



A newsletter for the family and friends of

# New Market United Methodist Church

## “A Long Obedience In The Same Direction”



I had often heard of this quote long before I knew who it was attributed to. I always assumed it was the author of the Message, Eugene Peterson. He has penned a book with this same title. The quote struck me so deeply that I convinced Patty Robinson, our then lay leader, now pastor, to paint these words above the pictures in the history center. I was shocked to learn that this quote is attributed to Friedrich Nietzsche in his composition “Beyond Good and Evil.”

***The essential thing “in heaven and earth” is...that there should be long obedience in the same direction; there thereby results, and has always resulted in the long run, something which has made life worth living.***

Up until this point the only quote that I knew of that was attached to Nietzsche is “God is Dead” which is often greatly misunderstood as a statement that Nietzsche was an Atheist. He actually was a proponent to Christian Moralism (meaningful life) as the only thing to combat nihilism, (meaningless life).



Wherever Nietzsche stands for I am not entirely sure, where I stand, I am assured of. God is not dead and we as Christians live into the life that God has granted us. Eugene Peterson asks the question in the book of the same name, are you a tourist or a disciple/pilgrim? If you are tourist minded, religion is understood as a visit to an attractive site, to be made when you have adequate leisure.



A disciple says that we are a people who spend our lives apprenticed to our master, Jesus Christ. We are in a growing-learning relationship, always, not in the academics of a schoolroom, but rather as a worksite of the craftsman. Pilgrim tells us we are a people who spend our lives going someplace and whose path for getting there is the way, Jesus Christ. We are on a journey; this journey did not start with us, nor does it end with us. For over 200 years NMUMC has had both tourists and disciple/pilgrims walk through those doors. Which do you want to be known as? Come, join

the journey, I assure you it has a great ending. *Pastor Scott*

# September Gatherings and Meetings



## **United Methodist Women ~ *Circle of Friends***

September 14<sup>th</sup>- 1:00 pm- Historic Schoolhouse (the yellow building) All ladies are welcome

The women of NMUMC invite you to attend their fellowship and future planning meeting. Contact Marilyn Fritz for more information~ 240-405-4614

## **United Methodist Women ~ *Ladies In Faith Together***

LIFT will meet in October. This group meets at 7pm. Keep an eye on the Thursday announcements and Sunday bulletin for date and details of what we will be doing!!



## **Do You Have A Meeting This Month?**

September 14<sup>th</sup> 7 pm -SPRC- Ed Building Kitchen

September 21<sup>st</sup> 7 pm- Council- Schoolhouse

September 27<sup>th</sup> 7 pm – Finance Zoom

September 28<sup>th</sup> 7 pm- Fairview Trustees – Schoolhouse



## **Clothing for Campers**

There will be a trailer parked in the Ed Building parking lot from September 14<sup>th</sup> to October 14<sup>th</sup> to collect your unwanted clothing, hats, purses, shoes, belts, curtains, tablecloths, etc. Items can be in any condition.

Tax donation forms will be available in the trailer.

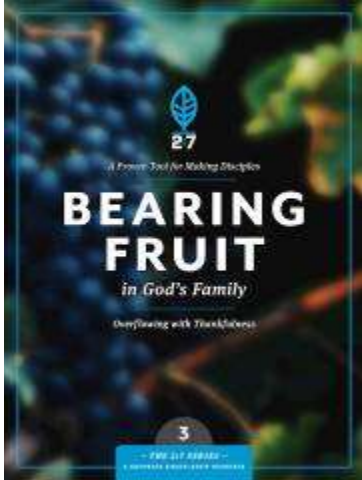


Category	August 1	August 8	Aug. 15	Aug. 22	Aug.29	Totals
<b>Deposit Total</b>	10,392.73	3,231.00	5,159.50	2,655.00	4,050.00	25,488.23
Regular Offering	6,552.73	2,806.00	3,059.50	1,730.00	3,171.00	17,319.23
Building Fund	250.00					250.00
Building Rental		200.00				200.00
Comm. Care (Food Pantry)	125.00	100.00				225.00
Debt Reduction	150.00					150.00
Hope 4 Kids	65.00					65.00
Memorial Fund				500.00	750.00	1,250.00
Organ Fund	150.00					150.00
Parsonage Rent			2,100.00			2,100.00
Pastor's Discret. Fund	400.00	100.00			50.00	550.00
Wal-Mart gift cards				25.00	70.00	95.00
Reimb.: Working Preacher Donation				400.00		400.00
Pre-School Rent	2,700.00					2,700.00
Religious Coalition		25.00				25.00
Upper Room					9.00	9.00
<b>Online Giving Totals</b>						1,380.27
Regular Offering						1,350.50
Online Fees						29.77



