

MANCHESTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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HANGING OF THE GREENS

December 18th

SCRIPTURE & SONG WORSHIP SERVICE 9:00a

CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP SERVICE

*No WOW Worship Service November 23rd *No 2nd Helpings Monday, November 28th

To assist you with your needs, the office will be open regular business hours on November 29th



Chimes Deadline November 15th

The January Chimes deadline is December 15th

A note from Reverend Phil...

"For I am already being poured out like a drink offering" (2 Timothy 4:6a)

I am having one of those days... I know I must have this article done and turned in for the Chimes by noon today... And it is already 11:30... And though I started a while ago I am still looking at an empty page. I find my mind wandering to other things that need to be completed, a sermon to write, and other things that are just eating away at my mind and soul that are frustrating me. I find I am having a Paul day as he is finishing his letter to the young pastor Timothy. No, I am not chained to the floor... No, I am not facing impending death by the headsman... But I am feeling frustrated and sorry for myself, so we still have that in common, right? And I just can't seem to break these "chains" that are holding me back from what I think I should be accomplishing.

Then another pastor stops in, just to say hi as they were passing through. I could tell something was up so I invited him to sit down and we talked. It turns out he too is feeling the weight of "chains" holding him back as well. As we talked we shared, and compared the weight of our "chains", and gave each other encouragement. And laughed together at how much our chains had in common. As he walked out the door he turned back and said "Thanks, I really feel better." I thought to myself, so do I!

Funny how that works, we didn't accomplish anything, we didn't find any new answers or stratagem, we just honestly shared our feelings and we felt better. It was good to know that we are not in this boat alone, but that others shared in our messiness of life. It made me think of another scripture from Paul

"But God, who comforts the downcast, comforted us by the coming of Titus." (2 Corinthians 7:6)

I acknowledge my reality may not be near so harsh as Paul's. I am not chained to the floor; I am not facing execution for my beliefs... But this other pastor today was my own Titus, who came unexpectedly and brought me comfort, hope, and encouragement. And now I know what I am going to write about for my article.

My prayer is that all of us find in one another a "Titus." Someone who we can feel safe with, share with, commiserate with, and share laughter as well. Someone who, though they may not know all our needed answers, will still stand with us and "have our back." Someone who will just be a pleasing presence. someone who will be like Jesus... someone we can connect with in service, or small group, or work team... Someone who will be like Jesus....Amen

MUMC Single Board Meeting October 18, 2016 7:55 p.m. Wesley Hall

Present: Pastor Phil; Al Remling, chairperson; Mark Reth, vice-chair; Jean Gross, board secretary; Janine Stellick, Reaching and Receiving; John Tyrrell, Finance; Randy Waterman SP/PRC; Bill Scanlan, Lay Leader; Marge Wolter, Education; Gary Evarts, Trustees; Benjamin Hucker, Worship; Barry Eike, Missions. Absent: Susan Hermann, Congregational Care, Becca Hermann, Youth Lay Leader.

Single Board met after adjournment of Charge Conference held in Wesley Hall. Two action items were presented:

A recommendation from SP/PRC to fund a "Pastor Support" position at a rate of \$500/month beginning November 1st was approved unanimously.

We have received an estimate of \$28,000 (\$40 linear foot) to cover the facia and soffit on our building which is in need of attention. 6,000 has been given specifically for this purpose so far. A motion was made by Ben Hucker, seconded by Gary Evarts to offer to the congregation starting 11/1/16 to 2/28/17 for purchase the remaining 550 linear feet at \$20.00 a linear foot with matching funds from undesignated trustee monies, dedicating the funds at the March One Board meeting with a work start date of around April 1, 2017. Motion carried.

An article will be in the Chimes from Finance regarding this campaign.

Al reminded all Team chairs that their budget forms are due at the November meeting which will be held November 15, 2016 in Wesley Hall starting at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45.

Respectfully submitted, Jean Gross, Secretary

Finance Report September

Year-to-date Income Budget...... \$191,715 Year-to-date Income Actual...... \$180,399

Scrip News

A few months ago the Scrip News was titled "MUMC presents The Top Ten Reasons You Should Use Scrip Gift Cards". The first item on that list was "It's an easy way to shop. No messing with change, writing checks, or signing for credit cards." This month we'd like to add to that.

