

Manchester United Methodist Church

The Chimes

413 East Butler St.

November 2021

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November 13th
OCC Packing Party
OCC Drop Off Times

November 6th
Church Cleaning Day

No Sunday
School

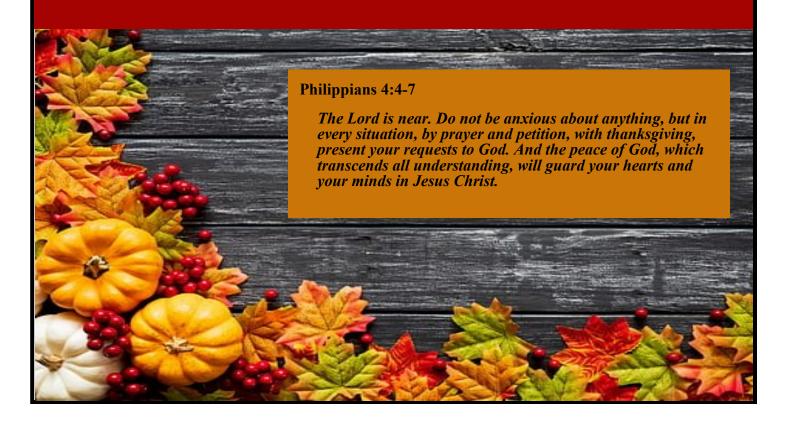
November 7th
All Saints Day

November 24th
December Chimes
Articles Due

NO WOW

A word from Missions

November 25th
Church/Office
Closed
For Thanksgiving



A note from Pastor Phil...

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens: Ecclesiastes 3:1

As I sat down to write the Chimes article this month it occurred to me... This is November? What happened to the other ten months of 2021? This year seems to have passed more quickly than usual... Why would that be?

Typical for northeastern lowa- we started cold, then we welcomed warmer weather, planting, and new growth in the spring. Summer was full of beautiful days, growing crops, and backyard BBQ's. Then fall arrived in September, a time of harvest and the leaves changing colors. By the end of November, we will be knocking once again on the door of Winter. The consistency of the earth's seasons is a reflection of its Maker and the steadiness of God's nature and character.

So why does this year seem so different? I think it is the constant stress and forced change required during a worldwide pandemic. We have not been able to worship together without some kind of Restriction since March of 2020. I have had some suggest to me that we need to set all aside and return to one full service. I hear these voices and I feel their desire to get beyond this "season" that has endured for over 18 months and is still going. But I also know that we have several church members, and neighbors who are currently ill with COVID, and one who has just recently passed away due to COVID complications. Now is not the time to let down our guard as we draw ever nearer to being able to get beyond "season."

Even though we are living in this unique time, I wish to compel all to continue in your own personal faith development through worship, Bible study, prayer, and accountability groups. And if you are not feeling well or are at risk, stay home and watch the online worship on our website or Facebook page. I fear that some have just gotten out of the habit of Sunday fellowship and worship and have filled the time with other activities. We must, for our own sake and for God's witness in the world, continue to make our faith a priority. For it is in faith that we live our best lives, and witness to the world so that others may believe.

The writer of Ecclesiastes gives us many examples of seasons we'll face in life: times of birth, death, weeping and joy. The Bible shows us that experiencing good and bad times in our lives is normal and to be expected. Though its easy to hold onto our hope in happy situations, we shouldn't let changing circumstances cause our faith to falter. Listen to the words of Jesus as recorded in the gospel of John;

John 16:33

"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."

Amen.

MUMC Single Board October 19, 2021 6:00 p.m. Conference Room

Present: Wayne Birkenholz, Ruth Voshell, Sherry Goranson, Charlie Dighton, Bruce Nodurft, Kathy Dolan, Mike Wade, Bill Scanlan, Pastor Phil, Mark Reth, Jean Gross.

