

Manchester United Methodist Church

The Chimes

413 East Butler St.

June 2022

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A note from Pastor Phil...

22 let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. 23 Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. 24 And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, 25 not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

-Hebrews 10:22-25

Six years, 11 months, and 27 days ago I arrived in Manchester as the Pastor of Manchester United Methodist Church. Hard to believe that much time has gone by. Much has happened, we were one of the fastest growing churches with new ministries happening in the Iowa Conference. We completed House of David, started a garden, Birthed Circuit Ministry, and sought out new ways to reach new people, for the Glory of Christ's Kingdom. Our Sanctuary was full of a wonderful church family, and we had ample volunteers to lead all our ministry teams. Then in March of 2020 we were met by a new challenge that we had not planned for, nor was there any precedent or procedure to follow- The COVID Pandemic. Suddenly we were not able to meet in person, and we had to scramble to become as effective as possible through media. Not all of our Circuit Partners in ministry had the capability, so we joined forces in our sanctuary to continue to preach hope and salvation into our communities. Today we have an online worship presence that includes around 150 people per week. When we found out that many of our church family did not have the ability to watch the service online we figured out how to put our service on the radio... Where even more people have joined together in worship with us. We continue to have a leading voice in our community and in our conference.

Now as we are coming out of the Pandemic concerns we are seeking to return to a vibrant church of reaching new people, spiritual development towards maturity, and growing the church with new disciples all to the glory of Christ's Kingdom. But there is a new unexpected challenge that we have not prepared for and is again unprecedented. How do you return to being the church in fullness? There has been hesitation from many about taking on leadership roles, about re-engaging in corporate ministry, about devoting time to proclaiming the gospel so that others will hear and believe. In the last two years we could "do church" online whenever we wanted to during the week... And our time that we once devoted to church and faith has been filled with other things.

Let us focus on Paul's letter to the Hebrews above. Paul writes that in thanksgiving for our salvation provided freely by the blood of our Savior Jesus Christ, we should feel compelled to labor for the care, encouragement, and salvation of others. Boiled down to its very core, this is the church, the "Bride of Christ" that Jesus envisioned for His church. How can we "spur one another on toward love and good deeds" unless we continue meeting together, encouraging one another.

Though we have been together almost seven years, in many respects it feels as if we are starting over again. Seeking to breathe life into ministries to reach the lost, and to receive the broken... To once again build ministries and continue to be "the church that does stuff" in our community proclaiming our love and living into our call to make disciples from our unique place in this very unique time.

If you are feeling compelled to start a new ministry to proclaim salvation into our community, call the pastor! If you feel called to participate and perhaps relaunch ministries in our community so others may hear and believe, call the pastor! This is our time to proclaim the Gospel Story in a community, in a world that desperately needs to hear. Because our challenge is not unique, we have journeyed this pandemic together, and nobody really knows what next. It is in this environment of fear and doubt that we must proclaim Jesus crucified and our eternal hope assured in resurrection... This is what the world needs to hear to know Holy Peace.

MUMC Single Board May 17, 2022 6:00 p.m. Wesley Hall

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

Chair Mark Reth called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. He led us in a brief devotional from Romans 12:2: "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect." Look and listen to what is true according to God's plan and not to the noisiness of the world.

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

Finance: Bruce reported that Y-T-D actual income as of the end of April was \$78,270 and actual expenses were \$77,605 without apportionments. The Brick-by-Brick campaign realized a gain in April of \$425 bringing that total to \$124,645.

Trustees: Charlie reported that the leak at the north entrance has been repaired and the ceiling will be fixed. New lights have been installed in the clothing closet and in the chapel/prayer room on the east upper level. A new commercial vacuum has been purchased. Work is being planned for the lower level bathrooms as well as the upper and lower east bathrooms.

Worship: A larger backdrop is being planned for the sanctuary area used to tell the story. This will enable the message it tells to be easily seen by those in worship as well as those watching online services. Mike Wade will check to see why the live service is not coming through on the new television in the nursery.

