



Manchester Methodist Church

## *The Chimes*

413 East Butler St.

**August 2024**

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Aug 7th WOW Starts Back Up

**August 25th next OCC Bakesale**

August 31st Last picture day for directory

VBS Week

A big thank you from Bill



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

**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.**

**- John 14:27**

John chapter 14 is known to theologians as the “Upper Room Discourse” because these are some of the final teachings in the Upper Room before the Holy Meal.

In John chapter 14, Jesus is teaching about heaven, eternal life, and what He is prepared to do for the salvation of humanity.

The opening words to verse 14 are “*Do not let your hearts be troubled.*” - John 14:1a. And now just before closing this teaching session Jesus gives us the teaching in John 14:27. Do you see a theme?

“*Do not let your heart be troubled, and do not be afraid.*” I have hinted at this for the last several months in my writings and sermon but now I feel we must lift this up and allow all to see. Do Not Be Afraid! Even though our social and public media seems to drive the message about how we should fear- this situation or that- economic ruin-this political candidate or that- the overwhelming message in our culture today is to fear. As we read John 14 we can see that we have no reason to fear, Jesus is with us, and has prepared the way of eternity for us, our victory over life and death has already been determined... So do not fear. There are political, social, financial, and threats of violence in the world... So we can be responsibly concerned and informed... We should not fear. Fear is for those without faith. Fear is for those who do not fully trust in God. We can no longer consume the false rhetoric of politicians and political parties. As the ambassadors of Jesus Christ in this generation we must demand better, and tune out the manipulative rhetoric.

Last Saturday a poor lost soul tried to assassinate the candidate of one party. Was this rhetoric driven? Probably... This is the first political assassination attempt of a presidential candidate since Robert Kennedy. I was not yet born when Robert Kennedy was assassinated. The last person who shot a president was 43 years ago, not based on politics but to impress a girl. Our politics are devolving to a third world reality with better plumbing. As Christians it is time for us to demand better. Jesus offers us a perfect and eternal Peace, His very own Peace... To rest in Peace with God... The promise of eternal peace... This is the peace we seek, and the peace we should share with this world. When we trust in this peace, then the world would truly know real everlasting peace.

**MMC Single Board**  
**July 16, 2024**  
**6:00 p.m. - Conference Room**

**Present:** Mark Reth , Charlie Dighton, Shirley Davis, Wayne Birkenholz, Lori Snyder, Bruce Nodurft, Pastor Phil, Kathy Dolan, Sherry Goranson, Jean Gross.

Mark called the meeting to order at 6:00 in the Conference Room. He shared scripture from Galatians 2: 1-3. (Paul speaking) " Then after fourteen years, I went up again to Jerusalem, this time with Barnabas. I took Titus along also. I went in response to a revelation and, meeting privately with those esteemed as leaders. I presented to them the gospel that I preach among the Gentiles. I wanted to be sure I was not running and had not been running my race in vain." Mark encouraged us to make good use of our waiting time and be productive, not impatient. God will richly reward us for our patience.

Prayers and praises were lifted up by the board followed by a prayer for guidance from Mark.

**Finance:** Bruce reported the actual expenses for June were \$17, 611 and the actual income was \$20,297 giving us a surplus for the month. The Y-T-D deficit for the year is -\$10,290. We are current with our Connectional Giving to the GMC. Bruce reported we have received the final funds from the SCRIP program which ended last year. \$880 has been given to the Education budget and \$22,420.06 to the General Fund. This will erase our deficit for this year. There was approximately \$1000 of Target and Kohl's cards left. **Action Item:** Motion by Wayne, seconded by Shirley that the cards be sent to flood disaster relief in the Sioux City area. Motion carried. Bruce mentioned that the money counters would like to retire so we need to find replacements for them.

**Education:** Bible School is ongoing this week. 30+ children are attending.

**Missions:** Missions money collected in the amount of \$275 with be sent for flood relief. The ice cream social funds have not been designated yet. The lift chair being used by Bill Scanlan has received contributions of \$685 so far leaving a balance of \$340. This chair will be available for others to use if the need arises when Bill no longer needs it. More help and donations are needed for the ice cream social being held July 31 from 4:30-6:30.

