



Deep Roots

Visible Grace

*A newsletter for the family and friends of*

# New Market United Methodist Church



## Opening Up

*10 Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it. Malachi 3: 10*

There is a lot of talk these days of everything opening up, concerts, bars, restaurants, movie theaters, theater theaters, it feels good to be able to gather again. This Summer, I am encouraging our congregation to begin opening your heart, soul, and mind to the movement of the Holy Spirit. Our economy and social life have been under a lock down the past 2 years, but I believe our hearts, souls, and minds may suffer from the same malady and probably for a lot longer. When is the last time you recommitted your life to be a follower of Christ? When is the last time you had a spiritual "aha" moment? When was the last time you took a fresh look at your ideals, morals, ideology? We often approach all avenues of our life with the way we think things should be or the way we think things should go. The problem with this is that we are relying on our own information, the way we were raised, the way we were taught, the way we think, is exactly that, all about us. I would like us to set aside the rest of summer to ponder on what God thinks about the current situations surrounding our lives. What does God think about immigration? What does God think about racism, homelessness, human sexuality, welfare, health care, leaders of our country, leaders of other countries? What does God think about the church universal, our local church? Are we centering our attention and energy on what God desires or what we desire? These are all great questions to ponder and open ourselves to the guidance of the Holy Spirit on all these important matters and more. How do we start to open up? Study the word in tandem with prayers for the Holy Spirit to deliver us revelation, wisdom, and truth. I believe God is preparing New Market UMC for some spectacular things in the coming years, let us make sure our hearts are ready for the floodgates to open and to be poured upon by the Love of God.



Pastor Scott

# Fall Planning and Home Safe Team

On June 26<sup>th</sup>, fifteen leaders of New Market UMC met in person to discuss summer worship and fall ministries. As of July 1, the Governor of Maryland has eliminated all restrictions on in person gathering. With this in mind the leadership team, with the blessing of the Home Safe Team, have made the following decisions.

## 9:30 Worship Service:

- This service will remain in the parking lot for the summer until the weather is incompatible.
- We will not put up the cones in the parking lot to separate the cars one parking space.
- If there is a threat of rain the 9:30 service will move into the sanctuary instead of setting up in the parking lot. This will not be a communicated email, if you come to the parking lot service and it is not set up, attendees can choose to come inside the sanctuary or return home and join the service on zoom.
- Zoom will continue for those unable to attend in-person and for recording purposes.
- Communion will continue as bring your own or use the prepackaged and taken in your car Home Safe Team will evaluate this process in the fall.
- Sign-up will no longer be required.



## 11:00 Worship Service:

- Bibles and hymnals will be returned to the pews
- Bulletins will be available in tandem with keeping the power point system. A professional video system and installation will be pursued by the Trustees.
- Congregants will continue to be encouraged to sanitize coming in and going out.
- The choir will resume in the fall or at their discretion.
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## Other Activities and Events:

- The Schoolhouse will welcome back those groups who are comfortable meeting there.
- Schoolhouse rental usage will be for members only for the time being.
- VBS will continue to be held in the rear sanctuary yard and socially distanced.
- There were many discussions on Sunday School, Nursery, Trunk or treat, a 200-anniversary celebration that will be discussed in an online meeting late in August. This will enable us to view current numbers and make appropriate decisions regarding these ministries.



NMUMC By the Numbers for April are:

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Category	Amount	Category	Amount
<b>Deposit Totals</b>	<b>\$33,261.23</b>	<b>Deposit Totals</b>	<b>\$28,085.41</b>
Regular Offering	16,540.23	Regular Offering	22,281.00
Ash Wednesday Offering		Mother's Day Offering	100.00
Building Fund	8,100.00	Building Fund	
Christ's Carpenters		Banner reimb. - Fairview	47.43
Comm. Care (Food Pantry)	400.00	Community Care	
Cup of JOE Ministry		Cup of JOE Ministry	
Debt Reduction	150.00	Debt Reduction	350.00
Easter Flowers	26.00	Easter Flowers	16.00
Easter Offering	705.00	Easter Offering	
Hope 4 Kids	65.00	Hope 4 Kids	25.00
Memorial Fund	5,000.00	Memorial Fund	200.00
Organ Fund	150.00	Organ Fund	
Parsonage Rent	2,100.00	Parsonage Rent	2,100.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	20.00	Pastor's Discretionary Fund	150.00
Preschool Rent		Preschool Rent	2,700.00
		Study Guide	10.50
Upper Room	5.00	Upper Room	6.00
		Worship Supplies	99.48
<b>Online Giving Totals</b>	<b>\$1,953.81</b>	<b>Online Giving Totals</b>	<b>\$1,194.83</b>
Regular Giving	1,920.05	Regular Giving	1,172.90
Online Fees	33.76	Online Fees	21.93

