

# Manchester United Methodist Church

# The Chimes

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# HAPPY EASTER

"He is not here for He is risen as He said."

- Matthew 28:6

# Holy Week

Palm Sunday Apr 10th Maundy Thursday April 14th Good Friday April 15th Easter Sunday April 17th

April 9th Garage Sale

April 24th Next OCC Bakesale

May 1st Luau

Paint By Neighbor

# A note from Pastor Phil...

"We are going up to Jerusalem," he said, "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, who will mock him and spit on him, flog him and kill him.

Three days later he will rise." -Mark 10:33-34

In the 5th century one of the most influential early church fathers, St. Augustine of Hippo, began the Easter sermon with the words" "We are an Easter people and Alleluia is our hymn of praise!"

What St. Augustine is saying is to acknowledge the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead that we should have spent this time of Lent in preparation for the celebration of resurrection in prayer and repentance for the need of the sacrifice. We reveal our penance in humble obedience, and living into the command to love God and neighbor. If we say yes, we are Easter people, then for this yes to be true and sincere, we must actually live like Easter makes a difference in our lives.

But so much of our attention seems it may focus on being a Christmas people. Emmanuel has come to us and we will be redeemed! At times we seem to want to skip forward from birth to resurrection- and not struggle with the truth of the journey to the cross.

What St. Augustine meant in that Easter Sunday sermon when he taught his people what it means to be "Easter people," was simply this: their faith in Jesus Crucified and Risen must be lived by imitating Him in daily life by the way they spoke, thought and acted. Anything else was a betrayal of Jesus and their faith. It was true then and is just as true today and will always be true.

However, no matter what, Our Lord will not abandon us, and will continue to call us back into relationship with our full hearts. If we have neglected to honor this time of Lent, it is not too late, we can still repent and return to honor Our Savior who is waiting to receive us.

This year our church is going to do all we can to honor this story of passion. I know that we all have very busy and demanding schedules. But this year, we have so many trials confronting us like pandemic, economic challenges, war, and political unrest. Not to mention the everyday challenges of family, work, school, and other activities. Beginning with Palm Sunday, then Holy Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and finishing with Easter Sunday, we will seek to honor Jesus' journey of Holy Week. Each worship is designed to lead us down the path from Jesus' entry into Jerusalem for Passover, the true meaning of the sacrament of communion, Jesus' arrest, crucifixion, and death, and finally the eternal joy of resurrection.

Please let this year be a year remembered in fellowship and faith development as we as a church family choose to make Holy Week worship a priority together.

Let our witness be of an Easter people and Alleluah be our hymn of praise.

### MUMC Single Board March 15, 2022 6:00 p.m. Wesley Hall

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

Mark Reth opened the meeting with a devotion and reading of Ephesians 4:11-13 He felt this was a reference to St Patrick which seemed appropriate at this time of the year. Prayers and praises were lifted up followed by a prayer for guidance from Pastor Phil.

**Finance:** Bruce gave the Financial Report that showed our actual income for February was \$19,201 and the actual expenses were \$\$21,079 including apportionments. Brick by Brick has cash on hand of \$120,895, which is a \$525 increase. Trustees: There is now a contract for cleaning the Wesley Hall Floor. The floor will be cleaned every 2 weeks for \$50 per cleaning. There is a leak in the upstairs women's bathroom and this is supposed to be repaired at the same time as the roof on the north entrance. There will be a garage sale at the Al Remling Estate property on April 9.

**Action item:** Recommendation from Trustees that the Al Remling Estate property be sold. Approved unanimously.

**Worship:** There is an immediate need for more tech assistance. Anyone interested is asked to respond. There was discussion on switching to one service. The safety committee has given the go ahead to return to "normal" worship. The service could not be any later than 9:00 AM, as the audio files have to be processed by KMCH before 10:30 AM. The decision will be made for the time and the start date.

**Mission:** There are 4 names for Paint by Neighbor. The committee will check out the properties and decide which properties will be worked on. The date for the Ice Cream Social is July 27.

**SP/PRC:** Mike discussed the current leave policy for the custodian. There was further discussion on the contract to clean the Wesley Hall floor and verified that this should be contract work. There was discussion on attendants for the Nursery. There will have to be 2 in the nursery and will have to have background checks. This will also be contract work at \$10.00 per hour. Everyone was give a copy of "Another Set of Eyes" which will be acted on in the April meeting.

