MANCHESTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



The Chimes

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February 2016

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2015 Contribution statements are available for you to pick up at the Welcome Center.

@ the Rec Center!..........
Sunday, January 31
4:00-6:30p
Sandwiches & drink provided in the meeting room.
Please bring a snack to share.
We hope to see you at there!!

2nd Helpings
Open House
Manday Fabruary 15

Monday, February 15 4:30-6:00pm Celebrating 10 years!

Missing Valentine Meal, Widow/Widower Support Thursday, February 11, 6:00-8:00 p.m. at United Methodist Church

A monthly support group for widows and widowers of all ages and faiths will be meeting in February to share a meal. If you've lost a spouse you've likely experienced the loneliness of going to a movie or restaurant alone. Knowing that everyone else at the table experiences the same kind of loss can be a support in healing. Future meetings of this monthly support group will include light refreshments, a short presentation utilizing H. Norman Wright's "Reflections of a Grieving Spouse," followed by discussion time and prayer. Mary Kenyon will be facilitating the group. We are looking for donations of food and volunteers willing to serve. If you are interested in donating food or time to the Missing Valentine's dinner or would like to attend the meal or support group and have questions, please contact Mary at marypotterkenyon@gmail.com or 563-927-3999. RSVP for dinner reservations at the United Methodist Church by February 8 at 563-927-4439.



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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Church Council Minutes January 19, 2016 6:30 p.m.

Present: Gary Evarts, Randy Waterman, Barry Eike, Ron Stellick, Janine Stellick, Jim DeKeyser, Ron Gearhart, Bruce Nodurft, Linda Gearhart, John Tyrrell, Pastor Phil, Al Remling, Jean Gross.

Church Council met in Wesley Hall at 6:30 and was called to order by Chairperson Al Remling. After the Call to Worship prayers and praises were lifted up and Al led us in a time of silence followed by a prayer for guidance. Our meditation was about "Where is God?" Al reminded us that God works through His people going way back in the Old Testament from Adam and Eve through Abraham, Moses, King David on and on. We can see Him at work even in today's chaotic world if we seek Him out.

Janine moved, seconded by Randy to approve the December 15 minutes as written. Carried.

Trustees reported that the kitchen refrigerator is running well and is being well utilized. The funds from various sources to pay for it have been received.

The *Chimes* seems to be reaching those who want to see it either online or as a hard copy. These copies are available on the welcome table.

It was announced that Barry Eike will be our new Mission Chairperson. We welcome him to that team and look forward to a successful year in missions.

The sanctuary remodeling is being put on hold for now until we study that further. Several suggestions have been talked about but no consensus has been reached at the present time.

Reports from several committees were presented. A date was set for the ice cream social. This will be held on Wednesday July 20th from 4:30-6:30 with WOW service to follow.

Pastor Phil talked to us about the involvement of our youth (grades 6-12) in an ecumenical group coordinated by the Youth For Christ director in our area. Three other churches so far are interested in partnering in this endeavor for the youth of our community. They will meet at a neutral site on Wednesdays nights (after our WOW service) and Pastor Phil and the other pastors involved will be helping to lead this. It will be coordinated by the Youth For Christ director. Our church will also partner with a monthly financial contribution to YFC and \$300.00 was mentioned as a starting point for budget purposes. The director is in need of office space locally and it was suggested that he use the youth director's office which is currently not being used. Because of budget constraints this partnership will help with

youth programming and at the same time offer them a way to grow in their faith. Our youth will continue to meet on Sunday mornings at our church as usual. This program will start with some summer activities but will be meeting weekly starting in the fall.

A motion was made by Gary Evarts, seconded by Randy Waterman that we budget \$300 monthly for YFC support and that the YFC use the youth director's office for space when he is in Manchester. Motion carried unanimously.

Al spoke on budget preparation which is nearly completed. The operating budget asking for 2016 will be \$245,000. This just includes monies needed for operations and does not include any in/out accounts. Apportionments are based on operations only so this will affect our apportionments in the future. Apportionments are dropping \$5,000 this year and are projected to continue dropping for the near future. The budget committee will be meeting to approve the budget this week.

Al handed out the new building use revisions being proposed. We are to look at that and bring any suggested changes to the February meeting. Hopefully we can approve it at that time.

Our next meeting will be on February 16, 2016, in Wesley Hall at 6:30.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer and singing of the doxology.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Gross Church Council Secretary

The 2016 annual budget is being prepared and will be brought to the church council meeting, February 16 @ 6:00pm
Please make plans to attend.
Additional agenda items:
Use of facility

A note from Reverend Phil...

