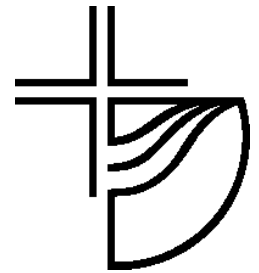


Manchester Church of the Brethren

NEWSLETTER

Week of November 4, 2018
Peacefully, Simply, Together



Prayer Concerns

We hold in our hearts and minds all the thoughts and prayers from this past week. As we share our joys and our sorrows in this community of faith creates, we seek a deeper relationship with each other and with God. In a spirit of compassion, attentiveness, and understanding, please keep these spoken prayers with you in the coming days.

Within our faith community:

- ◆ We offer prayers of gratitude for our **Junior High students** as they participated in worship on Sunday. We are grateful for their leadership, their enthusiasm and their faith.
- ◆ We pray for those people who aren't able to join us in worship due to their on-going physical limitations or their current health challenges. They include: **Lois Roop, Dwight & Helen Farringer and Dorothea Williams.**
- ◆ We pray for **Barry Bucher** who has returned home following a hospitalization this past week.
- ◆ We pray for **Gloria Garber** who cracked a bone in her arm from a fall at home.
- ◆ We pray for **Amy Shively** who will be having double knee replacement surgery on Tuesday, November 6.

May each of these people be surrounded by God's presence and love.

In the wider community:

- ◆ We pray for our sister church in El Salvador, **Emmanuel Baptist**. We offer prayers for the **Deacon Board** and their chair, Esther Avalos, as they launch intense planning sessions, setting goals and objectives for 2019. They carry heavy responsibility for ministries throughout the country.
- ◆ We join the other churches in our District to pray for the **Rossville Church of the Brethren**. We pray that their congregation might know the leading of God's spirit. We pray also for the **Pacific Southwest District** and their District Executive, Russ Matteson.

- ◆ We pray for the **Church of the Brethren in Nigeria, EYN** - their leadership, pastors, and members - as they daily witness to their faith.
- ◆ We pray for the city of Pittsburgh and the members of the **Tree of Life Synagogue** as they continue to find ways of peace and forgiveness in the midst of their grief.
- ◆ We offer prayers of comfort for the families of those involved in the school bus accident this past week in Fulton County.
- ◆ We pray for peace.

Pastor on Call: Kurt Borgmann

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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, November 5

1:00 p.m. Pickleball - FLC
4:00 p.m. Nurture Commission - Conf. Room
6:30 p.m. Worship Center Décor - Rm 213

Tuesday, November 6

6:00 a.m. Rotary Pancake Breakfast - Scout Hall
9:30 a.m. 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
5:30 p.m. Weight Watchers - Room 220
6:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary
6:00 p.m. STEM Family Night - Preschool
7:00 p.m. Property Commission - Staff Room
7:30 p.m. Volleyball - FLC

Wednesday, November 7

- 9:30 a.m. Preschool
- 1:00 p.m. Tennis - FLC
- 7:00 p.m. PMPC Meeting - Room 213

Thursday, November 8 Red Cross Blood Drive

- 9:30 a.m. Preschool
- 9:30 a.m. CBWF - Narthex
- 12:00 p.m. Red Cross Blood Drive until 6:00 - FLC
- 7:30 p.m. Ecclesia Choir - Choir Room

Friday, November 9

- 9:30 a.m. Preschool
- 1:00 p.m. Pickleball - FLC
- 6:30 p.m. Jr High Game Night - Narthex - hosted by the Lehman's
- 7:00 p.m. Room 213 in use - Stone
- 7:00 p.m. Soccer - FLC

Saturday, November 10

- 3:00 p.m. Compelling Vision Process Meeting until 5:00 - Anderson CoB

Sunday, November 11 Stewardship Sunday

- 9:30 a.m. Worship: *The family tree*; Kurt Borgmann
Scripture: Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17
Ecclesia Choir
- 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time
- 10:45 a.m. Christian Education
Melodia Choir Practice
- 11:00 a.m. Rotary Fundraiser Lunch - Main View
- 12:00 p.m. Sr High Lunch at Osborne's
- 2:00 p.m. Compelling Vision Process Meeting - Timbercrest
- 7:00 p.m. Al-Anon - Room 213
- 7:00 p.m. Narthex in use

