



Manchester United Methodist Church

## *The Chimes*

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**February 2020**

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***Lenten Study "What Makes a Hero?"***

*Church Fun Day at the Rec Center Feb 23rd*

**International clean drinking water project**

Inclement weather closure policy

The Heart-land Dinner Feb 6th

***Super Bowl Party Feb 2nd***

New Mission for 2020

## *A note from Pastor Phil...*

***But someone will say, “You have faith; I have deeds.”  
Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by my deeds.***

**- James 2:18**

When I was young my father owned a ranch about 70 miles SW of Tucson, Arizona. While in school we lived in town and went out on weekends, but my older brother Bob and I lived out there most of the summer. For me that was pretty cool, hanging out with my cool older brother... He could even drive and had already shaved once or twice! For Bob it may not have been as cool hanging out with a twelve year old. There was no TV and the phone rarely worked, so after working a long day we would eat dinner, then relax listening to old country gold and reading. My favorite things to read were Louis L'amour western novels and superhero comic books. I like all superhero comics, but my favorites are when they had to come together as a team to fight some evil super villain. I never really thought about why these were my favorites until I got older. It was then that I realized I liked the good guys versus the bad guys scenarios because I was lonely and feeling isolated from all my other friends. They gave me hope, perhaps even held the door open to faith when I was an adult. I mean, Jesus is the ultimate superhero.

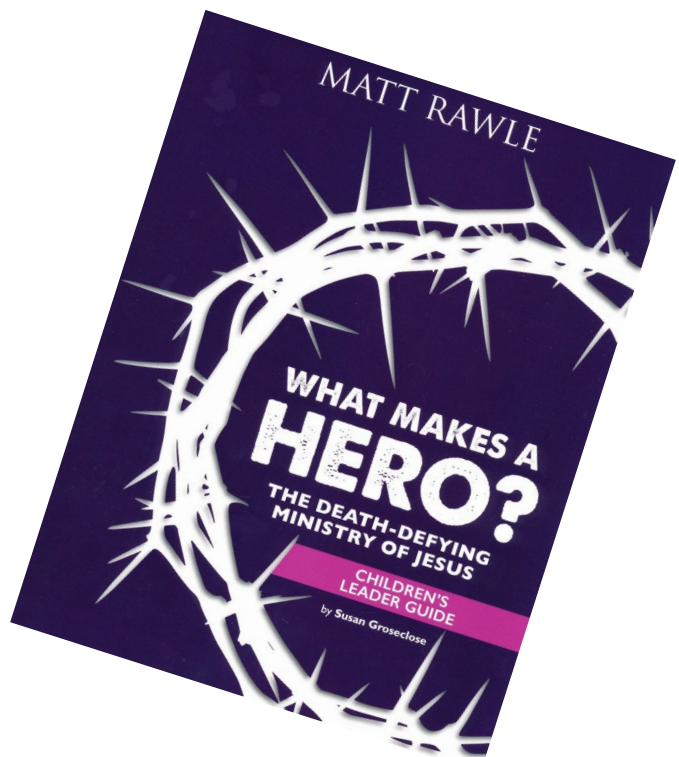
This Advent we are going to study the book “What Makes A Hero- The Death- Defying Ministry Of Jesus” by Matt Rawle. This is a study of superheroes, from our comics, and in our real world history, and in Jesus Christ our Savior.

I pray that all our church family will seek to be in a small group to work through this study together, supported by or lessons in worship.

There have been over 30 superhero movies made in the last 10 years. All have been box office hits. I wonder why now after all these years are we suddenly so attracted to the good versus bad scenario? Why is it that our community, or country, our world seems to have lost hope, and feel so isolated and alone? Perhaps we need to come together to learn of our eternal superhero, and to share this story of hope with the world.

**If you would like to host or join a group please sign up or let the office know. ([kat@umcmanchester.com](mailto:kat@umcmanchester.com) or 563-927-4439)**

**Sign Up in the Narthex**



**MUMC Single Board**

**January 21, 2020**

**6:00 p.m.**

**Wesley Hall**

**Present:** Mark Reth, Janine Stellick, Bruce Nodurft, Barry Eike, Bill Scanlan, Pastor Phil, Ruth Voshell, Mike Wade, Charlie Dighton, Al Remling, Jean Gross.

Mark Reth called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in Wesley Hall. He opened the meeting with a scripture reading from Ephesians 4. We are asked to equip people for works of service so we can all grow in knowledge and mature as Christians.

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

Pastor briefly shared with the board what is coming in the months ahead for our denomination. More will be known after the April Conference but he wants us to be aware of possibilities being presented and voted on at that meeting. He is also meeting on Thursdays for lunch at various restaurants for discussions with anyone interested in what is coming for the United Methodist Church.

