

For the members, family and friends of Mt. Carmel United Methodist Church

Community Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service

Join us for an evening of giving thanks to the One from whom all blessings flow!



Community Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service

at New Market United Methodist Church

Wednesday, November 23, 2011 @ 7:30pm

A reception hosted by the New Market Circle of Friends will follow in the school house.

Children & Youth Christmas Pageant



"A Christmas Mouse"

Children 4yrs-7th grade are invited to participate.

Choir and Speaking parts are available.

The Pageant will be shared December 10th, 6:30pm and December 11th, 11:00am during worship.

Practice Schedule:

Sundays: Nov 6, 13, 20, 27, Dec 4

10:35am -10:55am: Full cast and choir in the conference room.

10:55am-11:20am: Speaking parts and solos (children return to worship, children's church, or go home after)

Saturday dress rehearsals: Dec 3rd & Dec 10 10am-12:00pm

Younger children will be dismissed early!

The following adult helpers are needed:

Song chirography, costumes, set, music help, sound tech.

Please contact Alex Brown at kakbrown@aol.com with the names and ages of participating children. Also let her know if your child would like a speaking or solo part

Mt. Carmel United Methodist Church reaches, transforms and equips people for lifelong discipleship through faithful service, missions, Biblical teaching and worship.

Mt. Carmel Mission Statement, Updated January 2005

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In a few days I will be packing bags again. This trip is not to visit family or contribute to our missions abroad, rather this trip is a Homecoming of unusual proportion. The plans began with a grandmothers dream. "The only thing in this life," she began "which I dreamed of doing and have not done, is walk in the Holy Land." How can a granddaughter say no to that? So, I'm off to follow Jesus' journey from the stable in Bethlehem, to the temple of

Jerusalem, from the shores of the lapping Sea of Galilee, through the River Jordan, and down the Via Delarosa to Calvary. I will walk with my grandmother, who has strengthened my faith for decades and my Aunt Judy, who regularly gives me inspiration to sharpen my skills in interfaith dialogue.

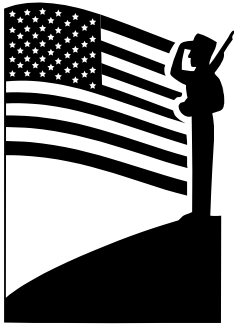
My hope for this journey is that I will fall deeper in love with the scriptures, by seeing the lands upon which they are set, and deeper in love with the Savior, by placing his life in the context of his hometown. I look forward to returning to you with fresh stories, a decade of sermon slides, and new insight.

One of the most significant stops along the way will be at the Western Wall. This wall is a remnant of the ancient wall that surrounded the Jewish Temple's Court. The wall has stood as a testimony to the wisdom of the builders and tenacity of their God, since the second temple period in 19 BCE. For centuries, pilgrims have been coming to the wall for prayer and placing written prayer in the cracks of the walls. On November 5th and 6th we encourage you to come to worship and you will be given an opportunity to write your prayer. I will carry your prayers to Israel and place them in the cracks of the walls. The morning message on that day will remind us that often it's the "cracks" in life that bring us closer to God.

Please keep me and the boys in prayer while I am away Nov 10-18.

Mt. Carmel congregation for pastoral care and concerns, please contact Pastor Jason

Pastor Jenny



**VETERANS
DAY
November 11**



Do We Have Your Email??

If you do not get our weekly prayer emails or general announcements by email or would like to receive the church newsletter by email, and would like to, please send an email to donna.clawson@hopemtcarmel.org



New Members Class



Are you interested in becoming a member of Mt. Carmel or New Market UMC? If so, we invite you to join us for the fall new members class.

This three session class will provide you with the opportunity to make friends with other new people, get to know our pastors, and learn about the beliefs and ministries of our church and denomination.

We will begin with both churches together, and then split into church specific groups. Classes will be held at both Mt. Carmel and New Market. November 6 (at New Market), November 13 (at New Market), November 20 (at Mt. Carmel). All sessions will be from 3-4:30pm. Childcare can be provided. To sign up contact your church office.