### Sharing the Good News:

- Countdown to Replenishing Funds Used to Pay Off Loan on Parsonage/Schoolhouse – Through June 6, a total of \$29,005 has accumulated from parsonage rent, as well as donations to debt reduction and the Easter offering. \$5714.34 to go!
- The transition to the bookkeeping service is now complete and up-to-date with reports through May 31<sup>st</sup> being received.
- Mother's Day Offering went into the General Fund (regular offering).

### Opportunity to Help:

It's not too late to make a donation to Brenda and Kasey while Brenda is off work receiving cancer treatment. Checks should be made payable to New Market UMC.

### Giving Thanks:

Our financial stability at this point is not just due to the PPP loan -- which was a welcome addition to our treasury during 2020, but to those individuals/families who are committed in their giving. We are so thankful to all of you for your faithful giving to NMUMC.



# Children of God, Shall We Gather at the River?

*23 Before the coming of this faith, we were held in custody under the law, locked up until the faith that was to come would be revealed. 24 So the law was our guardian until Christ came that we might be justified by faith. 25 Now that this faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian. 26 So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, 27 for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. 28 There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. Galatians 3: 23-28*



Laurel Sutherin



Ben Hanson



Derek Rudge



Lily Hanson



Luc Lugez



Kasey Barboza



Lily Sutherin



Harry Wilhelm



# AMPED

A Ministry Preparing Extreme Disciples



## Youth Ministry at Mt. Carmel UMC: Summer 2021

### July & August Youth Calendar

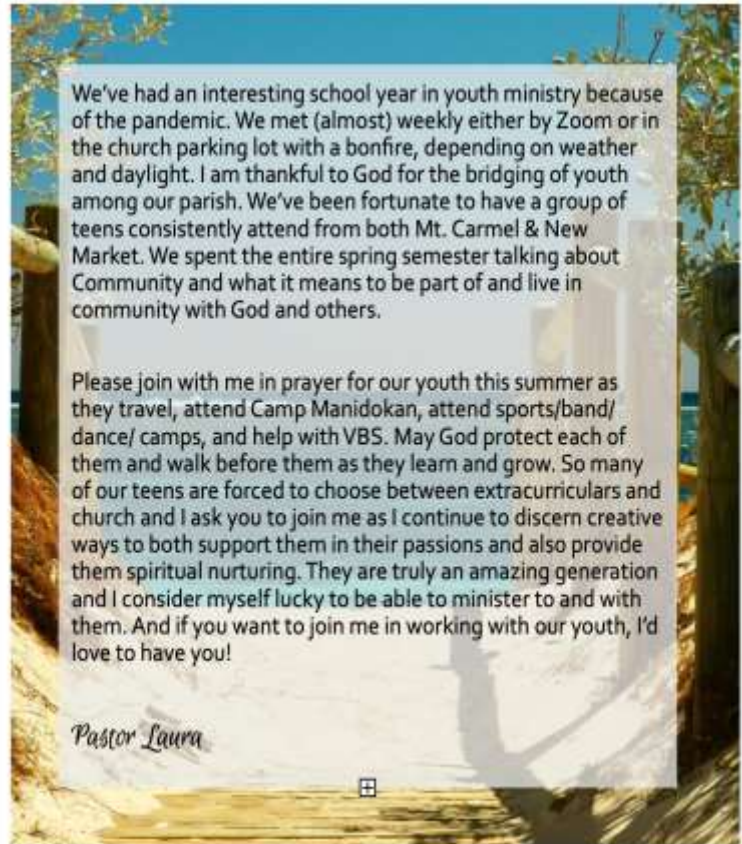
**Sunday July 11-Friday July 16th:**  
Explorer Camp at Manidokan!