**Ministry Reports:**

**Finance** - Bruce shared the finance report for December. Expenses Year-to-Date with apportionments paid were \$238,305 and actual income was \$248,185 for the year. We were able to meet 97% of our budget amount and expenses were less than budgeted for the year. The Brick-by-Brick campaign generated commitments of \$139,165 with cash on hand of \$65,185. A team has been set up to help with this capital campaign to help generate some fund raising possibilities.

**Trustees** - Charlie shared the front entryway repairs should be completed this week including removal of the heater and ceiling repair. The light at the south parking lot entrance has been replaced. Ideas are being discussed how to move ahead with the new flooring in Wesley Hall and removal of the old tile and glue that have asbestos in them. Further funding options will be studied to complete the project.

**Education** - The education team is looking for study ideas at all levels.

**Reaching and Receiving** - Janine will be putting a sign up sheet for greeters at the welcome desk for people to help with greeting on Sundays. Two are needed each Sunday.

**Lay Ministry** - Following this board meeting lay leader volunteers from the congregation will be meeting with team leaders to see what they can do to support those teams.

**Action Items:**

Recommendation from Finance to approve the changes made to the 2020 budget as presented to the board. Approved as presented. Total budget for 2020 is \$250,224 which is about \$6,000 less than 2019.

Motion by Bruce seconded by Charlie to suspend monthly apportionment payments after this month and do quarterly payments as we have done in the past. Motion approved.

Motion by Charlie seconded by Ruth to reschedule church directory pictures with LifeTouch for May 20-23. Motion carried.

The church closing policy is now available on the church website as well as on Facebook. A hard copy will be available for those who want one.

Our next Single Board meeting will be February 18, 2020 at 6:00 in Wesley Hall. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 so board members could meet with the lay leaders.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Gross  
Secretary

**DECEMBER FINANCIAL REPORT:**

YTD BUDGET AMOUNT: \$256,459

YTD ACTUAL INCOME: \$248,185

YTD ACTUAL EXPENSES: \$238,305

# SERVING OUR CHURCH

## February 2

**Acolytes:** Youth  
**Serving Communion:** Dave Gaskill, Randy Waterman, Ron Gearheart and Madeline Zehr  
**Liturgist:** Darla Gaskill  
**Scripture Reader:** Carol Dighton  
**Children's Sermon:** Jackie Sherman  
**Nursery:** Kat Rogers

## February 9

### *Scout Sunday*

**Nursery:** Debbie Rogers

## February 16

**Acolytes:** Youth  
**Liturgist:** Jack Young  
**Scripture Reader:** Chris Mundy  
**Children's Sermon:** Zach Rogers  
**Nursery:** Susan Hermann

## February 23

**Acolytes:** Youth  
**Liturgist:** Kat Rogers  
**Scripture Reader:** Marianne Nodurft  
**Children's Sermon:** Zach Rogers  
**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 @ 927-3485  
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





## **MANCHESTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH CLOSURE POLICY**

Effective October 1, 2019

### **School Day Closure Policy (Monday – Thursday)**

All non-church member activities are to be cancelled when an inclement weather-related school closure is enacted.

All scheduled church member activities are cancelled unless the church leader for the activity deems it safe and contacts attendees that the activity will be held.

Church staff may perform duties on site if they determine that the site is safe to enter. The office will remain officially closed for visitor purposes.

If church staff cannot enter or leave the building safely, they can work from home or another site approved by senior pastor.

If an off-site location is used to perform work duties, the church phone messaging system must be accessible, and messages left must be addressed every hour. In addition, access to the church email system must be accessible at the site chosen to perform work duties and email messages must be checked hourly.

Hourly staff also have the option to claim a vacation day for church closure days.

### **Friday Saturday/Nights/Evenings/After School Hour Policy**

Church Board Meetings are to be cancelled if deemed necessary by assigned Chairperson, if access to the building is a concern. Chairperson can contact by email and/or phone.

Other events, both church member and nonmembers holding meetings/events are to be advised as to whether to hold event by the assigned responsible party for the event. Be it advised that there are no sidewalk or entrance maintenance activities conducted after office hours Monday – Thursday or on Fridays and Saturdays. Method of notification of closure is the responsibility of the responsible party for the event.

### **SUNDAY SERVICE CANCEL POLICY**

Church service to be cancelled when deemed not to be safe to travel and/or church property cannot be made safe for egress. The decision to cancel service should be made by Senior Pastor and/or Trustee Members. Decision to cancel service is to be made by 7:30 AM.

Methods to notify members:

Facebook - To be posted by AA or member of Tech Committee.

