GOOD NEWS



March & April 2014

A Newsletter for the people of New Market UMC



New Market UMC

Vision Statement
New Market UMC
Strives to build and
empower disciples for
Jesus Christ

Mission Statement
New Market UMC
encourages faithful
discipleship for Jesus
Christ by participating
in Prayer, the Word,
Worship, Fellowship
and Service.

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As we turn our calendars to March we breathe the air of anticipation. A powerful season awaits us. On Wednesday we begin the forty days, not counting Sundays, of Lent. These are the days of the year set aside from all others for the careful spiritual work which prepares our hearts for rebirth at Easter. Lent comes from the

Anglo-Saxon word lecten, which means "spring." Lent, like spring, is a season for breaking through the frozen ground to welcome a new beginning. Considering the winter we have endured I imagine we are quite eager to embrace the sunshine and fresh air the season will bring.

So how do we, during the six weeks of lent, prepare for the new life Easter offers? For centuries Christian people have considered Lent as a season for focusing on two spiritual acts. We might call them R&R!

Repentance- to repent is to turn around. During this holy season we are challenged to turn away from the things in our lives which are sinful, distracting, or distorting. For the past six weeks we have been studying the teaching of Jesus. We have learned that Jesus is concerned mostly with the condition of our hearts, our intentions and thoughts, and the actions which flow from these dispositions. This lent consider not only your actions but especially the thoughts or attitudes which you hope to turn away from.

Returning- Lent has always been the season for returning to the Lord. Throughout the year our attention is typically divided by many important and some less than important things. During lent we return our full attention to the Lord. This returning to the Lord might mean committing to a daily time of prayer or scripture reading, joining a small group to go deeper in faith, or returning to regular worship. Lent is traditionally a season when the church open's wide its doors and invites everyone to come home. Those who were separated from the community because of disagreement, sin, or circumstance were welcomed back with grace. If you have been away from church for a while this is your season to return! We are eager to welcome you home. In order to help you focus your R&R this Lent we will provide commitment cards at the Ash Wednesday service, March 5th, and the first Sunday of Lent, March 9th. You will be invited to share that which you are repenting from and the way in which you are actively returning to the Lord on the card. This act of commitment will help you to focus and claim these holy days of preparation. At the ash Wednesday service the cards will be burned and made into ash which will be used to create our Lent altar cloths.

We are honored to share the journey of Lent with you. We are eager to see the signs of new life which God will bring forth this spring.

Praying for warm days ahead,

Pastor Jenny & Pastor Scott

Children's CHURCH And Youth Ministries!

CHILDREN

New Market UMC Winter Library Children's Story Time



Hours Every Saturday!
10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
(Stories at 11:00 a.m. with play
time in between)

VBS Dates New Market

August 11th – 15th 6pm – 8:30pm

Mt. Carmel

August 4th – 8th 9am – 11:30am

Summer Youth Opportunities

Explorers Camp @ Manidokan! *June 15th-20th*This year our church will lead a week of Summer camp for elementary, middle, and high school students.

Campers please register on line at www.bwccampsand retreats.com and pay the registration fee.

Then e-mail Donna Clawson and let her know of your registration.

Camp Joy Mission Trip for adults & youth July 13th -19th

We are hoping to send a team of adults and teens to share a life changing week at Camp Harmission in West Virginia. Camp Joy has a 25 year history of helping struggling families make needed home repairs. The cost for the week is \$100. This includes all meals and supplies. If you are interested or would like more information please contact Pastor Jenny or Ms. Katie Giuliani. Katie.giuliani@hopemtcarmel.org by March 9th.

New Market 10th – 12th grade Day Retreat

March 29th 9am - 2pm

"Do you trust me" Senior
High Youth retreat? Join
Pastor Scott as we explore
the scriptures on how to
surrender to God while riding
zip lines at the adventure
park in Harpers Ferry. Cost is
\$20 per youth, breakfast &
lunch included. We will meet
in the church parking lot at
9am, please dress for the
weather. RSVP to Pastor Scott
or the church office.

Sunday School Programs

4-5 yr. olds – Marilyn Fritz 1st-5th graders – Toni Carnahan 6th-9th graders led by Kevin Hart 10th – 12th graders led by Pastor Scott



Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m.

