



Manchester United Methodist Church

The Chimes

413 East Butler St.

March 2021

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Important dates coming up...

Day Light Savings time
March 14th

Palm Sunday
March 28th
8:30am & 10am

Maundy Thursday
April 1st
7pm

Good Friday
April 2nd
7pm

Easter
April 4th
8:30am & 10am

Mask optional at 10:00 worship

Year End
Contributions

Contributions from Scrip

Easter Lily Orders

Bible Study Books for Lent are in!

**For I know the plans I have
for you, "declares the
LORD, "plans to prosper
you and not to harm you,
plans to give you hope and a
future. " -Jeremiah 29:11**

A note from Pastor Phil...

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Now Jesus was going up to Jerusalem. On the way, he took the Twelve aside and said to them, "We are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the teachers of the law. They will condemn him to death and will hand him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified. On the third day he will be raised to life!" - Matthew 20:17-19

Mom always said there would be days like this...

A word of warning to young parents is to never leave a spare piece of lumber lying around.

When I was growing up in southern Arizona, we would ride our bikes everywhere year-round. One of our favorite boyhood activities was to find a board, some bricks, line up trash cans and build a ramp. The neighborhood hero was always the one who could jump the most trash cans with their bike. For head protection we turned our ball caps around. We trusted in our natural survival instincts over the laws of gravity, what's the worst that could happen? If my mother caught us in our driveway she would come out and say, "that's enough, somebody is going to get hurt!" Then we would pick up our ramp and move to the next house until that mom got after us. Eventually, someone would inevitably miscalculate the (mass X motion= Distance) and there would be an epic collision. Then we would tear down the ramp, get our wounded friend home, and hide the board so we could start again the next day. For some reason we would never learn, nor would we live as if our mother's prophecy had any validity.

In our scripture above Jesus informs us the way of God's redemption for humanity. It would seem to be rather straightforward and easy to understand. Yet, from the gospel stories do we not witness Jesus betrayed, denied, and abandoned? On the third day, didn't everybody seem surprised to see Jesus again? Why did the disciples continue to live as if Jesus' prophecy lacked validity?

How has the grace received by Jesus' crucifixion and our hope in eternity assured in resurrection transformed our lives? Do we live into a witness of thanksgiving? Do we experience heart rending repentance when we fail? Knowing that Jesus' sacrifice is for all of humanity do we love deeper, forgive more, and share our abundance with our neighbors? Do we share our witness so that others may hear and believe? Do we do this consistently? Do we live every day and share in every relationship a witness that Jesus' sacrifice for us has validity?

I invite all who are connected to this church family to make a priority of worship and sharing in our Lenten bible study this season, either live or online. Then we shall walk this journey together supporting, encouraging, and holding one another accountable so that we will proclaim our faith and thanksgiving in God's plan of redeeming creation. Amen

MUMC Single Board

February 16, 2021

6:00 p.m.

via Zoom

Present: Ruth Voshell, Pastor Phill, Bruce Nodurft, Mark Reth, Janine Stellick, Jean Gross, Wayne Birkenholz, Pam Vap, Mike Wade, Bill Scanlan, Kathy Dolan, Charles Dighton.

Chairman Mark Reth opened the meeting with three scripture verses: "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23; "For the wages of sin is death, but the gracious gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 6:23 and "You see that a person is justified by works and not by faith alone." James 2:4. The main point of these scriptures is that it is impossible for us to earn or work our way to Heaven. It is only by God's grace through faith in Jesus Christ, but we must put our faith into actions.

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

Finance:

1. To fulfill our budget needs we need approximately \$21,000/mo and \$2500/mo for apportionments. The first four Sundays in January generated \$15,093 income with expenses of \$13,343 without apportionments.
2. Donna Tenhoff memorials so far have generated \$315 for the Brick by Brick Campaign. The Brick by Brick fund has \$106,655 in the bank at this time with additional monies from January.
3. SCRIP has given checks in the amount of \$1500 for the general fund and \$1470.75 for the education fund from Fareway SCRIP sales designated for education.
4. Application has been made for the yearly education monies from the Donald Reth Endowment Fund.
5. We will be looking at a different lease agreement for our copy machine usage that doesn't charge for under usage. Trustees will address this.

Trustees: The north entrance to the church has a leak and that door is closed off for now.

