



Manchester United Methodist Church

# *The Chimes*

413 East Butler St.

*April 2018*

Phone 563.927.4439

*Please Join us for worship on April 1st, Easter Sunday at  
9:00AM!*

Mission Work  
Camp  
July 21-29, 2018  
To the Rio  
Conference of  
the UMC, Texas



**“Vacation Bible School!”**

**More information inside!**

## Smiling...

Smiling is infectious, you catch it like the flu. When someone smiled at me today, I started smiling too. I passed around the corner, and someone saw my grin. When he smiled I realized I'd passed it on to him. I thought about that smile, then I realized its worth. A single smile, just like mine, could travel around the earth. So, if you feel a smile begin, don't leave it undetected – Let's start an epidemic quick and get the world infected.

*Ministry Minute Article*



## *A note from Reverend Phil...*

*Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. And God has placed in the church first all the apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, of helping, of guidance, and of different kinds of tongues. (1 Corinthians 12:27-28)*

In the last two and a half years Manchester United Methodist Church has been the recipients of many blessings. Our worship attendance has increased substantially, our finances greatly improved, and we have been blessed to start many new ministries, small groups, and even a Wednesday night worship. All this while continuing to strengthen our core ministries. That we have been blessed is without argument, but how do we respond to these blessings? We have offered to share in our blessings with other United Methodist Churches through leadership (guidance) in our sphere of influence. The Bishop and Cabinet have given us the opportunity to do so. Now we need to decide if this is the direction God wills for us to live out our ministry in creating Disciples for Jesus Christ. In a nutshell, this is what has been proposed;

That we align ourselves with Delhi UMC and Buck Creek UMC to recreate our culture there. We accomplish this by sharing our pastoral leadership, creating a partnership in ministry, and working together in mission where it make sense, while maintaining our individual histories and character. I will become lead pastor of all three churches, and we will hire an associate with Delhi/Buck Creek. We will work together to launch a new contemporary worship on Wednesday night to reach out to our whole community. Congregational care will be shared by both pastors. All three churches will share in the cost of the new associate pastor position.

Rev. Bill Poland of the Bishop's Cabinet has called a special Church Conference on Sunday April 15, 2018 at 10:30 AM in our Sanctuary. We will vote at this time if we feel called to respond to a ministry of leadership by aligning Manchester UMC with Delhi UMC and Buck Creek UMC.

This is a time of prayerful discernment, has Jesus opened a new door in ministry in this place and time to make Disciples? If You have any questions please contact myself or any member of our SPRC Team.

*Peace Rev. Phil*

**MUMC Single Board**  
**March 20, 2018**  
**Wesley Hall**  
**6:00 p.m.**

**Present:** Janine Stellick, Bruce Nodurft, Charlie Dighton, Randy Waterman, Ruth Voshell, Marge Wolter, Zach Rogers, Pastor Phil, Mark Reth, Al Remling, Jean Gross, Susan Hermann.

Chair Mark Reth called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. Our Call to Worship was from John 3:3-6, 14-17. Jesus is teaching Nicodemus about God's kingdom coming to the whole world, not just the Jews and that Nicodemus wouldn't be a part of it unless he was personally born again. The kingdom is personal and its entrance requirements are repentance and spiritual rebirth.

Prayers and praises were lifted up followed by a moment of silence and a prayer for guidance from Mark.

Finance reported that actual income year to date is \$39,664 and actual expenses are \$36,693 (including apportionments) giving us a small surplus for January and February. Bruce will compare the giving to what we had for the same time last year.

Trustees reported that the garage will be taken down by summer if no one is interested in moving it. Trustees also recommended that Demmer Architecture be hired for a building needs proposal which includes many changes to our existing structure to better utilize and update several areas including bathrooms. The expected charges of \$2,500 for this proposal will include a schedule and work plan, design meeting with the building committee, design 2-3 planning options to accomplish the church goals and objectives, prepare construction costs for each design option and prepare colored plans to present to the congregation which will show the design options. The recommendation was unanimously approved by the board.

