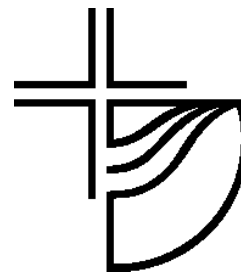


Manchester Church of the Brethren

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Week of May 15, 2017
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 brings us more closely to God and to each other in this community of faith. In a spirit of compassionate prayer and understanding, please keep these spoken concerns with you in the coming days.

Within our faith community:

- ◆ We give thanks for our **high school youth**, their gifts, their passion, their leadership; and in particular, we give thanks for **our graduating Seniors**. We pray our blessings upon them.
- ◆ We pray for those people who aren't able to join us in worship due to their on-going health or physical limitations including: **Alice Frantz, Doris Snell, Evelyn Niswander** and **Joann Hoover**. May they know the full-ness of God's abiding care.
- ◆ We pray for **Barry Bucher** hospitalized at Lutheran. May he be surrounded by God's healing spirit.
- ◆ We pray for **Ella Mae Weaver** hospitalized at Huntington Parkview. May she be sustained by God's love.
- ◆ We pray for **Karen Sare** who was moved into Intensive Care. May Karen be filled with the light of God's spirit.
- ◆ We pray for the family of **Annabel Rupel**. Annabel died late Saturday evening, May 13. Visitation is on Friday, May 19 from 4-7 p.m. at McKee Mortuary. The service will be in the Timbercrest Chapel on Saturday, May 20 at 10:00 a.m. with visitation one hour prior to the service. May her sisters, **Esther Rupel** and **Alice Rohrer**, be comforted by the assurance of God's presence.

In the wider community:

- ◆ We pray for our sister church in **El Salvador, Emmanuel Baptist**. We pray for the music staff of Emmanuel including: Rafa, Gaby, Mario, and Manuel as they prepare leadership each week for congregational worship. When they visited with us, they shared some of our songs that they sing in their worship services.
- ◆ We join other churches in our District to pray for the **Kokomo Church of the Brethren**. This past Satur-

day they church held a Strategic Planning Retreat. May they continue to have the vision and the wisdom to move forward on their plans and ideas. We also pray for the Northern Plains District and their District Executive, Tim Button-Harrison.

- ◆ We are filled with gratitude for the release of **Esther Usman** from her captivity by the Boko Haram. And we realize even though Esther has been released, she faces a long journey of healing. We will continue to name her in our prayers and hold her in our hearts through the coming days and months.
- ◆ We pray for the leaders of our country. May they use their intellect, courage, and influence to work for the good of all people.
- ◆ We pray for peace – in our lives and around the world.

Pastor On-Call: Karen Eberly

Home: 982-8420; Cell: 578-1247

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 M-F for walkers.

Weekly Calendar.

Monday, May 15

1:00 p.m. Pickleball - FLC
4:00 p.m. Bowen Center Group - FLC/Rm 301

Tuesday, May 16

9:15 a.m. Peace Patch Preschool Zoo Trip
10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
11:30 a.m. Office closed until 2:00 p.m.
12:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study - Narthex
1:00 p.m. Tennis - FLC
4:00 p.m. Bowen Center Group - FLC/Rm 301
5:30 p.m. Weight Watchers - Room 220
6:00 p.m. Bell Choir - Sanctuary

7:00 p.m. MU A Capella Choir - Kitchen

Wednesday, May 17

9:30 a.m. Peace Patch Preschool
1:00 p.m. Tennis - FLC
4:00 p.m. Bowen Center Group - FLC/Room 301
7:00 p.m. Executive Board - Conference Room

Thursday, May 18

9:30 a.m. Peace Patch Preschool Last Day 3s Class
1:00 p.m. Tennis - FLC
4:00 p.m. Bowen Center Group - FLC/Room 301
6:30 p.m. Taizé Choir - Chapel
7:30 p.m. Ecclesia Choir - Sanctuary