"Celebrate the Festival of Weeks with the first fruits of the wheat harvest, and the Festival of Ingathering at the turn of the year. (Exodus 34:22)

As I am writing this article this scripture came to mind... At first I thought it might be out of context as it is a part of God's instructions toward the Sabbath rest. Work six days, then rest one and focus on God, even during planting and harvest. And then also celebrate when the harvest comes in. In further reflection I think this scripture is perfect!

As I take a look at all that has taken place in the last month, I sit in wonder and awe for all that God is doing in this place. For the first time in 20 years Manchester UMC paid their full apportionment. This is amazing! This mission gift will impact lives for the transformational power of Jesus Christ from Iowa to everywhere. This is a wonderful gift, and a heart for generosity shared by all who claim MUMC as their church home.

We also have a general agreement through the ministerial association to combine our efforts in youth ministry. To create an opportunity for all youth to come together in faith and fun in the name of Jesus Christ. This will be accomplished by several of the churches coming together in partnership with Youth for Christ to form a single youth ministry effort on Wednesday nights, while maintaining our individual programming on Sundays. To support this effort, the church is going to participate in monthly support of YFC and also provide some office space as well, if necessary. This is one of the most exciting ministry opportunities I have been involved in since moving to Manchester.

In the first six months we have been in ministry together. We have started a new worship experience on Wednesday, have 11 Confirmation students, started meeting with youth, and formed a total of 5 new small groups focused on discipleship. (Not to mention having the whole congregation dancing in service a couple weeks ago!) If that is not worthy of a harvest worth celebrating, then I would be at a loss of what is.

Every Sunday morning, I begin worship the same way... "Is there any place you would rather be than in worship this morning. Amen!" I can't help myself, because it is just so true, to be included in this special body, worshipping an awesome God, in this unique time and in this unique place! It is such an honor and privilege to be called to be your pastor. I am excited to see what the next six months holds, as y'all continue to amaze and God continues to take my breath away!



It's a brand new day at Manchester United Methodist Church. After multiple years of unpaid apportionments the leaders of Manchester United Methodist Church came to a decision point. They made the decision and commitment to one another and to God to pay their 2015 apportionments, and district asking at 100%. The decision was intentional. Their actions supported their decision. The challenge was accomplished. On Sunday, January 10th a service of celebration and giving thanks to God was held. Reverend Phil Rogers was appointed to Manchester UMC July 1, 2015.

Service of Celebration at Manchester UMC Sunday, January 10, 2016





L-R: Allen Remling, D.S. Jackie Bradford, Rev. Phil Rogers presenting and celebrating the 2015 Apportionments check

L-R: Cynthia Davis and Kristina Merfeld of the Conference Treasurer's Office holding the apportionment check from Manchester UMC.





You are dust,
and to dust you shall return.
GENESIS 3:19

FEBRUARY 10TH
LIGHT SUPPER @ 5:15PM
WORSHIP @ 6:00PM
DISCUSSION @ 6:45PM

2016 Men's Lenten Breakfast 7:00a.m.

"The Spiritually Handicapped Meet Jesus"

February 13: Community Congregational UCC
February 20: Our Savior Lutheran
February 27: St. Mary's
March 5: United Methodist
March 12: First Lutheran
March 19: TBA



March 20—26, 2016

March 20—Palm Sunday Service @ 9:00am March 23—Worship on Wednesday Light Supper @ 5:15pm + Worship @ 6:00pm + Discussion @ 6:45pm March 24—Maundy Thursday Service @ 6:00pm March 25—Good Friday Service @ 6:00pm



March 27, 2016 9:00am Worship with Communion



Prayer Concerns:



Dave Cole Jolene Hakert Cliff Cole
Howard Haigh Bob Helmrich Donna Welcher
Pearl Seibert George White Marianne Sandberg
Janelle (Husmann) Walton Eugene Harbaugh

Garneth Hook Calvin Hook

Jacob @ UIHC (Grandson of Jeane Taylor) Royce Robinson (Friend of Shirley Davis)

Please remember the residents of the Good Neighbor Home & The Meadows in your prayers

Prayer chain
If you know of somebody that is
need of prayer, please call
Marilyn Wenger @ 927.3455
or the church office 927.4439

Reminder:

Please submit all announcements to the office by <u>Tuesday noon</u> for the upcoming service. Thank you!

