

# Manchester United Methodist Church The Chimes

# October 2020

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**Generosity of Giving...** 

Scrip Still Available

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Sherman's Pumpkin Farm

## Shoebox Tips



# A note from Pastor Phil...

## Chimes October 2020

Peter was confronted by the collectors of the temple tax. That is 2 drachma per person please. Peter assured them they would get their taxes, and when he returned to Jesus, Jesus asked him about it. *"From whom do the kings of the earth collect duty and taxes—from their own children or from others?"* Peter replies that they tax others, not their own children. Jesus then advises that the children must then be exempt... As Children of God we should not pay a temple tax. But then Jesus goes on to say;

#### "But so that we may not cause offense, go to the lake and throw out your line. Take the first fish you catch; open its mouth and you will find a four-drachma coin. Take it and give it to them for my tax and yours." Matthew 17:27

But to cause no offense... Jesus does this not because the temple is due a tax, but because this is the system that the temple uses to pay the bills. First, We should give to God joyously for the ministry of the Kingdom. But not as a tax where we feel forced. It is not a question of what the temple is due so that the needs of the least, lost, and hopeless could be met. It is a question for the heart of the giver... Should we ask, what are those broken people worth? Should we ask, What is the value of the work of the church to me? No, we should ask, what is the value of these broken people, and the work of the church, to God?

Then Jesus follows up with a miracle to make his point. Go fishing, when you catch a fish look in its mouth and you will find a coin that will cover your taxes as well as mine. Is it not in actuality God who provides all to meet our needs? Maybe our needs are met through a paycheck, or an investment check, or through the sale of something we own. God provided us with the abilities and opportunities for these blessings to be available to us. Just as God has provided you to be a blessing in helping to provide for the poor as well. If money is an idol- you will never know enough. But if money is a tool to live as both blessed and a blessing, you will always know abundance.

This Sunday, October 4th we begin our "Estimates of Generosity" as we seek God's vision in the preparation of our 2021 budget. Each year we have handed out the cards in week on as we have studied "Estimate of Generosity- Priorities. Then over the next two week we ask that you family pray together and provide for us an estimate of your giving so that we can put together a realistic church budget that pays the bills and also allows us to dream God sized dreams. Then in week two as we study "Estimate of Generosity-For Good or Evil" and week three as we study "Estimate of Generosity - Mine or Yours" we ask that you turn in the estimate card. We check off the names to make sure we have everyone covered, and we write down the number in a different place so that we can know what to budget, then the cards are destroyed.

This year due to the pandemic the cards have been mailed out and we ask that if you are not going to return it in the sanctuary, then to please mail it back or drop it off in the church office.

We have also found through this pandemic that the church needs some updated information that you will find on the other side of the "Estimate of Generosity" card.

Every year we have been very close either just over or just under the over budget in church giving. Thank you for all the joyful giving that you have done through the last several years.

Peace

#### MUMC Single Board September 15, 2020 6:00 p.m. Wesley Hall

**Present:** Ruth Voshell, Bruce Nodurft, Charlie Dighton, Janine Stellick, Kathy Dolan, Bill Scanlan, Mike Wade, Mark Reth, Pam Vap, Phil Rogers.

**Finance:** Motion by Charlie Dighton, seconded by Kathy Dolan to approve the following recommendation from Finance: 2021 Budget Recommendation for the year 2021, to budget \$29,754 for apportionments to be paid as follows:

General Church Apportionments: \$7,068

Conference Mission Giving: \$4,061

Conference Ministries \$17,869

District Special Asking: \$756

Motion carried.

Trustees: Charlie reported the kitchen work is to be done after the next trustee meeting.

**Worship:** Ruth reported the communion supplies are here. Approval was given to investigate the cost for Sunday services to be broadcast live.

Missions: Wayne Birkenholz will be our new Mission Chair after Sunday.

**Congregational Care:** This committee would like support from single board to allow pastor to announce that donations for Tania Smith's funeral arrangements would be welcome and can be left at the church. Single board gave their unanimous approval and an announcement will be made Sunday.

Charge Conference will be held on November 1, 2020 at MUMC.

Meeting adjourned followed by the Lord's Prayer. Our next meeting is scheduled for October 20, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in Wesley Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Voshell, Sec'y pro tem

#### Finance report as of August 31, 2020

YTD budget amount: \$166,816

YTD contributions: \$159,272

YTD expenses: \$153,417

# SERVING OUR CHURCH

Liturgist for October Sunday: Leslie Zellner @ 8:30am Dave Gaskill @ 10:00am

Scripture Reader Nicholas Mensen @ 8:30am Dave Gaskill @10:00am

Children's Message: Sunday: Zach Rogers @ 8:30am

Ushers: Lori Snyder, Tim Tacy, Roger Mueller

If you are willing to help with any of these roles volunteers are still needed. Please contact Kat in the office. 563-927-4439.

Thank you.

