



Manchester United Methodist Church

# *The Chimes*

413 East Butler St.

**June 2023**

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**June 19-24  
Mission Trip**

June 25th OCC  
Bakesale

Shop Scrip

**Sunday Fellowship**

Sign Up for VBS

## ***A note from Pastor Phil...***

**A prophecy: The word of the Lord to Israel through Malachi.**

**2 "I have loved you," says the Lord. "But you ask, 'How have you loved us?'"**  
- Malachi 1:1-2

The last of the Old Testament prophets recorded in scripture was Malachi. The time of Malachi's prophecies would have been at the end or shortly after the time of Nehemiah's prophecies. The Israelites had returned from exile, and rebuilt the temple and city walls of Jerusalem. The labor was hard, and the neighbor's were threatening... The people of Israel began asking the questions, where is God? And because God was not meeting their expectations, they began seeking other God's of their own making and once again stopped worshiping God with integrity and fullness. Through the Prophet Malachi God sends a message to the people of Israel that is both encouraging and troubling. I can not help to see that still today the human condition seems to follow the same cyclical paths.

Since January of 2020 our cultural reality has been one of consistent drama and struggle. First we have political conflict around a presidential election, then a global pandemic, then isolation and fear, only to come out of all this into a denominational crisis which also led our own church family to know some conflict. Imagine that, 300ish members could not agree on a single way forward? Though our vote to disaffiliate was over 80% and to join Global Methodist was over 90% this is still less than unanimous. We find ourselves asking, where is God? We have been through so much...

Through the Prophet Malachi, God proclaims-"I have loved you!" Can we not also inquire in our frustration- "Where have You loved us?" Though I believe that God has set the stage for Manchester Methodist Church to enter once again into a time of revival as a beacon in our community of Christian faith, we must admit that the road to this place has been hard.

Starting the first Sunday in June we will begin a new worship study of the Book of Malachi titled- "Starting Over... Again." As we engage in a Holy conversation of what it means to be a people chosen by God. Being chosen does not mean that all things shall be easy. Being chosen does not mean that we will find ourselves in full agreement. Most important, being chosen means that we have been called, and we rest in Peace with God. Now in this unique time, from this unique place, we are tasked with going to tell the love story of God with humanity, so that all may know and be saved. Amen

Single Board Did Not Meet In the Month of May. They will meet in June! Thank you!

**Financial Report as of April 30, 2023**

*01 General Fund*

|                           |                 |
|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Expenses for April:       | \$26,089        |
| Income for April:         | \$22,244        |
| <b>Balance for April:</b> | <b>-\$3,845</b> |

|                              |                  |
|------------------------------|------------------|
| Expenses year-to-date:       | \$88,198         |
| Income year-to-date:         | \$74,597         |
| <b>Balance year-to-date:</b> | <b>-\$13,601</b> |

*Brick-by-Brick Remodeling Project:*

**Cash in hand on April 30, 2023: \$60,656**  
(\$300 in donations in April; \$20,017 in expenses).  
**Commitments initially given  
but not being honored : \$35,000**

# SERVING OUR CHURCH

**June 4th**

**8:30**

**Liturgist: Dave Gaskill**

**Scripture: Jean Gross**

**Children's Sermon: Stephanie Stocks**

**Communion: Jean Gross, Stephanie Stocks  
and Kat Rogers**

**June 11th**

**8:30**

**Liturgist: Jeff Larsen**

**Scripture Reader: Roger Mueller**

**Children's Sermon: Terry Larson**

**June 18th**

**8:30**

**Liturgist: Wayne Birkenholz**

**Scripture Reader: John Rasmussen**

**Children's Sermon: Jordan LeClere**

**June 25th**

**8:30**

**Contemporary Service**

**Children's Message:**

**Tom Fetter**

**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:**

Lori Snyder @ 920-6692

**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



# Manchester Mission Trip June 19-24

Sign Ups are now on the Welcome Desk!  
Please Contact Zach Rogers with questions.

(319) 573-8060 or zachrogers27@gmail.com

## Sunday Fellowship

We are going to suspend after service fellowship for the summer. Thank you to all who have volunteered to serve during Fellowship particularly Randy & Kathy Waterman and the Kunde Family. If you would like to serve in this ministry please contact the office.

## Clothing Closet Update

The Clothing Closet will be open on Monday Evenings from 4:30-5:30pm during Second Helpings. Wednesdays from 10-2:00pm. 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.

The Clothing Closet will now also be open the first Thursday of the Month from 8am-10am

## 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               |
| Nursery Attendants                   | Praise Band      | Reaching & Receiving   |
| Scrip                                | Scripture Reader | Sunday School Teachers |
| Tech Team                            | Ushers           | Vegetable Garden Crew  |
| Vacation Bible School Teachers/Staff | Funeral Team     | Youth Group Sponsor    |
| OCC                                  |                  |                        |

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



# Save the Date

**STELLAR**

SHINE JESUS' LIGHT

July 17-21, 2023

9am-11:45am



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL  
July 17-21,  
2023 9:00-11:45 a.m.