Missions: Wayne reported the Luau dinner held on May 1st generated \$2800 towards their mission project this summer. OCC has been given permission to become a Central Drop-off Site in addition to a Collection Site this fall. This will help to alleviate some of the work at the Waterloo Drop-off Site which as grown as this ministry continues to grow. Garden planting has begun. There is a plan to enclose the area to make it more appealing to the public. **Congregational Care:** Sherry reported the prayer request box with cards is on the front welcome desk. She checks the box on Mondays. This team is visiting, calling and sending cards of blessings each month. Sherry will be doing the 2nd Sunday of the month health checks with Susan continuing to do the 3rd Sunday. They may be looking at a Grief Share

SP/PRC: Mike suggested cutting back on the number of people receiving mass mailings to be those who cannot access it online. The cost of postage for mass mailings is a big expense. We do want everyone to be aware of service time changes as they arise.

Action Item: Recommendation from Finance to tithe 10% of all undesignated gifts to the church over \$1000 as follows: 10% to missions, 30% to general fund, and 60% to the building fund. After discussion the recommendation was approved. The current undesignated gifts affected total \$23,674 from the Probasco life insurance money and the

Dittmer trust gift. So 10% of that money will go to the three areas above. The remaining 90% goes to the building fund as usual.

Pastor Phil will be attending Annual Conference the first weekend in June. The Pathway Forward for the United Methodist Church has not yet been decided. Pastor would like to have all team reports or minutes sent to the board before the next scheduled meeting so we can spend less time discussing them and more time on visioning for the future. He would like board meetings completed in 1 1/2 hours. We were all reminded of the Circuit Gathering at Backbone on June 12 beginning at 2:00 at the shelter near the Lake. Activities are being planned followed by a meal for which a free will offering will be taken and a devotional time will be held.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, June 21, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in Wesley Hall. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 followed by the Lord's Prayer and singing of the Doxology.

Respectfully submitted, Jean Gross, Secretary

class this fall.

Financial Report as of April 30, 2022

01 General Fund

Income for April: \$16,871 Expenses for April: \$23,318 Balance for April: -\$6,447

Income year-to-date: \$78,270 Expenses year-to-date: \$86,769 Balance year-to-date: -\$8,499

Brick-by-Brick Remodeling Project:

Cash in hand on April 30, 2022: \$124,625 (\$425 increase from March 31, 2022)

Commitments still to be honored: \$40,815

SERVING OUR CHURCH

June 5th

<u>8:30</u>

Liturgist: Dave Gaskill

Scripture Reader: Darla Gaskill Children's Sermon: Tom Fetter

Communion: Darla Gaskill, Bill and Donna Scanlan

June 12th

8:30

Contemporary Service

Praise Band

Children's Sermon: Terry Larson

June 19th

8:30

Liturgist: Lynn Rasmussen

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

June 26th

8:30

Liturgist: Jean Gross

Scripture Reader: Julie Porter

Children's Sermon: Stephanie Stocks

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

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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





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Dear Friends,

It is time for some long awaited good news! Beginning Sunday June 5th we will return to a single worship at 8:30 AM. It will be great to see everyone together once again. Yes, we are changing worship time from before the pandemic. The reason is that in the last two years during the pandemic we have worked hard to continue to tell God's love story into our community. One of those ways is through the radio on KMCH Sunday nights at 6:00 PM. To continue to service our outreach radio family we need to have the service concluded and turned into the radio station by 10:00 AM Sunday morning. Though this pandemic has been hard on us as individuals and as a church family, there have been many new relationships established through online and radio all to the glory of Christ. I look forward to returning to our new- returning to our old normal.

The next good news is that on Sunday June 12th We will be joining with other members of other Delco Circuit for a fellowship event at Backbone State park. We have procured the lodge by the swimming beach. We will gather at 2:00 in the lodge, then break out to activities like fishing, biking, hiking, Cornhole, children's games, youth games, board and card games. We will have dinner at 4:30 and have a short devotional worship at 5:30. This will be a wonderful way for us to celebrate the beginning of summer and our ability to gather without restrictions once again.

If you have any questions please contact Kat in the church office.

