



Manchester United Methodist Church

# *The Chimes*

413 East Butler St.

**February 2021**

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Valentines Dinner

End of Year Contributions

*A Note From Pastor Phil*

**A Big Thank You**

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

***When they came together in Galilee, he said to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men. They will kill him, and on the third day he will be raised to life."  
And the disciples were filled with grief. -Matthew 17:22-23***

Walking down my street I see not everyone has their Christmas lights down, and yet here we are talking about the Lenten season as we prepare ourselves to connect with the story of our salvation through the passion of our Savior. This is a time of remembrance, self awareness, and transformation as we live into our faith and acknowledge the cost of our grace.

In the midst of this we are still dealing with the reality and the restrictions of a pandemic. We are all tired of masks and isolation, but still maintain a vigilance for the safety of all, and most especially for those who are the most vulnerable.

This Lenten season we shall continue to invite our church family to be united in a bible study that will be connected with the sermon series. This study is going to be shared with all the Circuit churches. The book we chose this year is "Embracing the Uncertainty by Magrey R. deVega. There are two books available, one is a devotional book if you are studying alone, the other is a study group for a small group of a family or neighbors. Both follow the same pattern and work to bring deeper meaning to the Sunday Worship messages. There is a free will offering request for \$11.00 per book, and they will be available in the church office.

I encourage our church family to get involved in this study either privately or in a small group. The world needs good news right now, let us prepare through our words and deeds to share the good news of the gospel.

MUMC Single Board  
January 19, 2021  
6:00 PM - via Zoom

Present: Phil Rogers, Mark Reth, Bruce Nodurft, Charlie Dighton, Ruth Voshell, Paul Lyman, Wayne Birkenstock, Janine Stellick, Pam Vap, Mike Wade, Bill Scanlan, Kathy Dolan

Chairperson Mark Reth called the zoom meeting to order. Our devotion for the meeting was Proverbs 3:5 and James 2:4 which was a reference call to action and demonstrate faith. Mark showed a sign from a skiing trip that "NO EASY WAY BEYOND THIS POINT".

Prayers and praises were lifted up followed by a prayer for guidance from Pastor Phil.

**Finance:**

1. The Fund Balance Report has been completed and filed.
  2. Endowment - There was a letter from Pfizer that stock from Viatris has been purchased and MUMC now has 24 shares and will be receiving dividends from this stock also.
  3. Notice was received on 12/21/2020 that the PPP loan had been forgiven. Paperwork was received on 1/15/2021
  4. Reth Endowment - Received notice from conference that the yearly 5% will be in the amount of \$297.00 and will be used for Christian Education.
  5. Apportionments for the year 2020 in the amount of \$34,226 were paid in full
  6. The year end report was given. Contributions \$231,865 - Expenses \$221,782
- Brick-by-Brick has a year ending balance of \$103,000

**Trustees:** Charlie reported that the boiler will be inspected on 3/9/2021. The city has sent notification that the sidewalk in front of the parsonage needs some work. The refrigerator in the parlor will need to be replaced.

**Worship:** Ruth advised that recording will continue for Epworth and Colesburg for a very short period.

**Christian Ed:** Youth are meeting on Wednesday night and there will be more programs come spring.

**Missions:** Wayne reported that there had been no activity since the money was sent to Delaware County Pay It Forward. Pastor Phil advised that MUMC had received a thank you note from that committee.

**Reaching & Receiving:** Janine advised that there would not be greeters and the ushers would be greeting as everyone is escorted to their pew.

**Congregational Care:** There has been no meeting.

**Staff Parish:** Mike Wade is asking for volunteers to staff the office while Kat is on maternity leave. This would preferably for a week at a time for the next approx. 3 weeks.

**Lay Ministry:** Bill would like to have a return celebration in the fall, pending the outcome of COVID.

There was discussion on general topics following the reports.

