



DEEP ROOTS VISIBLE GRACE

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2019

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

Where was NMUMC Last Month?



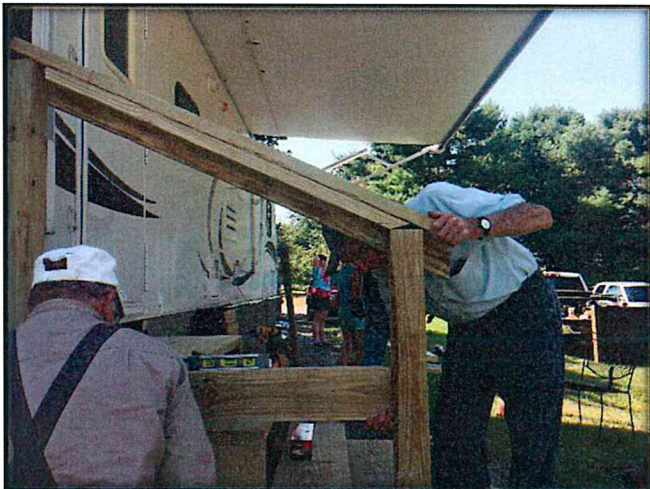
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Fall Worship Kick Off!



Choir Picnic



Gaver's
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Outing



Christ's
Carpenters



What Is God's Vision for NMUMC?

Recently at a Parish Staff Meeting we were asked to think about how you would finish this sentence, I dream of a church that...

I had just finished reading an article about the early Antioch church. It seemed that these first Christians maintained their focus on very different things than we do in the church today.

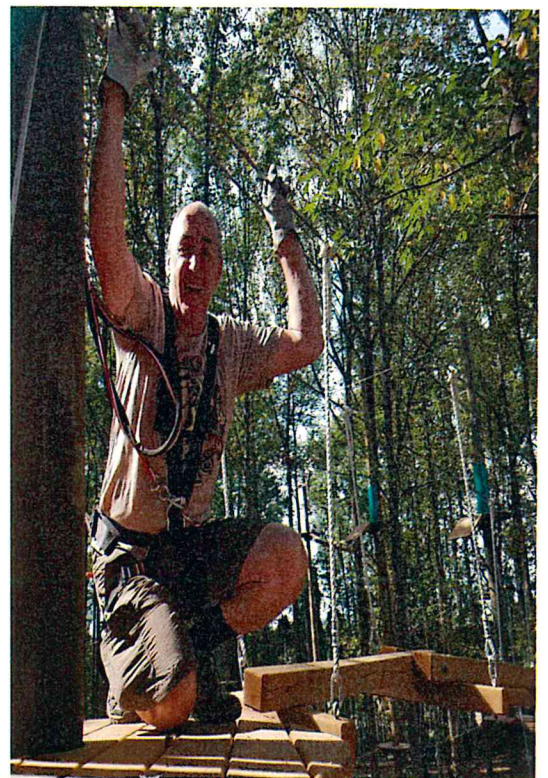
1. They had a deep love of learning the word of God and how to apply that in their daily life.
2. They disciplined themselves to have an ear for prophecy -- the Holy Spirit speaking in the here and now through worship, fasting and prayer. They made it their custom.
3. A habit of right practices -- not failing to meet together, study together, discern together, minister together and to pray and fast together.
4. They practiced extreme generosity; they were eager to invest their resources in God's work.
5. They had multicultural leadership. They were economically and ethnically diverse.
6. They were a source of grace in their place in the world.

Put all the above virtues together -- a thirst for learning, extreme generosity, an ear for prophecy, and the practices of worship, fasting, and prayer -- and you have the makings of a remarkable community in which the Holy Spirit can speak a word that sets mission in motion. Yet, Antioch was not just a church with a mission. Antioch was also a source of favor, of goodness, of grace. Their generosity was not obligatory. The laying on of hands was not a formality. Prayer was not a gesture carried out with a minimum of effort or reflection. Worship was not mere ceremony. Fasting was not compulsory. This church was a conduit of the grace of God, a spring of hospitality, a refuge in a world of chaos and a place that people would naturally return to and stay for some time.

We have many of these disciplines present here at New Market UMC, but I think we are in the season to commit to upping our game. This fall and into the coming new year we are creating opportunities to engage our faith in deeper ways and conversations. It is time to take our discipleship to another level. So, let's circle up, roll up our prayer sleeves and get to work.

How would you finish the sentence, I dream of a church.....

Pastor Scott





Prayer and Community Circles

CIRCLE UP! Together We Will Find God's Way For Us

Because every one of us matters to God and each of us are a valuable part of New Market's present and future ministries, we invite every worshiper to prayerfully consider participating in a Prayer and Vision Circle. The purposes of the circles are:

1. To encircle every worshiper with a community that will provide support and prayer.
2. To provide every worshiper with an opportunity to grow in faith.
3. To invite every worshiper to help shape New Market's future by sharing in a prayer and discernment journey.