Friday, May 19

9:30 a.m. Peace Patch Preschool Last Day
1:00 p.m. Pickleball - FLC
4:00 p.m. Building in use until 8:00 p.m.
6:00 p.m. MU Baccalaureate - Cordier Auditorium

Saturday, May 20

9:00 a.m. Visitation for Annabel Rupel - TC Chapel
10:00 a.m. Service for Annabel - TC Chapel
2:30 p.m. MU Commencement - MU PERC

Sunday, May 21

9:30 a.m. Worship: *Keeping Christ's commandments*,
Pastor Kurt
Text: John 14:15-21
Taizé and Melodia Choirs
10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time
10:45 a.m. Christian Education
6:00 p.m. Senior Send Off - Courtyard
7:00 p.m. Al-Anon - Room 213

Our hearts are filled with gratitude for the many expressions of condolence, support and remembrance upon the death of our father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. Your companionship with us during this time of grief and loss, as well as remembrance and holding close have helped us all.

Thank you, and we love you.

James, Debbie, Michael, Andrew
& the extended Chinworth family

Our custodian and maintenance person, John Dome, has announced his retirement as of May 31. We are looking for help in finding the right person to fill that position or perhaps to fill two positions - one custodial and the other for maintenance and set-up tasks. If you are interested or know someone who might be, please be in touch with Mel Sautter. Also, we'd like to shower John with thank you cards. Please stop

at the table in the Narthex Sunday or the church office to write a note on the cards provided.

**HELP WANTED!
CUSTODIAL/MAINTENANCE**

Responsible for performing the maintenance and care of the church's buildings, grounds and equipment; keeping facilities neat, clean, and usable.

MAINTENANCE/SET-UP: 10-12 hours per week. Responsibilities include setting up for events, overseeing the systems within the building, making minor repairs, lawn mowing, sidewalk snow removal, meeting with vendors and service providers for building systems.

CUSTODIAL: 18-20 hours per week. Responsible for cleaning all areas of building interior including restrooms, vacuuming, offices, kitchen, and cleaning of glass exterior doors, and ordering needed supplies.

Email resume with references to Mel Sautter
at melsautter@gmail.com

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Let's Sing!!!

Join the men's and women's choirs that will sing in June!! Everyone who would like to sing is welcome. It's a great time to come for a short trial, or just for a "one-off" - no further obligations or arm twisting!

May 25: Ecclesia at 7:30, **men's choir at 8:15**
(Ecclesia sings in church 5/28)

June 1: men's choir at 7:30, women's choir at 8:15
(men sing in church 6/4)

June 8: women's choir at 7:30
(women sing in church 6/11)

Robert Lynn: rdlynn@manchester.edu

Please keep us informed of graduations and open houses within our church family!

Congratulations to our High School Seniors!

Manchester Junior/Senior High School:

Karly Eichenauer *Elijah Smith*
Tahnee Fuentes *Hannah Thomas*

Warsaw High School:

Tyrese Taylor

Open House for Karly Eichenauer

Saturday, June 3 ~ 3-7:00 pm ~ 1503 Mary Knoll Ln
Come join us as we celebrate Karly's graduation!

Birthday Celebration!

June 4 ~ 2:00-4:00 p.m. ~ TC Assembly Room

Let's Celebrate

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Wonderful Years of
Dorothy Whitmore

No gifts please

Childcare Volunteers

The Nurture Commission continues to sign up volunteers for **Child Care during Worship** for the months of June, July, and August following worship, in the Narthex. Check your calendars, decide you can do this, and sign up today. Don't let the best dates slip through your fingers.

Peace Patch Preschool

- ◆ Enrollment is open for next year's classes!
- ◆ Forms are available in the church office.
- ◆ Contact Kathy Garber (578-7244) or the office (982-7523) for more information.

It's Marketplace 29 A.D. Year at VBS!!

June 12 – June 15 ~ 5:15-8:00 p.m. ~ MCoB

Everyone looks forward to Marketplace A.D. Vacation Bible School! It is an opportunity for the children in our church as well as the children in our community to experience what life was like when Jesus lived.

It takes a whole village to raise a child...it takes a whole church for Marketplace A.D. !

