

Fall Newsletter

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2023

deep roots visible grace

"There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens:"

• a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot, • a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to tear down and a time to build, • a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance, • a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them, a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing, • a time to search and a time to give up, a time to keep and a time to throw away, • a time to tear and a time to mend, a time to be silent and a time to speak, • a time to love and a time to hate, a time for war and a time for peace.- Ecclesiastes 3: 1-9

I know many of you are very familiar with above scripture, but the changing of the season always brings it to mind. I look back at this past summer and I experienced a birth of a new grandniece and the death of a very good friend. I experienced so many of what is referenced above, here at church with the healing of some who had been going through a battle with illness, laughter and joy with the kids at VBS and a time to embrace my love of God and church by being given this opportunity to step in and give Pastor Scott a time to rest.

Yet, a new season bring with it new challenges, maybe a better way to say it is mentioned above "a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them." We have had the summer to scatter, now it our time to gather. Gather again as a community of God in worship, in performing the work of the church and gathering those who have lost their way.

As I write this brief message to you, I remember a discussion I had recently during our Bible study about how much I missed New Market UMC during my two years at Taylorsville UMC. And how happy I was to come back. It has been over a year already and those seasons just keep moving along, but that is OK, because I am home in the church that I love and in the arms of the Savior I worship. So, now it is your turn, as the word to the hymn we sang a few Sundays ago so beautifully say:

Come home, come home, You who are weary, come home;

Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, Calling, O sinner, come home!

The Fall of the year is always been the time when New Market UMC celebrates it homecoming, let us make this year a great one!

Pastor Patty



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‘Visualizing Abundant Life’ Team

As our update this month, I am sending the note below sent to the team via email, which was written by Shawn Benjaminson, who Pastor Scott delegated the building project lead to, during this phase of the new addition discernment.

Things are continuing to move forward in the background on our project. We are working on establishing a rough construction cost/budget based on the needs list. I’ll be working on getting a draft of a programming document together for your review in the coming days. Once we have consensus on that document, I plan on reaching out to five architects. What I’d like to do is send them the document and request a day within 2 weeks of receipt that they could come in and have a chat/interview with us. So if you can start thinking about questions that might be important to you that you would like to hear from an architect designing the building that would be great! ideally, we would consolidate that list as a group so that there is a consistent list of questions that is presented to the folks we talk to. Unfortunately, I have personal and professional relationships with these architects and will need to excuse myself from the interview process so that I can maintain that relationship.

Below is a list of the architects I plan on soliciting in no particular order:

- *Zavos: [ZA+D | Zavos Architecture+Design \(za-d.com\)](http://za-d.com) I work with them all the time, they are familiar with historic projects. I have known Bruce Zavos for almost 20 years. He and I served on the Board for Habitat for Humanity of Frederick County.*
- *CMW: [CMW GROUP, INC. FREDERICK, MD | Architects and Planners](http://cmwgroup.com). I think Richard Washburn came to one of the initial meetings. they are a pretty small firm*
- *HLR: [Helbing Lipp Recny Architects \(hlrarchitects.com\)](http://hlrarchitects.com) I’m currently working on a small project a Burtonsville Baptist with them. They have a pretty substantial church portfolio. They are over in Charles Town.*
- *Proffitt: [PROFFITT & ASSOCIATES | Proffitt & Assoc. \(proffittandassociates.com\)](http://proffittandassociates.com). I have a long relationship with these guys. They have a historic portfolio and a religious portfolio. They will do a good job, but I know that they are extremely busy.*
- *Noelker and Hull: [Noelker and Hull Associates - Architectural Design, Master Planning, Interior Design \(noelkerhull.com\)](http://noelkerhull.com). I work with them on a frequent basis, and they are strong in the county.*

A face-to-face meeting will be held the first week in September to answer questions for the workgroup, finalize the message to be sent to the architect and determining dates for interviews. – Pastor Patty

Fellowship

Forty-one persons enjoyed the 5th Sunday Potluck on July 30. As always, a large selection of tasty food was provided. A special *‘thank you’ to Joe Shaw for loaning us his hot dog machine – and cleaning it afterwards!* What an easy, convenient way to cook a lot of hot dogs at one time.

