



DEEP ROOTS VISIBLE GRACE

Feb./March 2020

A newsletter for the family and friends of New Market UMC.

“Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face, and the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and grace.” **“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus” United Methodist Hymnal**

As 2020 dawns, we remember that we worship and serve a God who is making all things new (Rev. 21:5). For many of us the start of 2020 has brought some difficult challenges. Expected and unexpected deaths greeted us in 2020. We celebrated the life and death of Don Kornreich, the man whose paintings adorned the front wall of our sanctuary, your cards and prayers went out to his wife Linda. Missy Cooke and Shawn Cottrell lost a brother and an uncle from a sudden heart attack, your cards and prayers went out to them also. Our renter Mrs. Williams grieved the death of her daughter Gay, your cards and prayers and presence were felt, received and appreciated. My brother Rod underwent a left leg amputation and my Aunt's great grandson, who is two months old, was ill with salmonella, you were present in their struggles and offered them hope. There have been many health struggles and uncertainties on what lies ahead for many of us. There are many things that can make us angry at God, there are many things that can discourage or distract us from the assurance and faithfulness that God provides. Take heart dear church, my family and I can attest that God can and will provide a way out of the darkness. God Provides!



Baby Carson



Rod Clawson

The care, love and support of yourselves and other believers to those who are suffering had provided hope where there was none, victory in the midst of what seem to be dark defeats. My brother is doing exceptionally well, and baby Carson is home and now healthy. We continue to pray for the healing from health concerns and deep grief for many in our congregation. This Lent we encourage you to redirect your focus away from your problems and place Jesus in their stead. To acknowledge and focus on the ways that God is moving in our midst.

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Don Kornreich's "Jacob Wrestles with God" Painting

We are united around our shared ministry and mission in our community. We share in the mission of Jesus which he defined as *“bringing good news to the poor and release to the captives (Luke 4:18).”* Together we; provide food for food insecure children, ensure that families have a warm place to sleep as part of the Religious Coalition Family Shelter, send mission teams to share the love of Christ in storm damaged corners of the nation, provide resources for United Methodist Committee on Relief, and show up every day as the presence of Christ in hospitals, hospices, nursing homes, and living rooms.

We are a place of welcome and community for all God’s people. In worship, we remembered our baptism and claimed that we are all beloved Children of God. After the sermon dozens of people came to share their stories of how Christ has reached, forgiven, and loved them into a new relationship with God. In 2020, we will continue to open the doors of our church and our hearts to intentionally welcome and value all of God’s people. Our neighborhood is growing in population and diversity; we challenge each of our worshipers to consider who Jesus is leading you to invite and encourage.

We are so blessed to serve among you,
Pastor Scott Clawson, Rev. Jennifer Smith, Rev. Helen Smith



UMW raised \$500 at the Souper Bowl Sunday!

Ash Wednesday – February 26th

Ash Wednesday is a day that the church gathers to confess individual and corporate sin. We signify this repentance by placing the sign of the cross with ashes that were rendered from Palm Sunday palms. There will be three opportunities for the congregation to receive ashes. to remind us from dust we were made and dust we shall return but nothing can separate us from the love of God!

**Preschool Chapel 8:45 a.m. & 12:45 p.m. (Congregation is invited to attend)
Ash Wednesday service 7 p.m. at New Market**

Ladies Groups at New Market

Would you like to get to know and support other Women?



Circle of Friends

The UMW daytime group, meets the second Tuesday of each month from 1-3 p.m. in the Schoolhouse. The next meetings are February 11th and March 10th at 1 p.m. If you would like more information on this group, contact Marilyn Fritz at 240-405-4614.

Circle of Friends is planning the "Agape Feast"



Saturday, February 29th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the New Market Schoolhouse.

The program will be "**LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE - IGNITED FOR JUSTICE**". The Agape Feast is a program based on Called to Prayer and Self-Denial. Please save the date and join us for a very inspirational gathering.

Lift
Ladies in Faith Together

All meetings are the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. and are held in the Education Building (where the preschool is) kitchen. If

you would like more information, contact Donna Clawson at 301-418-0863.

