



Manchester United Methodist Church

The Chimes

413 East Butler St.

January 2022

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**No Sunday School
January 2nd**

Update from OCC

**A thank you from
an MUMC
Employee**

**Introducing Raiseright
With Scrip**

**A Word from
Missions**

Church/Office Closed on January 3rd

*Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new
creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!*

- 2 Corinthians 5:17

A note from Pastor Phil...

**See, I am doing a new thing!
Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?
I am making a way in the wilderness
and streams in the wasteland. - (Isaiah 43:19)**

This Isaiah scripture is good news for God's people. Unfortunately this is not the good news that many seek, for this scripture is often misquoted and misused. But as we are entering a new year, I felt it was necessary to impart a real understanding of this scripture so that we can truly appreciate the significance it has on our lives and eternity.

Isaiah chapter 43 was written somewhere around 538 BC at or around the end of the Babylonian exile of the Jews. God through the prophet Isaiah commands His people to remember the good things that God has done for them. God has favored humanity in creation, and the Jews in particular in the Exodus... Remember God's authority, power, and love revealed to God's people. But set aside and forget the evil your forefathers did against God and one another. Do not remember the acts of disobedience to God, nor the selfish nature of your ancestors. Then in verse 19 God proclaims through the prophet Isaiah "I am doing a new thing! Can you not perceive it? What is this new thing? Grace! Though undeserved God is "creating a path through the wilderness, and refreshing streams of water in the desert wastelands." This is God's promise of grace, not that we can earn it, it is a free gift of God for God's people. God is prepared to provide a way of redemption beyond living in the consequences of the choices of our human condition. This is not an excuse to claim God is with any and every new thing we can think of that our hearts may desire... This is not a New Thing by our definition... This New Thing is limited to God's own definition... Grace! What more must we add to God's gift of grace so that we can fully appreciate it? Why would we seek to claim God has changed to meet our desires when the gift of grace is the greatest gift of all time? What makes grace so ridiculously amazing? Jesus tells us in John 14:27

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."

In grace we shall know peace... But not just a time without conflict, true peace. Jesus' own peace, eternal peace. Only through God's gift of grace that we may truly be at peace with God. When we are at peace with God we shall stand boldly before God in judgement... We shall be free of all stain, and shall be wrapped in the righteousness of the Son accepted into the eternal presence of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Why do some use this scripture to pull God into their side of a conflict, when it is God's intent to end all human conflict. Trust in God- walk in the light- and know God's own peace. If this truth is known in your heart then *"Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."*

- Amen

MUMC Single Board
December 21, 2021
6:00 p.m. Wesley Hall

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

Mark Reth called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. He led us in a devotional moment from Isaiah 25:6-9 and finished with the reminder that our salvation started with the birth of the baby Jesus, the son of God. Prayers and praises were lifted up followed by a moment of silence and a prayer for guidance from Pastor Phil.

Finance: Bruce reported that we have received an undesignated gift of \$13,506.26 from the estate of Hazel Probasco. The remaining coins from Al Remling will be auctioned off starting December 23. Any monies received from his Trust is undesignated and is going into an 03 account. That account has about \$4500 at this time. There was some discussion as to what to do with those funds once everything is settled. No decisions are being made at this point. The Finance Report showed that through November our actual expenses were \$207,848 and our actual income was \$208,595 leaving a small surplus.

Trustees: The new carpet is being installed in the south entry, conference room and hallways.

Christian Ed: The Lenten study for 2022 will be done internally so no books will be ordered. The Circuit will be working on a plan for that sermon series and study.

Missions: \$4000 has been sent to the Haiti Rural Water Development and the Heifer offerings amounted to \$581. It was decided that these successes need to be promoted more to the congregation.

Congregational Care: Sherry Goranson said there were 53 people served at the church Thanksgiving dinner. The Christmas dinner will be held in Wesley Hall on Christmas Day. Meat, potatoes and stuffing will be provided and those attending are asked to bring the sides and a \$10 White Elephant gift. Cards of blessing have been sent to those in need of prayer. Willow tree angels have been given to two families that lost loved ones.

Staff Perish: The Staff Recognition gifts have been given to those designated.

The following business was discussed in the pastor's absence.