Ninety-three cups of ice cream were served as a VBS ending activity on August 4. Ice cream and toppings (peaches or chocolate syrup) were enjoyed by all.

What's Next?

Saturday, Sept. 30 **Spaghetti Dinner**, 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the Schoolhouse.

Menu: spaghetti w/plain sauce or meat sauce, salad, bread, beverages, cookies.

Congregation members are asked to donate items for a bake table.

A free will offering will be taken for the dinner, as well as for bake table items to enjoy at home.

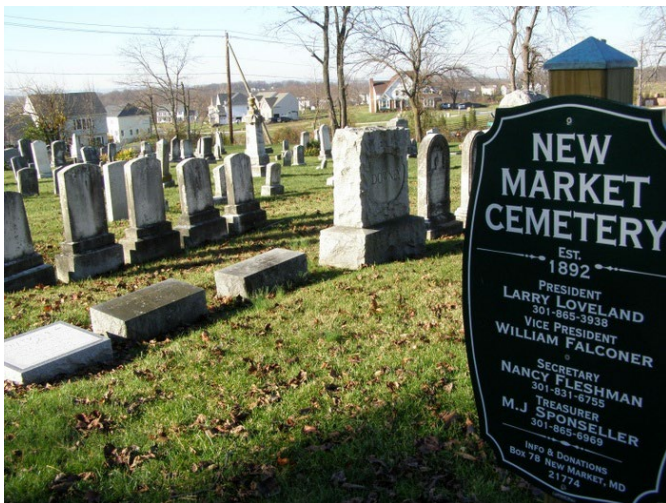
Sunday, October 29 **5th Sunday Potluck** immediately following the 11:00 worship service.

Theme: Potluck food

Fried chicken and beverages will be provided.

A sign-up sheet will be posted on the Sanctuary bulletin board starting on October 8.

New Market Town Cemetery Update



The Board of Trustees of the New Market Cemetery Company met on July 23, 2023 and approved the changes to the transfer agreement.

The next steps are as follows:

1. Continue to investigate the cost of settlement of the property transfer. One bid was received but seemed high, so the trustees are going to get a few more bids from other settlement companies.
2. After a final bid is received that the church and cemetery can agree upon, the church trustees most move forward with a special meeting of the lot holders to approve the property transfer.

Again, at this time we are working on being completed with the property transfer by the end of 2023.



The meetings below are special, in other words not regularly scheduled. To see the regularly scheduled meetings see calendar on the church website.