## **In-person Bible Study Groups**

### **Discipleship/Pilgrimage**

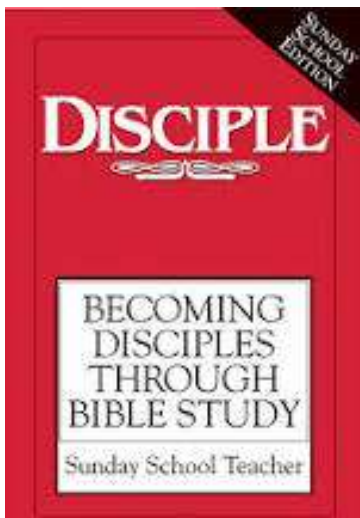


#### **Sunday Morning**

**9:30 am in the schoolhouse**

*Navigators- Bearing Fruit*

Contact Susan Stevens for more information 240-277-2581



***Want to know more about the Bible?***

**Saturday's from 9 am – 11:30 am**

**Introductory Class: September 18**

A Disciple I class is about to begin. Participants are encouraged to spend half an hour a day reading the most important chapters in the Old and New Testaments, and then discuss what they've read during 34.

Getting a study guide for taking notes as you read and discuss is strongly recommended. Provided DVDs will add to the discussion.

We will meet at the church parking lot and carpool to the home of Joan Price. So far, we have seven participating, including most of our Sunday school teachers, but others are welcome. In past classes, we have had couples, Mt. Carmel members, and non-Methodists.

No prerequisites. In the past 30 years, more than two million Christians have taken the Disciple course, considered among the best ways to learn more about your faith. Order your study guide directly from Cokesbury, at \$39.99. (Those who have taken the course before can use the old guide.) For more information, call Nick Wood, 240-405-8860.

# On-line Study Groups

## Discipleship/Pilgrimage

### Book of Acts Study

**Wednesday at 7**

**Beginning September 22**

Read it and get ready to go on a wild ride with the Holy Spirit, the Disciples, Peter, Paul, and company as they build The Faith from a movement called “The Way”... to full blown Christianity!

This is a Zoom class and will be led by Pastor Jay. The Zoom link will be the Wednesday and Thursday emails.

The same link will work for all classes.



### Grace and Judgement~ Pastor Jay

**Thursday at noon**

**Beginning September 23**

Is there a paradox, or a tension between Grace and Judgment? What “is” the unpardonable sin? Once you’re “saved” can you lose your salvation? Heaven and Hell??

This is a Zoom class and will be led by Pastor Jay. The Zoom link will be the Wednesday and Thursday emails.

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### Long Obedience In the Same Direction~ Praying the Psalm of Ascents

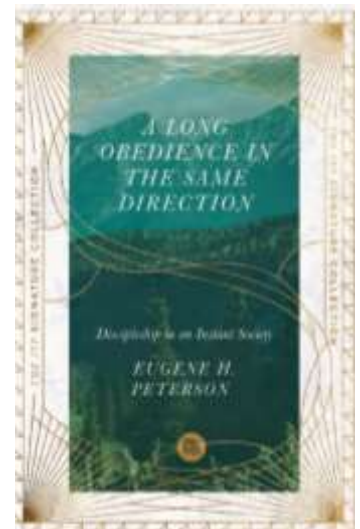
**Beginning September 23 at 7 pm**

This study will enable you to begin praying the Psalms. Resources will be conveyed Thursday email.

Zoom links will be included in the Wednesday Prayer and Thursday Announcements

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# New Market UMC Sunday School

Sunday School  
Classes Start  
September 19!

**September 19  
9:30 am.**

Nursery and Children grade K-5 will meet in the Education Building. Ms. Erica, Ms. Marilyn, Ms. Toni, and Ms. Donna are so excited to share stories, games, and crafts, and missions.

**NEW THIS YEAR:** Middle School and High School will meet in the kitchen of the schoolhouse. Ms. Kate is very excited to welcome them and set up this new space as their own "Youth Room and Patio"

**Covid Protocols:**

The teachers are all vaccinated but to help protect the children they will all be wearing face masks and the kids are encouraged to wear them too. Your children are so special we want to do all we can to keep them healthy! We are even ordering special Sunday school masks!!