**Trustees:** Charlie noted the moving of offices and remodeling has begun. Finance has been moved to the children's library temporarily. The rooms to be remodeled have been cleaned out. Al Saunders will be doing the work. Our church insurance premiums will be increasing by 25%. They inspected our furnace and suggested we perform safety inspections periodically during the heating season and document those inspections. An emergency kill switch has been placed outside the furnace room. The downstairs water heater has been replaced at a cost of \$3,000. The parking lot fence has been completed. The left over materials cannot be returned and will be stored for use if the fence gets damaged. The walnut tree hanging over the parsonage has been removed at a cost of \$3,000. The sidewalk on the east side of the church property will be replaced as well as a section on the south side of our property. We are getting quotes for that work. Trustees are being charged with overseeing the RAHAB House property.

**Reaching and Receiving:** Lori reported that 61 individuals or groupings have had pictures taken for the directory so far with one more day scheduled and a make up day of August 31. The photographer has agreed to go to the GNH/ Meadows to take pictures of our residents out there. Free will donations for the sittings have closely taken care of the expenses. We will need help with ushering again when we go back to two services in August.

**Congregational Care:** Sherry reported there was no meeting in July. Cards have been sent for birthdays, get well and anniversaries. Marlene visits the GNH and Meadows each month. Our next meeting will be August 5 at 11:00 a.m. in the conference room.

**Staff/Parish:** Shirley reported they received three applications for the Office Manager position. Wayne, Emily and pastor interviewed two of the candidates. SPPRC met and offered the position to Lynne Rasmussen who accepted and will be starting on July 29. Kat starts her new position as Middle School secretary on August 5. July 23 is her last day.

Jean asked board permission to move the final estate items from the building where it has been housed to the church. The building has been rented starting August 1. Jean will have help to move what's left. She will be setting up tables in the balcony for garage sale purposes to sell the remaining items by the end of the year. Whatever is left at that time needs to be donated somewhere. Some of the items will be available for purchase at the ice cream social.

Our next regularly scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, August 20, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in Wesley Hall.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 followed by the Lord's prayer and singing of the doxology.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jean Gross, Secretary

**Financial Report as of June 30, 2024**

*01 General Fund*

June Income: \$20,297

June Expenses: \$17,611

**June Balance: +\$2,686**

Year-to-date expenses: \$120,075

Year-to-date income: \$109,785

**Year-to-date balance: -\$10,290**

# SERVING OUR CHURCH

## August 4th

9:00

Liturgist: Connie Allyn  
Communion: Wayne Birkenholz, Jean Gross, Heather Vice  
Children's Sermon: Roy Vice

## August 11th

9:00

Liturgist: Leff Larsen  
Children's Sermon: Jordan LeClere

## August 18th

9:00

Liturgist: Meghan Mensen  
Children's Sermon: Terry Larson

## August 25th

Contemporary Service

9:00

Children's Sermon: Zach Rogers

### **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 @ 608-4036 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 Desk



# CHURCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY



## CHURCH PICTORIAL

### DIRECTORY

IF YOU HAVEN'T YET, PLEASE SIGN UP  
NOW!

Don't miss the opportunity to be part of this  
first ever Global Methodist Pictorial Directory.

The Photographer has given us one additional  
day to get your picture taken. Saturday Au-  
gust 31<sup>st</sup>. If you have not signed up to get  
your pictures taken, please stop at the Wel-  
come desk and get on the 8/31 sign up sheet.

If you have been unable to get your picture  
taken please send the office a digital picture  
for the Photographer to include.

Thanks  
Reaching and Receiving Team

## Thank you everyone...

Thank you to my Church Family for being so kind, gracious, compassionate, and generous to me during and after my Open Heart Bypass surgery in June. Donna and I have appreciated the balloons, the food, the cards, the visits, the favors, the phone calls, and ALL YOUR PRAYERS!!! I have slept in the lift chair most days, and most nights. It has really helped me heal. We are so BLESSED to be a part of a family that carries out the Love of Jesus through all your ACTIONS!!!...We "Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, His Love endures forever." Psalm 118:1....Bill and Donna Scanlan

# Reminder WOW Begins again Wednesday Aug 7th.



# OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



## UPCOMING & ONGOING EVENTS

### BAKE SALE

August 25 before & after service

### PROJECT LEADER WORKSHOP

Saturday, September 14 9:00-11:00 a.m.