Christian Ed. reported that help is needed for a church wide garage sale the last weekend in April. Proceeds from this sale will go towards camperships and OCC shipping expenses.

Missions reported that the focus will be Ingathering for April and July.

Congregational Care reported on their activities including Grief Share, the Christmas dinner, health clinics and visits.

**Action Items:**

Finance presented their recommendation that \$35,000 be withdrawn from the General Budget and placed in three CD's at F&M Bank at a special rate of 1.7% for 18 months with no penalty for early withdrawal. Two signatures will be required including the Board and Finance Chairs. Interest will be returned to the general fund. The recommendation carried unanimously. Our current interest bearing checking account pays a rate of 0.15% so with the surpluses we have in some general budget areas it was decided to make better use of some of that money until or when it is needed.

Pastor shared about his meetings with our church and the Delhi/Buck Creek churches in regard to staffing needs. Delhi is receptive to what is being presented. Our Conference Representative will need to call Church Conferences at each of these churches and two weeks notice are needed previous to those conferences. Then votes need to be taken before we can proceed with staffing an associate to serve both churches. S/PPRC people from both churches will need to work out many details. This process is moving slower than we had hoped but we are moving forward as quickly as we can.

Pastor briefly shared our assigned reading from *Shift* which focused on membership. We need to shift our focus from number of members to number of people who worship with us and consider us their church home. Many younger people are not into "joining" something but are willing to be a part of a congregation. Commitment is more important than being a member on the rolls.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 with the Lord's Prayer followed by singing of the Doxology. Our next meeting will be April 17, 2018 in Wesley Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Gross  
Single Board Secretary

***February Finance Report***

Year-to-date budget income: \$45,508

Year-to-date actual income: \$39,664

# SERVING OUR CHURCH

## April 1

**Communion servers:** Phil Rogers, Dave Gaskill, Matthew & Meghan Mensen.

**Acolytes:** Youth

**Liturgist:** Julie Porter

**Scripture Reader:** Jeff Larsen

**Children's Sermon:** Kristin Milroy

**Door Greeters:**

**Nursery:** Susan Hermann

## April 8

**Acolytes:** Youth

**Liturgist:** Mary Jane Fetter

**Scripture Reader:** Pam Vap

**Children's Sermon:** Tom Fetter

**Door Greeters:**

**Nursery:** Debbie Rogers

## April 15

**Acolytes:** Youth

**Liturgist:** Rita Woods

**Scripture Reader:** Marilyn Feldmann

**Children's Sermon:** Jackie Sherman

**Door Greeters:**

**Nursery:** Becca Hermann

## April 22

**Acolytes:** Youth

**Liturgist:** Brittany Reth

**Scripture Reader:** Mark Reth

**Children's Sermon:** Michael Stocks

**Door Greeters:**

**Nursery:** Connie Allyn

## April 29

**Acolytes:** Youth

**Liturgist:** Terri Larson

**Scripture Reader:** Al Remling

**Children's Sermon:** Bill Scanlan

**Door Greeters:**

**Nursery:** Mary Jane Fetter

### **Pianists & Music Coordinators:**

Beth Mueller and Lynne Rasmussen

**Piano/Organ Substitute:** Duane Philgreen, Mark Philgreen, Marianne Sandberg

**Tech Team:** 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:**

Jeff Larsen @ 927-5089 or  
call the office @ 927-4439

### **Door Greeter:**

Janine Stellick @ 9273485  
e-mail: [rjstellick@yahoo.com](mailto:rjstellick@yahoo.com)

### **Tech Team:**

Ruth Voshell & Michael Stocks  
[mumctechteam@gmail.com](mailto:mumctechteam@gmail.com)

### **Nursery:**

Mary Jane Fetter @ 920-2006

### **Acolyte and Usher:**

Jim Kerton @ 927-5953

Or

Sign up at the Welcome Center





# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The warmer temps have all of us thinking of summer, so let's begin planning Vacation Bible School! This year's theme is *Shipwrecked: Rescued By Jesus!* The kids are in for an adventure filled week, but it won't be possible without YOUR help!

This year's VBS will be July 16-20 from 9:00-11:45 a.m., and we are in need of a co-director, preschool leaders, station leaders, crew leaders, and decoration leaders. Descriptions of these positions are below. If you are interested in helping with any aspect of VBS, please contact Stephanie Stocks at 927-3351 or [mstocks@iowatelecom.net](mailto:mstocks@iowatelecom.net) or contact the church office.

**VBS CO-DIRECTOR:** Assist in organizing all aspects of VBS including recruiting and training volunteers, ordering supplies, advertising, collecting registrations, etc. After all, two heads are better than one! **(Plus this really is Stephanie's last year as director, so we would like to have someone in place to take over next year.)**

**PRESCHOOL TIDE POOL LEADERS (Adults):** Rather than have our 3 & 4-year-olds rotate through the stations with the older kids, they have their own class. We need two or three adults to lead this class. Crew leaders will help organize these kids and assist the leaders.

**STATION LEADERS (Adults):** Students (who are grouped in crews) move through various stations that are staffed by an adult leader and feature a different Bible-learning activity. You are the "teacher" for your station. Crews are at your station for approximately 20 minutes. Stations include:

**Castaway Sing & Play/Sail Away Sendoff:** This energetic individual opens and closes the morning with all the kids in the sanctuary. They introduce the Bible Point and Bible Memory Buddy each day. They help lead the praise songs, discuss God Sightings, and give hints about what the daily Bible story will be. They may use drama experiences and engaging object lessons to help kids apply what they've learned throughout the day.

**Bible Discovery:** This individual helps the kids experience the daily Bible story in a hands-on way.

**Imagination Station:** This individual leads the kids through science experiments using fun gizmos that connect to the day's Bible story.

**KidVid Cinema:** This individual plays the daily video segment in our theater and helps the kids practice using a Bible by finding and reading each day's key Bible verse. God sightings and the week's mission project are also discussed.

**Tropical Treats:** This individual prepares and serves the daily snack while reinforcing the daily Bible verse.

**Ship Rec Games:** This enthusiastic individual leads the crews through a variety of games that connect with the daily Bible Point or Bible story. There are always a variety of games for the leader to choose from to best suit the kids at our VBS.

**CREW LEADERS** (HS Students or Adults): These individuals are assigned to a group of approximately 6 kids. They lead their crew through each station assisting the station leaders as needed.

**SONG LEADERS** (MS/HS Students or Adults): These energetic individuals learn the songs and actions and lead the kids in singing during opening and closing.

**DECORATION LEADERS:** Creative individuals with great vision and ingenuity are needed to turn the Narthex and sanctuary into a busy and imaginative workshop.

With approximately 75 kids attending VBS each summer, we need at least 12 crew leaders in addition to at least 6 station leaders and 2-3 preschool teachers to make VBS a success. We also need creative people to help decorate the church, people to man the registration table, assistants for the station leaders, and much more. Please consider how you can use your talents and gifts to benefit the children who attend this year's VBS!



## *Volunteer Registration Form*

*VBS 2018*

*Manchester United Methodist Church*

*July 16-20*

*9:00-11:45 a.m.*

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Entering '18-'19: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt Size (adult sizes):    Small    Medium    Large    XL    XXL    XXXL    OR    I have a shirt from last year \_\_\_\_\_

Desired Position:

\_\_\_\_\_ Crew Leader (Helper/Escort for small groups) (HS student or adult)

\_\_\_\_\_ Station Helper (MS or HS student) (Please check desired station/position)

\_\_\_\_\_ Station Leader/Teacher (adult) (Please check desired station)