Our Shuttle is a vital service to our growing congregation!

Anyone who would be able to help our Shuttle service by being a substitute driver on weekends our regular drivers are out of town or sick, please contact Marques Samuda at msamuda3@yahoo.com



It's Shoebox time!!

Help our Children's Sunday school share the joy of Christmas with kids around the world.

Information sheets are in the Gathering Hall.

Final Collection date November 13th.



It is important when making your offering to write any Capital Campaign pledge or building fund checks to "Mt. Carmel Building Fund" and all others to "Mt. Carmel General Fund." This will help us make sure your donation goes to the right place.

Do you like to bake?

We are looking for someone who would like to bake our communion bread the first weekend of the month for all services. Contact Pastor Jenny, if you would like to help

Parish Youth Ministries Update



Every Wednesday the youth take over Mt. Carmel.

Join us and bring a friend!!

6:30pm – 8:30pm



Thank You

On behalf of the youth leaders and the youth **we would like to thank everyone for their generosity in supporting the youth fundraiser "Tailgate Party"**. We were blessed with great fall weather and charcoal grilled hamburgers and hot dogs. We raised \$1,088 dollars that will support the middle school "Alive" retreat in November, and provide some much needed youth ministry upgrades.

We currently have 30 middle and senior high youth attending the Wednesday night gatherings. The youth attending are from New Market and Mount Carmel churches, and many from our surrounding community. The youth are currently brushing up on bible basics and just plain having fun.

Thank you again for all your support! Your Youth Group Leaders:
Corey Schoo, corey.schoo@gmail.com,
Nicole Harden, nmharden@gmail.com
Pastor Scott, pastorscott62@gmail.com.

Youth Group Schedule:

November 16: Thanksgiving Party 6:30pm

Youth families are invited to share a meal and fellowship



November 18-20: Alive Middle School Retreat in Ocean City

(Registration closes 11/4)

November 23: *No Youth Group*

December 21: Christmas Party (during regular Youth Group Wednesday)

December 31: Soul Surfer New Years Eve Lock-in, starts with worship at 6:30, Soul Surfer movie at 8:00, New Years watching the ball drop in the great room party. Families are encouraged to attend the lock in. 8:00 am New Years Day breakfast 10:00am pick up.



Basketball NIGHT

Wed 8:30-9:30
17 and up
Mt. Carmel
Great Room

Our growing youth group could really use your support!

Snack Helper: We are looking for *someone to help in the rotation of feeding our hungry youth.*

General Helper: So that all the ministry stations can be available to our youth (basement pool table and youth loft) **an adult is needed to be an extra pairs of hands and eyes, nothing to prepare!!**

Contact one of our youth leaders listed above or the church office for more information.



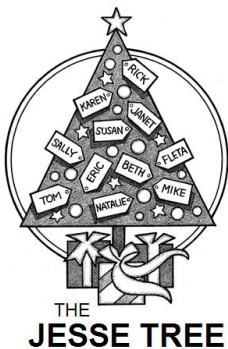
Confirmation is an opportunity for teens 6th-12th grade to learn about the Lord, explore their faith, and make personal decisions about their faith journey. The confirmation experience will begin in January.

If you or your teen is interested please let your pastor know or contact your church office.



WOMEN'S RETREAT

Were you unable to go to the women's retreat last month?? Mark your calendar for the spring retreat, which will be held at Camp Manadokin **March 9-11**. The cost will be \$130.



Join the women of Mt. Carmel for breakfast on November 19th at 10:30am in the Great Room. We will be making the bows for the Jesse Tree. ~~Bring a breakfast item to share!



Men's 2/7 Navigator Invitation

"What struck me most about Navigators is that it provides an intentional and structured Biblical framework for examining, assessing, and building your relationship with Christ, all firmly rooted in the Word. It suggests concrete tools and helps build life-long habits, which can help you embrace the work of the Spirit in your life as a believer. Highly recommended for anyone feeling called to take that next step on the road towards Christian maturity."