4-5 yr. olds Sunday School in the Ed. Bldg. $1^{\rm st}-5^{\rm th}$ Graders Sunday School in the Ed. Bldg. $6^{\rm th}-9^{\rm th}$ Graders Sunday School in the Schoolhouse $10^{\rm th}-12^{\rm th}$ Graders Sunday School in the Schoolhouse



6th Annual Community Easter Egg Hunt

Sponsored by New Market United Methodist Church

When: Palm Sunday, April 13th Time: Registration begins at 12:30 pm

All activities are free

(One food item would be appreciated for donation to Frederick County Food Bank)

'Out and About in New Market'!!



Coming to New Market United Methodist Church in the sanctuary on March 22nd from 7 – 9pm there will be a fundraiser concert with The Mad Professors of the Mandolin, Tim Connell & Jack Dwyer of Portland Oregon. Suggested donation is \$25, proceeds to support bringing arts and events to New Market, MD. Tickets can be purchased at the door. The New Market Evening Circle will be selling refreshments during the concert. Proceeds to benefit Oakdale High Safe and Sane. More information on performers and their careers can be found on the church website.

This & That!

Worry – I tell my dog she's a worry wart! Her eyes always look like she's on guard duty, and I say, "Molly lighten up!" I got tickled when I read this sentence by Max Lucado that has to do with worrying – "We worry that someone will discover that lettuce was fattening all along." I'd be lying if I said I never worry but I do think I'm getting better – age does have some benefits. I would say the hardest to let go of is anything pertaining to our children but I'm learning to replace the worry with prayer not only for them but for the peace that passes understanding for me.

What does worry really do for us except use up space in our minds, give us ulcers, takes away joy, etc...? I think the sooner we realize we are not in control the happier we'll be, because I think we feel in some control when we worry.

By the way, speaking of Molly, she hasn't started shedding yet so I think we're going to have winter a little longer, although I saw Robins in the backyard the other day, so who knows. I vote for spring! Should I worry about this – nah!!

Blessings, Marilyn Brooks





Pre-Easter Outreach Focus: New Market UMC



Purpose: To focus the entire congregation around the purpose of inviting the neighborhood home to church. To live into our call to "go into all the world and make disciples". To meet the neighborhood in their depression and longing for the warmth of summer. To welcome people into relationship during this season where so many feel isolated. To enhance the prayer lives of our congregation as we join together in a common purpose.

Strategy: Prayer, Preparation, Invitation Week One:

- March 15th Prayer Relay Saturday, 12:00pm 8:00p.m. For 8 hours the people of the parish will wrap our neighborhoods & churches in prayer. Prayers will be offered in both New Market & Mt. C sanctuaries.
- March 16th Prayers in worship focus on our neighbors, friends, and family

Week Two:

- March 23rd Congregation prays in worship over the banner and neighborhood invite cards.
- Name tags are worn and lavish hospitality practiced.

Week Three:

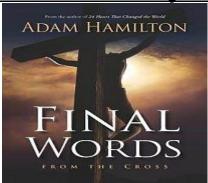
- March 30th Bulk Invitations are hand delivered or mailed to the neighborhood.
- March 30th Personal invitations are prayed over. Each worshiper picks up the number of personal invitation cards they feel called to deliver.

Week Four & Five:

- April 6th The congregation worships and waits for God's response.
- The week of April 6th worshipers finish handing out their personal invitations. Invitations are given to AA community.
- April 13th Palm Parade through the neighborhood with adults and children (donkey?)
- This week members make a phone call or "drop by visit" to follow up with those they have invited.

Week Six: Easter Sunday!

Church Wide Study Group



Special Lent Study Group "Words from the Cross"

Tuesday & Sunday mornings at 9:30am

March 9th - April 20th at the New Market School House. All are welcome to join for this focused look at the meaning of Christ's death on the cross and how his sacrifice transforms our living. Pastor Jenny & Pastor Scott will be leading the Tuesday study, on Sunday mornings Thelma's kitchen class and the Schoolhouse adult class will be combined and will be led by Nick Wood and Sharla Worley. Call 301-865-3530 to sign up for a book.



UMW Circle of Friends

FRIENDSHIP TEA----APRIL 26 (Saturday)---1-3 p.m.—at the SCHOOLHOUSE

Ladies, get ready to don a hat, and gloves if you'd like to, and come to the Friendship Tea that will be hosted by Circle of Friends. To make this possible we're asking you to bring a pretty teacup and saucer for you and each of your guests. We have the crystal plates, but a tea wouldn't be a tea without pretty teacups and saucers. The space at the Schoolhouse is limited to 75 for dining so you'll want to fill out the registration forms which will be in the bulletin and enclose your luncheon payment (price will be advertised in April) so you can be assured of a seat. So, invite your Mom, daughters, granddaughters and friends to enjoy this delightful relaxing event. More information will be available in the bulletin as the event date draws near.

