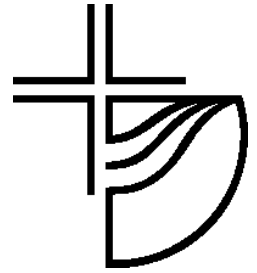


Manchester Church of the Brethren

NEWSLETTER

Week of September 23, 2018

Peacefully, Simply, Together



Prayer Concerns

We hold in our hearts and in our minds all the thoughts, joys and concerns from this past week. Sharing our joys and our sorrows in the midst of this gathered community is one of the ways we continue to experience deeper relationships with one another and grow in our faith with God. In a spirit of compassion and understanding, please keep these spoken prayers with you in the coming days.

Within our faith community:

- ◆ We pray for those people who aren't able to join us due to their on-going health challenges or their continuing physical limitations. They include: **Miriam Rusher, Francis Barr, John & Esther Hamer and Grace Voorheis.**
- ◆ We pray for **Teresa Clingaman** as she continues to mourn the death of her mother, Mae Johnston. The Memorial Service for Mae was held this past Sunday in our Memorial Garden.
- ◆ We pray for **Dorotha Fry-Mason** who is recovering at home following her recent hospitalization.
- ◆ We pray for **Angilee Beery** who will be having an out-patient nerve release surgery on her elbow Tuesday, September 25.
- ◆ We pray for **Jeff Trachsel** and **Doug Campbell** who will be leading a Brethren Disaster Ministry team in South Carolina for the month of October. Jeff and Doug leave on Friday, September 28.

May all these people know the abundance of God's comforting presence in their lives.

In the wider community:

- ◆ We pray for our sister church in **El Salvador, Emmanuel Baptist**. We pray for the administrative leadership of Emanuel as they seek to secure broader funding sources for their many ministries. In a time of growing need there is much struggle to answer.
- ◆ We pray for the **Church of the Brethren in Nigeria,**

EYN. We pray for the many congregations in Nigeria who continue to witness to the abundance of God's love and grace.

- ◆ We join with the other churches in our District to pray for the **Pipe Creek Church of the Brethren**, for the members of their congregation and their ministry in the community. We also pray for the **Missouri/Arkansas District** and their District Executive, Cindy Sanders.
- ◆ We pray for those whose lives continue to be impacted by the flooding in North & South Carolina. We also pray for the many volunteers who are working at the clean-up efforts in a variety of ways.
- ◆ We pray for peace and compassion in the world.

Pastor on Call: Kurt Borgmann

Home: 901-6110 Cell: 901-1851

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, September 24

1:00 p.m. Pickleball - FLC

4:00 p.m. FLC in use until 6:30

Tuesday, September 25

8:45 a.m. Peace Patch Preschool

10:30 a.m. Staff meeting - Staff Room

12:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study - Room 213

1:00 p.m. Tennis - FLC

2:00 p.m. Historical Society Meeting - Library

5:30 p.m. Weight Watchers - Room 220

Tuesday, September 25 continued

6:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary
7:30 p.m. Volleyball - FLC

Wednesday, September 26

9:30 a.m. Peace Patch Preschool
1:00 p.m. Tennis - FLC
7:00 p.m. Witness Commission - Room 213

Thursday, September 27

9:30 a.m. Peace Patch Preschool
10:00 a.m. Library in use by the Preschool until 11:00
1:00 p.m. Tennis - FLC
4:00 p.m. FLC in use until 6:30
6:30 p.m. Taize Choir - Chapel
7:30 p.m. Ecclesia Choir - Choir Room

Friday, September 28

9:30 a.m. Peace Patch Preschool
1:00 p.m. Pickleball - FLC
3:00 p.m. FLC in use until Saturday night

Saturday, September 29

Building in use - Wedding Reception-Evans

Sunday, September 30

9:30 a.m. Worship: *Don't worry about what they're doing; pay attention to what you are doing!*
Scripture: Mark 9:38-50
10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time
Meet the Youth Pastor Candidate
Peace Patch Gathering
10:45 a.m. Children's Gathering during meeting-FLC
10:45 a.m. Special Council Meeting
12:00 p.m. Sr. High Lunch at Borgmann's
7:00 p.m. Al-Anon - Room 213
7:00 p.m. Narthex in use

Sunday School This Sunday

Jr High, Sr High, and Adult classes will meet in the Sanctuary for the special Council meeting to call a new Associate Pastor of Youth Ministry and Congregational Life. This Council meeting will follow worship with a time of introduction of questions & answers with the candidate.