VBS is less than 3 months away! Do you know a child who needs to hear the many wonderful ways that we celebrate God's greatness? If so, have them follow this link <https://vbspro.events/p/events/stellarmanchester> to get registered! We would love to have them join us!

Individuals who would like to volunteer at VBS may also register at the above link. We are still looking for a variety of volunteers. Check out the job descriptions below to see where you might like to help! If you have any questions or would like to make a financial contribution to VBS, please contact Hannah Clemen at 569-929-1395 or [hannahclemen21@gmail.com](mailto:hannahclemen21@gmail.com).

We are still looking for the following volunteer positions to be filled:

**STATION LEADERS (Adults):** Students (who are grouped in crews) move through various stations that are stationed 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:

**\*\*Games:** 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.

**\*\*Bible Leader:** This organized storyteller brings the Bible to life for groups of elementary age kids through interactive and engaging experiences, then helps kids apply the word of God to their own lives.

**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.

**PRESCHOOL CREW LEADERS/HELPERS (MS OR HS STUDENTS, ADULTS):** Rather than have our three to five-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 HELPER (MS Students):** These helpers assist the station leaders with anything they need extra hand with.

**PRESCHOOL GAMES & CRAFT TEACHER (ADULT):** This patient and creative leader manages materials and guides groups of preschoolers through creating a variety of Bible point reinforcing crafts. This energetic, patient, and organized individual is in charge of leading preschool age kids in fun activities and discussions. You don't need to be an Olympian, you just need to be organized, energetic, and fun loving.

Looking for another way to help with VBS? We are continuously looking for donations of supplies to help our week go on without a hitch! Check out our [Amazon wish list](#) or keep an eye out for our VBS display in the Narthex! Here we will have other items listed for donation from more local businesses. Not wanting to go shopping? No worries! Script to Fareway, Walmart or Amazon is greatly appreciated as well! Please give script cards to Hannah Clemen.



## Volunteer Registration For VBS 2023 July 17-21 9:00-11:45am

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Entering '23-'24: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Text: Yes or No E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

We will be wearing our green VBS shirts from years past. Do you need a new shirt?

T-Shirt Size (adult sizes):

Small Medium Large XL XXL XXXL OR I have a shirt from last year \_\_\_\_\_

Desired Position:

\_\_\_\_\_ Crew Leader (Helper/Escort for small groups) (HS student or adult)

\_\_\_\_\_ Station Helper (MS or HS student) (Please check desired station/position)

\_\_\_\_\_ Station Leader/Teacher (adult) (Please check desired station)

\_\_\_\_\_ Games \_\_\_\_\_ Imagination Station \_\_\_\_\_ Story \_\_\_\_\_ Kid Vid

\_\_\_\_\_ Snack

\_\_\_\_\_ Decoration Leader/Helper

\_\_\_\_\_ Registration Helper

\_\_\_\_\_ Preschool Helper

\_\_\_\_\_ Actor



NOTE: Please record my contact info. and return this sheet to the church office or me ASAP. Please let me know ASAP if there are any days you will not be able to volunteer. Hannah Clemen:

[hannahclemen21@gmail.com](mailto:hannahclemen21@gmail.com) (C) 563-929-1395



## VBS 2023 Registration Form

Hosted by Manchester  
Methodist Church  
July 17th-21st 9:00a.m.-11:45a.m.  
Kids ages 3 years (and potty trained)  
through entering 5th  
grade welcome!

Please return form to the church office at 413 E. Butler St. by July 11th OR fill it out online at  
<https://vbspro.events/p/events/stellarmanchester>

Child's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Circle: Boy or Girl

Age: \_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade entering '23-'24 \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Street address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's day phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Father's day phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home church: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies/medical conditions/behavioral concerns: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

In case of emergency, contact:

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents/Caregivers will be asked to sign out their child. Please list any individuals besides parents and emergency contact allowed to pick up your child:

Name/Phone/Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Name/Phone/Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Name/Phone/Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

My child will be walking/biking home unaccompanied: YES / NO

May we photograph your child and display their pictures in our church and newsletter? YES / NO

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***

*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*


*Small Groups*

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

***Everyone is welcome!***

# Operation Christmas Child Newsletter

## Prayer Requests

- 
- Praise God for the success of the Homemade & Homegrown Sale...over \$1900 was raised!
  - Pray that the right person will answer God's call to volunteer to serve as our NE IA Area Coordinator.
  - Pray for God's guidance and abundance in finding all the necessary items to fill 1,000 **quality** shoeboxes at our packing party.

## Upcoming Events

**Bake Sale:**  
June 25

**Ongoing:**  
Coins for Kids

**National Collection Week:**  
November 13-20

## Packing Party Shopping List

### Games:

Jacks, Dominoes,  
Marbles, Card games,  
Puzzles, etc.