Worried about identity theft as you shop with your debit and credit cards this holiday season? When you shop with scrip you don't have to worry about your cards being compromised. Every now and then we hear of stores having their data compromised, which in turn affects customers who used cards there, and this seems to

happen more during the holiday season. You all know someone who has had this experience - perhaps you have been one yourself. Two people on the scrip team were affected by this problem at Target a couple years ago, with both credit and debit cards. Just last week a scrip team member had a debit card compromised at Walmart. So it does happen right here! With gift cards you won't have that problem - you write a check to MUMC, it's deposited immediately, and your gift card can only be used by the person who has it in hand.. Just one more of the many reasons to use gift cards purchased through your church!

The Christmas season is coming before we know it! As you're starting to think about your gift buying, please remember that gift cards are a great way to go. They're easy to mail to those distant, you don't have to worry about the right size or color, and recipients love getting to purchase something they need or want! Not only do we have many types on hand, we can order cards for hundreds of stores, restaurants, and entertainment venues. See <u>shopwithscrip.com</u> for a complete list of options. Any scrip team member would be glad to help you with your gift ideas.

Scrip is available —

Sundays: before & after church services Wednesday: 5:00 - 6:00p, before WOW service

OUR GREAT CHURCH IS NEED OF OUR HELP

The upper border which runs around our church and the material behind it are wearing out. The church leadership (single board) spent a couple hours in earnest discussion on how best to handle the problem. We have an estimate of \$28,000 for the project assuming that no additional problems are found. There is \$6,000 available which has been contributed to cover the cost. There is money available for use in the building fund.. In order to not drain the building fund completely, two other sources of funding have been proposed. These would cover part of the cost.

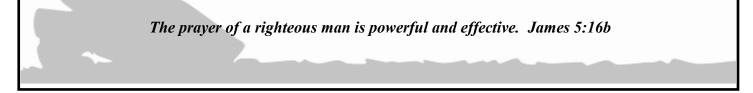
1. The \$6,000 represents donations from church members and the proceeds from a couple of ice cream socials, and we would offer our congregation the opportunity to contribute to the fund. There are 710 linear feet, and contributions at the rate of \$20 per linear foot or other contributions could result in additional funding.

2. We could have a special dinner which would allow broad support from the congregation in gifts and labor, and have the support from the congregation with each member making a contribution he or she is comfortable with.

The giving to the budget through nine months is on track because of the congregation's faithfulness, and your leadership feels that the need for this project is necessary to prevent possible further damage.

MONTHLY CHALLENGE

The Reaching & Receiving Team is sending out a monthly challenge for our congregation. For the month of November we challenge you to come to the church Wednesday morning between 9 & 11:00 for a time of prayer. We can all pray at home but there is something very peaceful about sitting quietly in the sanctuary with no distractions. There will be a list of prayer requests for you to consider. We encourage you especially now to pray leading up to the election. A publication I recently read said that: 1) we have to pray like "crazy" for God to intervene in this country, 2) pray for revival, a spiritual renewal to return to our spiritual roots, 3) pray for strong leadership for our country and for our military, 4) pray with all our hearts that God will do a work in our churches and especially in our youth – all the Great Awakenings have started among young people.



SERVING OUR CHURCH

November 6

Communion servers: Pam & Joe Vap, Youth Acolytes: Youth Liturgist: Connie Allyn Scripture Reader: Meghan Mensen Children's Sermon: Becca Hermann Ringing of the bell: Chris Mundy Door Greeters: Vi Riegor, Julie Porter Nursery: Kathy Waterman

November 13

Acolytes: Youth Liturgist: Marianne Nodurft Scripture Reader: Matthew Mensen Children's Sermon: Stephanie Stocks Door Greeters: Vi Riegor, Julie Porter Nursery: Julia Hopkins

November 20

Acolytes: Youth Liturgist: Glenn Nystel Scripture Reader: Ellen Nystel Children's Sermon: Jackie Sherman Door Greeters: Vi Riegor, Julie Porter Nursery: Meghan Mensen