Jubilee Class

October 7 ~ MCoB Story Corps with Ruth Angle
October 14 ~ No SS ~ Youth parents host Fellowship Meal

Questers Class

October 7 - 28 ~ Paul video (John Dominic Crossan)

With Gratitude...

I am so very pleased with the loving support many showed in my recent out patient surgery. Even if you only thought of me during worship, others prayed on the day, and also later. If you've never experienced this on a personal basis, it is so very comforting to be wrapped in the arms of this community. I'm deeply thankful!
Joy Stiffler

Community Supper is this Tuesday

Just a reminder if you are helping with the Community Supper, it is at Zion Lutheran Church this Tuesday!
Questions? Please contact Laura Gable at 578-0378.
Thank you for your help!



Feeding the Community

Food Pantry Collection During Worship on October 7!

During the Prelude on the 7th the youth invite you to bring your food pantry items to the front of the Sanctuary. Monetary donations should be made out to the FOC Food Pantry. The youth will be delivering the items later that day.

Please check the expiration dates on the items first.

Your Help Is Needed!

Are you able to:

- 1. Read a short book out loud?
- 2. Put together a 10 piece puzzle?
- 3. Rock in a rocking chair?
- 4. Blow bubbles?
- 5. Roll a ball?

Any one of the above qualifies you to be on the three person team for childcare during worship! Team members are needed for **October, November, and December**. Sign up after worship in the Narthex, or call the church office.

Let our children and their parents know you care.



Mark your Calendars!

Sunday, Oct. 7 ~ Love Feast & Communion ~ 6:00pm
Sunday, Oct 14 ~ Fellowship Meal ~ noon
followed by the Fall Council Meeting



Quilters...we need your help!

It's time again for
the Annual Peabody Quilt Show!
Don't miss your chance to enter a quilt.

We need one entry from our church. It is
a chance to win \$1000 for our church.

- ♦ Quilts will be due at Peabody by November 21
- ♦ Quilts will be on display to be viewed and voted on
the week of Dec 1-7.

Application deadline is October 8.

The application is at the church office. For questions, or
more information, contact Angie Woolard, (260)578-
3219.

Outreach Offering for Puerto Rico BDM

Brethren Disaster Ministries has been working in Puerto
Rico ever since hurricanes Irma and Maria caused
massive destruction in September of 2017. Our quarterly
offering will be taken during church on **October 7**. Funds
sent will support construction and ongoing case
management and other costs related to these efforts.
Offering envelopes will be available at church on the 7th
and during that week at the church office.

Our Help is needed for Camp Mack Festival

Help is needed with the childcare and/or children's
activities at the festival on **Saturday, October 6**. If you
are available to help for a two hour shift, please contact
Laura Brubaker at LEBrubaker2020@manchester.edu or
call Marilyn Kieffaber at 260-578-5008.

Your help will be greatly appreciated!

Please Take Me Home!

Last Chance! If you have not picked up
your item yet, Sunday is your last
chance. Or...if there is something no one
has claimed, you are welcome to it!
Items left will be taken to the Thrift Shop
next week.



Thank you!

Sr High:



Sept 30 ~ Meet the Youth Pastor
Candidate.
Oct 14 ~ Sing in worship & host the
fellowship meal.
Oct 14 ~ Afternoon service project

Jr High:

Sept 30 ~ Meet & Greet the Youth Pastor Candidate

Friday night get-togethers are being planned.
Stay tuned for more information!

Beacon PROJECT SPOTLIGHT Grants!