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: <u>Jeff Larsen @</u> 927-5089 or call the office @ 927-4439

> Door Greeter: Janine Stellick @ 927-3485 e-mail: rjstellick@yahoo.com

Tech Team: Ruth Voshell & Michael Stocks mumctechteam@gmail.com

Nursery: Mary Jane Fetter @ 920-2006

Acolyte and Usher: Lori Snyder @ 920-6692

Or

Sign up at the Welcome Center



### From the Scrip Team



The scrip team would like to thank everyone who has continued to support us during the past four months! We know it's not nearly as easy to make those purchases as it is when we can sell gift cards before and after church services. Please know that we do appreciate your calling the church office and placing orders for us to fill! We will probably have to continue this method for a while, so don't hesitate to call Kat and tell her what you need. We will fill the order and you can come to the church office to pay and pick up your cards. You can also contact scrip team members directly to place orders if you prefer.

Typically at a July service we would present our semi-annual check to the church reflecting our profits of the previous six months. We were planning on doing that on July 19 but Covid kept us from church again starting July 12. Please know that we have given a check for \$1500 to the church but there won't be a presentation this time. This amount is less than we typically give, but that too reflects the situation we are all currently in. It is thanks to our faithful customers that we are able to continue contributing to the church's funds!

Your MUMC scrip team, Kathy Evarts, Vicki Spellerberg, Chris Mundy, Alice Kluesner, Carol Dighton, Linda Gearhart, Terry Larson, and Erin Learn

### The Clothing Closet

Will now be open on Monday mornings from 8:00-12:00. Masks are required. Please do not bring children or donations at this time. Thank you!

# Sherman's Pumpkin Farm

Due to the unpredictable season of COVID-19 that we are in we will not be having a family fun day at Sherman's Pumpkin Farm this year. However we still encourage everyone to visit the farm and support those who belong to our church family. More

details available on the next page.



# 2020 Sherman's Pumpkin Farm and Corn Maze

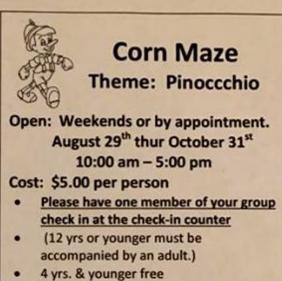
#### Dean and Jackie Sherman 413 S. Wayne Street, Manchester, IA 52057 563-920-2732 or 563-920-2742

# **Pumpkin Farm**

- Opening : August 29th thru October 31<sup>st</sup>
- Hours: 10:00 am 5:00 pm

#### Free Admission to the Pumpkin Farm

- Pumpkins
- Squash
- Gourds
- Indian Corn
- Mini Pumpkins
- Painted Pumpkins
- Ornamental Pumpkins
- Corn Stalks



- Appropriate footwear is recommended.
- No Smoking.

Please check our Facebook page for notification if Corn Maze is not available due to weather conditions.

#### Due to COVID 19-there will be the following changes:

- Iowa's COVID 19 Guidelines will be followed: <u>Masks are optional</u>, please be courteous and maintain proper social distancing.
- Customers will receive an Information Card upon arriving:
  - + Please fill out your card after making selections
  - + Please have 1 family member come to check out counter with your card
  - + Payment may be made by Credit Card, Check or Cash
  - + Your pumpkin selections may be taken automatically to your car.
- Hayrides will not be given.
- The Pumpkin Farm meeting room will not be available for special events.
- . Large group tours will not be given this year.
- Additional Hand-washing Stations and Sanitizer will be available.
- No pets allowed due to environmental and safety concerns.

### Trunk Trick or Treat Event in October has been Cancelled.

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We are excited to have KMCH Mix 94.7 as a sponsor.

GPS drawing and layout provided by Burrington Group.



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## Live Worship Service

After meeting with the safety team we feel that it is a good time to return to Live worship. We understand if you still feel it too soon to return. We will also continue to closely monitor any rise in COVID cases. If there is a rise in our area the safety team will make a quick decision as to weather or not we close again and

everyone will be notified through Facebook, the church website and a letter as soon as possible.

The Following rules must be followed in order for us to return:

-Please only come to the service you were invited to.

-No one can arrive more than fifteen minutes early for their service.

-Everyone must enter through the front doors (North entrance), regardless of where you park.

-Everyone must be wearing a mask before you can enter the building. (With the exception of babies or toddlers) If you need a mask there will be some near the entrance. Please grab the first one on the end don't dig to find a different one because yours has flowers on it. A free will offering box will be available if you'd like to donate for your mask. (We do have some smaller masks for toddlers and little kids if parents would like one.) If you refuse to wear a mask you will not be allowed in the building.

-Everyone must sit where the ushers seat you. It is not likely that you will sit where you always sit. You will be seated in the order you arrive. (Please be patient, this is temporary.) Please sit and wait for service, don't wander around church. We are still asked to practice social distancing. You may use the restroom if necessary. The yellow restrooms, located on the same level as the library and the restroom in Wesley Hall will be open for use.

-All Bibles, Hymnals, Visitor cards, pens and offering envelopes have been removed from the pews in order to make sanitation between services easier. If you need envelopes for offering please get some in the office some time during the week or use your own and have them ready before service. Offering boxes will be available as you exit worship.