Each prayer and vision circle will meet once a month for 90 minutes and will be led by a pair of "Shepherds". These persons are committed to sharing the devotion, leading discussion, and gathering the wisdom of their circle and sharing that discernment with the Discernment team.

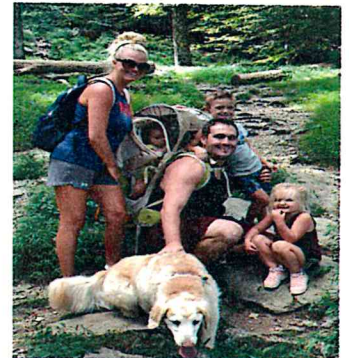
We hope you will be a part of the circle that feels right for you and your family. You can select your circle based on which is closest to your home, which is the right day and time, and which group seems to "fit". The circles will take shape over the next few weeks.

Watch your bulletin and e-announcements for more information.



Hope 4 Kids: New Coordinator

I would like to personally introduce myself! My name is Christy Renken. I am very excited to be working with you all through H4K and have heard wonderful things about the relationships that exist, and the impact made on students through Hope 4 Kids. I usually attend NMUMC 9:30 a.m. service, so I have not had the chance to meet many of you but look forward to meeting and working with each of you. Again, thank you for everything you all do to ensure the process runs smoothly and I can't wait to meet each of you soon. Meanwhile, please don't hesitate to reach me by my personal email, christyerin24@gmail.com or the H4K email hope4kids.foodpacks@gmail.com or by phone 540-742-4024.



Hope 4 Kids will be packing food packs for students at 4 local schools on Tuesday 10/15 at 6:00 p.m., in the New Market Schoolhouse building. This is a great time of service and fellowship for all ages. Contact Hope4Kids.foodpacks@gmail.com with questions.

Packing is family friendly! Children, youth, and adults are welcome!!

Thank you from the Coleman family

The Coleman family would like to thank everyone for the prayers, get well wishes, cards and meals. Sharon is happy to be getting back to work this week and to continue healing. It's been tough not being able to walk but all the words of encouragement and kindness really helped brighten her days.



Planting
Faith
Growing
Faith

New Market UMC CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Sunday School Is off to an Amazing Start!

Our fall kick-off was more than the teachers could have dreamed off. Thirty kids!! Our classes have been busy learning the 10 Commandments, about God's amazing creation, and much more. If you haven't checked out the Sunday school yet, we invite anyone ages preschool – high school to stop in this Sunday! ***We have room for you!!***

Nursery News!

Ms. Erica loves welcoming your little ones each week, but we do like to give her a few Sunday's off. If you are able to give an extra Sunday helping in the nursery contact the church office.

December 8th & Christmas Eve Service

Children's Sabbath! November 10

Each year the children and youth of New Market get to take over the service from Pastor Scott.

We have lots of excitement planned for this year.

Music, small skits, readings, and don't worry we will let you help us Pastor Scott.

**Parents we ask that if at all possible, this week the kids stay for both the 9:30 a.m. service and the 11 a.m. so the whole congregation can enjoy Children's Sabbath.

Christmas Pageant! December 20

Last year the hosts of "Good Morning New Market" interviewed the animals of the manger this year we are going to take you back to that manger and explore the miracle that happened there.

**Parents we ask that if at all possible, this week the kids stay for both the 9:30 a.m. service and the 11 a.m. so the whole congregation can enjoy our Christmas Pageant.



Christmas in New Market Parade!! December 7 ~ 10 a.m.

Mark your calendars! It is time to start planning our float for the Christmas in New Market Parade. The kids are already planning how to decorate the float!!

If you have any questions about Children's Ministry at New Market UMC contact Donna at declawson16@gmail.com or 301-418-0863



Circle of Friends

Ladies Groups at New Market

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



The Circle of Friends, the UMW daytime group, meets the second Tuesday of each month from 1-3 p.m. in the Schoolhouse. The next meeting is November 12th. If you would like more information on this group, contact Marilyn Fritz at 240-405-4614.

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. The next meetings are October 14th and November 11th. Please come and join us. This year, in addition to a devotion time, we will have speakers and do more service projects!

World Thank Offering - All women of the congregation are invited! November 9th

This year will be a very special gathering as we not only celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the United Methodist Women's Organization, but the special women of our own congregation.

