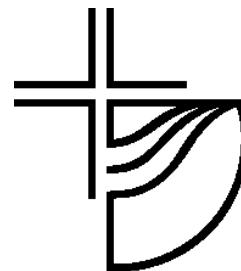


Manchester Church of the Brethren

NEWSLETTER

Week of February 18, 2018
Peacefully, Simply, Together



Prayer Concerns

We hold in our hearts and our minds all the thoughts, joys and concerns from this past week. Sharing our lives with each other is one of the ways we form deeper, more meaningful relationships in this community of faith. In a spirit of compassionate prayer and understanding, please keep these concerns close to your hearts in the coming days.

Within our faith community:

- ◆ We pray for those people who aren't able to join us in worship due to their on-going health or physical limitations, even as we remember their faithfulness. They include: **Alice Frantz, Grace Metzger, Doris Snell, Joan Deeter** and **Evelyn Niswander**.
- ◆ We pray for **Di Wion** who is continuing her rehab at Peabody Transitional Care.
- ◆ We pray for **Diana Bucher** who is recovering at home following knee replacement surgery.
- ◆ And we pray for **Phyllis Pettit** recovering at Well-brooke in Wabash following a recent hospitalization for a cracked pelvis after a fall at home.

In the wider community:

- ◆ We pray for our sister church in **El Salvador, Emmanuel Baptist**. We pray for the women and young girls who are able to train for jobs and go to school to receive education beyond primary school. Lidia Castro manages this program.
- ◆ We join the other churches in our District to pray for the **Buck Creek Church of the Brethren** as they continue to follow the teachings of Jesus. We pray also for the **Mid-Atlantic District** and their District Executive, Gene Hagenberger.
- ◆ We pray for the **Church of the Brethren in Nigeria, EYN**, as they work throughout their country to re-build churches and communities. We also offer prayers of support for **Esther Usman** as she finds ways to continue to heal from her captivity.
- ◆ We share deep concern for the most recent victims of gun violence in Parkland, Florida, and the tragic pattern of violence that continues.
- ◆ And we again renew our prayers for peace in our country and around the world.

On-Call: Kurt Borgmann

Home: 901-6110; Cell: 901-1851

Pastors' Schedules

Kurt ~ Tuesday through Friday
Karen ~ Monday through Thursday
Jim ~ Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

Office Hours

9:30-4:00 Monday-Friday; closed 12:00-1:00 for lunch.
The church is open at 9:30 for walkers.

Weekly Calendar

Monday, February 19

1:00 p.m. Pickleball - FLC

Tuesday, February 20

9:30 a.m. Peace Patch Preschool
10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
12:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study - Room 213
1:00 p.m. Tennis - FLC
3:30 p.m. FLC in use until 5:00 - Onderko
5:15 p.m. FLC in use until 6:45 - Howard
5:30 p.m. Weight Watchers - Room 220
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir - Sanctuary
7:30 p.m. Volleyball - FLC

Wednesday, February 21

9:30 a.m. Peace Patch Preschool
1:00 p.m. Tennis - FLC
7:00 p.m. Library Committee - Library
7:00 p.m. Executive Board - Conference Room

Thursday, February 22

9:30 a.m. Peace Patch Preschool
1:00 p.m. Tennis - FLC
3:30 p.m. FLC in use until 5:00 - Onderko
5:15 p.m. FLC in use until 6:45 - Howard
6:30 p.m. Preschool Kdgt Readiness Meeting -
Peace Patch
7:30 p.m. Ecclesia Choir - Choir Room

Friday, February 23

- 9:30 a.m. Peace Patch Preschool
- 1:00 p.m. Pickleball - FLC
- 3:30 p.m. FLC in use until 5:00 - Onderko
- 7:00 p.m. Soccer - FLC

Saturday, February 24

- 1:00 p.m. Building in use until 5:00 - Onderko

Sunday, February 25

- 9:30 a.m. Worship: *Follow me*; Pastor Kurt
Scripture: Mark 8:31-38
Taizé & Melodia Choirs
Led Brethren
- 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time
- 10:45 a.m. Christian Education;
Combined Adult Classes:
Brethren Disaster Ministries - Sanctuary
Peace Patch
- 12:00 p.m. Mentor Get Together
- 7:00 p.m. Al-Anon - Room
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Basketball - FLC 213

Directory Updates

Dean & Janet Kagarise
Brownsburg Meadows Senior Assisted Living Center
Assisted Living Room 161
7133 Meadow Trail
Brownsburg, IN 46112

Dean's cell phone is 574-333-6557.