Action Item: The recommendation came from Finance that we move the remaining funds for apportionments into the church's reserve account so that the MUMC Single Board can allocate those funds as they deem necessary in the future. After discussion the recommendation was approved unanimously. Any funds given this year designated for apportionments have been sent.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30. Next meeting will be Tuesday, January 18, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Gross
Secretary

Financial Update as of November 30, 2021

01 General Fund income for November:	\$15,265
<u>01 General Fund expenses for November:</u>	<u>\$18,316</u>
Total:	-\$3,051 shortfall

01 General Fund income for the year:	\$208,595
<u>01 General Fund expenses for the year:</u>	<u>\$207,848</u>
Total:	+\$747

Wesley Hall Floor and South Entry Carpet:

Donations thus far:	\$22,823
<u>Expenses thus far:</u>	<u>\$40,753</u>
Total:	-\$17,930

Brick-by-Brick remodeling project:

\$114,120 cash in hand (\$225 increase); commitments still to be honored: \$39,895

SERVING OUR CHURCH

January 2nd

8:15

Liturgist: **Jean Gross**
Scripture Reader: **Dale Schake**
Children's Sermon: **Jordan LeClerc**
Communion: **The Reth Family**

10:30

Liturgist: **Dave Gaskill**
Scripture Reader: **Bill Scanlan**
Children's Sermon: **Darla Gaskill**
Communion: **Bill & Donna Scanlan, Zach Rogers**

January 9th

8:15

Liturgist: **Jeff Larsen**
Scripture Reader: **John Rasmussen**
Children's Sermon: **Tom Fetter**

10:30

Liturgist: **Janine Stellick**
Scripture Reader: **Pam Vap**
Children's Sermon: **Zach Rogers**

January 16th

8:15

Liturgist: **Marilyn Feldmann**
Scripture Reader: **Jean Gross**
Children's Sermon: **Kristin Milroy**

10:30

Liturgist: **Rita Woods**
Scripture Reader: **Susan Hermann**
Children's Sermon: **Bill Scanlan**

January 23rd

8:15

Liturgist: **Marianne Nodurft**
Scripture Reader: **Marilyn Feldmann**
Children's Sermon: **Jordan LeClerc**

10:30

Liturgist: **Janine Stellick**
Scripture Reader: **Julie Porter**
Children's Sermon: **Zach Rogers**

January 30th

8:15

Liturgist: **Aurora Milroy**
Scripture Reader: **Same Milroy**
Children's Sermon: **Kristin Milroy**

10:30

Liturgist: **Julie Porter**
Scripture Reader: **Darla Gaskill**
Children's Sermon: **Bill Scanlan**

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

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





MISSIONS

By the time you read this, we will have started a new year, 2022. At this time last year, the current Missions Team was just being organized and getting our feet on the ground. And we have covered a lot of ground since then.

We have signed up members for the Disaster Response Team and held a drive to help supply the tool trailer with needed tools.

The Mission Team started planning early to hold a Chili Cookoff/Soup Supper in October. Our mission here was to raise funds to help supply clean water to an impoverished area in southern Haiti. With your help over \$4,000 was raised. Your generosity will surely be a blessing to those in need of clean water there.

We have re-instated the Mission of the Month. In October, we held a noisy offering for the Operation Christmas Child Mission of the Month. I'm not sure of the total amount raised but I am sure our church responded generously. The November Mission of the Month was Pay It Forward and the congregation came through with \$400 going to that organization. We also held a noisy offering for the December Mission of the Month, Heifer International. Nearly \$400 was raised during that noisy offering. While the final amount is not yet known, we do know that somewhere there will be numerous families given the opportunity to provide eggs either for consumption or for sale. The Missions Team decided to provide as many "Flocks of Chicks" (\$20 each) as the raised funds will allow.

2021 was a year to grow our team and gain experience in developing a Mission Plan. And we are already planning Mission activities for 2022. Noted below are a summary of upcoming Missions:

Missions of the Month:

January—Nail Crosses

February—UMCOR Consumables (nails, screws, etc.)

March--Haiti School Support (building/teacher salaries)

April—Spring Luau (hog roast)

May—Paint by Neighbor

June—Food Pantry

The Paint by Neighbor mission is to provide assistance to local homeowners to paint their house, do minor repairs or minor landscaping maintenance where they are physically or financially limited. We will provide more information as we work out the details. Work is expected to be scheduled in June. While there are numerous new projects, we haven't given up on some of our old standby's. We plan to bring back the Ice Cream Social following the Covid-19 hiatus. Again, details will follow in due course.

Our team would like to thank all who have generously supported our efforts. We are truly blessed by your participation. And I would personally like to thank members of the Mission Team for their hard work and dedication to doing God's work.

Blessings,

Wayne Birkenholz



RaiseRight™

by ShopWithScrip

New Year...New Type of Scrip!