Meal with the Pastors - Good meals, good people, and good prayers to start or re-start your day! This fall, the pastors invite you to join them around the table for a time of fellowship, prayer, question asking, and story sharing! We will alternate between breakfast and lunch to fit the different schedules of our people. All ages are welcome. The next meals are lunch at J&P on October 15th at 11:30 a.m. and breakfast with Pastor Scott at the Derby Restaurant on November 12th at 8 a.m.

Cookies for Board of Childcare - Joan Price will be collecting store bought or homemade cookies until October 20th. The cookies will be delivered to the hungry children who reside in the BOCC home. There is a collection box in the rear of the sanctuary. Thank you for your consideration.



WHERE: New Market United Methodist Church

5501 Old New Market Road, New Market

WHEN: Saturday, October 26

TIME: 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Since Trunk or Treat has become more successful with each year, anyone planning to decorate their car is asked to email Patty Robinson at pattyrob16@msn.com by October 24th. Please arrive to set up between 5-5:30 p.m. To ensure the safety of our children, we are confining the Trunk or Treat area to one side of the parking lot; you will be directed where to park. We encourage all participants to make their themes interactive; you will get bonus points if your theme is biblical. This is a major outreach event of the year for the church and your participation is vital for its success.

Church and Pastor Goals for 2020

Your SPRC (Staff Parish Relations Committee) and your church council have set the church goals for 2020

1) Eliminate the Parsonage mortgage debt by the end of 2020

We would like to thank everyone for your generosity in reducing the parsonage debt during the last few years. When we started this campaign in November of 2017 the mortgage debt was \$158,872.00. By January 1, 2018 the amount had been reduced to \$141,692.00; that number was further reduced to \$92,765.00 by the following January of 2019. At the current time the debt is \$81,117. The Church Council, SPRC, and Finance Team believe with a concentrated effort we can eliminate the debt in the coming year. A Capital Campaign will be launched in November to challenge everyone in the congregation to give generously to meet our Regular Church Budget Goals and to give generously toward eliminating the Parsonage/School House Debt. This debt is the only outstanding debt The Church Council is also considering a large fundraiser by operating a food booth at the upcoming NMVFD carnival in the summer.

2) Increase NMUMC's presence in the community

We have a great reputation in the community with our involvement with Hope 4 Kids, Trunk or Treat, Christmas in New Market, and HOPE Preschool. We will continue these efforts and look for other innovative ways to be engaged in the community in 2020.

3) Increase church attendance by 50%

Intentional invitation is the key to opening the doors of NMUMC to the larger community. This can be done in many ways, but the most effective is for each and every one of us to invite our friends, our neighbors and, yes, even our enemies (that's Biblical). A sermon series on how to do this with graciousness and boldness is planned in the new year.

Pastor Goals (Set by Pastor Scott)

- 1) Encourage the congregation to eliminate the parsonage mortgage debt by the end of 2020 and to meet the church annual budget needs.
- 2) To increase servant leadership from 12 leaders to 24.
- 3) Deepen my own theological understanding of the crucifixion and purpose of Jesus in tandem with a trip to the Holy Land in 2020.
- 4) Attend a ministry hatchery project in November to fully formulate my God dream of a ministry centered around a coffee truck.

Ongoing Conversations

Your leaders are always praying and discerning new ways that NMUMC can be more effective and viable for the Kingdom of God. As well as discussing new ways to be engaged in the community, they also look at the current challenges that the church is facing. One of those challenge is of a physical nature. NMUMC owns 3 properties and 4 buildings on the campus -- the sanctuary, the Education Building (where Sunday School and Pre School are held), the historic yellow schoolhouse at the end of North Alley, and the parsonage behind the schoolhouse. The cost of maintaining all these buildings properly is very expensive. The Trustees recently did an inventory of the urgent maintenance needs of all the properties. The price tag is around \$100,000. This figure does not include any minor or major renovations to the parsonage. The trustees and council are looking at all angles to see what is best for the ministry and finances of the church. This includes some out of the box thinking. They have discussed selling the parsonage and schoolhouse and investigating if a new fellowship hall could be built behind the sanctuary or if we would be interested in purchasing Mr. Fossett's house (the small yellow house next to the graveyard) when it becomes available. Or, can the parsonage be sub-divided from the schoolhouse and be sold separately? Please do not become alarmed. These are only conversations the leadership is praying on and discerning. No movement can or will be made without the majority consent of professing members. We invite you to also pray about these matters. In addition to maintenance, some of the liabilities of the schoolhouse is that there is no legal parking there and it is quite a walk for some of our older members. There are many groups that also meet at the schoolhouse, as well as where we hold fellowship activities. If you have a God dream to share, please let us know so that we can determine if it might fit into the parsonage or you may have been given a dream of a new meeting space. Pray for the dreams.