**Monday July 26- Friday July 30th:**  
VBS at Mt. Carmel, need youth volunteers (you don't have to commit to the entire week to volunteer and you can get volunteer hours for school through this ministry).

**Sunday, August 15th 7-8:30pm:**  
Attend Summer Concert series Baker Park (we may change this depending on outdoor movie schedule)

**Sunday, August 22nd 10am-1pm:**  
Worship and Potluck at Pinecliff Park to celebrate Pastor Jenny and officially welcome Pastor Jay

**Sunday, Aug 29th:** Sunday School Kick-Off followed later in the week by our first Youth Group of the year!



Our end-of-school/start-of-summer bonfire!

#### How to Reach Pastor Laura:

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#### How to Reach Kate Hanson:

(New Market Volunteer Youth Leader)

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# Congratulations to Troop 628's Newest Eagle Scouts

## 24/7 Food Pantry

The Community Food Pantry was constructed by Nick Clague of Scout Troop 628, New Market, MD. Pastor Clawson came up with the idea for the pantry and Nick, with assistance from his troop, did fundraising, design and construction of the project. The mini-food pantry, which was installed in May, was Nick's Eagle Scout project and serves as a 24/7 food pantry for the New Market community. Those in need may take what they need. Further food assistance is available by calling the church at 301-865-3530. Donations to stock the pantry can be made at [newmarketumc.com/giving/online](http://newmarketumc.com/giving/online).



## Picnic Tables



Kyle Bacon of Scout Troop 628, New Market, MD. blessed New Market UMC with the construction of 4 picnic tables for the use of the church, preschool, and the community. The tables were an idea from Pastor Scott in hopes that one day they would be placed under a beautiful pavilion.



# Long Obedience in the Same Direction

**Save the Date: September 12<sup>th</sup> ~ 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration**



On September 12<sup>th</sup> NMUMC will hold an anniversary worship service at the 11:00 am worship time. We are inviting past members, their families, and former pastors to join us in the celebration. We also will celebrate with a catered luncheon immediately following the worship service. In order to provide enough room for the entire congregation a large dining tent will be erected in the church office parking lot. We are looking for a volunteer to peruse our old picture books and create a PowerPoint slide show of all the saints that have graced the halls of New Market. We are also looking for volunteers to help plan and execute this event. Contact Pastor Scott if you are interested. **We will also plan on holding two church clean-up days to prepare for the celebration. Mark your calendars: August 21 and September 4 (8am to 1 pm).**





# TO MARS AND BEYOND!

Vacation Bible School  
August 2-6 ~ 6:30-8 pm

We are extremely excited to be taking our kids to "Mars and Beyond" VBS adventure this summer. August 2<sup>nd</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 pm. (This is an outdoor event) There are still plenty of spaces left to sign up. You sign up as a family and list the number of children and adults. Each "family" will have its own blanket. **Different Families may join to share supervisory roles if they are comfortable with that.** Each blanket must have an adult present the entire time. You can sign up on the front page of our website- [newmarketumc.com](http://newmarketumc.com)



HOPE Community Preschool had a wonderful faith-filled year full of learning, playing and making friendships. We look forward to opening for the 12th year on September 1, 2021. Three additional classes have been added to the schedule as well. Please email the Director, Kathy Petrill at [kathy.petrill@hopemtcarmel.org](mailto:kathy.petrill@hopemtcarmel.org) with any questions. Office hours are limited over the summer, so email is the most effective way to communicate with her. Have a wonderful, happy summer with your family! Kathy Petrill, Hope Community Preschool Director

## Opportunity to Care

Brenda Lawson, one of our congregants was diagnosed with Stage 1 Breast Cancer. She has had surgery and is undergoing radiation which will cause her to have to take time off work. Currently, Brenda only earns her salary if she is working, and our help could ease some of the stress associated with that lack of income. Brenda is preparing for a couple of months of lost wages while she can't work, as well as medical expenses (what is not covered by her insurance). If you would like to support Brenda monetarily you can place your check in the collection plate made out to New Market UMC, Brenda in the memo and we will disperse the funds toward her monthly bills.