The scrip team is pleased to announce we have a new option: online ordering using a phone app called RaiseRight. By using this you can get any gift cards offered as e-scrip by our company, Great Lakes Scrip, via your phone app rather than having to wait until you are at church on Sunday to buy or order cards. It's very easy to use, you can buy what you need then use it on the spot, and every time you make a purchase your church earns money!

How to get started with RaiseRight:

Go to the App Store and download the RaiseRight app

Follow the prompts:

- set up your name, password and security questions
- you will need MUMC's enrollment code to be sure the profits go to us: 54B4C6C54875
- after you receive a text with the verification code, enter that code
- link your form of payment; bank account and / or credit card
 - local banks aren't listed, so click "Don't see your bank?" then put in the name and routing and account numbers
- you will have to wait a day or less to receive two small deposits and debits
- after that is done, go to "Complete setup"

The prompts are easy to follow and it will take just a few minutes to set up (aside from waiting for the bank info to go through).

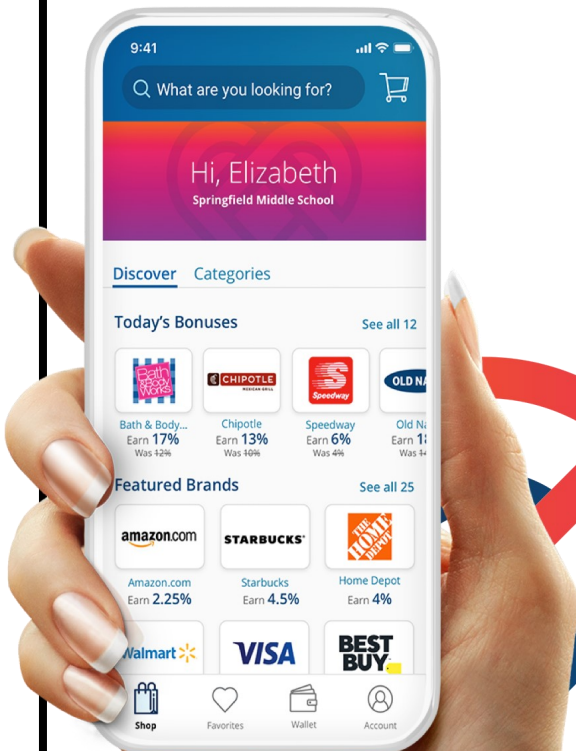
How to use RaiseRight:

You will see various options for browsing the gift card options. If you know what you want, just use "What are you looking for?" at the top.

When you choose the business, you will see that they offer both eGift cards and physical cards, or perhaps just one of those. ONLY those that show "eGift Card" are available to use in the app! If they only offer the physical gift card you will need to buy those through our scrip program at church. (Dairy Queen is an example of this).

To make the purchase, put your choice(s) in the cart, checkout when ready, select your payment options, then "Place Order". There is a 15¢ fee for each debit transaction or a 2.6% fee for credit card use.

Go to your Wallet and in a few minutes you will see the scrip you just added (along with previous purchases). It's ready to use! You'll also see how much your purchase contributed to the church - a nice reminder of why to use MUMC scrip!



What if I don't have a smart phone or don't want to use an app?

Don't worry - we will continue to sell physical gift cards at church. Some businesses either aren't part of ShopWithScrip, our national company, or are only local so we will continue to have those. Fareway is an example of this - physical cards will continue to be the only option.

What if I need help getting RaiseRight set up?

We can help with that! Give Kat in the office a call and she'll put you in touch with help.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

newsletter

Fundraisers

Bake sales will resume
January 30th!

Many have asked and just in loose change, we collected \$463.32 during our noisy offering!

Due to your generous support we fully funded the shipping costs of the 784 shoe boxes we packed in 2021 with money leftover to start our 2022 fundraising efforts! THANK YOU!

Prayer Requests

•Pray that God will meet all the logistical and spiritual needs of our ministry partners as they prepare to receive and distribute shoebox gifts.

•Pray that God will begin to prepare the hearts of the children who will be receiving this year's shoebox gifts, as well as the hearts of their family members.

Packing Party

Shopping List:

- Hats (stocking, baseball, etc.)
- Gloves
- Scarves
- Watches
- Hair ties
- Jewelry

2022 Goals:

Packing Party:

863

Drop Off Location:

1817

10% increase from 2021

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Church/Office Closed On Monday January 3rd

MUMC Staff member Dennis Porter would like to give a BIG THANK YOU to the anonymous party that gave him a gift card in his mailbox for Christmas. God Bless.