November 27 Hanging of the Greens

Acolytes: Youth Advent Candle: Travis & Meghan Mensen Family Liturgist: Jack Young Pianists & Music Coordinators:
Beth Mueller and Lynne Rasmussen
Piano/Organ Substitute: Duane Philgreen,
Mark Philgreen, Marianne Sandberg
Tech Team:
Benjamin Hucker, Michael Stocks, Ruth
Voshell

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

Communion Server, Liturgist, Scripture Reader, Children's Sermon: <u>Jeff Larsen</u> @ 927.5089 or call the office @ 927.4439

Door Greeter: Janine Stellick @ 927.3485 e-mail: jstellick@iowatelecom.net

Tech Team:

Benjamin Hucker @ 815-481-2364 or mumctechteam@gmail.com

> Nursery: Mary Jane Fetter @ 927.2475

Acolyte and Usher:

<u>Jim Kerton @</u> 927. 5953 Or

Sign up at the Welcome Center



Scripture Reader: Choir members

Door Greeters: Vi Riegor, Julie Porter

Nursery: Debbie Rogers

Please submit announcements & information to the office for the next week's bulletin by Tuesday 3:00pm. Thank you.



"Personal Holiness- Prayer"

"Estimate of Generosity-Priorities"

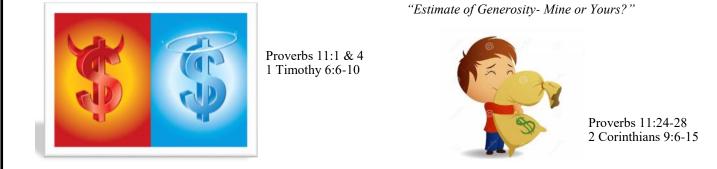
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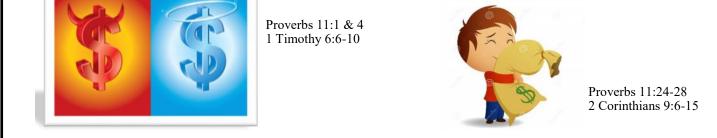


Proverbs 3:9-10 Matthew 6:24

"Estimate of Generosity ~ For Good or Evil"

Mark 1:1-11





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Mary BissellCliffJolene HakertEugeGarneth HookShirlFlorence ParrottPaulMarianne SandbergDylaJudy StephensonSusiGeorge WhiteFayeJacob (Grandson of Jeane Taylor)Janelle (Husmann) Walton

Prayer Concerns: Cliff Cole Eugene Harbaugh Shirley Lyons Pauline Philgreen rg Dylan Sellner Susie Schultz Faye Wright Pau

Howard Haigh gh Bob Helmrich Don Mellody n Al Remling Ross Snyder Donna Welcher Paul Kammarmeyer

Susan Rogers (Rev Phil's sister-in-law) Aubrey Hood (George & Virginia White's great granddaughter)

Sundays

Communion......(1st Sunday of the month) 10:30a Children's Sunday School (every) Preschool-5th Grade...East end, upper level 6th Grade-12...West end, lower level Confirmation Class...East end, lower level 10:30a Adult Study (every) Conference Room Sermon study...led by Bill Scanlan 10:30a Adult Study (every)Parlor

Small Group Study...led by Al Remling

Mondays

10:30a Adult Study (every) Library Small Group Study...led by Al Remling
5:30p Worship Design (every) .. Conference Room
5:00p Second Helpings (every) Wesley Hall

Tuesdays

9:00a Calico Cut-Ups (every)Wesley Hall
2:00p Bingo(4th week)	GNH
6:00p Single Board (3rd wee	k)Conf. Room

Wednesdays

9:00a Prayer (every) Sanctuary						
Worship on Wednesday (every)						
5:15p Light MealWesley Hall						
6:00p Worship Sanctuary						
Communion(1st Wednesday of the month)						
6:45p Adult Group Discussion Conference Room						
6:45p Youth Group Discussion Community Room						
6:45p Choir Practice (every) Sanctuary						

Thursdays

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

The November/December issue of the

Upper Room is now available.

Please pick up your copy at the

Welcome Center.