****There will be **NO** February LIFT meeting so we can all attend the Agape Feast on February 29 from 11 a.m. -1 p.m. Our next meeting will be March 9 at 7 p.m. in the Ed. Building kitchen.

The new date for the 24 Hour Fast For Food is March 28 and 29.

NEW COOKBOOK

on

Our Website!



Have you got a favorite recipe that everyone wants – like Thelma's cream puffs, Sharon's broccoli salad? Well, if so we are collecting them in the New Market UMC Cookbook, located on our website.

There are two ways to share a recipe in the new cookbook:

1. Type it up in a Word document and include a picture, if possible, then sent to the church e-mail or to David Robinson's e-mail: davidrob46@msn.com
2. Complete the Recipe Share Form at this link: <https://form.jotform.com/davidrob46/recipe-sharing-form> and the form will automatically send your recipe to David for posting in the cookbook. This form supports attaching a picture too.

This is an easy way for all of us to access those yummy dishes we have all tasted and loved from our potluck dinners.

Sunday School

a ministry preparing EXTREME disciples

We are getting a Deacon!

Welcome Rev. Laura Isaac as Youth Pastor

For the first time in our 165-year history the Lord is blessing us with a deacon. Rev. Laura Isaac has been hired to serve as our youth pastor. Pastor Laura has a Master of Divinity Degree from Duke Seminary and is ordained as a deacon by the North Carolina Conference of the UMC. Like Elders (Pastors like Pastor Jenny) deacons are called and ordained to a lifetime of service. Deacons are ordained to a ministry of word, service, compassion and justice.

Like elders they are trained and invited to preach and teach and provide pastoral care. They do not preside over baptism and communion. Deacons focus on ministry that brings the church into the world — and the world into the church. Unlike Elders and Local Pastors, Deacons are not appointed by the Bishop, rather they are invited to find their own ministry settings. Laura is thus hired by our Leadership Equipping Team to serve the youth of our community.

Rev. Laura will care for each youth in their uniqueness, support families, and help our young people find meaningful missions through which they can use their gifts to serve God's people. As Lindsey Brown said after her interview, "Pastor Laura will be awesome because she is focused on the stuff that we are going through and understands our interests." Pastor Laura will serve 20-hours per week.

AMPED Wednesday Nights

6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Wednesdays are a place for 6th -12th graders to connect, play, eat, and grow closer to God. This fall we will be exploring "The Circle Maker", a story about a man whose life and community changed because he was determined to pray until God showed up! What would happen in your life if God showed up in a powerful way?

Mark your calendars for AMPED:

February 19
March 4 and 18
April 1, 15, and 29

Youth Sunday School 9:30 a.m. every week We are here for you!

Preschool ages 3- 5 yrs. – Ms. Marilyn Fritz (Preschool room)
1st – 2nd Grade – Ms. Donna Clawson (Preschool room)
3rd – 5th Grade – Ms. Toni Carnahan (Ed. Bldg. Kitchen)
6th – 12th Grade – Kate Hanson (Pastor Scott's Office)



**EARLY REMINDER TO SAVE THE DATE AND
MARK YOUR CALENDARS
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL WEEK IS JULY 27TH TO
JULY 31ST THIS SUMMER.
IT WILL BE OUT OF THIS WORLD!**

FEBRUARY

Worship Helpers Needed - Get involved by volunteering to help at the 9:30 or 11 a.m. services. Readers, ushers, greeters, and nursery volunteers are needed. If you are interested, or would like more information on the duties, please contact Pastor Scott.

Sunday Worship Times 9:30 & 11 A.M.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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12:15 p.m. MC Hope 4 Kids	10:45 a.m. – 1 p.m. Kinderdance (SH) 6- 8:30 p.m. Cub Scouts (SH)	6 – 7:30 p.m. Girl Scouts (SH)	5:30-6:50 p.m. Daisys (SH) AA 7 p.m. (SH)	1:45 – 3 p.m. Kinderdance (SH) 7 p.m. Choir (L) 7 p.m. Men's Study Group (Ed.BK) 7 p.m. Boy Scouts (SH)		9 a.m. Bible Study Library 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Scouting Sunday 4:30 – 6 p.m. Troop 37025 (SH)	10:45 a.m. – 1 p.m. Kinderdance (SH) 6 p.m. Cub Scouts (SH) 7 p.m. LIFT (Ed. BK)	1 p.m. Circle of Friends (SH) 4-5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts (SH)	AA 7 p.m. (SH)	1:45 – 3 p.m. Kinderdance (SH) 7 p.m. Choir (L) 7 p.m. Men's Study Group (Ed.BK) 7 p.m. Boy Scouts (SH)		9 a.m. Bible Study Library 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
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February Birthdays