Worship: Matt German has been consulted regarding the sound board and steps necessary to have live worship online. The Worship budget has the \$400-600 for live streaming. The sound board is 15 years old and is needing to be updated. The cost to do this will be \$2000 for parts plus labor. The speakers and amplifiers seem to be in good condition at this time. Bruce notified the board that there is designated memorial dollars specifically for this purpose available to cover the expected cost.

Christian Ed.: The Lenten study and/or devotional is *Embracing the Uncertain* and is available from Kat in the office. A free will offering is helpful as the cost of the books is \$10 each. Ash Wednesday starts this week, February 17. There will be a service at the church that evening.

Missions: Wayne reported that the Delaware County Circuit met recently to look at mission opportunities that can be done together with the involved churches. Ideas are welcome.

Reaching and Receiving: Janine is looking at gift bags for those visitors to our church as the mugs are about gone and gift bags would be less expensive to maintain. We will need updated church information for the bags as well as other items. She has a small supply of wooden crosses to include in the bags and would welcome ideas.

Congregational Care: Pam said the Safety Committee met recently and the decision was made to maintain masking for the 8:30 service but masking will not be required at the 10:00 service. All doors of the church can be used for coming and going. A letter is going out to the congregation regarding this change. The Valentine Dinner was cooked by Susan and Becca Hermann and delivered with help to about 25 people who signed up.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 6:04 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 with Pastor Phil giving a closing prayer. Respectfully submitted,

Jean Gross
Secretary

January 2021 Finance Report:

January budgeted amount:	\$20,957
January contributions:	\$15,093
January expenses:	\$15,823



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Monday February 15, 2021

Friends,

Our church Safety Team met this afternoon to review our Covid Protocols for the church building and programs. I am pleased to announce that the Safety Team feels comfortable in updating some of our restrictions as we move ever closer to our new...old...normal. These are the changes we will begin on February 21st, 2021.

- The door restrictions have been removed, you may now enter and exit at whatever door is most convenient for you and all bathrooms are open for use.
- The 8:30 service will continue requiring masks, but the 10:00 service is now mask optional.

Social Distancing will continue in the sanctuary for both services.

We will continue to maintain no fellowship or meals in the church building and ask that the congregation does not meet to chat in the halls as we would still like to maintain our social distancing as much as possible.

Small groups, bible studies, and Sunday school classes are welcome to meet. Social distancing will still be required, but mask requirements will be up to the individual classes. It is up to all small group leaders, teachers, participants, and or parents to decide if they are ready to return to these faith development opportunities.

Please call the church office with any comments or concerns about this change in policy.

Peace

MUMC Staff

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.

Contributions from the Scrip Committee:

In January, the scrip committee presented two checks to Manchester United Methodist Church. These checks represent the profit from the sale of scrip.

One check in the amount of \$1,470.45 was from the sale of Fareway scrip and credited to the Education Fund. Fareway designates that the sale of their scrip must go to Christian Education.

The second check was credited to the general budget. It is profit from the sale of all the other scrip. That check was for \$1,500.

On behalf of the other members of the congregation, I would like to thank the members of the scrip committee for their donations and the time and effort each of them gives to this successful program. I also would like to thank all of you who support the program by purchasing scrip.

Bruce Nodurft
Finance chairman

People from the New Testament

N F S W X H O E Q R B R D R S I P M A S Z Y N B X M S C Q Q
 G T K Q M S A R U K L R A K J K Y C R H J R Q J O S E P H O
 A Z Q Y E T I M O T H Y C R A Y E D A D U E L X M Z K B T V
 K V D M P U M K J R O Z M G M W E P F P J Y Q S Y A X B I X
 R R K R Y W T S G D G K T P E K V D Z L I F C D H S R H I U
 W K K Q H F N M V J U O U X S S U I L E N R O C T T F Y N K
 O B Y U X K S A B A N R A B S M K B A P F O T A E A T U O Y
 I P A H T R A M L W M E V O I Y T E A U J T E D B B A U M E
 V D I G E J B Q T S O J M K U X B U Z J M M D G A I O T I J
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 P I R L P C V R Z A X T V Y I V D F Q P S S Z X L A J M M S
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 P R I S C I L L A H Q Q T K C S U E A H C C A Z H V P X V N
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 K U H V P H F U K T N E H P E T S G W Q K B T F B D M O D E
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 L D T E P A E D P M Q W Y T A B J I L E E S C G B J L D F P
 R E E R L U X P V B A U G Z J L A H W B V Y E G C E Y K V G
 R B H D E M Q P S Z C B O A A C R R A T N P G V K S D N G S
 T R Y Y T A K H D G Z C C Z A G Y P T P H I L I P U I G I Z
 O L M E M X Z W Y B Q E A C O B T K G H V F C L Z S A L M R
 M R L C P T L Q E Z T R B X E I L Z L N O T E K L Q A Q A X
 C S A X K U V A Z S U D R E S O A A D J W L H U Z S V V R S
 U C A I R H T U N S Y A L T D Q G H V J S N O O D C W Z K Q
 N U K P B Q Y U U D Y X E K L E M Z J F R P E M M V L B N I
 U W D M A T T H E W R D M Q Y E E D K N I D Z N E A Z E R W
 R D C J Q R V V B N G E E C S A S U E A D D A H T W S A M G
 S B M F R D Z K Y E J I W L T O X Z S C C A P X R Y M W R V
 R Y U M G X M K A Q U I L A L B O U H T L P D M S K W I A W