Steve & Marilyn Sexton Mason
3011-1 Regent Square Court
Goshen, IN 46526
574-533-2983

Email information will not change.

Thank you!

Thank you friends for prayers, cards, and well wishes. Thank you, Karen, for your reassurances in the hospital. I am progressing fine with very little pain.

Angilee

Childcare During Worship

Your help continues to be needed in **Childcare During Worship** in **March and April**. Stop by the Nurture table in the Narthex after worship to volunteer an hour of your time for our children. You will enjoy getting to know the children in our congregation.

This Sunday!!

The Education Commission is sponsoring a combined Adult Sunday School class during the Sunday School hour in the Sanctuary. The topic will be **Brethren Disaster Ministries**. Plan to attend and learn more about the work that **Kathy Fry-Miller, Jim Shively, Doug Campbell, and Jeff Trachsel** from our congregation have been doing in Brethren Disaster Children's Ministries and Brethren Disaster Relief.

Sunshine Seekers!



Are you looking for sunny days? Are you longing for the feel of the warmth of sunshine on your face? With the coming of Spring, does the power of sunshine amaze you? Are you interested in putting the power of the sun to work?

Then mark **March 14, 2018 at 7:00 pm** on your calendar! The Property Commission is putting together an exploratory committee as a follow up to a coffee house on Solar Energy and you are invited to join. The committee will explore how the Manchester Church of the Brethren can use photovoltaic energy to be good stewards of God's Earth as we go forward.

We will meet in the Conference Room. Please join us!
Jeff Trachsel, Property Commission Chair

Have you Registered for Camp?

- ◆ Deadline is **March 19** to avoid the late charge of \$30.
- ◆ Bring your registration and payment to the church office. Checks should be made out to **Manchester Church of the Brethren**.
- ◆ **If you register online...you will need to let the church office know what camps and dates your children have registered. Remember that the church pays half for returning campers and full for first time so pay Camp Mack accordingly.** We will pay the balance. If you have already paid in full, let us know and we will be in touch regarding your reimbursement.
- ◆ Questions? Contact Jeff Lehman, our Camp Rep, at 260-359-9990 or the church office 982-7523.



Senior High Youth....



Sunday, March 4 ~ Lunch at Kelsey's House

Sunday, April 15 ~ Lunch at Anna's House

Be sure to pay your NYC deposit online (www.brethren.org/nyc/) if you haven't already!

Junior High Youth ...

Friday, March 9 ~ Game night at Timbercrest ~ 6:30 pm
For those who signed up for a work camp this summer, be sure your deposit has been paid!
Harrisburg Work Camp ~ June 17-21
Brooklyn, NY Work Camp ~ June 27-July 1

SILENT AUCTION

If you were not able to pick up your Silent Auction items Sunday, please stop in at the church office this week for them.

District Youth Rally!

Friday, April 13 - Sunday, April 15

Who: High School Age Youth

What: CoB Youth Rally

When: Friday evening registration 6-7 until after worship
Sunday morning (fee \$20 before April 9 / \$24 by April 12)

Where: Anderson Church of the Brethren

Why: To connect with other youth, while having fun, considering our faith, and thinking about how we can love one another.

Contact Pastor Brian Mackie (765) 465-5960,
pastor@whitebranchcob.org, for more information.
Registration form can be found on the S/C IN District web.

Within our Community...

Shepherd's Center Winter/Spring Programs

February 21 ~ Town Life Center

- ♦ **MEDTALK ~ 8:30-9:20**
with Wilbur McFadden, MD & Eric Reichenbach, MD
- ♦ Current Events ~ 9:00 with David Swartz, US State Department, Retired

EvenSong

Wednesday, February 21 ~ 4:00 p.m.~ TC Chapel

"Liturgical Dance as Prayer"

Led by Peggy Gilbert

Questions? Call Liz Hoffman Bauer, 260-306-1690

Everyone is Welcome!