How can you help? There are so many ways!

And so many choices!...Music, Bible Storytelling, Recreation, Meal Prep, Tribal Parent, Nursery Childcare...plus many Marketplace Vendors (jewelry, rope, kites, carpentry, candy, bread...).

Registration forms for children ages 3 through 5th grade are available in the Peace Patch, church office, and on the church website.

Please sign up to help in the Narthex or at the church office! Contact us with questions:

Kim Reinoehl - kjreinoehl@gmail.com, 982-1461 or 578-1492

Megan Sarber - megsarb@gmail.com, 937-417-3174

Kyle Short - kyleevanshort@gmail.com, 614-698-6910

"May Peace Prevail on Earth"

It's not too late! Extended deadline is May 30th!!

This is the phrase on Peace Poles planted in yards around North Manchester and around the world. Have you always wished for a Peace Pole in your yard or business?

It's not too late! You can order your own Peace Pole **by May 30** and Scott Manges will pick them up in Maple City, Michigan and bring them to North Manchester in August (depending on the number of orders, they could be done earlier than August). By placing your order via phone, and mentioning Manchester Church of the Brethren will be picking them up, you will save \$58 in shipping costs.

Go to the website to choose the wood, color and languages and then call the company to place your order.

Website: www.peacepoles.com Phone: 231-334-4567

If you have any questions about the ordering process, just call their office. They are very helpful on the phone! Contact Debbie Chinworth with questions.

Within our Community...

EvenSong

Wednesday, May 17 ~ 4:00 p.m. ~ TC Chapel

EvenSong will be led by Mark Eastway. He will be "Singing Old Gospel Favorites".

You are all invited to come for this meditation.

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

Manchester University Commencement

May 19 ~ Baccalaureate ~ 6:00 pm ~ Cordier

Reception following in Haist Commons at Switzer Union

May 20 ~ Graduate/Professional ~ 10:00 am ~ Cordier

May 20 ~ Undergraduate ~ 2:30 pm ~ PERC

1:30 Doors Open ~ Celebration following at Athletic Fields

Manchester University Soccer Team

The Manchester University men's soccer team is taking another January session trip to Jamaica and will be participating in a work camp at the Maranatha School for the Deaf. Members of our congregation have a 30-year history and connections with Maranatha. The team is looking for fundraising opportunities to raise money for the work camp. If you have something/anything that you want help with in exchange for a donation toward the work camp,

please **contact Dave Good** at dlgood@manchester.edu

Movies at Timbercrest

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

- ◆ **Friday, May 19** - *The First Grader*
 - ◆ **Memorial Day Monday, May 29** - *Mother Teresa*
- Questions? call Wanda Miller, 982-6189

Library Book Sale

May 19,20 ~ 9am-5pm ~ NM Library, 405 N Market

Find great bargains at the Friends of the Library's used book, cd, video, and audio book sale!

Information : 982-4773

Summer Camps at MU

Manchester University offers summer camps for youths who want to learn more about basketball, chess, cooking, football, LEGO basic skills, LEGO robotics, wrestling and string performance. It is also bringing back the popular scrapbooking and crafting retreat for all ages.

Go to link.manchester.edu/summercamps for information.

Save the Date!

June 24 ~ 1:00-3:00 pm ~ New MELC

Join us for the ribbon cutting ceremony and Open House at the new Manchester Early Learning Center located on Market Street across from the park.

Within our Church District...

District Conference

Saturday, September 16 ~ Camp Mack

- ◆ Friday afternoon: Pre-Conference CEUs Event at Bethany CoB
- ◆ Friday: District Minister Beth's Leadership Dinner at Bethany CoB
- ◆ Friday Evening: Campfire at Camp Mack
- ◆ Friday Night Housing is available by contacting Camp Mack at 574-658-4831
- ◆ Saturday will include an auction of favorite desserts. Each congregation is asked to provide one dessert for sale, and all attendees should come prepared to spend a log of money!
- ◆ Bring your collection of cancelled stamps (proceeds go to Companeros en Ministerio).

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