The office will be closed Christmas ~ December 26th New Years ~ January 2nd The church will remain closed Fridays as usual. To assist you with your needs, the office will be open regular business hours on December 27th 2017 beginning January 3rd

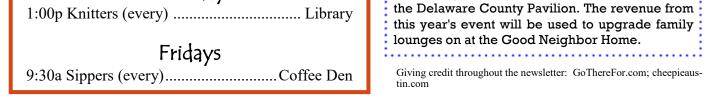
Your staff appreciates time to spend with their family and hope you will enjoy time spent with your family as well!!



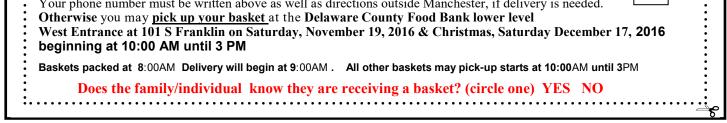
The Good Neighbor Society is hosting the 2016 Festival of Trees. This year we are celebrating November 19th and 20th at St. Mary Parish Center. The always exceptional Bake Sale will be back this year and we need your help.

We are looking for your family favorites, tried and trues and delectable treats. Your goodies can come to us unpackaged or prepackaged. You can drop them off at Good Neighbor Home or St. Mary Parish Center on Friday, November 18th until 6:30pm.

There will be silent auction items, raffle items, holiday store, scrumptious bake sale, Make-N-Take crafts and much more. Additionally, we will be hosting Dueling Pianos on November 18th at



The "Delaware County Food Bank" will be distributing <u>hankegiving and Christmas Baskets</u> to families in need. If you know of a family or individual that would benefit from a ho food basket, please fill out the request form if you do not want a Christmas basket. The forms must be returned no later than:: November 14, 2016 for Thanksgiving & December 12, 2016 for Christmas, please mail this form Delaware County Food Bank PO Box 467 Manchester, Iowa 52057 Additional forms are available at Operation New View and at local churches. NO LATE FORMS will be honored - NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE - The form must be filled out completely. The Holiday basket can be picked up at the Delaware County Food Bank. Lower level West Entrance at 101 S Franklin on these dates: Saturday, November 19, 2016 for Christmas beginning at 10:00 AM until 3 PM (Volunteers to help pack & deliver food baskets are needed & greatly appreciated) Baskets will be packed at 8:00 AM Delivery will begin at 9:00 AM All other baskets; pick-up starts at 10:00 AM until 3 PM Donations to this local non profit organization are gratefully accepted. If delivery is needed check the box on the request form. Please make checks out to: "Delaware County Food Bank." (Keep this part of the request for your information) Delaware County Food Bank Holiday Food Bank. Market Externation of the request for your information Hease make the family will be put on the Christmas basket Saturday December 17, 2016 for Christmas beginning at 10:00 AM until 3 PM Donations to this local non profit organization are gratefully accepted. If delivery is needed check the box on the request form. Please make checks out to: "Delaware County Food Bank." (Keep this part of the request for your information) Delaware County Food Bank Holiday Food Basket Request Form by filling out this form the family will be put on the Christmas basket Sate of family or individual:		
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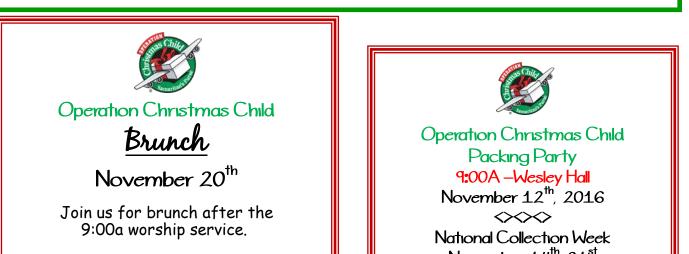
Since 1993, more than 135 million boys and girls from over 150 countries have been the joyful recipients of shoebox gifts through Operation Christmas Child. Samaritan's Purse works with local churches and ministry partners to deliver the gifts and share the life-changing Good News of Jesus Christ.

Please join us as we participate in this exciting ministry. How can you help?