**Reaching/Receiving:** There is a committee being formed and should be in service soon.

**Congregational Care:** Kathy reported that Sherry is still sending cards.

**Pastor Phil:** He discussed at length the meaning and repercussions for the General Conference being suspended. There was further discussion by the group in regard to this suspension.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 6:00 PM in Wesley Hall. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Voshell Acting Secretary

# Financial Report as of February 28, 2022

01 General Fund	
Income for February:	\$19,201
Expenses for February:	\$21,079
Balance for February:	-\$1,878
Income year-to-date:	\$39 149

Income year-to-date: \$39,149 Expenses year-to-date: \$41,966 Balance year-to-date: -\$2,817

Wesley Hall Floor and South Entry Way Carpet Projects
Donations to date: \$25,741

Expenses to date: \$41,954

Balance to date: -\$18,213

Brick-by-Brick Remodeling Project: Cash in hand on February 28, 2022:\$120,895 (\$525 increase from January 31, 2022) Commitments still to be honored: \$41,465

# SERVING OUR CHURCH

April 3rd

8:15

Liturgist: Dale Schake

Scripture Reader: Carol Dighton Children's Sermon: Tom Fetter

Communion: Dale Schake, Jeff Larson, Tom Fetter

10:30

Liturgist: Dave Gaskill

Scripture Reader: John Rasmussen Children's Sermon: Zach Rogers

Communion: The Scanlan's & Jack Young

April 10th Palm Sunday

8:15

Liturgist: Erin Mensen

Scripture Reader: Meghan Mensen Children's Sermon: Phil & Zach Rogers

10:30

Liturgist: Rita Woods

Scripture Reader: Janine Stellick

Children's Sermon: Phil & Zach Rogers

April 17th

8:15

Liturgist: Aurora Milroy Scripture Reader: Sam Milroy Children's Sermon: Kristin Milroy

10:30

Liturgist: Bill Scanlan

Scripture Reader: John Rasmussen Children's Sermon: Zach Rogers

April 24th

8:15

Liturgist: Marianne Sandberg Scripture Reader: Meghan Mensen Children's Sermon: Stephanie Stocks

10:30

Liturgist: Rita Woods Scripture Reader: Pam Vap Children's Sermon: Darla Gaskill **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



# Palm Sunday: April 10th 8:15AM and 10:30 AM



Maundy Thursday: April 14th 7:00PM



Good Friday: April 15th 7:00PM



Easter Sunday: April 17th at 8:15AM & 10:30AM





# **UMCOR – Ukraine Relief**

# April Mission of the Month

The Missions Team has designated UMCOR – Ukraine Relief as the Mission of the Month for April. Much of the world is in turmoil and the people of Ukraine are suffering far more than most of us have

experienced or can imagine. ... Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me. Matt 25:40. Jesus calls on us to help all in their times of need, especially those who our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Many of you may have already contributed to the UMCOR fund for Ukraine. If so, thank you. We do plan, however, to hold a special offering during both services Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Give what you can and pray with us for those suffering so much. If you write a check, make it out to UMCOR and write Ukraine Relief in the memo.

Blessings, Wayne Birkenholz

# **Garage Sale**

On Saturday, April 9 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. there will be an Estate Garage Sale at the former Al Remling residence at 709 East Butler. Please let any friends, neighbors or relatives know. All items will be cash and carry. All proceeds go to the Manchester United Methodist Church.

MUMC would like to thank to everyone who has helped and donated food for church events and funerals. With that being said we have lots of clean dishes and containers to be picked up.

If you have a container or dish please pick them up in the church balcony by May 1st or they will be donated.

Thank you!

# OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



# Monthly bake sales:

April 24

May 29

June 26

July 31

August 28

September 25

October 30

Current balance: \$1,398.61

# **Packing Party Shopping List:**

## **Hygiene Items**

- Combs/brushes/picks
- Bar soap
- Washcloths
- Toothbrushes
- Nail clippers

# **Prayer Requests**

- MUMC has been presented with an opportunity to become even more involved with OCC. Please pray for guidance to follow God's will as we decide how to proceed.
- Pray for OCC's more than 3,000 partner churches in Ukraine.
   Distributions of over 600,000 shoeboxes were in process as conflict erupted.

# **NEEDED:**

Empty shoeboxes!

Bring any normal size shoebox to church & we will start filling it!

# **2022 Goals:**

Packing Party:

863

**Drop Off Location:** 

1817

10% increase from 2021

# Paint By Neighbor

Your Missions team is planning a mission to be conducting in late spring, likely some time in June. The purpose of Paint by Neighbor is to assist homeowners in our community who have either physical or financial limitations which keep them from maintaining their property. The scope of this mission will be on the home's exterior. For example, we could paint outside walls, do yard clean up, and perhaps some light exterior maintenance.