Thirteen ladies will be attending Sisters in Faith at Montgomery U.M. Church on March 29. Please call Thelma Gesling 301-865-5514 if you'd like more info about any of the events or being a part of the Circle of Friends or Evening Circle.

RESURRECTION OF THE NEW MARKET UNITED METHODIST WOMEN'S EVENING GROUP

You know sometimes it just take a "spark" to get a fire to ignite. The "spark" for the UMW Evening Group was a wonderful Agape luncheon sponsored by Circle of Friends. They brought all of us together and presented a motivational program. Thank you Circle of Friends!

So for you ladies that are working or stay at home moms, who just cannot get away during that 8 to 5 period during the day --- do we have a small group opportunity for you!

The inaugural meeting of the UMW Evening group has been planned for:

DATE: Monday, March 10, 2014

TIME: 7:00 pm

LOCATION: Patty Robinson's home (behind McDonald's in the Meadows) 5601 Morning Gate Ct New Market, MD. 21774 301-882-7703

There is much to do at this first meeting – set up permanent meeting place and time (which tentatively has been agreed upon as once a month – on 2nd Monday), select officers, a group name, define our mission and programs --- just tons of stuff.

I was given a list of almost 30 ladies interested in becoming part of the resurrected evening group. If you're wondering if your name was one the list – YES IT WAS. Let yourself experience the challenge, excitement and overwhelming contentment of working in a group of ladies that have one purpose; Spreading the wonder and words of God. Take the one or two hours a month, attendance in the evening group will require, to make new friend, find something that maybe missing in your life and learn the joy of being a disciple of Christ.

I am not afraid of the disagreements, debates or even the work this group will be subjected to, but I am afraid of apathy and inaction or waiting for someone else to pick up the baton. If you have been waiting for God to speak to you and tell you what you are to do for him – this is it, just let yourself listen and come to the meeting.

I will include a blatant bribe of some decadent sweet to get you there! Hope to see you – Patty

Don't Forget

March & April Meetings:

March 4th at 7pm **Trustees** meeting in the Loft March 4th at 7pm **Outreach** meeting in the Sanctuary (due to Fat Tuesday's Supper)

March 11th at 7pm **Finance** meeting in the Schoolhouse March 18th at 7pm **Council** meeting in the Schoolhouse

April 1st at 7pm **Trustees** meeting in the Schoolhouse April 1st at 7pm **Outreach** meeting in the Schoolhouse April 8th at 7pm **SPRC/LET** meeting in the Schoolhouse April 15th at 7pm **Council** meeting in the Schoolhouse

Mt Carmel UMC and Preschool Moving Home Dates

During the month of March we will begin the holy season of Lent with our brothers and sisters of Mt. Carmel United Methodist Church. We will say farewell to our friends during special services on March 24th. There will be several opportunities to help our Parish brothers and sisters during their time of transition home. If you can help on one of these days please e-mail Donna Clawson to be added to her working list. A sign-up sheet is also hanging at the back of the New Market Sanctuary. Friday, March 21st 9am to 3pm Preschool Moving Day, persons with trucks are needed to transport our preschool from New Market to Mt. Carmel. Volunteers able to lift and carry items are needed. Saturday, March 22nd All Hands on Deck Move In Day 9:00a.m. prayer in sanctuary. 9:15-12:30 work. Lunch will be shared at 12:30. We need trucks with drivers, movers, unpackers, bulletin board designers, prayers, organizers, cleaners, and "librarians".



March – Nothing But Nets April – Camping Ministries
Parrish wide Missions meeting will be held March 11th at Mt. Carmel 7pm



Game On!!

March 19th & April 16th

Come one, come all!

Everyone is invited to a wonderful day of fellowship and fun on Game Day, 1:30 PM, on Wednesday, at the New Market "School House." Games start at 1:30 and the first session ends around 3 PM but ongoing fun and fellowship can continue on that afternoon. Last month we had a great time with a variety of games. Light snacks and refreshments will be provided.



Men's Breakfast at 7am at March 1st at New Market Schoolhouse April 5th at Mt. Carmel

Join the Men of the parish as we fellowship with food and exploration of the scriptures.

Men's Night Out: Last Friday of every month.