Worship Design Meeting Mondays @ 5:30p Conference Room

Calico Cut-Ups meets again March 1st

Worship on Wednesdays

Light Supper @ 5:15p Fellowship Hall Worship @ 6:00p—Sanctuary Small Group Discussion @ 6:45p

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Choir Practice

Wednesdays @ 7:00p

Knitters

Thursdays @ 1:00p—Library

>>> February <<-

Thursday, February 4
Communion—GNH @ 9:00a

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Thursday, February 4
Trustees Meeting @ 6:00p

Sunday, February 7

Fellowship @ Chuong Garden @ 11:30a

Tuesday, February 9
SPPRC @ 6:30p

Wednesday, February 10
WOW—Ash Wednesday Service

Thursday, February 11
Missing Valentine Meal @ 6:00p
Wesley Hall



Tuesday, February 16
Finance Meeting @ 5:30p
Church Council Meeting @ 6:30p

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Wednesday, February 17
WOW w/Communion

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Thursday, February 18

Chimes Deadline

Monday, February 22

OCC Meeting (old youth room) @ 6:30pm

Tuesday, February 23
GNH Bingo @ 2:00pm

Mission of the Month **Cameroon**

SERVING OUR CHURCH

February 7

Acolytes: Cub Scouts
Liturgist: Boy Scouts

Scripture Reader: Boy Scouts

Children's Sermon: Michael Stocks

Nursery: Kathy Waterman

Door Greeters: Mike & Joanne Wade

Pianists & Music Coordinators: Beth Mueller and Lynne Rasmussen

February 14

Acolytes:

Liturgist:

Scripture Reader:

Children's Sermon:

Nursery: Alisha Cooke

Door Greeters: Mike & Joanne Wade

Pianists & Music Coordinators: Beth Mueller and Lynne Rasmussen

A Special Request~

If you are scheduled on a particular date to serve in our worship service (liturgists, scripture reader, children's sermon, usher, acolyte), please meet in the sanctuary @ 8:15a on that Sunday for a meeting with Pastor. Thank you very much!

If you would like to be part of the Serving Our Church Team please contact

Communion Server, Liturgist, Children's Sermon:

<u>Dave Gaskill @</u> 563.927.3121 e-mail: davegaskill5@gmail.com

Door Greeter:

<u>Janine Stellick</u> @ 927.3485 e-mail: jstellick@iowatelecom.net

Acolyte and Usher: Jim Kerton @ 927. 5953

Sign up at the Welcome Center.

February 21

Acolytes:

Liturgist:

Scripture Reader:

Children's Sermon:

Nursery: Debbie Rogers

Door Greeters: Mike & Joanne Wade

Pianists & Music Coordinators: Beth Mueller and Lynne Rasmussen

February 28

Acolytes:

Liturgist:

Scripture Reader:

Children's Sermon:

Nursery: Meghan Mensen

Door Greeters: Mike & Joanne Wade

Pianists & Music Coordinators: Beth Mueller and Lynne Rasmussen

Scrip News

Scrip sales report for 2015:

The scrip team is pleased to report that the profits from gift card sales this past year resulted in \$6513.50 going to MUMC's budget! \$2500 was presented in July '15 and again in January '16. Additionally, a \$1513.50 check was presented in January for the education budget. This amount is the 3% profit from sales of Fareway cards during the year. You, the congregation, purchased \$50,450 in Fareway cards alone! Our contract with Fareway stipulates that the profits be used for education. This can be children, youth, adults, Sunday School, Vacation Bible School - anything that is educational. So the more Fareway gift cards we sell, the more money goes to our educational programming. If you haven't yet tried scrip gift cards, please consider it and help your church at the same time. They work like any gift card that you buy at stores. At Fareway, you simply swipe the card - no checks to write, no cash to mess with, you don't even have to sign like you would for a credit card. Your remaining balance is on your receipt and stays on your card for the next use.

In 2015, \$148,060 in gift cards was sold. Our profit average was 4.15%. This great addition to our church budget happens only because of you who buy gift cards. If you would like any information to help you get started using gift cards, please talk to a scrip team member. Cards are available every Sunday before and after church in the narthex and also on Wednesdays before WOW.

Your 2015 scrip team was Carol Dighton, Kathy Evarts, Linda Gearhart, Alice Kluesner, Roger Mueller, Chris Mundy, and Vicki Spellerberg. For 2016 we are pleased to welcome Erin Learn to our team!

Scrip is available —

Sundays: before & after church services (after church please purchase before going upstairs to coffee) **Wednesday:** 5:00 - 6:00p, before WOW service

Prayer Box

Please leave your prayer requests in the prayer box at the back of the sanctuary or at the welcome center. Requests will be picked up before worship service begins each Sunday morning.