### NATIONAL COLLECTION WEEK

November 18-25

## 2024 GOALS

### CHURCH WIDE

1,000 quality boxes

### DROP OFF

2,200 boxes

**\$9,644 OF \$10,000 RAISED**

## PACKING PARTY DONATIONS

### AUGUST

School supplies

- 847 Notebooks or folders w/paper
- 950 Scissors
- 460 Pencil Sharpeners
- 943 pkg. markers or colored pencils

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- Praise God for his favor in our fundraising efforts! We are so close to our goal!
- Pray for continued donations of quality toys, clothes, hygiene items, school supplies, and WOW items to pack in our 1,000 shoeboxes.
- Pray for the OCC logistics teams as they navigate trucking needs for the upcoming processing season.
- Pray that the millions of children participating in The Greatest Journey this year would become faithful disciples of Jesus Christ and boldly share Him with their family and friends.
- Pray for the OCC teams as they take great risks to share the Gospel in closed communities.

# VBS Week "Thank You God!"







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*

*Youth Group*

*Small Groups*

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

*Everyone is welcome!*

# Happy Birthday

♥ Happy Anniversary ♥



Ron Stellick ..... 08/02  
 Debbie Rogers..... 08/05  
 Audrey Belden..... 08/07  
 Tom Fetter ..... 08/09  
 Dennis Porter..... 08/14  
 Sandra Kent ..... 08/15  
 Jeff Larsen ..... 08/15  
 Donna Scanlan ..... 08/16  
 Verle Hankins ..... 08/19  
 Mary Jo Larsen .....08/22  
 Ken Edaburn..... 08/28  
 Tom Allyn ..... 08/29  
 Eric Anderson..... 08/30  
 Darla Gaskill ..... 08/31

Bruce & Marianne Nodurft .....08/01  
 Mark & Lori Clemen .....08/03  
 Dave & Darla Gaskill ..... 08/06  
 Dean & Jackie Sherman.....08/06  
 Ronnie & Nancy Bachman.....08/08  
 Harold & Karon Rosauer.....08/14



## 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>
Barb O'Connell	116-N
Louise Reth	210 Mariettas
Karen Slife	144-N
Delores Timmer	25-S

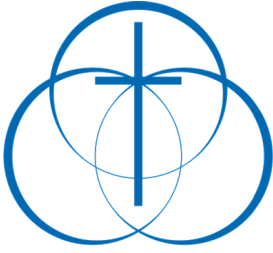
### The Meadows

220 McCarren Drive, Manchester

Fred & Ellen Phelps	305
John Tyrrell	109

# August

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Service 9:00AM  Fellowship 10:00AM	Second Helpings 4:30-5:30	August 21st CHIMES DEADLINE	WOW 5:30 Dinner 6:15 Worship 7:00 Youth/Small Groups	August Mission:  Pay It Forward		
	Clothing Closet Open 4:30-5:30 During Second Helpings		Clothing Closet Open  10:00pm to 2:00pm	1	2	3 8:00PM Community Meeting
4	5 Second Helpings & Clothing 4:30-5:30	6	7 WOW	8	9	10 8:00PM Community Meeting
11	12 Second Helpings & Clothing 4:30-5:30	13	14 WOW	15	16	17 8:00PM Community Meeting
18	19 Second Helpings & Clothing 4:30-5:30	20	21 Chimes Deadline	22	23	24 8:00PM Community Meeting
25	26 Second Helpings & Clothing Closet 4:30-5:30	27	28 WOW	29	30	31 8:00PM Community Meeting



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**Return Service Requested**

**TO:**

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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 at 9:00am,  
Visit our website**

**[manchestermethodistchurch.org](http://manchestermethodistchurch.org)**

**Or listen to KMCH 94.7 at 6:00pm on  
Sunday Nights**

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The Ministry Team at MMC 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

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Thank you!