Pack a shoebox! Make a monetary donation to cover shipping (\$7/box) Help us at our packing party (Nov. 12th @ 9:00 a.m.) Work in the relay center (Nov. 14-21) PRAY for the children receiving the shoeboxes

Plans are underway to host our 4th annual Operation Christmas Child Packing Party. Members of the congregation have been donating items throughout the year to be packed in the shoeboxes at our party on November 12th at 9:00 a.m. Join us as we pack 600 boxes in less than two hours...it's a sight to behold! New this year, we will hold an opening ceremony to kick off the packing party and National Collection Week. See the flier in this newsletter for more details.

If you choose to pack a shoebox, this issue of *The Chimes* includes a tip sheet with ideas of practical items to include in your box. Remember the truck leaves our Relay Center at 10 a.m. on November 21st, so all shoe box gifts must be received before then to be included in this year's collection. If you have any questions about this project or would like to volunteer to work in the Relay Center in November, please contact the church office or Stephanie Stocks at 927-3351 or <u>mstocks@iowatelecom.net</u>. For more information about Operation Christmas Child, visit <u>www.samaritanspurse.org/occ</u>.



Free-will offering will go towards OCC

Egg casserole, cinnamon rolls, juice & coffee. November 14^{'''}-21

Good News! Great Joy!

"Change a child's zip code for eternity!"



Operation Christmas Child Packing Party

When: Saturday, November 12, 2016 @ 9:00 a.m.

Where: Manchester United Methodist Church Wesley Hall

What to bring: 1-2 items to fill the shoeboxes (see back of flier)



Join us as we fill shoeboxes with gifts for children around the world who don't know Jesus as their savior.

Operation Christmas Child is a worldwide children's project of Samaritan's Purse that uses simple gift-filled shoeboxes containing school supplies, toys, necessity items and notes of encouragement to let hurting children know God loves them and they are not forgotten.

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Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Tips

Please use one of the red and green GO boxes or a regular size cardboard shoebox. They are a standard size that packs easily into the shipping cartons at the relay center. While plastic boxes seem practical, many times they break and end up in the "shoebox hospital" at the processing center.

Boy or Girl

Determine the gender and age category: 2-4 years, 5-9 years, or 10-14 years. Attach the appropriate label (from the OCC pamphlet) on the box lid. Once the box is full, put a rubber-band around the box.

Gifts

Please focus on the practical! This one box will be shared with all members of the child's home, neighbors, friends, etc. The one washcloth you include may be used by 10 people living with the child! The simple items you take for granted each day could make all the difference in this child's life! Below are some ideas to get you started.

Hygiene items (These items will be shared by Other everyone living with the child. That could be Flashlights & batteries (This could be lifesaving for 10-20 people!) children escaping war or domestic violence) Toothbrush Sunglasses Toothpaste (can remove packaging) Hard candy or lollipops (double bag all candy) Mild bar soap (leave in packaging & put in a Tools plastic baggie) Duct tape Comb Sewing kit/fabric Cups, bowls, empty water bottle Washcloth School Supplies (The school supplies you send Toys (Focus on the practical but still include a few fun could mean the difference in whether or not the child items) gets to attend school.) Balls (even a deflated soccer ball with a hand pump) Pens Slinky Stuffed animal Pencils & sharpener Crayons or markers Small cars Paper Yo-yos Solar calculator Jump ropes Harmonicas Clothing **DO NOT INCLUDE:** Shirts (plain colors) Used/damaged items Pants War-related items (toy guns, knives, military figures, Shorts Shoes or any action figure holding a weapon) Chocolate or food (could melt or spoil) Socks Underwear Out-of-date candy Hats/mittens Liquids/lotions (containers can break ruining other items in the box) Medications/vitamins Breakable items (snow globes, glass containers, etc.) Aerosol cans **Include \$7 Donation** This covers the shipping cost to ensure your gift reaches the right child. You can give online (http:// www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/follow-your-box/) or use the donation envelope from the OCC pamphlet (please try not to use cash). Place your donation inside the box on top of the gifts.

Drop Off

Bring your box(es) to the Delaware County Relay Center at Monday, November 14: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. the Manchester United Methodist Church. ~ Tuesday, November 15: 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. 413 E Butler Street Wednesday, November 16: 4:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Manchester, IA 5205/ Thursday, November 17: 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Friday, November 18: 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Saturday, November 19: 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Sunday, November 20: 12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. Monday, November 21: 8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.