-When worship has finished everyone will be excused in the same way in which we do communion. The ushers will dismiss by row. When dismissed please leave immediately. Don't stop to talk with anyone. If you need to talk please call the person or perhaps meet in the park across the street from the church. We need everyone off church grounds as soon as we possibly can in order to prepare for the next service.

Everyone must exit through the south doors near the parking lot. (Again regardless of where you parked.)

-Last but not least, please do not stop to talk to pastor. He would love to talk to everyone but he has to continue to social distance as well. He will be in his office and he'll wave as you exit church but his office will be locked. If you need to speak with him please call or email. pastorphil@umcmanchester.com or 563-927-4439.

Thank you for your patience and understanding at this time.

-God Bless MUMC Staff



Jesus said, "Let the little children come to Me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14

While 2020 has posed many challenges, I know God will not let those challenges stand in the way of getting Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts to children around the world who need to hear the message of hope through Jesus Christ. Did you know 1.9 billion children in the world are below the age of 15. This is 25% of the world's population...the exact population Operation Christmas Child ministers to through a shoebox gift!

#### What can you do to help us reach our goal of donating 1,010 shoeboxes from MUMC?

Pack a shoebox (or 2 or 10). Empty boxes are available at the Welcome Desk.
Build your box online from the comfort of your home. Visit: <u>https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/buildonline/</u>
Donate \$\$ to cover shipping costs of our shoeboxes (\$9/box).
Volunteer at our Drop-Off Location (Nov. 16-23).
Pray for this ministry!

#### **Current Packing Party needs:**

School supplies: 600 boxes crayons/colored pencils, pencil sharpeners, and scissors

- Hygiene items: 600 bars soap & washcloths; combs/brushes
- Clothing: underwear, shoes, and socks for boys and girls (all sizes)
- WOW items: toys, stuffed animals, soccer balls & pumps, tools, etc.

Please contact Stephanie Stocks at 563-920-1570 or <u>mstocks@iowatelecom.net</u> if you would like to volunteer or have questions.



### **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 and I take for granted each day could make all the difference in this child's life! Below are some ideas to get you started.

**Non-liquid Hygiene items** (These items will be shared by everyone living with the child. That could be 10-20 people!)

-Toothbrush

-Mild bar soap (leave in packaging & put in a plastic

baggie; Ivory is a great choice because it floats)

- -Comb
- -Washcloth
- -Stick deodorant
- -Non-liquid lip balm
- -Adhesive bandages
- -Nail clippers & file

**School Supplies** (The school supplies you send could mean the difference in whether or not the child gets to attend school.)

- -Pens
- -Pencils (sharpen beforehand if possible) & sharpener
- -Crayons or markers
- -Paper (Steno notebooks fit well in shoeboxes)
- -Solar calculator
- -Coloring or picture books
- -Glue sticks

#### **Clothing/Accessories**

- -Shirts (plain colors)
- -Pants
- -Shorts
- -Shoes
- -Socks
- -Underwear
- -Hats/mittens
- -Hair bows
- -Jewelry

- Other -Flashlights & batteries (This could be lifesaving for children escaping war or domestic violence) -Sunglasses -Tools (no saws or pocketknives) -Duct tape -Sewing kit/fabric -Cups, bowls, empty water bottle -Fishing kit Toys/WOW item (Focus on the practical but still include a few fun items) -Balls (even a deflated soccer ball with a hand pump) -Slinky -Stuffed animal -Small cars -Yo-yos -Jump ropes -Harmonicas -Puzzles -Binoculars **DO NOT INCLUDE:** -Used/damaged items -War-related items (toy guns, knives, military figures, or any action figure holding a weapon) -Candy, chocolate or any type of food (could melt or spoil) -Toothpaste -Liquids/lotions (containers can break ruining other items in the box) -Medications/vitamins -Breakable items (snow globes, glass containers, etc.) -Aerosol cans **Include \$9 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.



Cami Philgreen	10/02
Duane Philgreen	10/02
Marvin Rossow	10/03
Terri Philgreen	10/05
Autumn Reeder	10/05
Don Blong	10/07
Travis Hough	10/11
Fred Miller	10/13
Rita Woods	10/13
Florence Parrott	10/13
Mary Mangold	10/16
Mary Haigh	10/18
James Kerton	10/18
Chris Mundy	10/18
Adam Andregg	10/19
Gayle Saunders	10/19
Hannah Roberg	10/20
Howard Rosauer	10/20
Genevieve Croskey	10/21
William Thurn	10/21
Sue Boone	10/22
Berdina Carradus	10/24



Tom & Mary Jane Fetter	10/05
Michael & Joanne Wade	10/06
Dennis & Julie Porter	10/15
Ramon & Marilyn Wycoff	10/19
Tom & Connie Allyn	10/21
Phil & Debbie Rogers	10/24
James & Linda Kerton	10/26



### 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			
Jim Dekeyser					
Tim Tutton					
Jeane Taylor					
The Meadows					
220 McCarren Drive, Manchester					
John Tyrrell	109	LG Print			

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Return Service Requested

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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 8:30am & 10:00am or visit our website www.umcmanchester.com Or listen to KMCH 94.7 at 6:00pm on Sunday Nights



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