We ask that you give special attention to filling out the card if you are requesting prayer on somebody else's behalf.

It is very important to obtain the approval of the person for whom we are praying. Printing in MUMC publications need to have their permission.

Please leave a phone number, as we may need more information.

Thank you.



Missions 2016

February ~ Cameroon

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Year long mission

We will be collecting donations all year for the Heifer Project.

For more information, please contact Missions Coordinator Barry Eike.

New for 2016!



Welcome Barry Eike as our new Missions Chair, thank you for accepting this volunteer position!

Mission Questions?

Please contact Barry:

Phone: 920-1467

Email: bseike@iowatelecom.net



A heart-felt thank you to Diane Miller for her years of service in Missions & other places throughout the church.. We appreciate all of your hard work on behalf of MUMC for the love and compassion you have shared with others!

Looking ahead.....

>>>>March<<<<

Thursday, March 3
Trustee Meeting @ 6:00p

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Sunday, March 6

Fellowship @ Chuong Garden @ 11:30a

Wednesday, March 9

Communion @ GNH @ 9:00a

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Tuesday, March 15
Finance Meeting @ 5:30p
Church Council Meeting @ 6:30p

Chimes Deadline Monday, March 21

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Tuesday, March 22 GNH Bingo @ GNH @ 2:00p

Grief Support Meetings Wesley Hall 2nd Thursday each month 6:00pm

A new year brings the promise of possibility, but when we are grieving a loved one, it can feel like just another year "without." Without that face across the dining room table, or that hand to hold. Mary Potter Kenyon intimately understands grief; in the space of three years she lost a mother, husband, and grandson. Mary will be speaking on finding hope and healing in the midst of loss. Through journaling, Bible study, prayer, studying the science of grief, and reaching out to others through a "random act of kindness" project, Mary forged a path of healing that can encourage and inspire those who are grieving. Mary is the author of the award-winning "Refined By Fire: A Journey of Grief and Grace" and has done grief presentations at Shalom, Dubuque and Monticello Hospice, Compassionate Friends National conference, and churches throughout Iowa. She is a reporter with the Manchester Press. City of Manchester "random acts of kindness" cards will be available at the presentation for those who wish to carry out their own project of reaching out to others.



2016

Operation Christmas Child Donations February - Personal Items:

Toothbrushes, toothpaste, washcloths, hand towels, bar soap, hairbrushes/combs, tweezers, band-aids, hair ties/ribbons.



Please sign up in the hallway to donate flowers for the altar. Please let Debbie in the office know if there is a special occasion or in memory of a loved one. Sunday/Monday Bible Study Continuing through February 7 & 8

Ten Things Christians do Need to Believe

Since we have reviewed the things Christians don't need to believe, we now delve into some things that Christians need to believe. We will continue to discuss:

Jesus' legacy: Is the Church Still Relevant?

Jesus' Promise: Who Is the Holy Spirit?

Jesus' Vision: What I God's Dream for the World?

Starting February 14 & 15

FINAL WORDS FROM THE CROSS by Adam Hamilton

During the six Sundays of Lent, we explore Jesus' final words as seen and heard through the eyes and ears of those who stood near the cross. Each week we have the opportunity to share a Biblical

account followed by a first-person story as might have been told from the viewpoint of one of the people at the cross. We will explore the meaning of Jesus' dying words for our lives today.

Zam Lexi....



My name is Lexi Eike and I'm an eighth grader at West Delaware. I attend Sunday and Wednesday service regularly. I really enjoy Wednesday night youth group. We discuss what Pastor Phil talked about in service. One of the nights we talked about how the world would be a better place if we looked at people through child-like perspectives and not judge others. That really stuck out to me and made me think of how much better the world would be if everybody was like that. I really enjoy learning more about God.

A NOTE FROM THE MONEY COUNTERS- SECOND ADDITION

Since we are no longer using the giving envelopes, we are trying to figure out what works best when recording weekly giving. We want you to do what you are most comfortable with. Saying that, you may:

- 1. Place your check in the offering plate with your number written on the memo line. You may also specify your giving as to general budget, missions, apportionments, etc. OR....
- 2. Place your check in your own envelope and on the envelope write your number and specify giving instructions.

It does seem to be working well without the use of an envelope at all. We will give further notice if there are any other changes.

Thank you for your help, The Money Counters

Have you read and studied some of the scripture used in worship?