Peace

Pastor Phil

Sunday JUNE 12th! Delco Circuit Fun Day at Backbone State Park

1347 129th St, Dundee, IA 52038

2:00pm Meet at the Beach Lodge/Group activities (Fishing, Hiking, Biking, Cards/Games, Youth games, Cornhole, games for kids etc.) 4:30 Dinner

5:30 Short Devotional/Worship If you have any questions please let Kat in the office know. (563) 927-4439





VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL July 18-22, 2022

Registration

Registration for VBS is now open! Twenty six children are already registered. Is your child, grandchild, neighbor, or friend one of them? Registration is open to children ages 3 years old (and potty trained) through entering 5th grade. Students AND volunteers may register at the following link vbspro.events/p/manchester2022. We hope you can join us for a fun filled week as kids and adults alike celebrate God's greatness!

Volunteers

VBS can't happen without our volunteers, and we are still in desperate need of adults to fill the following roles:

QUAIL TRAIL PRESCHOOL CREW LEADERS/HELPERS (MS OR HS STUDENTS, ADULTS):

Rather than have our 3 & 4-year-olds rotate through the stations with the older kids, they have their own class. We still need 3 or 4 more helpers for this class. Crew leaders will help organize these kids and assist the leaders.

STATION LEADERS (Adults):

Students (who are grouped in crews) move through various stations that are staffed by an adult leader and feature a different Bible-learning activity. You are the "teacher" for your station. Crews are at your station for approximately 20 minutes. Stations include:

**RED ROCKS REC: This enthusiastic individual leads the crews through a variety of games that connect with the daily Bible Point or Bible story. There are always a variety of games for the leader to choose from to best suit the kids at our VBS.

ELEMENTARY CREW LEADERS (HS Students or Adults):

These individuals are assigned to a group of approximately 6 kids. They lead their crew through each station assisting the station leaders as needed. Please contact Hannah Clemen ASAP at 563-929-1395 or hannahclemen21@gmail.com if you have questions about any of these positions or are willing to volunteer!

Mission Project: Cool School Tools

Weeks after VBS wraps up, most families will head to the store to stock up on paper, pencils, pens, notebooks, and glue. Like it or not, school is just around the corner! But not every kid in North America has access to the tools they need to succeed in school. Countless factors have created islands of need on Native American reservations. One consequence is that many families living on reservations can't afford basic school supplies like notebooks and pencils for their kids. Too often, teachers end up spending their own limited funds to provide these important resources to kids. Simple school supplies equip kids for

educational success. These basics give kids a sense of pride, independence, and ownership. A new backpack, folder, or set of pencils gets kids excited to learn. Kids who aren't worried about having basic supplies can focus on succeeding in school, making a difference for themselves and their families. That's why we're excited to let your kids be part of something big! Group Publishing is partnering with World Vision and churches like yours in an effort to fill up teacher resource centers that can then send truckloads of school supplies to select reservations in the United States. It's our goal that, through gifts from VBS families, these remote schools will overflow with shiny new notebooks, sturdy pencils, reams of paper, a rainbow of crayons, and other school essentials. Due to World Vision's key partnerships, they can supplement a child's school supply needs for one year...for only \$1! Wow! Because Operation Kid-to-Kid is part of every Group VBS, we have the opportunity to bless countless students and teachers right here in the Midwest!

Prayer

Now is the time to pray for VBS! Pray for volunteers to answer the call to help at VBS. Pray for the health and safety of all our students and volunteers. Pray for the children who will be impacted by the money raised from our mission project. Pray that kids' hearts and minds will be opened to God's love and power in their lives as they celebrate God's greatness!

Donations

Looking for a way to help with VBS but can't volunteer during the week? Keep an eye out for the donation board in the Narthex in the coming weeks. A donation of these items can help ensure we provide the best possible VBS we can for the children of our church and community. Don't feel like shopping? Donate a SCRIPT card to Walmart, Fareway, or Amazon and we'll take care of it!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



Monthly bake sales:

June 26
July 31
August 28
September 25
October 30

Current balance: \$1,584.61

Coins for Kids

Beginning June 5th, a wooden shoe box will be available on the Scrip table to collect loose change. This change will help cover shipping costs for the packing party boxes.