September

Sept 2nd – 8am – Men’s Breakfast

Sept 12th – 6pm – Hope4Kids Packing

Sept 19th – 7pm - Council Meeting

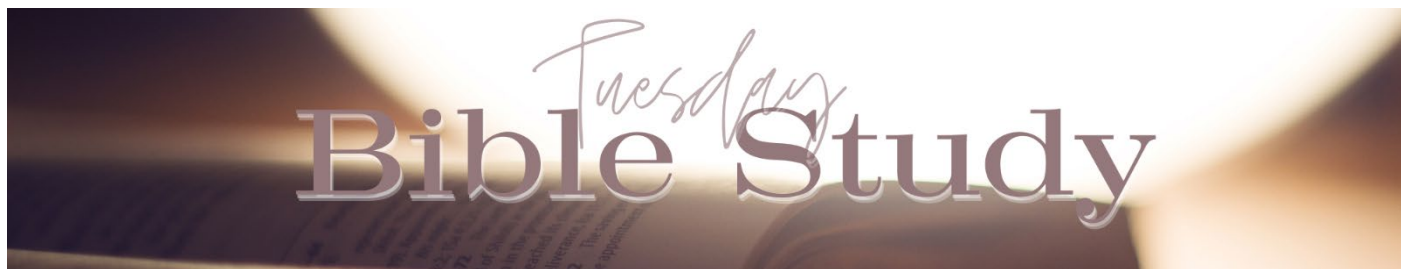
Sept 29th – 10am – Fellowship Team Prep

October

October 7th – 8am - Men’s Breakfast

October 10th – Hope4Kids Packing

October 17th – 7:00 pm - Council Meeting



Tuesday Bible Study | 10:00 AM

The 10:00 am Tuesday Bible study will be meeting on the following dates: September 5, 12, 19, 26 and October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31. The study is based on the upcoming Sunday’s lectionary scriptures. We invite you to join us. 10:00 am to 12:00.

Laity Ministry Update from Susan Stevens

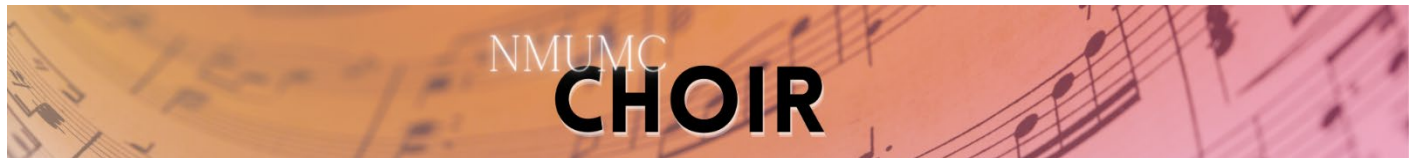
I begin the third CLM module, beginning September 20th of this year, which covers the basics of leadership, administration, and congregational development, and how to maximize leadership, organization, and resources in various kinds of congregations. Pastor Scott, Pastor Patty and I will continue to pray for the design, organization and provision of Family Life Ministry (FLM) at New Market UMC and throughout our church parish congregations. Additionally, I am taking a class through Be A Disciple, Teaching Biblical Faith to Children, which is required to procure my certification in Children's Ministry. The purpose of FLM is to equip individuals and families with relevant Biblical truths and healthy family skills so as to empower them to successfully deal with the challenges of family living and faith development.

Adult Sunday School- Fall 2023

When we follow the lectionary, we read passages of the Bible over a three-year span. The lectionary is not a chronological approach to reading the Bible, nor is it a book-by-book approach. Each week the scripture readings are closely linked to the season of the Church's life cycle, its liturgical calendar. In the first half of the Church year (Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, Pentecost) we follow the major events of the life of Jesus, including his birth, death, resurrection, and the birth of the Church. In the second half (Season after Pentecost, or Ordinary Time), we study Jesus' actions and teachings.

We will also continue to focus on learning to listen to God.

Listening prayer is a prayer method that helps you hear God's voice better by removing noise and quieting your mind. Often our prayers can be one-way communication; we ask God for things. This isn't bad, but God desires prayer to be a two-way conversation. The act of sitting in silence and listening to God helps us to re-center our priorities, taking the focus away from ourselves and our own goals, lives, and to-do lists, and focusing instead of God.



Choir Year Begins!

After a summer vacation, members of the 11 a.m. choir will resume practicing Thursday evenings and Sunday mornings and serving once again as the voice of the congregation. Our fall startup is also an ideal time to join the choir. We're all just starting the music year, we're expecting some new members, and a recruit will know as much as everyone else the first few weeks, except for our most veteran singers. We sing mostly music written in the 1970s, 1980s, and through today, with modest shifts to traditional, Gospel, classical and spirituals occasionally.

The choir meets in the sanctuary from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursdays and practices what we will be singing at 11 in the sanctuary briefly at 10:30 Sunday mornings in the Education Building. We don't require an audition, a remarkable voice, or the ability to read music. The choir is open to anyone who enjoys singing, enjoys being around other people singing worship and praise music, or just anyone who wants to be involved weekly with uplifting words and melodies.