Mark Reth called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. He led us in a devotional time from Deuteronomy 1:31, "There you saw how the Lord your God carried you, as a father carries his son, all the way you went until you reached this place." This is a reminder to us that when we are at our weakest God will carry us through whatever life brings our way. He mentioned the poem "Footprints in the Sand" that we are familiar with as an example. Prayers and praises were lifted up followed by a moment of silence and a prayer for guidance by Mark.

Finance: Bruce Nodurft reported that as of the end of September our actual income was \$170,044 and our actual expenses amounted to \$168,658 with apportionments leaving us with a small surplus at this point. Our estimate of generosity final totals amounted to \$173,895 from 68 giving units. Paperwork is being sent to Hazel Probasco's life insurance company as our church is designated as one of the beneficiaries of her policy. The amount gifted from that is not known at this point.

Trustees: Charlie Dighton reported we have received a letter from the city telling us of needed sidewalk repairs that should be done before June of next year. The final work is being done on the new flooring in Wesley Hall. A fix is being planned for the water leakage at the front entrance. The survey of the west parking lot has been completed and pins are set.

Saturday November 6 from 9:30-11:30 will be a cleaning time at our building to tidy up some areas that our janitor doesn't have time to do. Pizza will be served after.

Missions: Wayne Birkenholz reported the chili-cook off and soup supper will be held this Saturday evening. Many items have been donated to the silent auction. Proceeds will go to the Haiti water and school project. Dollar Fresh has approached us about a program for Christmas food donations. More information is needed.

Reaching & Receiving: Janine Stellick is stepping down from this team and we are looking for a replacement. There were about 60 people at Sherman's Pumpkin Patch the previous Sunday evening which was fun for all ages.

Congregational Care: Sherry Goranson gave us a report on what that team is doing and planning for the future. They are planning to send cards to those in need of support and encouragement, supporting family

members who have lost a loved one and going out as a small group to visit shut-ins among other things.

Pastor Phil reminded us of Charge Conference coming up in November. It will be held at our church on Sunday, November 21 at 5:30. Board members are encouraged to attend.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. followed by the Lord's Prayer and singing of the Doxology. Next meeting will be Tuesday, November 16, 2021 in Wesley Hall.

Respectfully submitted, Jean Gross, Secretary Financial Update as of September 30, 2021
01 General Fund Income for September: \$20,210
01 General Fund Expenses for September: \$19,201
+\$1,009

01 General Fund Income Year-to-Date: \$170,044 01 General Fund Expenses Year-to-Date: \$168,658 01 General Fund Balance as of Sept. 30: +\$1,386

Wesley Hall Floor Fund:
Donations: \$22,673
Expenses: \$26,966
Balance: -\$4,293

Brick-by-Brick remodeling project: \$112,770

Estimate of Generosity for 2022: Number of cards received: 68 Financial support estimated: \$173,895



Can't get to service on Sunday but wish you could go? We have a contemporary Service just for you!

Worship on Wednesdays

Manchester
United Methodist Church
413 E Butler St.
563-927-4439
*5:30PM~Dinner
*6:15PM~Worship
*7:00PM
K-4th Kids Class
Youth Group

There Will Be Nursery Attendants For those with infants, toddlers and young children.

Everyone is welcome!

Small Groups

SERVING OUR CHURCH

November 7th

8:15

Liturgist: Jordan LeClere

Scripture Reader: Marianne Sandberg Children's Sermon: Tom Fetter Communion: Jean Gross, The Fetters

