterian Women 11	6 Youth Choir 5:30 dinner	7	8 Choir 5:30	9 Exercise 10	10 Youth Service Day @ Camp Occohannock
11 Worship @ FMPC 9:15 NMPC Adult Sunday school 9:30; Worship 11 Youth SS Veteran's Day Brass plays	12	13 LUNCH BUNCH 12N Youth Choir 5:30 dinner	14	15 Prayer group 8:30 Choir 5:30	16 Exercise 10	17
18 Worship @ FMPC 9:15 NMPC Adult Sunday school 9:30; Worship 11 Youth SS Thanksgiving service	19	20 No youth choir	21	22 Thanksgiving	23	24
25 Worship @ FMPC 9:15 NMPC Adult Sunday school 9:30; Worship 11 Youth SS Reign of Christ Sunday	26	27 Youth Choir 5:30 dinner	28 NMPC Session 4:30	29 FMPC Session 12Noon	30 Men's Group 9 Exercise 10	December 1
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9 Worship @ FMPC 9:15 NMPC Adult Sunday school 9:30; Worship 11 Youth SS Advent 2 Rehearsal	10	11 Youth Choir 5:30 dinner	12	13 Prayer group 8:30 Choir 5:30	14 Exercise 10	15 Dress rehearsal 10 am.

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Heinrichs Class of 2019 Laura Naylor, Jennifer

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