Andrew
Aquila
Barnabas
Barsabas
Bartholomew
Cornelius
Elizabeth
James
Jesus

John
John the Baptist
Joseph
Judas
Lazarus
Luke
Lydia
Mark
Martha

Mary
Matthew
Matthias
Paul
Peter
Philip
Priscilla
Silas

Simon
Stephen
Tabitha
Thaddaeus
Thomas
Timothy
Zacchaeus
Zebedee

Easter Lilies

Please help us celebrate Easter
by decorating the sanctuary
with lilies.

Cost \$20.00

Orders are due to the office by
Wednesday March 24th. Please make
checks out to MUMC.

Contact Kat with questions at
kat@umcmanchester.com



Easter Lilies

Due no later than Wednesday March 24th Cost \$20.00 Please make checks out to MUMC.

NAME: _____

IN HONOR OF: _____

IN MEMORY OF: _____



BIBLE STUDY FOR LENT!

Lenten Study Books are in! Choose between a devotional or a study. Books are \$10. They are located in the church office!

YOUTH GROUP

Youth has begun meeting in person. We meet on Wednesday nights in Wesley Hall from 6:30-7:30 grades 5th-Seniors. There will be no meal served at this time and masks are optional. If you have any questions, please contact the office. See you there!

Second Helpings

Will be handing out frozen meals via drive thru from 4:00-5:00pm on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month.

The Clothing Closet

Will be open on Monday mornings from 8:00-Noon. Masks will be required and the staff requests that no children attend at this time. **Winter clothing donations only will be accepted.**

SCRIP

Scrip is available and we would love to continue having customers!! Please call Kat at 927-4439 and tell her what you would like to buy. She will in turn call a scrip team member who will get in touch with you and make arrangements for getting the scrip to you. Remember, even though our restaurant etc. Options have become very limited we still need groceries and other essentials, and we have gift cards for that!

Doors Locked

Due to increased security concerns, the church doors may be locked more often. If the door is locked, please call the church office at 563-927-4439.

Books of the Bible

P D F E B R C W F Q K T M Y K D C V O N W I L P C N M A Z R
 Y V A S U C G D O S R G G O Y B D I Y F L W L X I V R C C R
 V T B Z B W U A Y R K W T V R M H S G Y S E C C C I I W L U
 J M D E Z N D O U F E S T H E R U L I G N Y M L I Z J P N Q
 Z Z W A U D K U N K R P W U X T C X L Q H X K S O C M K T V
 C I L G R K G N I E Y S T J I X L Y F U R H G G F N Q V X X
 F J N P Z T D M B L E V I T I C U S O B G N N Q N G T S R L
 H N P F A H B M A L A C H I Z E P H A N I A H A B A K K U K
 G Y F T S F U X C V J P S Z Q X K E H K Y S L M Y Q D H T U
 K P Y I R N G I Z C P B Q P F L S O I Z E C H A R I A H H X
 F X S M A B N A Z R J Q Y D R O J X F G A D T B T I P H M M
 H C E O U O N X O V Q F M Q H O C S D C S Z W J M I A Y Z F
 A C T T R S W B L N E Q Q X H Z V U R M E P H E S I A N S R
 Z K B H U C O V Q K D Q H D T J J E L V U R R N D H R N N S
 J R C Y X J I N U I K S S G S X U A R O L E A A J A M E S O
 H F P O M K W L G L N T Y B B N S N W B J I B I Q S F N D C
 W I Y M R Y E T V O P H I L I P P I A N S O M N X T A J C W
 L X K A I I D I I U F E Y E Q B T R S S P G N V H M A T I H
 W H M D K C N T X M V S A C A O Z W O E T I X A O U V O A S
 B B B E G U A T O I T S O C R E P L H E C N I R H E I I C K
 H T Z U E T R H H K Y A U L L I O O F S O M B S E M A B T X
 T E K T N X P M L I B L N E O C L M M I E X O D U S R O S I
 O F Q E E T W E A S A O I S U M V B T H W J U H I P K K X F
 J Y M R S W O G T S M N K I A P O A E E X J A Q C B W U G P
 B A R O I J G W J E A I S A L M L N H B Q N V N C X T B C X
 L G M N S A K V L D R A P S W E U T V R F L L R B U S R T I
 F A W O H G A I W Z D N U T V W T E K E L T R W D V L I E U
 X F R M S N H Q K M T S I E D A M P L W H P Q N O C V V Q Y
 G R B Y W P F S V F G T R S M K F N X S V K X N H B R C O R
 V Z Y L C T J Y G S A I R H B E V Y B O A Y V X E A U V D Z

