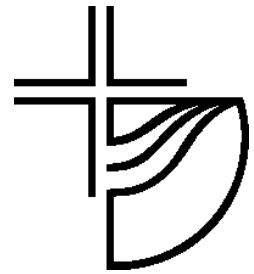


# Manchester Church of the Brethren

## NEWSLETTER

Week of June 10, 2018

Peacefully, Simply, Together



### Prayer Concerns

We hold in our hearts and minds all the thoughts, joys and concerns from this past week. Sharing our joys and our sorrows in the midst of this gathered community helps us create deeper relationships with one another and with God. In a spirit of compassion and acceptance, please keep these spoken prayers with you in the coming days.

#### *Within our faith community:*

- ◆ We offer our prayers for the children and adults who will be participating in Vacation Bible School this week. May they all be inspired to learn how to work for peace – in their families, in our community and around the world.
- ◆ We pray for our **Junior High youth and advisors** as they travel to participate in work camps in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania and Brooklyn, New York.
- ◆ We pray for the family of **Vernon Miller**. The funeral service for Vernon was held this past Sunday.
- ◆ We pray for those people who aren't able to join us in worship due to their on-going health challenges or their current physical limitations including: **Alice Frantz, Doris Snell, Evelyn Niswander, and Joan Deeter**.
- ◆ We pray for **Denny Butler** who is recovering at home following a recent out-patient procedure.
- ◆ We pray for **Edith Stone** as she recovers from knee replacement surgery. Edith is undergoing rehab at Peabody.
- ◆ We pray for the family and friends of **Joann Butterbaugh**. Joann died Friday afternoon, June 8. The Memorial Service for Joann is Thursday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 in the Timbercrest Chapel with visitation following the service.

May all the people I have mentioned know God's abiding care and loving presence.

#### *In the wider community:*

- ◆ We pray for our sister church in **El Salvador, Emmanuel Baptist**. We pray for Pastor Miguel and Lidia Maria as they work full-time while struggling with health issues both physical and stressful. Our support

is life-giving and renewing for their daily walk.

- ◆ We pray for the **Liberty Mills Church of the Brethren**. They ask that we pray for more unsaved and unchurched people to come and hear the Word of God and be saved. They also ask for prayers for their congregation to have the courage to talk about Jesus with everyone for God's glory! In the wider Church of the Brethren, we also pray for the **Southeastern District** and their District Executive, Scott Kinnick.
- ◆ We pray for **Esther Usman's** wholeness and well-being. And we pray for the **Church of the Brethren in Nigeria, EYN**, as they find hope and healing in the midst of further violence.
- ◆ We offer prayers for the **Children's Disaster Services team** that has been sent to Hawaii to continue the response to the volcanic eruption, a response begun by local volunteers. The American Red Cross had requested a CDS team to respond on the Big Island of Hawaii. The new team arrived at the Pahoia shelter on Wednesday, June 6. We also pray for those who continue to be effected by the volcano.
- ◆ We pray for the victims of last Sunday's volcanic eruption in Guatemala, which occurred within 30 miles of Guatemala City. The eruption was especially devastating due to its release of a fast-moving mix of ash, rock, and volcanic gases. We pray for those who mourn the loss of their loved ones, for people suffering injuries and for the more than 3,000 people who have been evacuated.

#### **Pastor on Call: Karen Eberly**

Home: 982-8420; Cell: 578-1247

#### **Pastors' Schedules**

Kurt ~ Tuesday through Friday

Karen ~ Monday through Thursday

#### **Office Hours**

9:30-4:00 Monday-Friday; closed 12:00-1:00 for lunch.

The church is open at 9:30 for walkers.