Please Keep Voting... This is the Final Week!

www.beaconcu.org/project-spotlight

We are pleased that the **Fellowship of Churches,**
Manchester Early Learning Center, and **One World**
Handcrafts, along with other organizations we are all
passionate about, have been nominated for these grants.
Please consider taking a few minutes **each day** to vote!
Voting ends September 30!

And with that said...

So many local friends have been voting on this site on a
regular basis. For those of you who haven't but could, con-
sider doing it please. The last day to vote is this coming
Sunday. If in this area, I hope you use the N. Manchester
site and consider switching today and the rest of the week
to the Fellowship of Churches. The Thrift Shop IS moving
to the better location sometime in October! Because of the
matching grant for improvements to the building, the extra
help can be so very helpful and welcome!

Joy Stiffler

Within our Community...

EvenSong

Wednesday, September 26 ~ 4:00 p.m. ~ TC Chapel
Led by Chris Beery, Dwight Beery, & Wanda Miller
"Come Sing with us"
Questions? Call Liz Hoffman Bauer, 260-306-1690
Everyone is Welcome!

Shepherd's Center Fall Programs

September 26 ~ 9:30 ~ Town Life Center

- ♦ CURRENT EVENTS /National ~ Leonard Williams, MU Political Science Professor
- ♦ AiL ~ Lila Hammer ~ "A History of the MU Chimes"

Check out our newsletter at: <http://nmshepherd.com>
Consider joining MSC. Dues are \$8 yearly.


Meet the Candidates

Monday, Sept 24 ~ 6-7:30pm ~ Library Blocher Rm

Voters of all political stripes are invited to Meet the Candidates in the Blocher Room of the Manchester Public Library. Sponsored by Democrats of Wabash County, the event will allow area residents to meet a number of Democratic candidates on the Nov. 6 ballot, learn about their views and ask questions. Dee Moore, candidate for State Rep. District 17; Gary Snyder, candidate for State Senate District 17; Joselyn Whitticker, candidate for State auditor, and others will attend. Anyone who is eligible to vote can register at the event. Indiana's deadline for registration is Oct. 9.

Movies at Timbercrest

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

- ♦ **Friday, September 28 ~ I Can Only Imagine** 

Questions? call Wanda Miller, 982-6189

Amal: When Hope Endures
Art as Therapy with Syrian Refugees

August 24 - November 14 ~ MU Switzer Center

They are children of war. They have lost their homes, their cities, and their families. Orphaned children are struggling to find themselves and their place in this world. Many of them have lost their ability to communicate. Many have hearing loss which also robs them of their voice. "Hearing the Call" works in the Syrian refugee camps in Jordan to not only partially restore their hearing but help try to reconnect them to the world. Through the Art Initiative, kids have been able to open up and express themselves and their feelings.

Paintings made by these children will be on display in Gallery G which is on the 2nd floor of the Switzer Center at Manchester University.

For more information, please contact Anne Gregory at 260-982-5285 or agggregory@manchester.edu.

Within our District ...

Next BLI Class...Biblical Interpretation

Saturdays ~ October 27, Nov 10 & 17 ~ 9am-4pm
taught by Tim Mophew & Craig Alan Myers
Marion Church of the Brethren

Friends,

The S/C Indiana District has **November 25-December 1** for which volunteers are needed. We share the week with the IL/WI District. Work is in both North and South Carolina doing rebuilding from flooding after Hurricane Matthew passed through a couple years ago. Volunteers will be assigned as needed to either or both locations though all volunteers will be staying in Lumberton, NC. An assistant cook/household volunteer will be needed.

Questions? Contact Cliff Kindy
at 260-982-2971 or kindy@cpt.org

Camp Mack Corner

Upcoming Events:

October 5-6 ~ Fun Leadership Youth Events

October 6 ~ Camp Mack Festival

October 13-14 ~ Father Son Retreat

October 17-21 ~ Quilt Retreat

October 22-25 ~ Seasoned Citizens Retreats

Check out the flyers on the tower in the Vestibule!