This mission will require your support to successfully address these kinds of needs within our community. Mission funds for May will go to Paint by Neighbor. We will also be asking for volunteers to help with the various jobs within the mission. Finally, we will ask you to help us identify those experiencing such needs. If you know of any who we could bless with Paint by Neighbor, please let Kat know or leave a note in the Missions box by Kat's office.

We will be making announcements during both services in upcoming weeks. More information will be forthcoming as we continue to develop this mission.

Blessings,

Wayne Birkenholz

# The Prayer Chain

Have you ever wanted or needed PRAYER??? We are called to.....

"Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God......

I would like to personally invite YOU to be part of our active and POWERFUL Prayer Chain!!! Anyone can request prayers to be put on our Prayer Chain. I (Donna Scanlan) agreed to lead the Prayer Chain. It has been changed from one person calling the next person on the chain to a different method. I simply send around a text message to everyone on our two prayer chains. I send the prayer requests out as soon as I receive them. Then each of our spirit-filled "Prayers" simply prays for the person/family/ situation. That's it!!!

The Lord has worked powerfully through our humble prayers.

Please call Donna at home at 927-6080 or txt me at 563 929-3112, or call Kat at church, to let us know you'd like to be part of our "Power-filled Prayer Team!"

......And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."



Cheryl Syren4/02
Norma Vande Vegte4/03
Betty Brauer 4/04
Julie Porter4/07
Barb Davis4/08
Kaci Tutton4/09
Carol Dighton4/12
Carolyn Mellody4/12
Gary Feldmann4/18
Donna Hankins4/20

Gary & Kathy Evarts	.4/04
William & Donna Scanlan	.4/05
Sam & Kristin Milroy	.4/12
Lyle & Gayle Saunders	.4/18
Jim & Julia Hopkins	.4/24
Chris & Mary Jo Larsen	.4/25

### 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.



# CHRISTIANITY LIVES OR DIES WITH JESUS

# Good Neighbor Home 105 McCarren Drive, Manchester

NAME	ROOM #			
Karen Slife				
Delores Timmer				
Jim Dekeyser				
Jeane Taylor				
Bill Wolter				

# The Meadows 220 McCarren Drive, Manchester

John Tyrrell	109

# April

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1st Service 8:15AM Sunday School/	Second Helpings 4:30-5:30	April 19th CHIMES DEADLINE	WOW 5:30 Dinner 6:15 Worship 7:00 K-4thKids/Youth/ Small Groups	April Mission: Ukraine Relief		
Fellowship 9:20AM 2nd Service 10:30AM Free Health	Clothing Closet Open 4:30-5:30 During Second Helpings		Clothing Closet Open 10:00pm to 2:00pm			
Clinic Between Services in Nursery Apr 10 & 17					1	2 8:00PM Community Meeting
Lunch at Choung Garden 11:30	4 Second Helpings & Clothing Closet 4:30-5:30	5	WOW 5:30 Dinner 6:15 Worship 7:00 Small Groups	7	8	9 8:00PM Community Meeting
Palm Sunday	11 Second Helpings & Clothing Closet 4:30-5:30	12 Single Board Meeting	13 WOW 5:30 Dinner 6:15 Worship 7:00 Small Groups	14 Maundy Thursday	Good Friday	8:00PM Community Meeting
17 Easter Sunday	18 Second Helpings & Clothing Closet 4:30-5:30	19 CHIMES DEADLINE	WOW 5:30 Dinner 6:15 Worship 7:00 Small Groups	21	22	8:00PM Community Meeting
24	25 Second Helpings & Clothing Closet 4:30-5:30	26	WOW 5:30 Dinner 6:15 Worship 7:00 Small Groups	28	29	30 8:00PM Community Meeting



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**Return Service Requested** 

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# Office Hours

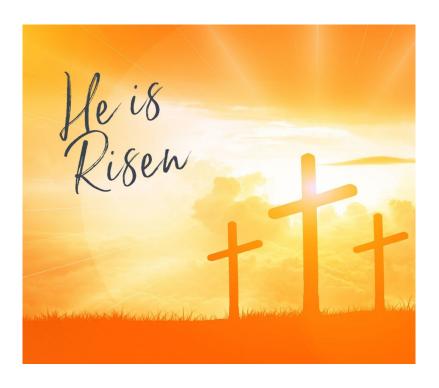
Monday & Wednesday

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 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:

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