Anyone will be welcome at our first practice at 7 p.m. September 7.

Nothing changes for the 9:30 choir, just forming, which has been meeting Monday evenings in the sanctuary, from 7 to sometimes 8 p.m.

Church Library

Be sure to check out our church library in the Education building. Alongside some great titles to be used as companions to bible studies, we also have a vast library of Christian fiction for all ages! The library has been growing quickly over the summer so stop in and see what's new!

DISCIPLE II



Disciple II | Saturday mornings 9-11:30 am

The Disciple class will continue this year with Disciple II, the second of four volumes in the series. Having taken Disciple I would be helpful but is not required. The study will involve reading directly from the Bible at your home and then discussing what these writings meant to the people who first heard them, and what they mean for us today in sessions every Saturday morning from 9 until 11:30. Expect to spend 45 minutes every day in the Bible, for best results. The class will be reading from the Old Testament, from Ruth, I Chronicles, 2 Chronicles, Lamentations, Ezra and Nehemiah, Esther, Daniel, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Job, the Song of Solomon, selected Psalms, and even from two of the books in the Roman Catholic bible that are not in our Protestant Bible, Esdras and Maccabees.

From the New Testament, we will read the Gospel of John, selections from the other three Gospels, 1 John and 2 John, James, and Revelation. Last year we met in the home of Joan Price. If the number who expressed interest actually attend, we will need to meet in the Education Building kitchen, starting September 16. There is a charge of \$44.50 to cover the cost of the manual. There are used ones for less on the Internet, but writing your own thoughts in the manual is an important part of the process.

Picture Day

Sunday, September 10 we will be doing a picture day so we can update our brand new directory. Bring your Sunday best!

From Patti Morrow

Its time again for the annual Philly RideAtaxia. Our granddaughter Anna has recently been approved by their insurance company to receive the new medication that will slow the progression of FA ,a bit. It is by no means the cure but headed that way, we hope. Anna is beginning her senior year and busy with all her extracurricular activities as well as applying to colleges. She is the manager of 3 sports teams through the year. She was also instrumental in the introduction of girls flag football in Maryland public schools through her association with the Ravens. Needless to say we are so proud of Anna and she is our hero everyday. Please consider a donation to help fund the research to one day find a cure for FA. Check out Patricia Morrow's fundraising page for Friedreich's Ataxia Research Alliance - <https://give.curefa.org/fundraiser/4882210>

Wednesday Night 7:00 pm Bible Study

The 7:00 pm Wednesday night Bible study will be starting in a few weeks with a 10-week study all about the Ten Commandment in a way you have never experienced before. See all the information below.

Facilitator: Patty Robinson

Start Date: Wednesday, September 13, 2023

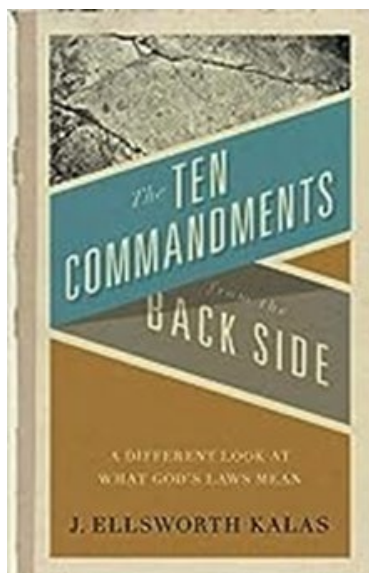
End Date: Wednesday, November 15, 2023.

The study is conducted via ZOOM.