Jubilee Class

- November 11** ~ MCoB Story Corps with Pat Price
- November 18** ~ MCoB Story Corps with Wilbur McFadden

Koinonia Class

Please join the Koinonia class in **November** as we continue with '*Justice in the New Testament*' with Ron Petry

- November 11** ~ Jesus Criticizes Unjust Leaders
- November 18** ~ The Widow and the Unjust Judge
- November 25** ~ Entering God's Kingdom & Parables of the Great Dinner

Questers Class

- November 11** ~ Nonviolence: Individual /Local with Bob Gross
- November 18** ~ Nonviolence: Beyond Ourselves with Bob Gross
- November 25** ~ Solar Energy & Our Church with John Hartsough



Sr High:

- Sunday, November 11** ~ Noon Lunch at Osborne's
- Sunday, November 18** ~ 6:30-8:30 ~ Meaningful Movie Night ~ watching "5 Broken Cameras".

Jr High:

- Friday, Nov 9** ~ 6:30 ~ Game Night in the Narthex hosted by the Lehman Family

Stewardship Sunday

Your letter was mailed to you last week. With the letter, you also received the budget for 2019 and a commitment card. Notice the change regarding offering envelopes for next year. If you have not previously had envelopes or been given a number to attach your offerings to so you can receive a quarterly giving statement, please contact the church office.



This Sunday, November 11, is Stewardship Sunday. You will be invited to bring your commitment cards to the front during worship. Commitment cards will also be available in the pew holders.

Childcare during Worship

Children love being read to and they like help with Play Dough...and they play well together, too. We hope you'll take a turn at being one of the grown-up people volunteering in the nursery soon.

There are openings through November and beyond. Please sign up to help at the round table near the name tags. You'll enjoy meeting the littlest members of our church family.





Celebrate the True Meaning of Christmas
Heifer International's 31st Living Gift Market!

The 31st annual Living Gift Market for Heifer International will be held on **Saturday, November 10**, from **10:00 AM - 2:00 PM** at **Timbercrest**.

In areas of the world where social relationships shape access to resources, the ability for women to be active contributors to society must be encouraged. Our projects bring men and women together in self-help groups to build financial planning, literacy, leadership and other skills. These groups also provide a safe place for women to discover their strengths, allowing them to add value to the decision-making process at home and in the community. Our projects seek to increase women's participation in decision-making at the household and community levels, as well as their access to income and assets and leadership roles by:

- ◆ **FORMING WOMEN'S SELF-HELP GROUPS.** We encourage the social and economic empowerment of women farmers by providing access to productive resources and services, markets, marketing support and skills for managing the value chain for their products.
- ◆ **DESIGNING PROJECTS WITH WOMEN IN MIND.** By focusing on resources that specifically address the needs of women, we strengthen their access to nutrition and assets. When starting a project, we carefully consider issues like access to land, labor, capital, natural resources, education, on-farm and off-farm employment and informal networks.
- ◆ **PROMOTING GENDER EQUITY.** We educate both male and female community members on gender equity and justice. Our values-based approach allows room for discussions about gender that lead to a more inclusive community.

The Living Gift Market has raised over \$530,000 in North Manchester since 1987.

For more information contact Jim Myer at 982-6343 or jmyerwdw@yahoo.com.



"Blessed are your eyes, your ears..."
Matthew 13:16

Witnessing, listening for justice & peace

Please take a few minutes to read current information on the tower in the Vestibule.



Soccer is Back!

Friday night Soccer begins again **Friday, November 9** at **7:00** in the **FLC**. Please sign the waiver on the bulletin board by the outside door if you plan to play (you only need to sign once each season).

Check the calendar (under events) on our website for future playing dates.

Contact Jeff Hunn with questions or for more information: jeff.hun@hotmail.com

Within our Community...