Movies at Timbercrest

You're invited to join Timbercrest residents for their FREE monthly movies at 7pm in the Assembly Room:

- ♦ **March 2** ~ *Akeelah and the Bee*
- ♦ **March 16** ~ *The Zookeeper's Wife*
Questions? call Wanda Miller, 982-6189

ECR presents Productive Communication & Conflict

Saturday, March 3 ~ 8am-noon ~ MU Academic Center

Angenetta Briner, MS Ed., facilitator

Cost: \$15 students; \$40 faculty & staff; \$50 others

Price includes cost of manual.

Register by February 26.

982-5354 or info@workitout.org for more information.

Manchester Main Street Calendar

Arts & Gifts at the Museum; March 9 & 10

KenapocoMocha Coffee Shop:

Children's Workshop Series:

Monster Stuffie Sculptures; March 10, 9am -12

Hannah Burnworth; Cost: \$15

Polymer Clay Miniatures; April 14, 9am -12

Ashley Sanson; Cost: \$15

Adult Workshop Series:

Whimsical Watercolor Flowers; March 15, 6-9pm

Britta Glass; Cost: \$30

Cuff Bracelet; April 19, 6-9pm

Candie Cooper; Cost: \$35

The N Manchester Public Library:

Story Time; every Tuesday & Thursday, 11am

Evening Tales; every Tuesday, 6pm

Teen Makers & Creative Kids; Wednesdays, 3:45pm

Warrant & Firehouse:

The Illusionists; February 13, 7:30pm

The Price is Right LIVE; Feb 15, 7:30pm

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Manchester Symphony Orchestra

Sunday, March 11 ~ 3:00 pm ~ Honeywell Center
The Bohemians - Dvořák, Smetana, Janáček
(Patron reception following the concert)

Within our District ...

Brethren Leadership Institute News

The next **Brethren Leadership Institute** class is *History of the Church* taught by Mark Flory Steury. The dates are **April 14, April 28, & May 5**. Register any time by emailing scindcob@gmail.com or calling 260-982-8805

Conversations about Biblical Authority Conference

April 23-25 ~ Hueston Woods; College Corner, Ohio.

Pastors are especially invited to attend this event, which is being partially underwritten by the Midwest Church of the Brethren districts and the Ministry Excellence Project, in order to keep the cost as low as possible.

The registration fee is \$75, which includes 2 breakfasts and 1 dinner. The fee also includes 1.0 CEU if all sessions are attended.

Housing must be arranged directly with Hueston Woods. Double rooms are \$115.09/night including tax.

Call 513-664-3510 before March 15 to make your housing reservation.

Brochures with more details will soon be available.

Camp Mack Corner



We are in need of Team Leaders for the following camps:

Seekers: June 3-8

Finders: July 1-6

Co-Director for Grand Camp: June 14-16

Please contact Jessica at jessk@campmack.org if you are interested in being a team leader, cabin counselor, counselor in training, medical staff, or health check in staff this summer.

Camp Mack Calendar:

February 22-25 ~ Scrapbooking Retreat

March 3 ~ Team Leader Training

March 9-10 ~ FYLE Weekend

March 12-14 ~ Volunteer Work Days

March 17-18 ~ Mother Daughter Retreat

Get-a-Way Days:

February 24 ~ Scrapbooking

February 24 ~ Board Games

Check out the flyers on the tower in the Vestibule for more information or contact the camp; 574-658-4765 info@campmack.org or www.campmack.org

You are cordially invited to attend

Camp Mack's Annual Dinner

March 9

Kate Warstler Dining Room

John Kline Welcome Center

6:15 Hors d' oeuvres

7:00 Dinner

\$35 per person

Preferred seating available

\$300/table for 6; \$350/table for 7; \$400 table for 8

Kindly respond by March 1.

574-658-4831 info@campmack.org

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