We are in need of nursery attendants. We need two for each worship service on Sunday and we need two every Wednesday for WOW from 6:15-8:00pm. If you are interested please let the office know 563-927-4439 or kat@umcmanchester.com or Mary Jane Fetter 563-920-2006.

Looking for ways to serve?

Acolytes	Chancel Team	Children's Message
Choir	Clothing Closet	Communion Bread Bakers
Congregational Care	Fellowship Hosts	Flower Garden Crew
Greeters	Liturgist	Missions
Nursey Attendants	Praise Band	Reaching & Receiving
Scrip	Scripture Reader	Sunday School Teachers
Tech Team	Ushers	Vegetable Garden Crew
Vacation Bible School Teachers/Staff		Youth Group Sponsor

If you would like to know more about any of these groups please contact the office for more information. 563-927-4439 or mumc@umcmanchester.com

Join us on Wednesdays for

WOW!



FOOD • FELLOWSHIP • FUN

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

Worship on Wednesdays

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**5:30PM~Dinner*

**6:15PM~Worship*

**7:00PM*

K-4th Kids Class

Youth Group

Small Groups

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

Everyone is welcome!



Cecil Downs	1/01
Jack Young	1/01
Sherry Goranson	1/02
Doris Lei	1/02
Ruth Chapman	1/05
Ron Gearhart	1/05
Marilyn Feldmann.....	1/06
Caleb Zehr.....	1/06
Everett Hough	1/07
Mark Nystel	1/08
Larry Goranson.....	1/09
Parker Kluesner.....	1/09
Carl Sellner.....	1/10
Joann Ogea.....	1/12
Kristin Milroy.....	1/12
Gary Evarts	1/17
Jaimie Burk.....	1/17
Makayla Chapman.....	1/18
Joyce Harbaugh.....	1/19
Dave Gibbs	1/20
Bruce Mangold.....	1/20
Karlyn Heims	1/22
Tracy Hough	1/22
Patrice Sage.....	1/22
Kelsey Evarts.....	1/23
Jim Hopkins.....	1/23

Carol Kremer	1/24
Brett Rausch	1/24
Kaci Reth.....	1/24
Jamison Feldmann	1/25
Morgan Gibbs.....	1/25
Heather Huegel	1/25
Paul Roberg.....	1/25
Marlene Reth.....	1/28
Alyssa Sellner	1/28
Ruth Jones	1/29
Lisa Pasker.....	1/29
Merle Mangold	1/31
Ken Pasker	1/31

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>
Karen Slife	
Delores Timmer	
Jim Dekeyser	
Jeane Taylor	
Bill Wolter	

The Meadows

220 McCarren Drive, Manchester

John Tyrrell	109
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J A N U A R Y

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1st Service 8:15AM</p> <p>Sunday School/ Fellowship 9:20AM</p> <p>2nd Service 10:30AM</p>	<p>Second Helpings & Clothing Closet</p>	<p>January</p> <p>25th CHIMES DEADLINE</p>	<p>WOW 5:30 Dinner 6:15 Worship 7:00 K-4thKids/</p>	<p>January Mission:</p>		
	<p>Clothing Closet Open 4:30-5:30 During Second Helpings</p>		<p>Clothing Closet Open 10:00pm to 2:00pm</p>			<p>1</p> 
<p>2</p>  <p>Lunch at Choung Garden 11:30</p>	<p>3</p> <p>No Second Helpings Tonight</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>WOW 5:30 Dinner 6:15 Worship 7:00 K-4thKids/ Youth/Small</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p> <p>8:00PM Community Meeting</p>
<p>9</p> <p>Free Health Clinic Between Services</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Second Helpings & Clothing Closet 4:30-5:30</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <p>WOW 5:30 Dinner 6:15 Worship 7:00 K-4thKids/ Youth/Small</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p> <p>8:00PM Community Meeting</p>
<p>16</p> <p>Free Health Clinic Between Services</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Second Helpings & Clothing Closet 4:30-5:30</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Single Board Meeting</p>	<p>19</p> <p>WOW 5:30 Dinner 6:15 Worship 7:00 K-4thKids/ Youth/Small</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <p>8:00PM Community Meeting</p>
<p>23</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Second Helpings & Clothing Closet 4:30-5:30</p>	<p>25</p> <p>CHIMES DEADLINE</p>	<p>26</p> <p>WOW 5:30 Dinner 6:15 Worship 7:00 K-4thKids/ Youth/Small</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p> <p>8:00PM Community Meeting</p>
<p>30</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Second Helpings & Clothing Closet 4:30-5:30</p>					



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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 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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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: