

## The Road of Life

We Americans love to take to the open road during the summer. I'm not sure if it is a leftover from pioneer days of "manifest destiny" when our forefathers traveled west in search of new adventures or it is just the need of 21st century people to disconnect from the daily grind. Packing up the family car with all the camping gear is a familiar sight across this great land. America's diverse beauty makes any postcard publisher smile with delight!

But taking to the open road is always an adventure because of the uncertainty that lies ahead. Perhaps that's part of what makes summer vacations in the car so memorable. Who could forget a flat tire in the desert, engine trouble in the badlands or navigating a road washed out from a summer thunderstorm? I vividly remember the days of driving down the cape with my older sister who took my brother and I camping every summer. No matter how hard we tried we always wound up at the campsite in the dark and had to begin setting up our tent in the

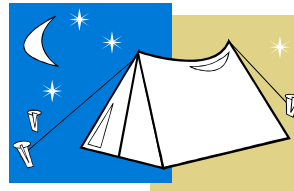
dark. This event would take place every year. We would try to set up the tent and without a doubt we would fail and have to call our dad who would walk us through setting up the tent over the phone! I also remember my sister weaving in and out of the traffic cones in the bumper to bumper traffic down 495. She did that twice and the second time she met a very nice police officer who told her that this wasn't a good idea! Ooops!

The Bible speaks of life as a road or path that we are called to travel. Here are a few examples of the truths we can find in Scripture about the road of life:

**Matthew 7:17**, "Small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it."

**Acts 2:28**, "You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence."

**Romans 11:33**, "Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How



Camping under the stars

unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out!"

**2 Corinthians 6:3**, "We put no stumbling block in anyone's path, so that our ministry will not be discredited."

According to Scripture, the road of life is narrow, is not easy to find, is sometimes mysterious, teaches us to care for others, and begins with knowing Jesus who is the way to heaven...our ultimate destination.

In the recent series I read online called, "A Handle on Hope," the author tried to capture the road we travel in a few words. I so appreciated his words that I decided to put them into print to share them with you so you can keep the words and ponder its message no matter where summer 2011 has taken you:

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### Special points of interest:

- ♦ *The road to hope is not straight...*
- ♦ *There is a curve called failure*
- ♦ *A loop called confusion*
- ♦ *Speed bumps called trials*

## The Road of Life cont.

“The road to hope is not straight... There is a curve called failure...A loop called confusion...Speed bumps called trials... Red lights called enemies...Caution lights called family...And flats called suffering...BUT... If I have a tank full of love...A spare called determination...An engine called perseverance... Insurance called faith...My GPS fixed on



*Summer days camping with the family*

God...And a driver named Jesus...I will make it to the place called heaven with a life filled with hope and peace.”

I hope and pray that you enjoy the rest of the waning days of your summer to their fullest. Get out and soak in the beautiful rays of God’s sunshine (don’t forget the sun block!) and celebrate in God’s creation! God is calling us to

something great here at Newmarket Community Church and I am excited to continue to learn about what God has in store for each and every one of us! God bless you and God bless our whole church family.

Peace and love,  
Pastor Josh

## Deaconate

The end of summer is here and fall is in the air. Our church family was busy this summer with two outside services, yard sales, and the Jack Colvin Memorial Garden. For a small congregation the family of the Newmarket Community Church does some pretty big things. With Pastors vacation coming up the Deacons will be taking over the church services with Derek Jones preaching on August 28 and Colin White on September 4. If you have not seen a Birthday card or Anniversary card from the church in a

while then we need your help. Marilyn Allen is currently working on a list to update all birthdays, anniversary’s or any other special date you would like to share with your church family so we can do



our part in helping you celebrate, remember, or find comfort on that day. The list is currently in the back of the church on the little table behind the pews. If it is not there then see Marilyn with your information. As always, we of the Deaconate are here to serve you, our church family. Call the Deacon of the Week or any one of us you feel comfortable with. God has blessed us with a Savior, a church and a family to worship Him with. We look forward to seeing you on Sundays to share in God’s love for us.

With Jesus we have love and if we have love, we have peace.

Derek Jones

The Food Pantry is in need of a few staple items.

Spaghetti Sauce	Canned Spaghetti/Ravioli
Cereals	Peanut Butter/Jelly
Hamburger Helper	Pancake mix/Syrup
Canned Fruit	Tomatoes
Beets	Stuffing Mix

## Christmas Fair

### NEW NEWS!

How's your salesmanship? Ever enjoy doing a bit more decorating? These are some of the things we need help to do at this year's Christmas Fair. The Christmas Fair Team meetings are open to everyone to attend, please drop in and listen and maybe offer some advice. Our next meeting is scheduled for September 9 at 7:00.

We could use some help with sales people, a team leader for Hand Crafts, Cookie Walk and Grab Bags. Please see Kathy Lockley if you can



take on coordinating the team activities. If you don't want to lead but do want to help please see; Plants, Pam Boutilier; Baked Goods, Jacque Mongeon; Sweets, Darlene Colvin; Concession, Sue Nosewor-

thy; Seeking Donations, Kathy Lockley; Publicity, Pam Boutilier; Wreaths, Dorie Nelson, and Youth Group: Darlene Gress. Please remember to keep your receipts for purchases so that you may be reimbursed!

This year's Christmas Fair is December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 8 – 2 Put that date on your calendar now! Along with our expanded hours we have some new ideas and new products to fill your every Christmas need.

Thanks!  
Kathy

## Trustees

Happy Fall!

I hope everyone had a great summer! It's hard to believe that fall is right around the corner!

As I take on the responsibilities of the Chairperson of Trustees – I want to thank Steve Dow for all of his dedication and hard work as our former Chairperson. Thank you Steve! I would also like thank Mark Boutilier for joining us on the Trustees. Welcome aboard Mark!!!

We, the trustees will continue to work together to maintain the church's financials and also taking care and maintaining the church's properties. We will always keep the best interest of the church up front. Please come to us with any needs or concerns. Don't hesitate to contact



*Fall is right around the corner*

anyone of your Trustees.

Your Trustees are –

Jacque Mongeon  
Sue Noseworthy  
Dorie Nelson  
Steve Dow  
Richard Gilbert  
Mark Boutilier

It will take all of us working together!

“Here's the Church”  
“Here's the Steeple”  
“Open the door”  
“And see ALL the People”

Thanks, and see you in church on Sundays!

Jacque K Mongeon  
Chair of the Trustees

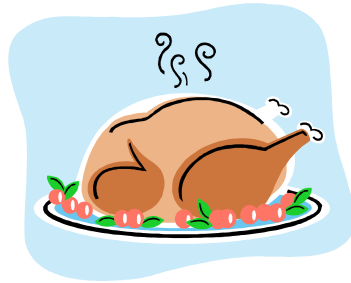
# Heritage Festival Supper

## IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR 2011

There will be no desserts from the Heritage Festival Bake Off.

The Heritage Festival Turkey Supper is September 25<sup>th</sup> 5:30 – 7:00, a great meal with some of the best dinner guests around YOU!

So what's this about the desserts? The Heritage Festival annual Bake Off will not be



*Mmmmm. . . Heritage Festival Turkey Supper!*

and cookie to

held this year, we had the luxury of receiving the many left over's and untouched items from that bake off for use a the Turkey Supper. So we need to pick up the slack and add the requirements for pies and cakes

to our list of needs. However I am working with a local supplier to donate the Turkeys (or a portion thereof) leaving your ovens

cold since Turkeys won't be needed. Let's look at it this way ... this is "lets test your 'sweet' creativity". Please take a look at our shopping list of needs and consider how you can help this year.

Many Thanks for your time!  
Kathy

# Sunday School News!!

Yes, Sunday School is starting back up!!! Rally Day will be Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>.

Sunday School will continue to be during worship....The children will be dismissed to Sunday School following the Children's Message.