Alan Melling's Testimonial

We are currently seeking men from New Market and Mount Carmel who are interested in becoming "rooted and built up in Him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught and overflowing with thankfulness" Col. 2/7.

We now have 5 men who have completed series one of the 2/7 Navigator sessions and they are ready to disciple other men, who have a desire to grow deeper in their faith. This is an eleven-week commitment, with about one hour of prep time and hour and a half session times. We can meet you in your homes or at church, whatever is needed to accommodate your busy schedules.

Contact Pastor Scott, pastorscott62@gmail.com if you are interested.



Men's Small Group New Study "Quiet Strength" by Tony Dungy Monday 6:30pm At the New Market education building



The Young Adults (18-35) of Mt. Carmel and New Market UMC will be starting a new book study for the months of November and December. The book we will be reading is "Dirty Word" by Jim Walker. The book focuses on redefining church and

Christianity for today's world and how we can live out our faith in our lives.

The schedule for the meetings is below. Starting in November, we will be meeting at Mt. Carmel UMC in the loft. If you have any questions please contact Pastor Jason at Jnshank084@yahoo.com Hope to see everyone there!

Tuesday November 8th, 7:00pm: Pizza Dinner in the loft at Mt. Carmel

Tuesday November 22nd, 7:00pm: Dirty Word study. Loft at Mt. Carmel

Tuesday December 6th, 7:00pm: Dirty Word study. Loft at Mt. Carmel

Tuesday December 20th, 7:00pm: Dirty Word study. Loft at Mt. Carmel

Come Celebrate Christmas at Mt. Carmel



Christmas Worship Schedule

Christmas Eve Services at Mt. Carmel UMC

5:00pm & 7:00pm Family Contemporary Candlelight Services
9:00pm Traditional Candlelight Service
11:00pm Tradition Candlelight Communion Service

Our pastor team will also be leading **Christmas Eve Services at New Market UMC at 6:00pm or 8:00pm at New Market** if these times fit your schedule. Feel free to join us!

Christmas Day Community Service at 10:00am At New Market UMC

There will be no service at Mt. Carmel on Christmas Day

Between the packages and the feast join us to worship the Christ Child. This service of lessons and carols will be shared by New Market and Mt. Carmel at New Market UMC. ***Make a note of the special time!!!***

New Years Eve Community Service at 6:30pm

Our youth ministry team will lead a worship **service at Mt. Carmel UMC** to help us end 2011 and begin 2012 with our eternal God! All are welcome.

The Road to Bethlehem

*We are planning to share a beautiful journey toward Christmas and the Christ child this year!
Mark your calendars now to keep Jesus the center of your holiday season.*

Advent Wreath Making at the New Market UMC School House on Sunday, November 27th at 4pm The advent wreath is a beautiful centerpiece to help keep the Light of Christ at the heart of your home this advent. There is limited room (20 people) and the cost is \$10 to participate. Contact the Mt. Carmel church office to register or contact Rita Crandall at RFCrandall@comcast.net

<p>Breakfast with Santa Saturday December 17th 8-10am</p> <p>Children of all ages are welcome to share a holiday breakfast, sit on Santa's lap, and gather round for Mrs. Clause telling of the Christmas story. Bring your camera!</p>	<p>Sunday, December 11 11am Special Children's Sabbath!</p> <p>Bring your children, teens, and the whole family to watch our great room be transformed into Bethlehem and our children into a nativity cast. We will discover that the Christ Child is eager to be received by all of us.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Holiday Open House Party Dec. 10, 1 to 4 p.m.</p> <p>Have a fun, fund-raising afternoon and bring some friends!! We'll drink some cider and eat some cookies, enjoy great Christmas music! At our Christmas crafting table, you get to make something special for your home! Our World Vision display will be set up, so you, your friends or family can sponsor a life-changing gift for a family in need - a goat, cow, sewing machine, or fishing supplies! Enter a free drawing to win a door prize! Shop with one of the vendors and they will donate 10% of their sales back to the UMW! Pampered Chef, Scentsy, Tomboy Tools and more!</p> <p>All funds raised go into Mt. Carmel's UMW account, to support missions and offer scholarships for women's retreats. We'll have a great time!</p> <p>PS Interested in having a vendor table or volunteering at this event? Contact Mindy Hanlon @ 301-639-1960, or email mndyhanlon@aol.com.</p>
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SAVIOR ORNAMENT