Phone message system to be updated with notice of closure by AA, Senior Pastor or another designee.

Text messages to board members.

Contact other members that have access to Facebook and texts.

KMCH Radio to be notified by Senior Pastor or person identified by Senior Pastor.

If travel and egress on church property is in question for an individual, it is recommended not travel to church, even if service is held.

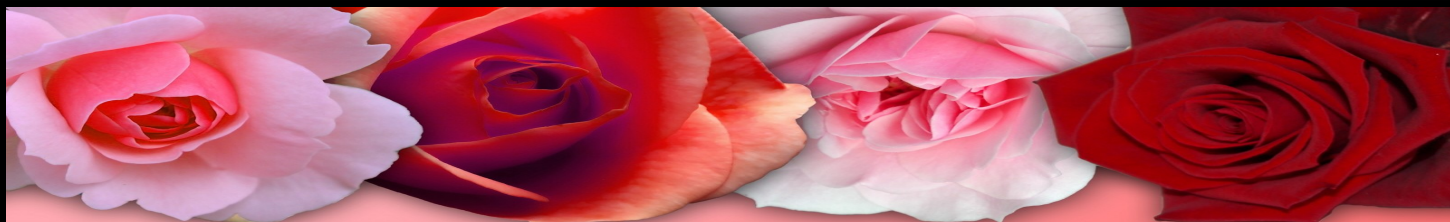
It is recommended that if inclement weather is a concern, to use one of the methods above to determine if church will be closed for Sunday Service.

### **OFFICE CLOSURE POLICY**

The office shall be closed for visitors at times when the church has been closed for weather or staffing reasons.

If all office staff are absent during a normal working day the office is considered closed.

A sign should be made visible at the north and south doors to inform visitors that the office is closed and list methods to contact office staff, such as email and phone numbers in case of emergencies.



## Heart-land Dinner

*Thursday February 6th, in Wesley Hall the Fourth Annual Valentines Dinner for those who have lost a loved one.*

*Serving...*

*Hors d'oeuvres at 5:15PM*

*Main Course at 6:00PM*

*Dessert with Phil at 6:45PM*

*The evening is sponsored by Congregational Care. There is no cost to participants. Please join us in celebrating our loved ones with a wonderful meal and our speaker this year is Pastor Phil Rogers.*

*We ask that if you plan to attend please contact Kat in the office no later than 3:00PM on Thursday January 30th, to reserve your spot.*

*Office 563-927-4439 or [kat@umcmanchester.com](mailto:kat@umcmanchester.com)*

*If anyone is interested in helping decorate, serve or clean up, please contact the office.*

## GREETERS

First, I want to thank all of you who have been faithful greeters in the past. Greeters are so vital to our church in welcoming visitors, guests and our regular members and making each person who enters our church feel welcomed as you would greet and welcome a guest into your own home. So, I thank each and every one of you who have ever been a church greeter. You are very much appreciated!!

Second, on a trial basis to see how this will work, I will post a sign-up sheet on the Welcome Desk for greeters. My wish is that you would sign up for a month at a time. I know this doesn't always work, so if you cannot greet for a whole month I can fill in for you. As in the past, we like to have a greeter at the front door and at the back alley door.

In the warmer months, we also like to have someone outside at the front and back door. Also to help people who may need assistance.

It is so important to the hospitality of our church to notice *every person* who comes through our doors with a friendly

'Good morning! - Welcome! -

Glad you are with us today.'

Thank you so much for your part in this very important ministry.

Janine Stellick

# Super Bowl Party

**Board Games and Ping-Pong Start at 4:30PM**

**Kickoff Starts at 5:30PM**

**Please bring a nonperishable item to donate to the Delaware County Food bank and your favorite game day dish to share.**

**(Potluck style)**



**10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary OCC Drop-Off Location**  
*Manchester United Methodist Church*

Have you heard? 2020 marks the 10<sup>th</sup> year Manchester United Methodist Church will serve as an Operation Christmas Child Drop Off Location. During our first nine years as a Drop-Off, we have collected 11,192 shoebox gifts with 5,008 of those boxes coming from our church alone.

We have a clear vision for the 2020 collection season as we celebrate our 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Our goal is to collect 2,020 shoebox gifts with 1,010 of those being packed at our packing party. Can you picture it? 2,020 children receiving a shoebox and hearing perhaps for the first time about a Savior who loves them beyond measure.

What can you do to help us reach this goal?