10:30

Liturgist: Dave Gaskill

Scripture Reader: Wayne Birkenholz Children's Sermon: Zach Rogers

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November 14th

8:15

Liturgist: Susan Hermann Scripture Reader: Meghan M

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<u>10:30</u>

Liturgist: Rita Woods

Scripture Reader: Julie Porter Children's Sermon: Zach Rogers

November 21st

<u>8:15</u>

Liturgist: Marianne Sandberg Scripture Reader: Jean Gross

Children's Sermon: Stephanie Stocks

<u>10:30</u>

Liturgist: Janine Stellick Scripture Reader: Julie Porter

Children's Sermon: Stephanie Stocks

November 28th

<u>8:15</u>

Liturgist: Erin Mensen

Scripture Reader: Meghan Mensen Children's Sermon: Bill Scanlan

Lighting the Advent Candle: The Mensen Family

10:30

Liturgist: Rita Woods

Scripture Reader: Kathy Rempe Children's Sermon: Jill Kunde

Lighting the Advent Candle: The Kunde Family

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



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD UPDATE

Packing Party

Sat. Nov. 13 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Volunteers Needed

Mon. 11/15 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Tues. 11/16 1:00-3:00 p.m.-FULL

Wed. 11/17 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Thurs. 11/18 1:00-3:00 p.m.-FULL

Fri. 11/19 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Sat. 11/20 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Sun. 11/21 12:00-2:00 p.m.-FULL

Mon. 11/22 8:00-10:00 a.m.

If you'd like to volunteer at our Drop Off Location, contact Stephanie at mstocks@iowatelecom.net

November Donations:

\$9 per box to cover shipping

Prayer Requests

- Pray for families & churches as they pack shoe boxes that they may experience the great joy and the blessing it is to give in Jesus's Name.
- Pray for the Lord to protect each collection site, the teams that are serving at each location, and all the donors bringing the shoe box gifts.

Thank you for supporting our monthly bake sales & the garage sale!



CHILI COOKOFF/SOUP SUPPER

The Missions Team would like to thank all of those who contributed to this event. Our congregation stepped up in providing soup ingredients, condiments, desserts and nearly 80 Silent Auction items. In addition, many helped out with other tasks during the supper. To you all, the Missions Team is very grateful.

While we were somewhat disappointed with the turnout, there was no doubt that God touched the hearts of those who attended as well as many who contributed Sunday morning following the event. All told, we raised nearly \$4,500 and contributions are still coming in at the time of this writing. While we do have a couple of expenses to be paid yet, we will be able to provide significant funds to the Clean Water Project serving St. Jules Haiti. Following is the breakdown of giving during the supper:

Chili Cook Off \$526 Free Will Donations \$2,247 Silent Auction \$1,710

We must also inform you the Pastor Phil did indeed win the 1st place trophy with his Goose Chili. Tyler Chapman took 2nd place with his white chili. Lori Snyder finished in 3rd place. There were nine entries. I tried them all and found them all tasty, just different.

Finally, I personally want to thank all on the Missions Team for their hard work in planning and executing this event. Their energy and dedication was evident throughout the process and I expect we will experience those efforts again in the near future.

Blessings, Wayne Birkenholz

Also from Missions...

The Missions Team has announced upcoming missions for the "Mission of the Month".

November: Angel Tree/Pay It Forward

December: Heifer International

January: Nail Crosses

February: UMCOR Consumable items, (nails, screws, gas, oil)

March: Haiti School Room

Introducing Our New Supporter of Pastoral Care Roxanne Knoedler



Introducing our newest supporter of Pastoral Care Roxanne Knoedler! She is a new member of our church who has a passion for helping others and being part of her community. She is going to be helping Pastor Phil stay in touch with those who are unable to make it to church and to get to know her new congregation better. If you receive a call or visit from Ms. Knoedler please be sure to welcome her with a nice visit or if you see her on Wednesday nights or Sunday mornings be sure to say "Hi" and introduce yourself. God Bless Pastoral Care team!

"Put on then, God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience." -Colossians 3:12



Saturday November 6 church cleaning day. 9:30-11:30 with pizza & dessert to follow. Bring cleaning supplies including vacuums & glass cleaner & paper towels. Any questions contact Jean Gross 563-920-4409.



The Clothing Closet

Will be open on
Wednesdays only from 10:00am-2:00pm. If you have
donations we ask that you bring them on days that the Clothing
Closet is open and please do not leave your donations near the back door of the church.
Thank you and God Bless.