Phone: 260-982-7523

## Weekly Calendar

### Monday, June 11

- 12:00 p.m. Fellowship Commission Retreat -  
Loyce's House  
1:00 p.m. Pickleball - FLC  
5:15 p.m. Vacation Bible School until 7:30  
6:00 p.m. ECR - Conference Room

### Tuesday, June 12

- 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting  
1:00 p.m. Tennis - FLC  
5:15 p.m. Vacation Bible School until 7:30  
5:30 p.m. Weight Watchers - Room 220

### Wednesday, June 13

- 12:00 p.m. Pastors' Lunch - Timbercrest  
1:00 p.m. Tennis - FLC  
5:15 p.m. Vacation Bible School until 7:30  
7:00 p.m. Solar Energy Open Meeting - Conf Room

### Thursday, June 14

- 1:00 p.m. Tennis - FLC  
1:30 p.m. Funeral Service for Joann Butterbaugh -  
Timbercrest Chapel  
Visitation following the service  
5:15 p.m. Vacation Bible School until 7:30  
7:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School Program -  
Sanctuary  
8:00 p.m. Stewards Commission - Staff Room

### Friday, June 15

- 7:00 a.m. Kitchen in use until 11:00 p.m. - Hand  
1:00 p.m. Pickleball - FLC

### Saturday, June 16

- 7:00 a.m. Kitchen in use if needed - Hand

### Sunday, June 17

- 9:30 a.m. Worship: *The mystery of growth*,  
Pastor Kurt  
Scripture: Mark 4:26-34  
Special Music: Bea Knarr  
10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time  
10:45 a.m. Christian Education  
7:00 p.m. Al-Anon - Room 213  
7:00 p.m. Narthex in use until 9:00

### Vacation Bible School is Here!

It's not too late!  
Join us M-Th, June 11-14 ~ 5:15-7:30  
with the program at 7:30 on Thursday



## Nominating Committee needs YOUR Input

The Nominating Committee is charged with the responsibility of developing a slate for church leadership to be presented at the Fall Council meeting. Positions to be filled are:

- ◆ Chair of Stewardship Commission
- ◆ Chair of Pastoral Ministry & Personnel Commission
- ◆ Assistant Moderator
- ◆ Delegates to District Conference
- ◆ Delegates to Annual Conference

Members of the congregation are invited to participate in this effort by identifying individuals who might be willing to share their special gifts by serving in these positions.

Nomination forms can be picked up from the credenza in the Narthex and in the Church Office. Completed forms can also be returned to these locations.

Nominations can also be submitted via email at [manchestercob@gmail.com](mailto:manchestercob@gmail.com). **June 27th is the due date.**

### Flowers Up!

Thank you to those who helped weed and mulch on a Saturday morning in April. For those people AND those who prefer an evening event, Property Commission will host another weeding and pruning event on **June 21st from 6-8pm or later!** Property has used all of the budget line for mulch, so to help this situation, we will gladly take donations for the purchase of more mulch!

If you would like to donate to this project, contact Jeff Trachsel or stop in at the church office.

We appreciate your willingness to help take care of God's Earth.  
Property Commission



### Stamp Collection Anyone??

If anyone is interested in a small 60 year old stamp collection, call Lana Groombridge at 982-8741.  
FREE on a first come basis!

### Childcare During Worship

There are openings for helpers in the nursery during church. Men, women, and teens are all welcome to apply! Just sign up at the table in the Narthex after church. Thanks for your help with this important ministry.

## **Sunshine Seekers...The Solar Questers!**



Those interested in “putting the power of the sun to work” will continue to explore how our church can use photovoltaic energy to be good stewards of God’s Earth. We have two more meetings! Please join us!

### **7:00 pm ~ Conference Room**

**June 13** ~ PSG Energy Group, Pittsboro, IN with Tim Pitts at <http://psgenergygroup.com/>

**June 27** ~ Werner Electric, Appleton, WI with Richard Henes at <https://www.wernerelctric.com/>

Riverbridge Electric, North Manchester with Dave Migliorini at <http://www.riverbridgeelectric.com/>

### **June Quarterly Offering chosen by MCOB Witness Commission**

#### **MANCHESTER FELLOWSHIP OF CHURCHES BUILDING FUND**

For many years, MCOB has been a member of the Manchester Fellowship of Churches. Last fall, Manchester FOC Board was successful in finding a more suitable facility to house three of its four community ministries: the Thrift Shop, Reach Office and Thursday’s Child. MCOB’s Christmas Eve special offering helped to support the purchase of this building located at 410 N. Market Street (old CVS bldg), which also happens to sit adjacent to the Fellowship’s Food Pantry, operated at 500 N. Front St. The purchase of the new site, including existing parking lot and grounds, was completed by the end of 2017 for \$100,000.