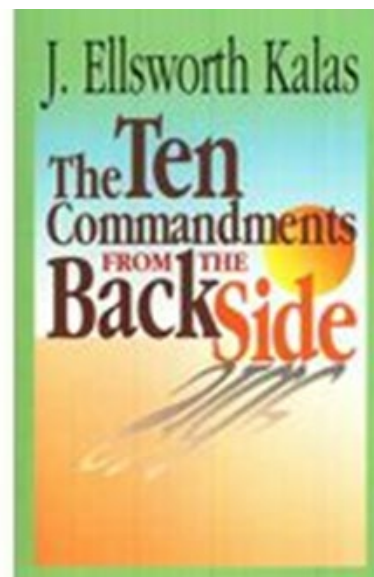
If you are interested, please sign up on the sheet at the back of the sanctuary or email Patty: pattyrob16@msn.com

Please, feel free to purchase your own book, but know the church will be purchasing several copies too. Just check on the sign-up sheet your preferred option. The sign-up deadline is September 6, 2023, so the church has enough time to order copies and get them distributed. Thanks.

"The Ten Commandments – from the Back Side" is a ten-week Bible Study. While the Ten Commandments are known throughout the world, it is not often that we are offered a fresh take on them. Popular and beloved author J. Ellsworth Kalas approaches the Ten Commandments through the "back side"--through a unique starting point, a creative retelling, a new "lens," or the eyes of a minor character. Kalas explores how these "prohibitive" laws are our dear friends, intended to make life richer and more fulfilling. He uses contemporary illustrations and personal experience to show how these timeless laws give us an appetite for divine excellence.



OR



Trek or Treat

We are
doing it all
this year!



When: Saturday, October 28, 2022 at 4:00 PM

Where: New Market UMC-- 5501 Old New Market Rd.

Rain Date: October 29th

The parade begins at the New Market United Methodist Church parking lot and will proceed down Prospect Street (Old New Market Rd) to Main Street and walk west on Main. At New Market Elementary School, there will be a supervised crossing of Rt 144 to E. Main St. Candy will be given to children along the parade route. It will culminate back at New Market UMC parking lot where hot dogs, etc. will be served.

- ✚ If you plan to have interactive games in the decorated trunk of your car, go to the church parking lot to avoid bottlenecks along the route and be safer for the paraders. The parking lot will provide refreshments and entertainment.

Donations of candy can be left at the back on the sanctuary on October 9 or 16, or dropped off in the church office on Tue., Wed., or Thur. between 9:00 and 1:00 through Thursday, October 20.

Please plan to join us for a **BOO**tiful time!





Hope 4 Kids

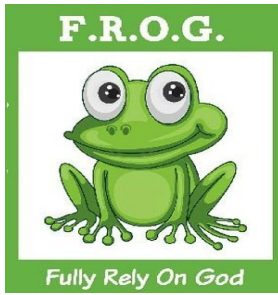
Hope 4 Kids provided 80+ East Frederick and New Market area students with food for each weekend this past school year. This is H4K's 10th year in mission. H4K serves students at Blue Heron ES, Oakdale ES, Deer Crossing ES, New Market ES, and Oakdale MS.

- About **\$10,000** was spent for over 6,000 lbs of food that H4K gave out. Fortunately, the food bank provided subsidies until the start of 2023, which helped to offset many of last year's expenses.

Those monies were raised from our parish - Fairview Chapel, Mt. Carmel United Methodist, New Market UMC - and the community.

- There are 3 volunteers who get the process started, 2 volunteer shoppers, 3 volunteers who deliver weekly, and there are 12+ adults, teens, and kids from our churches and community, who help pack each month. H4K logged in over 300 volunteer hours!

Please consider joining us for a packing on the second Tuesday of every month at 6:00pm in the NM UMC Schoolhouse building. Our first packing will be Sept 12. H4K is also accepting monetary donations.



Children's Ministry

Are you ready for Sunday School!!!

Last year we worked all year to be a lamp, lifeboat, or a ladder for each other and our community, this year we are going to talk about being a FROG and learning to Fully Rely On God!