Charlene Bishop	2/05	Edward Plasket	2/28
Lisa Miller Burroughs	2/12	William Plasket	2/28
Greg Gaver	2/14	Angie Pickett	2/28
Caleb Clawson	2/22	Ryan Pickett	2/28
Scot Morrow	2/28		



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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Daylight Saving Time Begins	10:45 a.m. – 1 p.m. Kinderdance (SH) 6- 8:30 p.m. Cub Scouts (SH) 7 p.m. LIFT (Ed.BK)	1 p.m. Circle of Friends (SH) 4-5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts (SH)	Chapel 2:15 p.m. Van Meter AA 7 p.m. (SH)	1:45 – 3 p.m. Kinderdance (SH) 7 p.m. Choir (L) 7 p.m. Men's Study Group (Ed.BK) 7 p.m. Boy Scouts (SH)		9 a.m. Bible Study Library 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. 2-6 p.m. Private Party (SH)
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Senior Saint Potluck 4:30 – 6 p.m. Troop 37025 (SH)	10:45 a.m. – 1 p.m. Kinderdance (SH) 6 p.m. Cub Scouts (SH)	5:45 – 7:15 p.m. Girl Scouts (L) 6 p.m. Hope 4 Kids (SH) 7 p.m. Council (Ed. BK)	Youth Group (Mt.C) 5:30-6:50 p.m. Daisys (SH) 7 p.m. Stephen Ministry (Ed. BK) AA 7 p.m. (SH)	1:45 – 3 p.m. Kinderdance (SH) 7 p.m. Choir (L) 7 p.m. Men's Study Group (Ed.BK) 7 p.m. Boy Scouts (SH)		9 a.m. Bible Study Library 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
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March Birthdays

Tim Summers	3/02	Ross Boyd Padilla	3/20
Luke Summers	3/06	Michael Crandall	3/22
Walt Russell	3/09	Sharon Coleman	3/22
Dan Cooper	3/16	Laura Gaver	3/23
Rita Crandall	3/20	Susan Summers	3/28
Dawn Zimmerman	3/20		



An update on the financial health of the church from the Finance Committee

2019 ended strongly thanks to increased giving in November and December. The actual 2018 and 2019 income and expense categories and the 2020 proposed budget goals are listed below.

INCOME			
Budget Categories	2018	2019	2020 Budget Goals
Budgeted Income	\$205,800.61	\$210,536.26	\$206,600.00
Unbudgeted Income In and Out Benevolence, Designated Unbudgeted – Other, Misc Income, and Church Bldg / Renovation Income.	\$45,547.83	\$55,748.12	Income Unknown- not calculated in 2020 Budget
TOTAL INCOME	\$251,348.44	\$266,284.38	\$206,600.00
EXPENSES			
Budget Categories	2018	2019	2020 Budget Goals
Budgeted Expenses	\$119,565.06	\$120,507.74	\$121,701.90
Unbudgeted Expenses - Mission Benevolence (In and Out) and Other (In and Out)	\$16,571.22	\$15,491.89	Unknown Expenses- not calculated in 2020 Budget
Budgeted Expenses - Ministry Leadership Equipping, Worship Ministries, and Discipleship Ministries	\$5,028.99	\$5,109.85	\$6,095.00
Budgeted Expenses – Operations Administration and Technology	\$5,129.54	\$4,903.91	\$5,150.00
Budgeted Expenses – Parsonage	\$25,200.00	\$25,200.00	\$25,200.00
Unbudgeted Parsonage Expenses -Donation to Principle	\$21,917.00	\$10,906.00	Unknown Expenses- not calculated in 2020 Budget
Budgeted Expenses – Maintenance Church Maintenance and Stewardship	\$25,550.44	\$22,995.83	\$28,334.00
Conference Apportionments	\$21,373.00	\$20,312.00	\$20,951.00
Church Capital Expenses	\$12,185.00	\$19,111.70	\$18,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$252,520.05	\$244,538.62	\$225,431.90
OPERATING LOSS			(\$18,831.00)*