Packing Party Shopping List:

Summer Toys & Accessories

- · Jump ropes
- · Soccer ball or kick ball & pump
- Small kites or frisbees
- Sunglasses
- Hats/visors
- Flip flops

Central Drop Off

With the approval of Single Board, we have upgraded our role to become a Central Drop Off for OCC. This means 3 other Drop Off Locations will bring their filled shipping cartons to us on the final Monday of National Collection Week. Due to this change in our role, we will need additional volunteers especially that Monday to do some heavy lifting. Please be in prayer that we can recruit the needed volunteers.

\$10 Shipping Donation

In May, Samaritan's Purse announced the suggested shipping donation for each shoe box will increase from \$9 to \$10. This is only the 3rd increase in the past 30 years!

2022 Goals:

Packing Party: 863

Drop Off Location:

1817

10% increase from 2021

How does the MUMC scrip / gift card program work?

Scrip 101.

The MUMC scrip team gets most of our gift cards through RaiseRight. They contract with businesses to provide the cards at a discount so that churches and other organizations can use them as a fund raiser. We sell them to you at face value and you receive that same value - nothing is taken out of your card. If you buy a \$50 gift card you pay \$50 and you get \$50 - it's that simple. They are just like a gift card you would purchase at a store or other business with one big exception - our church makes money on them.

Scrip 201.

How much do we receive on various gift cards? It varies - a LOT! Typical amounts: Groceries and gas are 1 - 4%. Restaurants have the most variation: 3 - 5% at Burger King, Dairy Queen; 6 - 8% at Cheddars, Applebee's, Pizza Ranch; 10% at Chuong Garden. Some of the best contributors are LL Bean 16%, Old Navy 14%, Bath & Body Works 13%, and Best Western 12%.

When you purchase scrip our profits are based on each card's % value.

Here's a sample order and its proceeds:

\$100 Fareway (3%), \$100 Walmart (2.5%), \$100 Kwik Star (9%), \$50 Chuong Garden (10%), \$25 Pizza Ranch (8%), \$50 Kohl's (4%), \$25 Shutterfly (9%), and \$50 Target (2.5%).

Your total order is \$500; MUMC's profit is \$27.00.

Next month: AOP and RaiseRight online ordering.



Back to One Sunday Service

On June 5th we will move back to one Sunday
Worship time which will be at 8:30am with
Fellowship to follow. Please be looking for a letter in the mail, the
Weekly Blast and Chimes that will
contain more details in the near future.



Do you have baby news in your family?
New Mom
New Grandma
New Great-Grandma

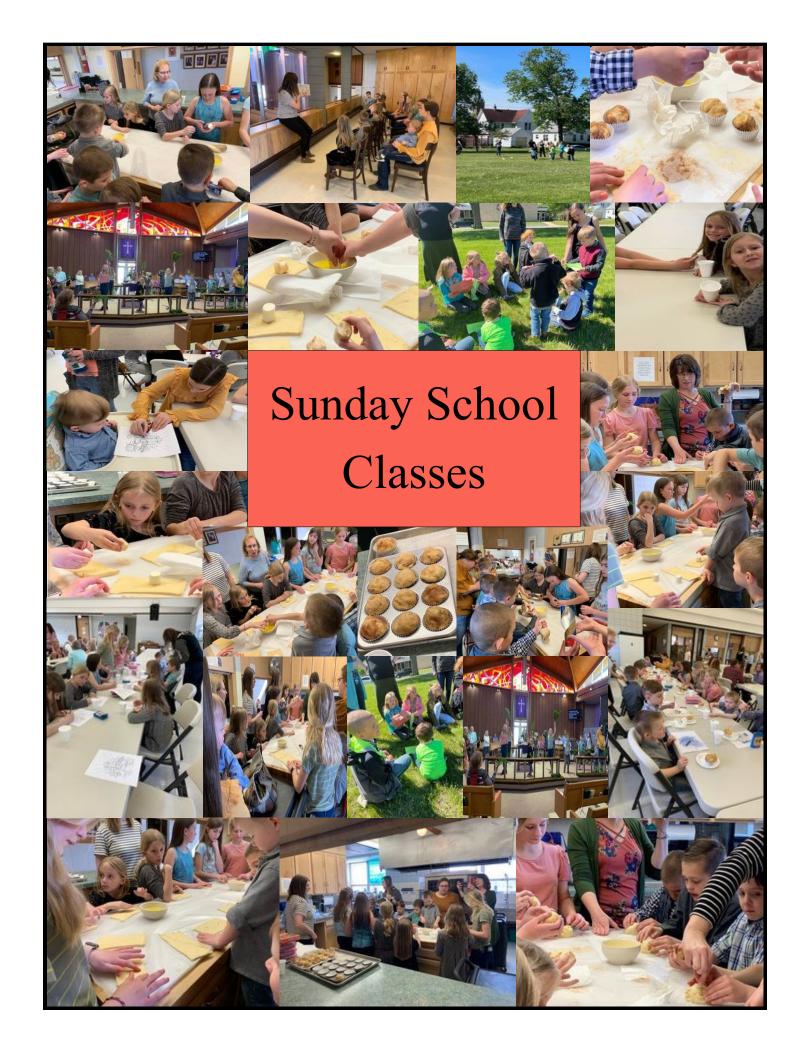
If you have a new little one in your family please let the church know and we will honor your new addition with a rose during church. Mother's would receive a red rose, grandmothers will receive a yellow rose and great-grandmothers will receive a white rose. God Bless.