- Volunteer to contact area churches or community groups as we recruit new donors.
- Volunteer to help us fundraise for the \$9,090 needed to ship those shoeboxes.
- Volunteer to coordinate bulk purchasing of the hygiene items, school supplies, etc. needed for the packing party.
- Volunteer to help count and organize packing party donations.
- Start packing shoeboxes NOW rather than waiting until November.
- Pray for these local efforts to pack shoeboxes as well as for the children who will receive these gifts.

Please contact Stephanie Stocks at 563-920-1570 or [mstocks@iowatelecom.net](mailto:mstocks@iowatelecom.net) if you would like to volunteer or have questions.







# Save The Date!

Please mark your calendar for our annual  
**Church Fun Day at the Rec Center on**  
**Sunday February 23rd from 3:00 - 6:00 p.m.**

This is for everyone and something for all ages - even if you just want to enjoy good company and good food. As in the past, we reserve half of the gym. Maid rites, hotdogs and drinks will be provided.

Feel free to bring bars, snacks, etc. This is an opportunity to spend time with your church family.

Everyone is welcome!

Books of the Bible Crossword #1  
 Answer Key

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GENESIS	DEUTERONOMY	FIRST SAMUEL
EXODUS	JOSHUA	SECOND SAMUEL
LEVITICUS	JUDGES	FIRST KINGS
NUMBERS	RUTH	SECOND KINGS

Sudoku Answer Key

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7	5	3	9	4	8	2	6	1
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# Happy Birthday



# Happy Anniversary

- Dianne Larsen .....2/01
- Robbie Sedain .....2/03
- Connie Erickson .....2/04
- Shirley Haigh.....2/05
- Jackie Sherman.....2/06
- Linda Toms.....2/08
- Alex Zehr .....2/08
- Terry Larson.....2/09
- Maya Huegel .....2/10
- Linda Gearhart .....2/11
- William O'Connell.....2/12
- Tyler Smith .....2/12
- 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 .....2/22
- Arlan Henderson.....2/23
- Marcheta Lux.....2/25
- Stephanie Stocks.....2/26
- Sydney Litterer.....2/27
- Joan Jones .....2/27
- Jordan Schultz.....2/27
- Ben Litterer.....2/28
- Caryssa Philgreen.....2/28

- Sean & Nancy Edaburn .....2/14
- Brad & Shirley Davis .....2/16
- Ron & Linda Gearhart.....2/19

**Check Church Weather Closure  
Policy in this months Chimes.**

**Good Neighbor Home  
105 McCarren Drive, Manchester**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ROOM #</u>	
Catherine Manson	S-24	LG Print
Delores Timmer	S-25	LG Print
Faye Wright	N-137A	LG Print
Garneth Hook	MP-206	LG Print
Karl Whitaker	S-35	LG Print

**The Meadows  
220 McCarren Drive, Manchester**

John Tyrrell	109	LG Print
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**FLOWER SIGN UP**

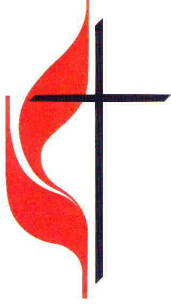
Please sign up in the hallway to donate flowers for the altar. Please let Kat in the office know if there is a special occasion or in memory of a loved one.



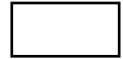
# FEBRUARY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
8:40AM <i>Serving Our Church Leaders</i> meet Sunday	<b>WIC</b> 3rd & 10th <b>Second Helpings</b>	<b>Feb 19th CHIMES DEADLINE</b>	<b>Worship on Wednesdays</b> WOW Dinner 5:45 Worship 6:30	<b>Dec Mission:</b> Self Help International Clean Water		
						<b>1</b> 8:00PM <b>Community Meeting</b>
<b>2</b> <b>Superbowl Party</b>	<b>3</b> 10:30AM <b>Study Group</b> 5:30PM <b>Worship Design</b>	<b>4</b> 9:00AM <b>Methodist Sewing Group</b>	<b>5</b> WOW Dinner 5:45 Worship 6:30 Small Groups	<b>6</b> <b>Heartland Dinner</b>	<b>7</b> 9:30AM <b>Sippers@ Aunt Emmy's</b>	<b>8</b> 8:00PM <b>Community Meeting</b>
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**Return Service Requested**

**TO** \_\_\_\_\_  
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*Office Hours*

Monday & Wednesday

9:00am-5:00pm

Tuesday & Thursday

9:00am-3:00pm

Friday

Church is Closed

**We invite you to join us for  
worship on Sunday mornings at  
9:00am**



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The Ministry Team at MUMC includes:  
The Entire Congregation  
Reverend Phil Rogers  
Secretary: Kat Rogers  
Church Custodian:  
Dennis Porter  
Christian Education Director:  
Choir Director & Organist:  
Bell Choir Director:  
Mission Coordinator: Barry Eike

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