Special 200  
Anniversary  
Activities for Kids  
September 12

**Special Project for kids  
during the 200  
Anniversary Worship  
Service on  
September 12!**

While the parents are attending the special 11 am Anniversary Service all kids are invited to join the youth and Sunday school teachers to do a special mission project and assemble a Time Capsule.

Kids can bring small items that remind them of the church, Sunday school, VBS or any activity we have done here at New Market UMC that they loved and would like to share in the time capsule.

Mark Your  
Calendar

**September 19: 930am  
Sunday School  
Begins!**

**October 24:  
9:30 am and 11 am  
Children's Sabbath**

This is a special service the kids love. They get to take over the services from Pastor Scott. Children will be readers, musicians, and giving the sermon!

**Saturday, December 4:  
3 pm**

Our Sunday School will have a float in the New Market Christmas Parade!!



If you have any questions about Children's Ministry or would like to volunteer to be a class helper on Sunday mornings, please contact Donna at [declawson16@gmail.com](mailto:declawson16@gmail.com) or 301-418-0863.

# HALLOWEEN PARADE



## Costume Parade

**Saturday, October 23, 2021 ~ 5 p.m.**

Parade begins at New Market United Methodist Church Parking Lot and will proceed from Prospect Street to Main Street west to the New Market Elementary School, supervised crossing of 144 to East Main Street.

The parade will culminate back at New Market UMC for hot dogs and treats.

Residents are encouraged to park along Main Street and set up your trunk or treat stations on the sidewalk. If you live along Main Street, you can set up candy stations on your front porches.

For more information contact New Market UMC 301-865-3530  
or visit our website [newmarketumc.com](http://newmarketumc.com)



## **New Market UMC Is Celebrating Over 200 Years In Ministry!**

***Come and join in the fun every Sunday!***

9:30 Parking lot service/ Sunday School

11:00 In-person service/ Nursery Provided

## **Mark Your Calendar!**

**December 21:** 7 pm Longest Night Service for those who are grieving.

**December 24:** Christmas Eve Services

1:00 pm Children's Service

6 pm and 8 pm Candlelight Service

# AMPED

A Ministry Preparing Extreme Disciples



Youth Ministry at Mt. Carmel & New Market UMC: Fall 2021

## Fall 2021 Save-the-Dates

Note: Youth Group will be every Sunday evening from 5-6:30pm except Sabbath Sundays (9/5, 10/17, 10/31, 11/28, 12/26)

Sun. Aug 29th: Sunday school and Youth Group Kick-off!

Sun. Sept 15th: NM Homecoming Lunch

Fri. Oct 15-16th: Fall Retreat at Manidokan

Sat. Oct 23rd Trunk-or-Treat at NM

Sat. Dec. 4th Live Nativity & Tree Lighting at NM

ROCK/WAVE: Jan 7-9, 2022 in Ocean City



Great Room Altar (by Jodi) from our Back-to-School Blessing on 8/15

## GOOD CHANGES ARE COMING!

Starting at our Fall kick-off, our parish-wide youth group will be gathering on SUNDAY evenings from 5-6:30PM at Mt. Carmel instead of Wednesdays (with a snack provided). The hope with the day and timing is to allow our youth to be home in time for dinner and to prepare for school the next day.

Once a month, we will take a Sabbath from youth group to allow for rest and more time at home on Sunday. We are looking forward to an overnight retreat at Manidokan this October and working with our missions coordinator on filling and distributing bags to teenagers in need.

We covet your prayers as we navigate this 4th wave of COVID and discern the best way for us to stay in community while keeping everyone safe.

-Pastor Laura



A favorite picture from VBS at Mt. Carmel of our youth and young adults acting out John's gospel story when Jesus tells the crowd "those who are without sin, cast the first stone."

### How to Reach Pastor Laura:

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(714) 337-3520

### How to Reach Kate Hanson:

New Market Volunteer Youth Leader  
[kate@tkhanson.net](mailto:kate@tkhanson.net)  
Phone: 240.344.9762



# New Market UMC

*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.*

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Pastor Scott Clawson

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Worship With Us Each Sunday!

9:30 am Parking Lot Worship

11 am Sanctuary Worship

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