*2020 Capital spending requirement:

\$18,831.00 is needed this year to repair the educational building roof. The roof inspection reports the roof has reached its end of life and must be replaced this year. The education building is a hub for nursery, preschool, VBS, meetings, religious study, library and community outreach. The Trustees and Pastor Scott wish to schedule the repair in early spring after preschool finishes and before the spring rains begin. A special Thanksgiving offering was communicated to the congregation in November and \$9,025 has already been donated. \$9,000 to go. If you are able to donate to this fund, please mark your donation on your check or giving envelop “education building roof”

Mortgage Debt

One of the church goals this year is to become debt free, quite a challenge. When the mortgage on the parsonage and schoolhouse was refinanced in 2016, the mortgage totaled \$177,871.02. As of January 25, 2020, the debt balance is \$57,755.07. We are very close to the refinancing deadline of February 2021 and it would be wonderful to be debt free. If you are able to donate to this fund, please mark your donation on your check or giving envelop “debt reduction”.

Thank you to those who returned commitment cards. It is information that assists the finance team to create the yearly budget. The response of the committed folks in New Market UMC is beyond generous. The Finance Team wants to thank you all for your faithful giving. So many goals were reached in 2019. With continued generous giving, we will be able to accomplish our 2020 goals and meet our operating expenses.

Finance Committee: Carole, Lauren, Pastor Scott, Patty, Susan M., Thersa, and Tim



Hope 4 Kids would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation to several volunteers that have been with the program for several years. Without you, we could not serve our local students in such an impactful way, so thank you!

At NM - Missy Cooke has overseen the monthly packing of the food. **Mathew Coffey**, a former NMMS student now LHS student, has helped at almost every packing since 2015, bringing his mother and sister to help. **Kelly Herzing, Joan Price, and Mary Lou Bernota** have been there to help with the packings for the past 5-6 years.

At Mt. C - Andrew and Becca Hodgkin's have managed the monthly food packings. Their sons have grown up putting food in the bags. It's hard to believe that AJ is now in Kindergarten! **Andrea Walker** and her daughters, former Oakdale ES students, now OMS and OHS students, have organized the crates to go to the schools and put up the signs leading to the basement.

Thank you to everyone who has dedicated their time to help serve students in our community through Hope 4 Kids. If you, or someone you know is interested in volunteering with Hope 4 Kids, please email Hope4Kids.foodpacks@gmail.com



Plan Ahead to Serve in Summer 2020!

Youth and Adult Mission Trip to Wilmington, NC July 5-10

This 12-member team of rising 9th-12th graders, college students, and adults will travel to Wilmington NC to work alongside those doing long-term disaster relief work. Comprehensive relief efforts to help residents over-come the lasting effects of hurricanes, floods, and poverty are

underway. Service may include home repair projects, serving those experiencing homelessness, and partnering with organizations who are bringing hope and restoration to the community. Accommodations are provided through "YouthWorks" at a local church or school. Evenings will include exploration of Wilmington's riverfront and boardwalk, an evening on the beach, a cookout, and times for worship and devotion. In you are interested in serving, please e-mail Rev. Laura Isaac at laura.isaac@hopemtcarmel.org.



24 Hour FAST FOR FOOD!!! March 28th & 29th

Our youth care about vulnerable people! For 24 hours we will go without food in order to raise awareness and funds to alleviate hunger.

As we fast, we will participate in local feeding missions and collect groceries for local foodbanks and Hope 4 Kids. Fun will include a Frederick County scavenger hunt, movies, card tournaments, and more. We will get sponsors and donate the money we raise to support John 6:35 ministries, a United Methodist Committee on Relief feeding program in Tijuana, Mexico.