Mark Your Calendar...Chinworth Campus Dedication

Saturday, November 17 ~ 1:00pm ~ MELC

To honor Jim's guidance and mentorship during the Manchester Early Learning Center campaign, the Center is further designating the building as "Chinworth Campus". We hope you can join us as we celebrate Jim's commitment to our program. MELC Board of Directors

Shepherd's Center Fall Programs

November 7 ~ 9:30 ~ Town Life Center

- ◆ CURRENT EVENTS/Drones ~ Zander Willoughby, MU Peace Studies Intern ~ *How Are Drones Used in the Military?*
- ◆ AIL ~ Jerry Bolinger ~ *Inspired by Nature and History*

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

EvenSong

Wednesday, November 7 ~ 4:00 p.m. ~ TC Chapel

Featuring Led Brethren

Questions? Call Liz Hoffman Bauer, 260-306-1690
Everyone is Welcome!

Veteran's Day Rotary Fundraiser Lunch

Sunday, Nov. 11 ~ 11-1:00 ~ Main View

Beef & Noodles or Zesty Orange Chicken
with all of the fixings & beverage
Full Meal \$7 ~ Half or children's meal \$4
Piece of pie \$2



N Manchester Historical Society Presents:

**Pete Jones ~ *Creating Order from Wilderness*
Monday, November 12 ~ 6:30 pm ~ TC Assembly Rm**

Movies at Timbercrest

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

- ◆ **Friday, November 16 ~ *An Inconvenient Sequel: Truth to Power***
- ◆ **Thanksgiving, November 22 ~ *5 Flights Up***



Questions? call Wanda Miller, 982-6189

Manchester Main Street Updates

- ◆ **Town Leaf Pick-up has begun...two trips through town before Thanksgiving and one following!**
 - ◆ **Help Light up the Town...it's not too late...contact the chamber office at 982-7644**
 - ◆ **Holiday Gala ~ December 1 ~ 5:30 ~ MU**
Tickets are on sale NOW! Go to:
<http://www.manchestermainstreet.org/holiday-gala.hyml>
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Within our District ...

Please Welcome Sarah O'Hara

On November 1, Sara O'Hara began working as the Administrative Assistant in the District Office. In addition to the general administrative tasks in the district office, she will be working with the Brethren Leadership Institute and the Ministry Excellence Project. New office hours will be in the next District Newsletter. Sarah ~ scincob@gmail.com

Rachel Gross and Tina Rieman will continue working the district office through November to provide training as needed for Sarah. Many thanks to Tina for filling in with BLI the las few months, and to Rachel for her 4 1/2 years in the district office.

Compelling Vision Process

Our denomination is in the middle of some important discussion. Learn more at the Church of the Brethren website: <http://www.brethren.org/ac/compelling-vision.html> & I encourage you to participate in one of the two discussion opportunities planned for our district:

Saturday, November 10 ~ 3:00-5:00 ~ Anderson

Sunday, November 11 ~ 2:00-4:00 ~ TC

Carol Spicher Waggy

Camp Mack Corner



Upcoming Events:

November 6-7 ~ Pastor's Sabbath

November 12-14 ~ Volunteer Work Days ~ Come work as you can (meals and lodging are available)

December 8 ~ Children's Christmas Party ~ 11-7:00 ~ ages 5-12 ~ \$20 per child.

Register by calling the camp. There is limited space.

January 12 ~ Camp Rep Meeting

Upcoming Get-a-Way Days:

November 10 ~ Sandhill Cranes Trip

December 1 ~ Wreaths & Swags ~ 9-3:00 ~ Ulrich Basement ~ \$30 includes lunch & all materials

December 1 ~ Christmas Ornaments ~ 9-3:00 ~ \$20 includes lunch & all materials

December 1 & 2 ~ Christmas Cookies (choice of 3 sessions) ~ John Kline Center ~ \$45 includes lunch and all baking materials

December 2, 9-1:00

December 2, 12-4:00

December 3, 12-4:00

Check the flyers on the tower in the Vestibule for more information or you can go to the camp's website:

www.campmack.org/get-a-way-days

or email the camp info@campmack.org

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