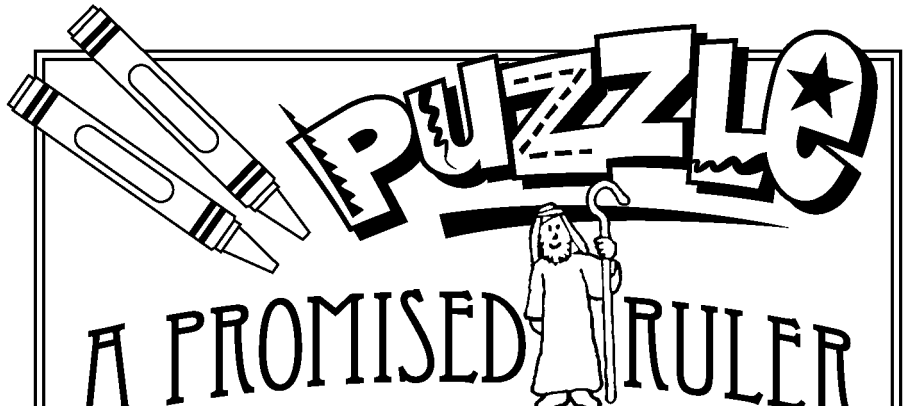
This Christmas, celebrate Jesus' birthday by making this keepsake ornament.

What you need:

- Wooden clothespin with round end
- Black permanent marker
- White cloth or felt
- Small wooden star (available at craft stores)
- Yellow paint
- Paintbrush
- Gold glitter (optional)
- Glue gun (and an adult)
- Straw-colored raffia
- Palm-size wicker wreath (available at craft stores)
- Ribbon

What you do:


1. On the clothespin's round knob, draw two dots for eyes.
2. Wrap the white cloth around the clothespin, like a swaddled baby.
3. Paint the star yellow; add glitter, if desired.
4. With the glue gun and adult supervision, glue the raffia to the bottom inside of the wreath. Then glue the swaddled clothespin atop the raffia and glue the gold star atop the wreath.
5. Tie a ribbon around the top, near the star.
6. Hang the ornament on your Christmas tree or tie it on a gift.




A PROMISED RULER

Prophets told of Jesus' birth hundreds of years before it happened. Never had a baby's arrival come with such a promise.


Directions: To read what one prophet (Micah 5:4, NIV) said about Jesus, complete the math problems below. Then fill in the words, using the math solutions as your guide.




7+6
strength




9+1
shepherd




30-5
the




7+5
ends




50-26
live




21-10
will




27-24
reach




10+7
flock




40-20
stand




15+4
securely




8+8
his




35-31
Lord




17-3
greatness



10-3
earth



10+5
will



5+1
will

“He _____ and _____ his _____
 _____ 15 _____ 20 _____ 10 _____ 17
 in the _____ of the _____ And they _____
 _____ 13 _____ 4 _____ 11 _____ 24
 _____, for then _____
 _____ 19 _____ 16 _____ 14 _____ 6
 _____ to the _____ of _____.”
 _____ 3 _____ 12 _____ 25 _____ 7

M I C A H 5 : 4 , N I V

Answers: “He will stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the Lord And they will live securely, for then his greatness will reach to the ends of the earth.” Micah 5:4, NIV