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM followed by prayer by Pastor Phil. Next meeting will be February 16, 2021 at 6:00 PM by Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Voshell  
Acting Secretary

**2020 end of year finance report:**

2020 Budget:	\$250,224
2020 Contributions:	\$231,465
2020 Expenses:	\$221,782



## YOUR END OF YEAR CONTRIBUTIONS

Anyone wishing to have a record of their 2020 giving for tax purposes or otherwise should contact the church office with their request (927-4439). We would like to mail them to you electronically if possible, so please include your email address with your request. We will mail your statement to you if that is your preference. Thank you.

## *Valentine Dinner*

Are you spending Valentine's Day by yourself? Or feeling a little down because of not getting out and about as you would like? If so, we would like to prepare a special Valentine Dinner delivered right to your home! There is no cost – we simply want to reach out to you and let you know we love you and are thinking about you.

The food will be awesome because it will be the creation of Head Chef Susan Hermann. The meal will be delivered either Saturday February 13<sup>th</sup> or Sunday February 14<sup>th</sup>. We haven't worked out all the details yet – but we will keep you posted.

If you would like a Valentine Dinner delivered to your home, please call the church at (563)-927-4439 prior to February 8, 2021 with your name, phone number, and address.

Blessings –

The Congregational Care Committee

## A BIG THANK YOU

Happy February Church Family!

The past two months have been a wild ride. As most of you know my son Drake was born very early at 34 weeks. He spent his first two and a half weeks of his life were spent in the NICU at St. Lukes. He was able to come home on December 26th. We are both doing very well and the little is growing like a weed.

With that being said, there were many things that still needed to be finished before the Christmas season and I was unable to finish them because of my unplanned time in the hospital. I would just like to say a big thank you to everyone who volunteered to help with the Christmas Eve service and to the Stocks family for making it happen! Also to those who have helped in the office, Becca Hermann and Cheryl Syren during maternity leave.

We are so blessed to have such a caring church family. Your prayers and love were felt during this time of our lives. We are truly a blessed family of four!

God Bless

Kat Rogers

Church Administrative Assistant

# Happy Birthday



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  
 Stephanie Stocks.....2/26  
 Sydney Litterer.....2/27  
 Joan Jones .....2/27

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

**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.



**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
Jim Dekeyser		
Jeane Taylor		

**The Meadows**  
**220 McCarren Drive, Manchester**

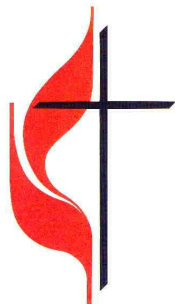
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# February

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Worship @ 8:30am & 10:00am	<b>Second Helpings</b>  Drive Thru Only 4:00- 5:00	<b>February 24th CHIMES DEADLINE</b>	<b>Youth Group</b> <b>6:30-7:30</b> <b>Wesley Hall</b>	<b>February Mission:</b> Chainsaw Teams		
	1	2	3  Youth Group 6:30-7:30  Wesley Hall	4	5	6  8:00PM <b>Community Meeting</b>
7  Worship @ 8:30am & 10:00am	8  <b>Second Helpings</b>  Drive Thru Only 4:00- 5:00	9	10  Youth Group 6:30-7:30  Wesley Hall	11	12	13  8:00PM <b>Community Meeting</b>
14   Worship @ 8:30am & 10:00am	15	16  <b>Single Board Meeting</b>	17  Youth Group 6:30-7:30  Wesley Hall	18	19	20  8:00PM <b>Community Meeting</b>
21  Worship @ 8:30am & 10:00am	22  <b>Second Helpings</b>  Drive Thru Only 4:00- 5:00	23	24  <b>CHIMES DEADLINE</b>	25	26	27  8:00PM <b>Community Meeting</b>
28  Worship @ 8:30am & 10:00am						





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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. Visit our  
website [www.umcmanchester.com](http://www.umcmanchester.com)  
Or listen to KMCH 94.7 at 6:00pm on  
Sunday Nights**



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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:

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