Dylan Sellner	11/01
Ellen Nystel	11/05
Mike Reth	11/05
Lisa Hough	11/07
Carley Eike	
Dwight Phillips	
Erin Mensen	
Arlyn Brockmeyer	
Rachael Edaburn	
Wade Feldmann	
Chloe Bahls	
Michaela Chapman	
Linda Curtis	
Claire Rausch	
Kristy Reth	11/21
Jason Kluesner	
Bill Welcher	
James Hough	11/24
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Kaitlyn Reth	
Zevon Sage	11/27
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Erín receíved her very own Bíble! Sunday, October 16th







Dean & Sue Boone	.11/05
Clifford & Helen Cole	.11/13
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Roy & Sandy Ferguson	.11/18
Mike & Regina Reth	.11/28
Ron & Janine Stellick	.11/30

NAME	ROOM #	PRINT SIZE
Carol Brockmeyer	N144	LARGE
Arlan Brockmeyer	N115	LARGE
Betty DeKeyser	N131	REGULAR
Sandra Hadley	S46	REGULAR
Garneth Hook	S41	LARGE
Bonnie Lindsay	N102	LARGE
Martha Palmer	N142	REGULAR
Leona Pohlman	N137B	LARGE
Catherine Manson	S15A	LARGE
Delores Timmer	S25	LARGE
Faye Wright	S50	LARGE
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Twyla Milroy	303	LARGE
Lois Mott	114	LARGE
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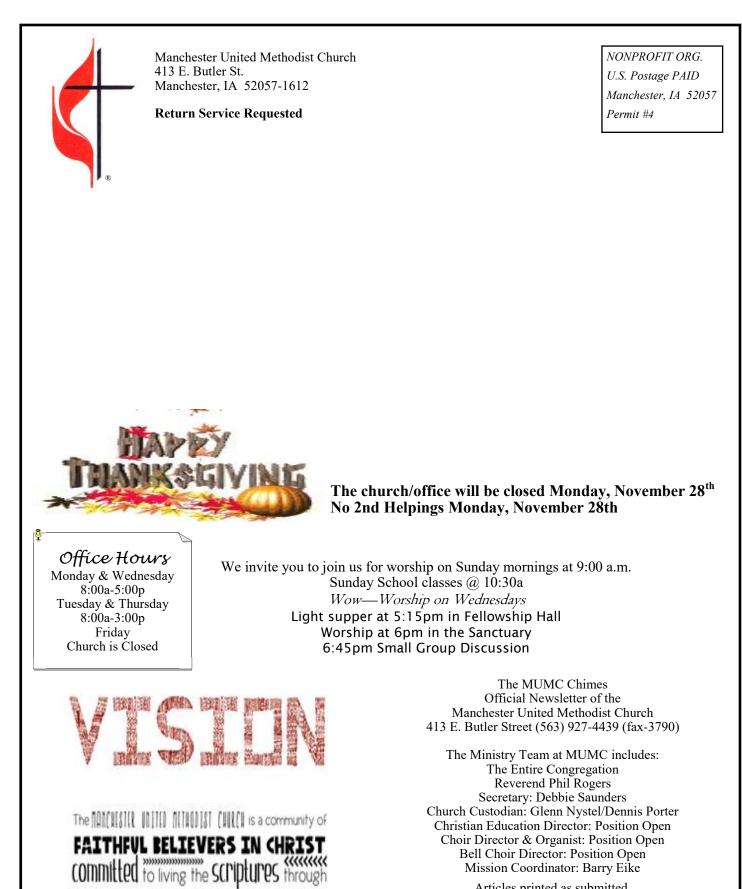


Please continue to pray for Erin as she continues in her personal journ

The Word of God is a lamp to our feet and light to our p Thanks be to God!

Sun 8:15a Serving Our Church Leaders meet in the Sanctuary every Sunday morning	Mon WIC November 7 & 14 2nd Helpings	Tue CHIMES DEADLINE November 15	Wed Worship on Wednesdays <u>Dinner @ 5:15p</u> Wesley Hall <u>Worship @</u> 6:00p—Sanctuary <u>Small Group</u> <u>Discussion @ 6:45p</u>	Thu	Fri November Mission: Angel Tree	Sat Year long Mission: Heifer International
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