Join the men in a time of fellowship as we bowl our cares away. The next two night outs is March 28th & April 25th. We will meet in the front lobby. Contact Kenny Stine for more info: 301-748-4181



Sunday Worship Time 11A.M

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		7pm Outreach (Sanctuary)				
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Baby Shower 12pm (Schoolhouse) Cub Scouts 6:15pm (Ed. Bldg)	Cub Scouts 1628 UMW 12:30pm Evening	7pm Finance (Schoolhouse)	Youth Group! 6:30pm Disciple III at 7pm	7pm Boy Scouts (Schoolhouse & Ed. Bldg) Choir Practice 7:30pm	N.M. Garden Club 10am - 12pm (Schoolhouse) Girl Scouts 5 - 6pm	Prayer Relay 8am – 8pm (Sanctuary)
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16	17	18	19 1:30pm	20	21	22
Senior Saints Potluck 12pm (Schoolhouse)	Cub Scouts 1628	7pm Council (Schoolhouse)	Game Day!! 7pm Disciple III (Ed Bldg) Youth Group 6:30pm! AA 12 & 8pm	7pm Boy Scouts (Schoolhouse & Ed. Bldg) Choir Practice 7:30pm		Choral Concert Fundraiser 7 – 9pm (Sanctuary)
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Fire Dept. Breakfast 7am – 12pm <i>AA 1 – 4pm</i> Schoolhouse	Cub Scouts 1628 10am – 3pm Seniors Meet (Schoolhouse)	7pm Vision (Ed. Bldg)	Youth Group! 6:30pm Disciple III at 7pm AA 12pm & 8pm	7pm Boy Scouts (Schoolhouse & Ed Bldg) Choir Practice 7:30pm	Girl Scouts 5 - 6pm (Schoolhouse) Men's Bowling 8pm Terrace Lanes	Sisters In Faith Montgomery Church Youth Outing 9am – 2pm
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Linda Siglin



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April Birthdays:						
Andrew McCollum	04/08					
Susan Stevens	04/08					
Patricia Morrow	04/10					
Evan Morrow	04/20					
Brooke Rudge	04/20					
Jacob Morrow	04/29					
Noah Meyers	04/29					
Jacob Riley	04/30					
Anniversary						
Pastor Scott & Donna Clawson	04/27					

March Helpers:



March 2

Lay Reader: **Kevin Hart**

Ushers: RJ Grenier, Andrew McCollum

Greeter: Melinda McCollum Acolyte: Jonathan Grenier Nursery: Kelly Herzing

Counters: Patty Robinson, Nick Wood

Close Out: Sharon Riley

March 9

Lay Reader: Karen Ohlrich

Ushers: Tom Geary, Carolyn Geary

Greeter: Carolyn Geary Acolyte: Thomas Grenier Nursery: Cat Lugez

Counters: Linda Siglin, Toni Carnahan

Close Out: Mike Grenier

March 16

Lay Reader: Luke Summers

Ushers: Michael Grenier, Timmy Summers

Greeter: Julie Grenier Acolyte: Marilyn Fritz Nursery: Susie Lawson

Counters: Walt Russell, Melinda McCollum

Close Out: RJ Grenier

Important Notice for Ushers and Close Out Helpers:

First named usher will be the primary usher, it is this usher's responsibility to hand out bulletins and to complete a head count 15 minutes into the service, the head count should include everyone in the sanctuary and everyone in nursery including helpers, they head usher should also sit in the pews at the rear of the sanctuary in case there are any latecomers or to be able to view anyone who may need assistance during the service, the second named usher will help with the offering and communion when applicable.

Close out is the Trustee in charge to make sure the Education building and the schoolhouse are secure, the heat turned down to 60 degrees and lights are off.

Position Opening

Full Time Nursery Position: New Market United Methodist Church would like to announce an opening for Sunday morning nursery position, if you or someone you know is interested in filling the nursery position please contact the office at 301-865-3530. Responsibilities include; arriving at 10:45a.m. and leaving at 12:15p.m., and restoring the nursery to order after service. The applicant must be 18 years or older, is current with CPR certification, or if not the church will pay to become CPR certified and must have their own transportation. The rate is \$25 per Sunday Service.