## 2023 Goals

### Packing Party:

1,000 quality boxes

### Drop Off Location:

1,836 boxes



Graduation season is upon us!

Gift cards make PERFECT graduation gifts!  
Grads Love

- ◆ Gas cards
- ◆ Grocery Store, WalMart, or Target
- ◆ Restaurant Cards
- ◆ Starbucks or Other Coffee Shop Cards!

We stock them all! Make us your one stop graduation gift shop!

**SCRIP NEWS**  
**JUNE 2023**

Don't Forget the  
Raise Right App!

Join the Scrip Team!

Reach out to Jill Kunde or

Pastor Phil for more info!

# ***Better late than Never, Some pictures of Sunday School During Holy Week!***



**God Is Good!**



**Jesus Loves Me This I Know,  
For The Bible Tells me so!**



*Happy Anniversary*



Mike Roete .....6/03  
 Lance Feldmann .....6/04  
 Mark Reth.....6/06  
 Gwyneth Hough .....6/08  
 Kino DeKeyser .....6/10  
 Brittany Reth.....6/10  
 Pauline Philgreen .....6/11  
 Matthew Mensen.....6/12  
 Kathy Evarts.....6/14  
 Caleb Stocks.....6/15  
 Bruce Nodurft.....6/16  
 Marianne Nodurft .....6/16  
 Hannah Clemen.....6/21  
 Glenn Nystel .....6/23  
 Zach Rogers.....6/23  
 Jean Gross.....6/24  
 Bill Scanlan.....6/24  
 Sarah Edaburn.....6/29  
 Jeremy Feldmann.....6/30

Don & Carolyn Mellody ..... 6/01  
 Rex & Leann Van Dyke..... 6/07  
 John & Lynne Rasmussen..... 6/08  
 Gary & Deb Gibbs ..... 6/12  
 Michael & Stephanie Stocks..... 6/12  
 Mark & Brittany Reth..... 6/17  
 Gary & Vicki Spellerberg..... 6/20  
 Charles & Carol Dighton ..... 6/22  
 Roger & Beth Mueller..... 6/30

**Good Neighbor Home**  
**105 McCarren Drive, Manchester**

| <u>NAME</u>    | <u>ROOM #</u> |
|----------------|---------------|
| Karen Slife    | #208          |
| Delores Timmer |               |
| Joe Vap        |               |
| Bill Welcher   |               |

**The Meadows**  
**220 McCarren Drive, Manchester**

|              |     |
|--------------|-----|
| Louise Reth  |     |
| John Tyrrell | 109 |

**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.





# June



| Sun   | Mon  | Tue                             | Wed  | Thu                                    | Fri                | Sat                               |
|---|--|---------------------------------|--|--|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Service<br>8:30AM<br><br>Fellowship<br>9:30AM<br><br>Small<br>Groups<br>9:45-<br>10:30Am                  | <b>Second Helpings</b>                                       | <b>June 21st CHIMES DEALINE</b> | WOW<br>5:30 Dinner<br>6:15 Worship<br>7:00<br>K-4thKids/Youth/<br>Small Groups | <b>June Mission: Paint by Neighbor</b> |                    |                                   |
|   | <b>Clothing Closet Open 4:30-5:30 During Second Helpings</b> |                                 | Clothing Closet Open<br><br>10:00pm to 2:00pm                                  |  |                    |                                   |
|   |  |                                 |  | 1                                      | 2                  | 3<br>8:00PM<br>Community Meeting  |
| 4   | 5<br>Second Helpings & Clothing Closet<br>4:30-5:30          | 6                               | 7<br>WOW   | 8                                      | 9                  | 10<br>8:00PM<br>Community Meeting |
| 11  | 12<br>Second Helpings & Clothing Closet<br>4:30-5:30         | 13                              | 14<br>WOW  | 15                                     | 16                 | 17<br>8:00PM<br>Community Meeting |
| 18  | 19<br>Mission Trip   | 20<br>Mission Trip              | 21<br>Chimes Deadline<br>Mission Trip  | 22<br>Mission Trip                     | 23<br>Mission Trip | 24<br>Mission Trip                |
| 25<br>OCC Bakesale<br> | 26<br>Second Helpings & Clothing Closet<br>4:30-5:30         | 27                              | 28<br>WOW  | 29                                     | 30                 |                                   |



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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 at 8:30am,  
visit our website [www.umcmanchester.com](http://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  
And Dusty Ingles  
Christian Education Director:  
Paul Lyman  
Choir Director & Organist: Beth Mueller  
& Lynne Rasmussen  
Bell Choir Director: Beth Mueller  
Mission Coordinator:  
Wayne Birkenholz  
Articles printed as submitted.

Prepared, printed and prepped-to-mail  
at MUMC.

Please forward any new addresses to  
the church at  
413 E. Butler or call 563-927-4439  
Thank you!