Sunday school will begin on September 10 at 9:30am.

All Children ages preschool through 12th grade will come to the Education Building for the first Sunday. We will gather and talk about our summer and the year ahead. Since we had so much fun making ice cream during VBS we will do it again.

**We hope all kids will join us on September 10 at 9:30am
for some fun and to make ice cream!**



Thank-you to all of our wonderful, amazing, tireless Vacation Bible School Volunteers!!



If you would like to be part of our teaching team or have any questions about our Children's Ministry, contact Donna Clawson at declawson16@gmail.com or 301-418-0863.





Category	June 2023	July 2023
Deposit Total	18,678.41	28,291.87
Regular Offering*	15,711.41*	18,130.41*
Building Fund	1,807.00	3,650.00
Building Rental		300.00
Food Pantry	165.00	155.00
Hope 4 Kids	75.00	75.00
Misc. Income – Fairview reimburse.	100.00	
Misc. Income – In Honor of Russell’s for Christian Education	100.00	
Misc. Income – Honor of Joan Price	40.00	
Misc. Income – 7/4 Fundraiser		1,112.00
Misc. Income – Fairview offering (to be forwarded to them)		20.00
Misc. Income – Fuel Rebate		9.56
Organ Fund	150.00	150.00
Parsonage Rent		4,200.00
Pastor’s Discretionary Fund	530.00	320.00
VBS Donations		170.00
Online Giving Totals	1,883.63	1,987.55
Regular Offering	1,852.40	1,853.70
Online Fees	31.23	37.65
Community Care		96.20
<p>*Regular Offering Needed to Meet Monthly Budget Goal: June -- \$18,744.84; received \$17,563.81 July -- \$23,431.05; received \$19,869.11</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Monthly Goal NOT MET in June or July</p>		

You will note above that *regular offering donations* during the months of June and July did not meet the monthly budget goal. While it is not unusual for donations to drop during the summer because family routines change, you are encouraged to resume regular giving to support the programs, salaries, and other expenses of NMUMC.

Tired of Writing Multiple Checks to NMUMC?

It is not necessary to write a separate check for each donation. If it would be more convenient for you, one check can be written with the different donation categories and amounts noted on the memo line.

Reminder

FOOD PANTRY OR COMMUNITY CARE? – When making donations to either of these accounts, please be sure to note which account is to be credited with your donation.

Your continued, generous giving to support the ministries and programs of New Market United Methodist Church is greatly appreciated.



A small stone chapel, open windows, a warm breeze, soft guitar music and JESUS, what a way to start your Sunday morning!

Join Pastor Scott Clawson and/or Pastor Patty Robinson – at 8:15 am, every Sunday for our 30 minute service with acoustic guitar music, sketching prayers and communion.

Experience the Freshness

**Fairview Order of Worship
September 3rd**

“Key 5- Witness- Who You Gonna Tell?”
John 4: 31-42 Many Samaritans Believe

**Fairview Order of Worship
September 10th**

“Are You Too Busy for Jesus?”
Matthew 6:33 and Matthew 7:7

**Fairview Order of Worship
September 17th**

“Who do You Say that I Am?”
John 10: 10-11 and John: 18:37

**Fairview Order of Worship
September 24th**

“So Many Claims”
John 14:6, Romans 12:2 and
Galatians 1:10



Fairview Order of Worship October 1st

“Radical Invitations”
Philippians 2:5, Matthew 7:24,
Colossians 3:12 and Proverbs 11:24-25

Fairview Order of Worship October 8th

“Kids, What’s the Matter with Kids Today!”
Matthew 6:14, Micah 6:8, Matthew 6:22
and Romans 5:3-4

**Fairview Order of Worship
October 15th**

“On the Edge of Society”
James 4:12, Psalm 82:3-4,
Matthew 6: 19-20, John 14:12

Fairview Order of Worship October 22nd

“Rearranging Priorities”
Luke 23:46, Mark 16:6, 2 Corinthians 5:17
and Psalm 51:10