So, come and join us on September 11<sup>th</sup> for Rally Day. Come; let us discover the Bible together. Learn about the love God has for us. Our theme for Rally Day will be -

## "A Child of God- You Are Special to God".

In our first quarter we will be exploring the Creation Story.....discovering what God has to teach us. We will about the amazing world that he created....Come join us!!! There will be a time of stories/lessons/singing/

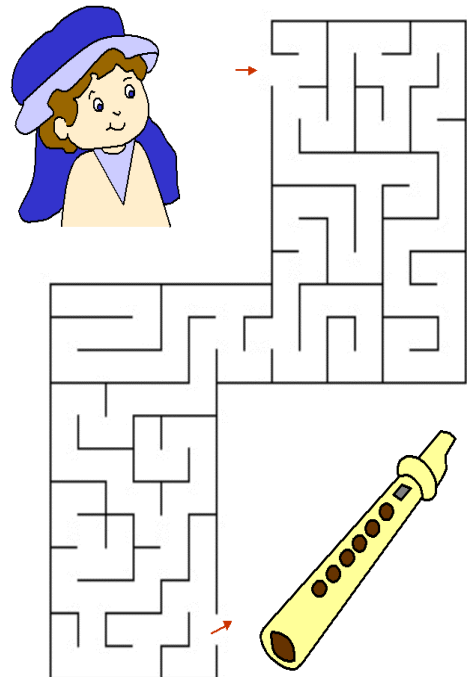
crafts/games.....Tell all your friends!!!

See you in Sunday School,  
Jacque



## Child of God Maze

Help David find his instrument so he can sing and praise God.



# Heritage Festival Supper “Shopping List”

Sunday, September 25, 2011

Please help us to continue the success of the Turkey Supper that has become a tradition of the Newmarket Heritage Festival weekend. In order to make the supper a success we need lots of help.

Following are the quantities that we need to feed a crowd of 250 guests. Can you help? In addition, there is also a need for people to prep, set up, serve and clean up. Please sign up for a shift, if you are able.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Saturday Prep            10 AM – 4 PM            \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday Set-Up    4 PM – 5:30 PM  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday Serve            5:00 PM – 7 PM            \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday Clean-Up 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

<u>Please indicate what you can bring</u>	<u>Total Needed for Supper</u>
_____ Mashed potatoes 8 each of 10 lb. bag,	80 lbs.
_____ Gravy – can/jar (just in case we are short drippings)	9 cans/jars
_____ Pies	16 pies
_____ Stuffing Mix	17 packages
_____ Cakes	6 cakes
_____ Instant Lemonade	3- large mixes
_____ Dinner rolls – 14 packages of 16	14 pkg
_____ Chicken/Turkey Broth (canned)	3 gallons
_____ Butternut Squash	40 medium
_____ Bagged Ice	5 bags
_____ Green Beans	6 each large industrial size cans
_____ Cookies/Brownies 48 each	4 dz
_____ Cranberry Sauce 18 medium cans	18 cans
_____ Coffee Regular and Decaf 1lb each	2 pounds
_____ Half and Half 1 1/2 Half Gallons	3- 2 qt containers
_____ Sugar 1 5lb bag	1 bag
_____ Artificial Sweetener 1 box	1 box
_____ 100 Butter pats (for the “take-out” line)	100 butters
_____ Butter 8 each 1 lb package	8 lbs
_____ Celery 4 bunches	4 bunches
_____ Onion 2 each 3lbs bags	2 bags

Cash donations are also welcome.

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### MILITARY PRAYER LIST

The following is a list of addresses for those in our church family and community who are serving in the military.

For addresses please see Pam in the office or the Military bulletin board in the vestry.

TSGT Matthew M. Arsenault	Brian Dossett
Sergeant Jason Dumas	Specialist Adam Hatch
PFC Lance Henderson	SPC Darrel Losh
Staff SGT Jody Donovan	Josh Arsenault
Jamie Bishop	PVT E-2 Ronald Fortier
SPC Darrel Losh	Michael A. Gazda
GSGT Anthony Hines, USMC	Tim Small

### PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following individuals and families in your prayers. Contact the church office to add names. Names will stay on the prayer list for 30 days, unless otherwise specified.

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