The other challenge are the changes facing our denomination. Pastor Scott is anxious to sit down in your living room if you have questions, concerns, fears, or lack of peace about these matters. Please email or call Pastor Scott if you would like a one-on-one meeting.



Christmas in New Market

NMUMC will continue to play a major part in Christmas in New Market this year.

Dec. 6 from 5-8 p.m. - Joint Live Nativity with Simpson Chapel in their church lawn to coincide with the New Market Christmas Tree Lighting

Dec. 7 at 10 a.m. - Christmas Parade with a New Market Sunday School decorated float

11 a.m.-1:00 p.m. - Mrs. Clause's workshop in the Schoolhouse

Dec. 14 at 4 p.m. - NMUMC Sanctuary - The Christmas Story in Word and Song
Featuring the La Camerata Nuove singers and Francisco deAraujo
(The choir that sang on Good Friday)

To guarantee a seat please email hometownchurch@comcast.net or call the church office (301-865-3530). We are wishing to offer this as an outreach to the community. It is important to know how many congregants and friends will be attending the 4 p.m. service. We have an option of adding another service at 6 p.m. if there is enough interest from the churches and the community.



This year we will again hold Christmas Eve services at 6 and 8 p.m.

For both services to be a success we need the following positions to be filled. Contact the church office if you are able to help at one or both services.

6 & 8 p.m. - Lead Nursery Care (Erica is unavailable)

6 & 8 p.m. - Nursery Helper

6 & 8 p.m. - Greeter

6 & 8 p.m. - Ushers

6 & 8 p.m. - Parking Lot Greeter

8 p.m. - Two Counters

We are also looking for Lead Nursery Care for the 9:30 and 11:00 services on December 8th





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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Calendar Key: MC = Mt. Carmel SH = Schoolhouse S = Sanctuary Ed. B = Ed. Bldg. Ed. BK = Ed. Bldg. kitchen L = Library ND = Newsletter Deadline		6 – 7:30 p.m. Girl Scouts (SH) Trustees 7 p.m. (Ed.BK)	5:30 – 6:50 p.m. Daisies (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)		Library 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
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	10:45 a.m. – 1 p.m. Kinderdance (SH) 6 p.m. Cub Scouts (SH)	1 – 3 p.m. UMW (SH) 3:40 – 5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts (SH) 6:30 p.m. Finance Meeting	<i>No School</i> 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)		Harvest Days Library 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
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October Birthdays			
Brenda Cottrell	10/02	Mike Gaver	10/24
Donna Clawson	10/03	Jake Shuey	10/27
Loretta Ferguson	10/13	Mary Lee Mathews	10/29
Lisa Gaver	10/15	Alex Beard	10/31
Zach Grenier	10/16	Ann Winters	10/31

Happy Anniversary!	
Al & Peachie Phelps	10/13
Don & Linda Kornreich	10/14
Anthony & Charlene Bishop	10/21



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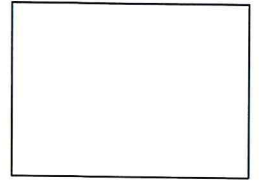
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All Saints Sunday 2:30 – 5 p.m. Daisies (SH) 4 p.m. Triumph of Light (MC)	10:45 a.m. – 1 p.m. Kinderdance (SH) 6 p.m. Cub Scouts (SH)	Election Day 6 – 7:30 p.m. Girl Scouts (SH) 7 p.m. Trustee Meeting	1:30 p.m. Staff Meeting (MC) 5:30 – 6:50 p.m. Daisies (SH) 6:30 p.m. AMPED (MC) 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)	No School	World Thank Offering (SH)	
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Children's Sabbath ND – Advent & Christmas	Veteran's Day 10:45 a.m. – 1 p.m. Kinderdance (SH) 6 p.m. Cub Scouts (SH) 7 p.m. LIFT (Ed. BK)	1 – 3 p.m. UMW (SH) 3:40 – 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	Pastor at Ministry Hatchery		
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November Birthdays

Jason Dowling	11/	Joan Russell	11/12
Thomas Grenier	11/02	Mary Lou Bernota	11/20
Ron Hunter	11/03	Doris Nilson	11/26
Kasey Barboza	11/04	Melinda McCollum	11/28
Nell Gannoway	11/13		

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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.

Rock 2020

ROCK is the God-encountering, life-changing, high-energy retreat focusing on revival for youth and adults. Join over 5,000 people to worship, have fun, and begin (or deepen) your relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

This coming year Pastor Scott would like to encourage our youth from Middle School to High School to go with him and the Parish Youth Group to ROCK 2020 held in Ocean City, MD on **Feb. 7, 8, and 9th**. More details will follow as the event gets closer, but he wanted to give everyone enough time to pray and schedule your child for this life changing retreat.

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