Fairview Order of Worship October 29th

“Begin in the Gospels”
Philippians 1:6, Psalm 119:105,
Mark 1:35, Galatians 5:22-23

Fairview Chapel
6802 Boyers Mill Rd New Market, MD 21774

WORSHIP HELPER SCHEDULES FOR SEPTEMBER/OCT 2023

(If any of these times do not work out for you – contact the office)

Month	Date	Time	Position	Name	Time	Position	Name
S e p t e m b e r	09/03/2023	9:30 AM	Acolyte	Emma Roeder	11:00 AM	Acolyte	Ben Hanson
			Lay Reader	Chris Berry		Lay Reader	Open
			Usher/Greeters	Lori and Glenn Anderson		Usher/Greeters	Bishops or Gearys
	9/10/2023	9:30 AM	Acolyte	Wyatt Turner	11:00 AM	Acolyte	Sarah Hanson
			Lay Reader	Kristen Eccleston		Lay Reader	Richard and Sharon Riley
			Usher/Greeters	Anthony and Charlene Bishop		Usher/Greeters	Bishops or Gearys
	9/17/2023	9:30 AM	Acolyte	Liam Turner	11:00 AM	Acolyte	Kasey Barboza
			Lay Reader	Krista Romagnoli		Lay Reader	Kasey Barboza
			Usher/Greeters	Melinda McCollum		Usher/Greeters	Bishops or Gearys
	9/24/2023	9:30 AM	Acolyte	David Knight	11:00 AM	Acolyte	Ben Hanson
			Lay Reader	Charlene Bishop		Lay Reader	Kate Hanson
			Usher/Greeters	Berta and Scott Lafoon		Usher/Greeters	Bishops or Gearys
O c t o b e r	10/1/2023		Acolyte	Brook Rudge	11:00 AM	Acolyte	Sarah Hanson
			Lay Reader	Bryan Eccleston		Lay Reader	Doreen Bass
			Usher/Greeters	Anthony and Charlene Bishop		Usher/Greeters	Bishops or Gearys
	10/8/2023 Communion	9:30:00 AM Inside	Acolyte	Emma Roeder	11:00 AM	Acolyte	Ben Hanson
			Lay Reader	Berta Lafoon		Lay Reader	Lily Hanson
			Usher/Greeters	Lori and Glenn Anderson		Usher/Greeters	Bishops or Gearys
	10/15/2023	9:30 AM	Acolyte	Wyatt Turner	11:00 AM	Acolyte	Kasey Barboza
			Lay Reader	Beth Peterson		Lay Reader	Doreen Bass
			Usher/Greeters	Berta and Scott Lafoon		Usher/Greeters	Bishops or Gearys
	10/22/2023	9:30 AM	Acolyte	Liam Turner	11:00 AM	Acolyte	Ben Hanson
			Lay Reader	Melinda		Lay Reader	Carole
			Usher/Greeters	Anthony and Charlene Bishop		Usher/Greeters	Bishops or Gearys
10/29/2023	9:30 AM	Acolyte	David Knight	11:00 AM	Acolyte	Sarah Hanson	
		Lay Reader	Michelle Matusiak		Lay Reader	Cindy Naugle	
		Usher/Greeters	Melinda McCollum		Usher/Greeters	Bishops or Gearys	



BIRTHDAY	NAME
September 8	Quinlan Wright
September 17	Janice Felter
September 22	Mackenzie Berry
September 24	Christen Renken
October 3	Donna Clawson
October 22	Jane Leffel
September 8	Quinlan Wright
September 17	Janice Felter



NEW MARKET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

New Market United Methodist Church encourages faithful discipleship for Jesus Christ by participation in Prayer, the Word, Worship, Fellowship and Service.



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**If you have any special events or meetings coming up in Sept or October,
now is the time to submit the information via the church email:
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