\_\_\_ Opening/Closing    \_\_\_ Games    \_\_\_ Imagination Station    \_\_\_ Snacks    \_\_\_ Movie/Mission

\_\_\_ Stories    \_\_\_ Preschool    \_\_\_ Song leader (Opening/Closing)    \_\_\_ Actor

\_\_\_\_\_ Decoration Leader/Helper

\_\_\_\_\_ Registration Helper

NOTE: Please record my contact info. and return this sheet to the church office or me ASAP. Please let me know ASAP if there are any days you will not be able to volunteer. Stephanie Stocks: [mstocks@iowatelecom.net](mailto:mstocks@iowatelecom.net)    (C) 920-1570    (H) 927-3351

# April 27th & 28th: MUMC Garage Sale!

## MUMC Garage Sale

It's time to clean out your closets and cupboards! We will be holding a garage sale this spring in conjunction with the Manchester city-wide garage sales at the end of April. Proceeds from the garage sale will be split between camperships for youth interested in attending camp this year, and the shipping costs of the Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes.

You may begin bringing items for the garage sale on Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please put them on the pews in the hallway on the west side of the sanctuary. We are especially looking for the following items for the sale:

- Good used kids clothing
- Good used toys/books
- Household items (dishes, pans, glasses, furniture, etc.)
- Miscellaneous knick-knacks including holiday items
- Bikes
- Baked goods

Because adult clothing doesn't usually sell very well, we suggest you take those in-season items to the Clothing Closet. If you have larger items to donate, please contact Meghan Mensen or the church office before bringing them in so we can determine whether we will be able to sell them.

The garage sale will be open Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-6:00 p.m. and Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> from 8:00-11:00 a.m. in Wesley Hall. Set up will begin Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at approximately 9:00 a.m. If you are available to help, please contact Meghan Mensen or simply join us!





Love to sew or quilt? Then you should join  
Calico Cut Ups!

Every Tuesday at 9:00AM in the Community Room

What about a good cup of coffee, a scone and great conversation? Join *The Sippers at Aunt Emmy's Café* every Friday at 9:30AM.



Sudoku Puzzle

Answers on the back!

		6		5	4	9		
1				6			4	2
7				8	9			
	7				5		8	1
	5		3	4		6		
4		2						
	3	4				1		
9			8				5	
			4			3		7



## OCC Bake Sale

The last Sunday of every month please participate by either baking and/or purchasing items from the youth to help with shipping costs for Operation Christmas Child next year!

Contact Mary Jane Fetter, 563-920-2006, with any questions . Happy Baking!



Giving back feels good! We were recently reminded of this by a group of young girls from our community. Kaci Reth celebrated her 8th birthday on January 24th. Instead of receiving presents for her birthday party, Kaci asked her friends to bring a stuffed animal to give to kids receiving care at Regional Medical Center's Emergency Department. Then, the girls made up personalized cards and attached them to each of the stuffed animals.

"Seeing the girls do something like this for kids receiving care in our ER is so heart-warming," shared Mary Rausch, Emergency Services Manager. "Sometimes, it's the smallest things that can make a huge difference to the kids and families we care for. Hat's off to these girls and their families for helping to make a difference. You are an awesome example of 'giving back' and caring selflessly for others."

On behalf of all of us at Regional Medical Center, Happy Birthday, Kaci, and thank you to you and all of your friends for helping to bring smiles to the kids we care for at RMC.