"Aren't These Curious Gifts for a Child"

Isaiah 60:1-6 Matthew 2:1-12

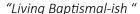


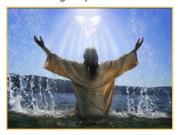
"God Delights In You- Celebration"

Zephaniah 3:17 Psalm 149:1-5



"God Delights in You- Personally"





Mark 1:9-12 Acts 8:26-39



Jeremiah 9:23-24 1 Samuel 15:22

"God Delights in You- Love"



Psalm 37:23-24 Ephesians 2:1-10



Dianne Larsen	2/01
Robbie Sedain	2/03
Connie Erickson	2/04
Shirley Haigh	2/05
Jackie Sherman	
Linda Toms	2/08
Alex Zehr	2/08
Terry Larson	2/09
Maya Huegel	
Linda Gearhart	
William O'Connell	2/12
Tyler Smith	2/12
Tim Mangold	
Jody Puffet	2/13
Lynne Rasmussen	2/15
Hannah Philgreen	2/17
Elwyn Curtis	2/18
Wilma Hatch	2/18
Isabella Richmond	2/19
Amy Blumer	2/19
Richard Fox	2/20
Don Mellody	2/20
Lucinda Stoll	•
Arlan Henderson	
Marcheta Lux	2/25
Stephanie Stocks	2/26
Sydney Litterer	2/27
Joan Jones	
Jordan Schultz	2/27
Ben Litterer	2/28
Caryssa Philgreen	
Amira Thurn	2/28

Happy Anniversary



Sean & Nancy Edaburn	2/14
Howard & Shirley Haigh	
Brad & Shirley Davis	2/16
Ron & Linda Gearhart	2/19

A Volunteer Opportunity for ~ YOU!

We are in need of more voices to be heard on Sunday mornings, and would love to have you be a part of the

Serving Our Church Team!

Please call Dave Gaskill (920.8517) to sign up.

Thank you!!

Good Neighbor Home 105 McCarren Dr // 927.3907

ROOM #	PRINT SIZE
N144	LARGE
N115	LARGE
N131	REGULAR
N102	LARGE
N142	REGULAR
S11	REGULAR
N137B	LARGE
S15A	LARGE
S22	LARGE
S25	LARGE
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Our Meadow Residents

200 McCarren Dr // 927.6467

Twyla Milroy	303	LARGE
Lois Mott	114	LARGE

Garden View

200 McCarren Drr. // 927.6467

Cliff Cole	S40	LARGE
Garneth Hook	S41	LARGE

Edgewood Convalescent Home 513 Ball St., Edgewood, IA 52042 // 563.928.6461

Arla Ketelson	8	LARGE



Sun

8:15a
Serving Our
Church Leaders
meet in the
Sanctuary every
Sunday morning

Mon

WIC
February
1 & 8
Comm. Room
9a-4p
OCC Meeting
Feb 22 @

Tue

Wed
Worship on
Wednesdays
Dinner @ 5:15p
Wesley Hall
Worship @
6:00p—Sanctuary
Small Group
Discussion @
6:45p

Thu

CHIMES DEADLINE February 18 Fri Sat

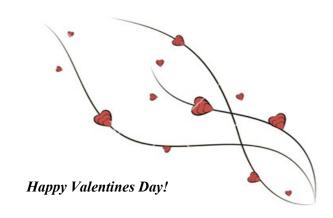
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Office Hours

Monday & Wednesday 8:00a-5:00p Tuesday & Thursday 8:00a-3:00p Friday Church is Closed We invite you to join us for worship on Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. Sunday School classes @ 10:30a

Wow-Worship on Wednesdays

Light supper at 5:15pm in Fellowship Hall

Worship at 6pm in the Sanctuary

6:45pm Small Group Discussion



FAITHFUL BELIEVERS IN CHRIST COMMITTEE TO IIVING THE SCRIPTURES THROUGH LOVING SERVICE & GIVING TO our community and the world.

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The Ministry Team at MUMC includes:

The Entire Congregation
Reverend Phil Rogers
Secretary: Debbie Saunders
Church Administrator: Allen Remling
Church Custodian: Glenn Nystel/Dennis Porter
Christian Education Director: Position Open
Choir Director & Organist: Position Open
Bell Choir Director: Position Open
Mission Coordinator: Diane Miller

Articles printed as submitted.

Prepared, printed and prepped-to-mail at MUMC, by numerous volunteers.

Please forward any new addresses to the church at 413 E. Butler or call 563-927-4439 Thank you!