E-mail michele.stine@hopemtcarmel.org to receive more information

LOCAL PASTOR PATH

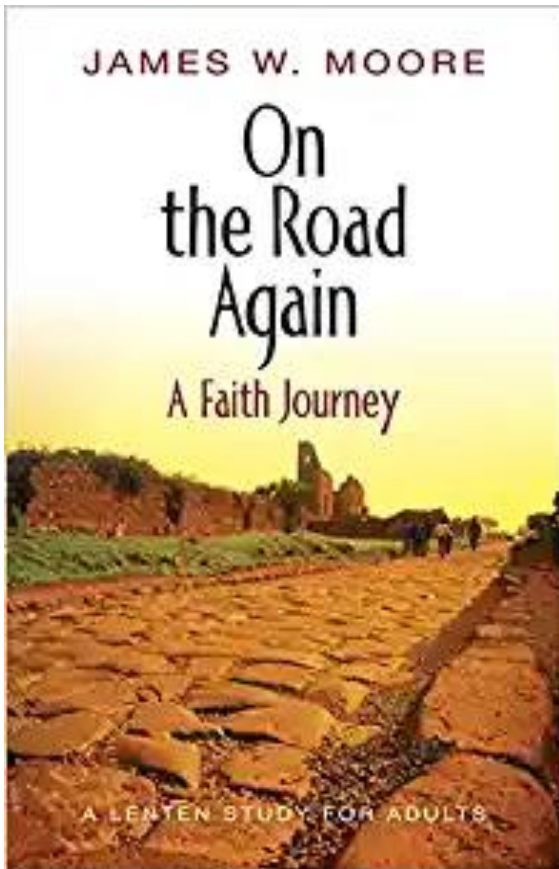
I am going to be bringing you along with me on my path to becoming a Local Pastor. As many of you know I was approved as a candidate by the District Committee of Ordained Ministers back in November. Since then I have discovered many new applications supported by Baltimore-Washington Conference that require some type of documentation from me – UMCARE, EM360, SMART-TRAK and Survey Monkey. I do not want to scare anyone away from a pastoral calling, just saying you better be comfortable with computer “red-tape”. I had the joy of requesting my college transcripts and being reminded of what a mediocre student I was.

Along with some of the technological headaches, there have been some wonderful joys. I met my mentor, Pastor Lynn Wilson, who pastors a beautiful historic church in Martinsburg, WV. I had a wonderful meeting with Pastor Lynn and a personally guided tour of the church.

My next big hurdle is my psychological evaluation on February 8th (I do not want to hear any snickering from the peanut gallery). Hope I pass it with flying colors. To be continued.....

Your friend and Certified Lay Servant – Patty Robinson

SUNDAY LENTEN STUDY

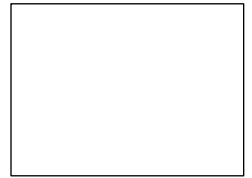


All are invited to join the adult Sunday school class at the Schoolhouse as we begin a seven-week Lenten Study, called On the Road Again – A Faith Journey by James W. Moore.

“Each year as we move toward Easter, we make a road trip. We join Jesus on the road as he moves to and through the cross. It is interesting to note that some of Jesus’ most powerful and poignant experiences happened on the road. In a real sense, we could say that Jesus spent his whole life on the road. He was born on a road trip. He died on a road trip. And one of his most dramatic post-Resurrection appearances occurred on the road to Emmaus. In this Lenten study, we will explore the significance of Jesus’ experiences on the road, and we will take a closer look at some of the people he met along the way.”

The class will start at 9:30 a.m. starting, Sunday March 1st in the Schoolhouse.

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New Market United Methodist Church
We serve Christ in the world and the community as we share His love
with all of God's people. Come be a part of our faith family.



Senior Saint Potluck at the Schoolhouse

This annual potluck is to honor all the Senior Saints in our church. Our friend is dancing above because this means anyone 65 or older just comes and enjoys the dinner.

On the other hand, it means anyone 64 or younger must pick up the slack and create a wonderful potluck dinner. There will be a signup sheet in the back of the church.

Three columns one for folks who are planning on attending and one for folks who will bring the food --- we would need those volunteers to bring two covered dishes. Also, there will be a column for those who want to help decorate the schoolhouse, probably on Saturday, specific time will be announced. This is one of the most enjoyable potlucks we host, so please come for great food and wonderful fellowship

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