Front: Gwenyth Hough, Bella Wegmann, Alivia White, Kinley Wegmann, Kaci Reth, Jeanne Bardgett

Back: Abigail Heidenreich, Emergency Department Nurse

**Good Job  
Girls!**



# Happy Birthday

Mary Piegors..... 4/03  
 Norma Vande Vegte..... 4/03  
 Betty Brauer..... 4/04  
 Cliff Cole..... 4/07  
 Barb Davis..... 4/08  
 Alys Henderson..... 4/09  
 Kaci Tutton..... 4/09  
 Carol Dighton..... 4/12  
 Carolyn Mellody..... 4/12  
 Jerry Andregg..... 4/18  
 Gary Feldmann..... 4/18  
 Donna Hankins..... 4/20  
 Marjorie Wolter..... 4/20

# Happy Anniversary

Gary & Kathy Evarts ..... 4/04  
 William & Donna Scanlan ..... 4/05  
 Sam & Kristin Milroy..... 4/12  
 Lyle & Gayle Saunders..... 4/18  
 Jim & Julia Hopkins..... 4/24  
 Chris & Mary Jo Larsen ..... 4/25

## FLOWER SIGN UP

Please sign up in the hallway to donate flowers for the altar. Please let Kat in the office know if there is a special occasion or in memory of a loved one.



## UMW VERSE OF THE MONTH

“We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his son, Jesus Christ.” ~John 1:3

### Good Neighbor Home 105 McCarren Drive, Manchester

NAME	ROOM #	
Carol Brockmeyer	N-144	LG Print
Catherine Manson	S-24	LG Print
Huberta Olive	N-137B	LG Print
Delores Timmer	S-25	LG Print
Faye Wright	N-13A	LG Print
Garneth Hook	MP-206	LG Print

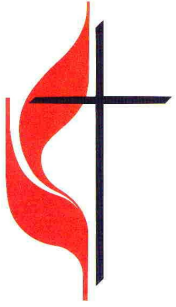
### The Meadows 220 McCarren Drive, Manchester

Evelyn Dunn	111
Mary Lou Beswick	114
John Tyrrell	35B



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
8:15AM <i>Serving Our Church Leaders</i> meet Sunday	<b>WIC</b> Mar 5 & 12 <b>2nd Helpings</b>	<b>CHIMES DEADLINE</b> <b>April 26</b>	<b>Worship on Wednesdays</b> <b>Worship @ 6:00PM—Sanctuary Small Group Discussion @</b>	<b>April Mission:</b>	<b>1:00PM Cribbage Club in Wesley Hall</b>	

1  Happy Easter	2 10:30AM <b>Study Group</b> 5:30PM <b>Worship Design</b>	3 9:00AM <b>Calico Cut Ups</b> 5:30PM <b>Bible Study</b>	4 9:00—11:00AM <b>Prayer ~ Sanctuary</b>	5 1:00PM <b>Knitters</b>	6 9:30AM <b>Sippers@ Aunt Emmy's</b>	7 8:00PM <b>Community Meeting</b>
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15 9:00AM <b>Worship</b> 10:00AM <b>Fellowship</b> 10:30AM <b>Sunday School, MUMC Church Conference</b>	16 10:30AM <b>Study Group</b> 5:30PM <b>Worship Design</b>	17 9:00AM <b>Calico Cut Ups</b> 5:30PM <b>Bible Study</b> Library	18 9:00—11:00AM <b>Prayer ~ Sanctuary</b>	19 1:00PM <b>Knitters</b>	20 9:30AM <b>Sippers@ Aunt Emmy's</b>	21 8:00PM <b>Community Meeting</b>
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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 9:00am  
 Sunday School classes @ 10:30am

*Wow—Worship on Wednesdays*

Worship at 6:00pm in the Sanctuary  
 6:45pm Small Group Discussion

The MUMC Chimes  
 Official Newsletter of the  
 Manchester United Methodist Church  
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The Ministry Team at MUMC includes:

The Entire Congregation

Reverend Phil Rogers

Secretary: Kat Rogers

Church Custodian:

Glenn Nystel/Dennis Porter

Christian Education Director:

Choir Director & Organist:

Bell Choir Director:

Mission Coordinator: Zach Rogers

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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!

**Sudoku Puzzle**

Answers

2	8	6	1	5	4	9	7	3
1	9	5	7	6	3	8	4	2
7	4	3	2	8	9	5	1	6
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4	6	2	9	1	8	7	3	5
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