Acts	Habakkuk	Lamentations	Psalms
Amos	Haggai	Leviticus	Revelation
Chronicles	Hebrews	Luke	Romans
Colossians	Hosea	Malachi	Ruth
Corinthians	Isaiah	Mark	Samuel
Daniel	James	Matthew	Song of Solomon
Deuteronomy	Jeremiah	Micah	Thessalonians
Ecclesiastes	Job	Nahum	Timothy
Ephesians	Joel	Nehemiah	Titus
Esther	John	Numbers	Zechariah
Exodus	Jonah	Obadiah	Zephaniah
Ezekiel	Joshua	Peter	
Ezra	Jude	Philemon	
Galatians	Judges	Philippians	
Genesis	Kings	Proverbs	

Happy Birthday!



- Walter Davis3/02
- Karen Petlon..... 3/04
- Mary Mangold.....3/05
- Ronnie Bachman.....3/07
- Jeff Larson.....3/07
- Philip Mueller3/07
- Whitney Erickson.....3/09
- Michael Stocks.....3/10
- Lila Joslyn 3/12
- Katie Ryan3/12
- Jake Rogers.....3/13
- Scott Gaskill3/13
- Rex Van Dyke.....3/13
- Kathy Rempe3/14
- Alexis Eike.....3/15
- John Piegors.....3/18
- Nancy Bachman.....3/19
- Julie Hooker.....3/19
- Marc Hermann.....3/20
- Roger Mueller.....3/20
- Jeff Puffet.....3/20
- Nicholas Andregg3/21
- Jena Downs.....3/22
- Kyle Downs3/24
- Nicholas Mensen.....3/28
- Rex Rogers.....3/28
- Meghan Mensen.....3/29
- William Ward 3/29
- Mary Bagby.....3/30
- Sandra Ferguson.....3/30
- Ramon Wycoff.....3/31

- Kelly & Janel Smith3/02
- William & Marjorie Wolter..... 3/08
- Bob & Glenda Betels 3/12
- Jeff & Jody Puffet..... 3/19

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

John Tyrell	109	LG Print
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March

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Worship @ 8:30am & 10:00am	Second Helpings Drive Thru Only 4:00- 5:00	March 24th CHIMES DEADLINE	Youth Group 6:30-7:30 Wesley Hall	March Mission:		
	1	2	3 Youth Group 6:30-7:30 Wesley Hall	4	5	6 8:00PM Community Meeting
7 Worship @ 8:30am & 10:00am	8 Second Helpings Drive Thru Only 4:00- 5:00	9	10 Youth Group 6:30-7:30 Wesley Hall	11	12	13 8:00PM Community Meeting
14 	15	16 Single Board Meeting	17  Youth Group 6:30-7:30 Wesley Hall	18	19	20 8:00PM Community Meeting
21 Worship @ 8:30am & 10:00am	22 Second Helpings Drive Thru Only 4:00- 5:00	23	24 CHIMES DEADLINE	25	26	27 8:00PM Community Meeting
28  PALM SUNDAY	29	30	31 Youth Group 6:30-7:30 Wesley Hall			



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Return Service Requested



TO _____

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
Or listen to KMCH 94.7 at 6:00pm on
Sunday Nights**

Genesis 3:19

*By the sweat of your face
you shall eat bread, till you
return to the ground, for
out of it you were
taken; for you are dust, and
to dust you shall
return.*

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The Entire Congregation
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Dennis Porter
Christian Education Director:
Choir Director & Organist:
Bell Choir Director:
Mission Coordinator:

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