**Current needs:** Renovations in preparation for moving in

**Status:** Waiting for building code approval

**Expected to start:** Yet this summer

**Projects:** Necessary repairs, system updates and modifications

**Estimated budget:** Another \$100,000, along with extra “soft costs” needed including parking lot and light pole repair, a utility shed, shelving & clothing racks.

**Other support:** A “dollar-for-dollar” matching fund from the Community Foundation of Wabash County

For further information, please contact Al Schlitt, MFC Bldg. Comm. Chair, at 982-7373 or 260-578-7373.

**Offering envelopes are available in the Narthex, in the pew holders in the Sanctuary, & at the church office. This offering will be collected until June 30.**

## **Annual Conference 2018**

Today, **June 11** is the deadline for online advanced registration. Go to [www.brethren.org/ac/2018/registration](http://www.brethren.org/ac/2018/registration).

### ***Within our Community...***

#### **Dates for the next Community Dinners**

**June 12 & 26 ~ 4:15-6:15 pm ~ Zion Lutheran Church**

#### **EvenSong**

**Wednesday, June 13 ~ 4:00 p.m. ~ TC Chapel**  
“Celebrate the Arts”

Led by Carol Burkett with Sigma Eta  
Questions? Call Liz Hoffman Bauer, 260-306-1690  
Everyone is Welcome!

#### **Community Carnival at MU**

**Thursday, June 14 ~ 2:00-4:00pm ~ MU Campus Mall**

Indiana Association of Student Councils Summer Leadership Workshop and MU present this FREE carnival for the children of the North Manchester Community!

**Preschool & Primary Grades**

**Games ~ Prizes for ALL**

**Cotton Candy ~ Popcorn ~ Snow Cones**

*Together we serve the children of our community*



#### **Movies at Timbercrest**

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

♦ **Friday, June 22 ~ *The Legendary Victor Borge***

Questions? call Wanda Miller, 982-6189

#### **Farmers’ Market is Back**

**Saturdays 8:00-noon ~ Wednesdays 4-6:00pm**  
**Riverbridge Electric at the corner of Main & Wayne St**

#### **2018 Manchester Main Street’s Garden Walk**

**Saturday, June 16 ~ 9:00-3:00 ~ Market & Main Streets**

Garden Walk & Vendor Fair  
Tickets \$8 each of 2/\$15  
[www.ManchesterMainStreet.org](http://www.ManchesterMainStreet.org)

**Rotary's Grilled Chicken BBQ**

**Saturday, June 16 ~ 10am-2pm ~ Warvel Park Pavilion**

Adult meal: 2 pc chicken, 2 sides, chips & drink: \$10

Child/Senior meal: 1 pc chicken, 1 side, chips & drink: \$5

Take out available!

Bring the whole family!

Proceeds help support education and youth programs in North Manchester

**NMPL presents The Fantastic Fun Run**

**Saturday, June 30 ~ 9-10am ~ Market Street**

Come join us for a fun-filled family event that supports the library. Run, walk, skip, jump, stroll...all forms of participation are welcome!



The Fun Run is a 5K color run. Wear white to enjoy the full color run experience, or wear another color to avoid being splattered in color.

- ◆ First 100 sign-ups will receive a FREE t-shirt.
- ◆ T-shirts will be available to purchase the day of the run.
- ◆ All proceeds go to the N Manchester Public Library.
- ◆ [NMAN.LIB.IN.US/FANTASTIC-FUN-RUN.HTML](http://NMAN.LIB.IN.US/FANTASTIC-FUN-RUN.HTML)

***Within our District ...***

**Join Dr. Jon Fancher...Holy Land via Jordan**

**February 18-27, 2019**

Information about this trip is on the tower in the Vestibule or go to [www.eo.travel](http://www.eo.travel) ~ 800-247-0017



***Camp Mack Corner***

Counselors and office help are still needed this summer! Please contact the camp if you are available to help! 574-658-4831

**June 14-16 & July 29-31 ~ Grand Camps**

Check out the flyers on the tower in the Vestibule for more camp opportunities!!

The Camp Mack Festival is a little over 5 months away, but it is time to start thinking with your church or community groups about food booths that you can bring to the festival. Interested? Email Sue Freel at [suefreel@kampco.com](mailto:suefreel@kampco.com)

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