Congregational Care Prayer Box

Is located on the welcome desk. If you have a prayer that you would like lifted up privately please fill out a prayer card and the Congregational Care Team, which includes Pastor Phil, will check the box on Monday. The team will then pray for the cards in the box during their meeting on Tuesdays.









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!





Mike Roete	6/03
Lance Feldmann	6/04
Mark Reth	6/06
Janel Smith	6/07
Gwyneth Hough	6/08
Kino DeKeyser	6/10
Brittany Reth	6/10
Mitch Curtis	6/11
Pauline Philgreen	6/11
Matthew Mensen	6/12
Jessica Nystel	6/12
Kathy Evarts	6/14
Caleb Stocks	6/15
Bruce Nodurft	6/16
Marianne Nodurft	6/16
Judy Fox	6/19
Hannah Clemen	6/21
Glenn Nystel	6/23
Zach Rogers	6/23
Jean Gross	6/24
Bill Scanlan	6/24
Kayla Bagby	6/25
Sarah Edaburn	6/29
Jeremy Feldmann	6/30
Chris Larsen	6/30

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.



Don & Carolyn Mellody 6/01
Rex & Leann Van Dyke 6/07
John & Lynne Rasmussen 6/08
Fred & Nancy Miller 6/11
Gary & Deb Gibbs 6/12
Michael & Stephanie Stocks 6/12
Kevin & Mary Bagby 6/15
Duane & Karlyn Heims 6/16
Mark & Brittany Reth 6/17
Gary & Vicki Spellerberg 6/20
Charles & Carol Dighton 6/22
James & Kino DeKeyser 6/25
Roger & Beth Mueller 6/30

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



June



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Service 8:30AM	Second Helpings 4:30-5:30	June 21st CHIMES DEADLINE	WOW 5:30 Dinner 6:15 Worship 7:00 K-4thKids/Youth/ Small Groups	June Mission: Paint by Neighbor		
9:30AM	Clothing Closet Open 4:30-5:30 During Second Helpings		Clothing Closet Open 10:00pm to 2:00pm			
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5 Back to one worship service	6 Second Helpings & Clothing Closet 4:30-5:30	7	WOW 5:30 Dinner 6:15 Worship 7:00 Small Groups	9	10	11 8:00PM Community Meeting
Fellowship Day at Backbone 2pm	13 Second Helpings & Clothing Closet 4:30-5:30	14	15 WOW 5:30 Dinner 6:15 Worship 7:00 Small Groups	16	17	18 8:00PM Community Meeting
19	20 Second Helpings & Clothing Closet 4:30-5:30	21 Single Board Meeting	WOW 5:30 Dinner 6:15 Worship 7:00 Small Groups K-4thKids/Youth/	23 CHIMES DEADLINE	24	25 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

"Peace I leave with you, my

peace I give to you; not as the

world gives do I give to you. Let

not your heart be troubled, nei
ther let it be afraid."

-john 14;27

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 The Entire Congregation
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 & Lynn Rasmussen
Bell Choir Director: Meth Bueller
 Mission Coordinator:
 Wayne Birkenholz

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Thank you!