March 23

Lay Reader: Hilary Moore

Ushers: Kevin Hart, Luke Summers

Greeter: Nicole Hart Acolyte: Lilly Hart Nursery: Heidi Wilhelm

Counters: Nick Wood, Toni Carnahan

Close Out: Scot Morrow

March 30

Lay Reader: Timmy Summers Ushers: Tom Geary, Carolyn Geary

Greeter: Carolyn Geary Acolyte: Ethan Hart Nursery: Brandie Kellogg

Counters: Linda Siglin, Walt Russell

Close Out: Sharon Riley

April Helpers:



April 6

Lay Reader: Laurie MacTaggart

Ushers: RJ Grenier, Andrew McCollum

Greeter: Melinda McCollum

Acolyte: Marilyn Fritz

Nursery: Julie Grenier, Kelly Herzing Counters: Patty Robinson, Nick Wood

Close Out: Mike Grenier

April 13

Lay Reader: Richard Riley

Ushers: Tom Geary, Carolyn Geary

Greeter: Carolyn Geary
Acolyte: Lilly Hart

Nursery: Doris Nilson, Donna Clawson

Counters: Melinda McCollum, Toni Carnahan

Close Out: RJ Grenier

April 20

Lay Reader: Barbara Zimmerman Ushers: Olen Moore, Hilary Moore

Greeter: **Hilary Moore** Acolyte: **Thomas Grenier**

Nursery: **Angie Hulton, Cat Lugez** Counters: **Nick Wood, Walt Russell**

Close Out: Scot Morrow

April 27

Lay Reader: Luke Summers

Ushers: Tom Geary, Carolyn Geary

Greeter: Carolyn Geary Acolyte: Ethan Hart

Nursery: Rita Crandall, Brandie Kellogg Counters: Linda Siglin, Toni Carnahan

Close Out: Sharon Riley

SENIOR SAINT POTLUCK

Amazing how time goes by, it is that time of year again for the Senior Saints
Potluck. We want to take the time to honor our church members 65 and over with a potluck dinner – AND HERE IS THE GREAT PART -- THEY DO NOT HAVE TO BRING OR DOING ANYTHING!

The potluck is scheduled for:

Sunday, March 16th – immediately following the 11:00 am service

Where: New Market UMC Schoolhouse

There is a signup sheet in the back of the church. Everyone needs to sign up — those of you 65 and over, just so we can get an idea of how many will be attending and for those member 64 and under to sign up to bring a couple of covered dishes and/or help with setup and decorating.

New Market and Mt. Carmel congregations have been combined the last few months during the refurbishing of the Mt. Carmel church building, but our time together is slowing coming to end. Let's celebrate in this most appropriate way and honor our Senior Saints. Thanks – Patty.

Coming in March & April:



Lent & Easter Highlights

As winter wages on we begin to look ahead towards the seasons of renewal and rebirth. Save these dates on your spring calendar for a restoring Lent & Easter.

Fat Tuesday Supper

March 4th 5pm – 7pm Schoolhouse

Fat Tuesday is the party day before we begin the season of Lent. This is an opportunity for the whole family to feast on a scrumptious "breakfast for supper". Pancakes, Kinklings, fruit, and other breakfast treats will be served. More information on music and entertainment to follow! All are welcome. Donations will be accepted for the Imagine No Malaria Mission. Hosted by Mt. Carmel special events team.

Ash Wednesday Service

March 5th 7pm New Market Sanctuary

This is one of the holiest nights of the Christian year. This night we gather to embrace the promise of resurrection as we remember our mortality. This service centers around times for forgiveness and pardon. All will receive ashes, the sign of mortality, in the shape of the cross, the shape of redemption.

Brief chapel services with the sharing of ashes will also be hosted by our pastors at 11am & 1pm for our preschool community & members who wish to have a day time service.

Palm Sunday – April 13th

Palm parade through the neighborhood with adults and children 9:30am Easter Egg Hunt immediately following the 11am service

Holy Thursday Covered Dish and Communion Service

April 17th Dinner 7pm Communion Service 7pm-8pm Mt. Carmel Great Room On this Holy night we gather as the family of God around the table to remember Christ's offering for us. We will share a community covered dish meal. Then we will share a special communion service around tables. Together we "take and eat" in remembrance of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Good Friday Community Worship Service

April 18th 7:30pm – New Market By candlelight we will gather to remember Christ's sacrifice for our salvation. This special service will be the climax of our Lenten series "Words to the Cross". On this night we will remember the words of love and hope Jesus' spoke with his final breaths. These words will challenge how we use every breath we have left.

Easter Services:

6:30am in the church cemetery, fellowship breakfast to follow 11am Traditional service No 9:30am Sunday School