## New Member Class

We would like to hold a one day, 3-hour, new membership class in late summer or early fall. If you have been attending NMUMC for many years and never have thought about this commitment we ask that you give it some prayer. We would like to encourage everyone who desires for their voice to be heard in all important matters of the church. This class is also for those who wish to change their membership from a previous church to NMUMC.

# New Mission Opportunities

*One of the lasting legacies of NMUMC is service and involvement in our surrounding communities.*

Greetings to all and God Bless. As things start to open up and we are able to gather more in person, we also have the opportunity to re-engage in support of our local community to help “spread the Gospel” by our good deeds and the sharing of our gifts/talents/blessings. Below I’ve included a list of ways we can start “loving our neighbors” through the local Religious Coalition and I’m standing by to help answer any questions you may have.

John Forino, Parish Mission Team Lead  
(801) 678-6185 cell, [jforino1@gmail.com](mailto:jforino1@gmail.com)

\* The items for 1) and 2) above can be purchased and delivered to the Religious Coalition downtown at the following address: Religious Coalition, 200 W All Saints Street, Frederick, MD 21701

## **1) Pack up a “Welcome Home Starter Kit”**

(Place all items in the kitchen garbage can) *This could be a great idea for your older kids that might be preparing for college in a year or so. Might give them an idea of the kinds of things they will need:* Kitchen Garbage Can, Laundry detergent, Broom, Mop, Garbage Bags, Plunger, Dustpan, Dish Soap, Sponges, Paper Towels, Wash Cloths, Bath Towels, Cleaning Supplies, Shower Curtain/hooks, Toilet Paper.

## **2) Supply Consumables for Shelter Resource Center (All or Part of List)**

*These supplies are kept in the storeroom at the religious coalition for guests to use as they need. The adult and family shelters rely on donated goods to keep these kinds of thing in stock for their guests to use.* Toilet paper, Paper towel rolls, Diapers (sizes 1,2,3,4,5), Bath soap (Bar or Gel is fine), Lysol spray, Soft Scrub, Diaper Genie Ring (refills), Pine-sol, Kitchen tall trash bags (13 gal) Large 30-gallon trash bags, Toilet bowl cleaning wand, Clorox liquid bleach & Laundry detergent, Clorox disinfecting wipes, Febreze Spray

## **3) Sponsor someone with a scholarship for the “Getting Ahead” Program: (\$500)**

This scholarship will completely cover the cost to send a member of the adult shelter or emergency family shelter to attend the new program the Religious coalition is running. The program is intended to help teach/prepare homeless individuals or families how to transition back to a stable food/shelter environment and work toward sustainable housing and employment. If you would like to sponsor a scholarship all or in part, your donation needs to be a check made out to “The Religious Coalition” and in the memo line it needs to include “Getting Ahead Program” Scholarship covers all books, materials, gift cards for food and a few taxi rides as required for the 16-week program.

## **4) Help Move someone into their new home: Only as required, no set schedule**

The Religious Coalition used to have a program where they needed volunteers when they had families moving out of the shelter and into housing, but they have since been able to purchase a small moving van. So, instead of requesting local folks to donate the use of their pickups, they are now looking for people who might be able-bodied to help with loading/unloading the van with things like couches and tables and associated items as folks move out of the shelter and into housing. If you want to volunteer to be on a list, please let me know and I’ll add you and then contact you ahead of time when I’m notified of a move that is taking place.

## **5) Help Hosting Emergency Family Shelter:**

Additionally, we are looking into the possibility of hosting the EFS (Emergency Family Shelter) at the church as we have done in past years. If this becomes a possibility, I’ll be looking for some volunteers to help with set-up, tear-down, and other associated opportunities during the week of the families’ stay at our church. Tentative timeframe is a week or possibly two weeks during the months of September through mid-December.

*There are a couple of other more personal ways families can donate their time/resources to support local families in need. If you would like more information on those or if you have questions about any of the programs listed above, please reach out to me via email or phone directly. Thank you very much for your time and your generous donations to support a wonderful cause right here in your local community. Again, if you have any questions, please reach out to me directly and I’ll get back to you as soon as possible.*



# 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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