Second Helpings

Will be serving meals upstairs in Wesley Hall from 4:30-5:30. If you have any questions please contact the church office. (563) 927-4439.

Congregational Care

Will meet the first Monday of the month at 1:30 in the Parlor.

The Sewing Group

Meets Downstairs on Tuesday's at 9:30am.

Scrip

is available and we would love to continue having customers!! Scrip will be sold after first service and before second service only. During the week please contact the office. (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 if you choose to order during the week.

Worship Times

First Worship Service 8:15-9:15AM

Sunday School & Fellowship: 9:20-10:20AM

Second Worship Service: 10:30-11:30AM

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Happy Birthday



Dylan Sellner	11/01
Ellen Nystel	11/05
Mike Reth	11/05
Lisa Hough	11/07
Carley Eike	11/08
Dwight Phillips	11/08
Erin Mensen	11/11
Rachael Edaburn	11/14
Wade Feldmann	11/15
Chloe Bahls	11/17
Michaela Chapman	11/18
Linda Curtis	11/19
Claire Rausch	11/20
Kristy Reth	11/21
Jason Kluesner	11/22
Bill Welcher	11/22
James Hough	11/24
Mary Nading	11/24
Deb Blong	11/25
Bradley Rausch	11/25
Kaitlyn Reth	11/25
Zevon Sage	11/27
Erin Learn	11/28

Clifford & Helen Cole	.11/13
Bradley & Carrie Rausch	.11/13
Roy & Sandy Ferguson	11/18
Mike & Regina Reth	.11/28
Ron & Janine Stellick	.11/30







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>	ROOM #
Karen Slife	
Delores Timmer	
Jim Dekeyser	
Jeane Taylor	

The Meadows 220 McCarren Drive, Manchester

John Tyrrell 109



1st Service 8:15AM Sunday	Second Helpings 4:30-5:30 Dine In Only	November 24th CHIMES	WOW 5:30 Dinner 6:15 Worship 7:00	November Mission:		
Sunday		CHIMES				
School/		DEADLINE	K-4thKids/Youth/ Small Groups	Angel Tree/ Pay It Forward		
Fellowship 9:20AM	1	2	3	4	5	6
2nd Service 10:30AM			WOW 5:30 Dinner 6:15 Worship 7:00 K-4thKids/Youth/			Church Cleaning Day 9:30-11:30
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Worship						
8:15 & 10:30	OCC Drop Off 9am-11am Tues 1-3pm	Single Board Meeting	OCC Drop Off 4pm-6pm	OCC Drop Off 1pm-3pm	OCC Drop Off 9am-11am	OCC Drop Off 9am-11am
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Charge Conference 5:30			CHIMES DUE			8:00PM Community
OCC Drop Off 12pm-2pm	OCC Drop Off 8am-10am		NO WOW TONIGHT	44		Meeting
28 Worship 8:15 & 10:30	29	30	Noveml Set your clo	ocks back.	DON'T FORGET TO	ALL BUCK

Set your clocks back. 🙉 Day light savings time!





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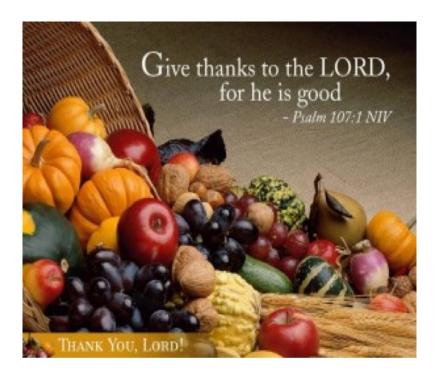
Office Hours

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 8:15 &
10:30am, visit our website
www.umcmanchester.com
Or listen to KMCH 94.7 at 6:00pm on
Sunday Nights



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 Dennis Porter
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Choir Director & Organist:
 Bell Choir Director:
 Mission Coordinator:

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