



Manchester Methodist Church

The Chimes

413 East Butler St.

September 2023

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September

10th

Family
Fun Day!

September

16th

OCC
Booksale

September

17th

Two
Sunday
Worship
Services

September

17th

Sunday
School
Begins

September

17th

OCC
Concert

September

17th

Choir
Rehearsals
Begin

SCHOOL BUS

Church/Office
Closed Sept 4th

SHOP SCRIP!!!

New Sunday Schedule

80+ Birthday Party

New Church Shirts! Order Yours Today!

A note from Pastor Phil...

**There is a time for everything,
and a season for every activity under the heavens:**

-Ecclesiastes 3:1

The seasons of our lives ebb and flow and we must, like it or not, accept change. Some are better at this than others. For myself, I am fairly comfortable with change... Unless it is something I was counting on! We all know that we would welcome a change that brought more precipitation into our community, as long as it doesn't rain on my planned outdoor family event.

But change is inevitable. I was once young and pliable, now I feel old and stiff. I once thought I knew everything, only to find there were a lot more questions I had not heard about yet.

Life since 2020 seems filled with change and new societal experiences. What matters is how we process these changes... I could lament the interruptions to my preferred lifestyle, or I can be joyful about the 5 grandchildren that arrived during this time.

I bring this up only to point out that our attitude towards the change is up to us... Is it raining on our fields, or raining on my plans... Same rain, different outlooks.

We are in a season of change here at Manchester Methodist Church. We will begin a new worship schedule on September 17th with two worship services and Sunday School in between. We are also focusing on creating many new adult bible school studies. Confirmation is being prepared for later in the fall. We seek to return to our Wesleyan roots by increasing our faith development opportunities as well as worship and fellowship.

On September 10th we will worship at 10:00 AM and then have a family fellowship in the park with the large inflatables, games, and of course food! We will be grilling hotdogs and hamburgers, please bring a side or dessert to share. The Fun in the Park event will end at 2:00.

We are asking all to embrace the change of a new school year, new worship schedule, new discipleship opportunities, and new fellowship events. We are seeking to create many new avenues for new people and new disciples as we continue to preach the Gospel to our community and beyond.

Peace

MMC Single Board
August 15, 2023
6:08 PM
Wesley Hall

Present: Ruth Voshell, Wayne Birkenholz, Charlie Dighton, Bruce Nodurft, Mark Reth, Pastor Phil, Sherry Goranson

Mark Reth opened the meeting and then Pastor Phil lead the devotional referencing a letter from Lifeway Ministries founder and also Proverbs 22:1.

Finance: Bruce gave the Financial Report that showed our actual income for July was \$21,791 and the actual expenses were \$16,715. Brick by Brick has cash on hand of \$46,696, which includes expenses of \$2,763 and \$200 contributions.

Trustees: Charlie reported that the work on the bathrooms is continuing.

Worship: May have to check into purchasing new candles. Effective September 17, services will be changed with the addition of a second service. Services will be 8:30 and 10:30 with Sunday School between the services.

Education: Sunday school will begin on September 17. There will be separate classes PreK2nd and 3-5. Also Adult Ed with 3-6 week studies. These will be Pathfinder, Foundry and Waymakers. There will be Confirmation and the curriculum is being devised by Kristen, Paul, Pastor Phil and Zach. The fun in the Park will be on September 10 with worship service beginning at 10:00 AM.

Mission: The Ice Cream Social was a success. The funds will be used for the account to keep the Wesley Hall floor looking good. There were several people involved in Neighbor Helping Neighbor after the recent wind storm and there has been one name submitted for Paint by Neighbor.

SP/PRC: Pastor Phil will be taking a 4 week Spritual Renewal with dates to be determined.

Reaching/Receiving: Lori replied by email that she is checking with local source for shirts.

Congregational Care: Sherry reported that cards were sent to members who have not been in attendance. The 80+ birthday celebration is scheduled for October 12.

Pastor Phil: Discussed the procedure for membership in Manchester Methodist Church. Dates for receiving members into the new MMC will be determined in the coming weeks.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at 6:00 PM in Wesley Hall. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Voshell
Acting Secretary

Financial Report as of July 31, 2023

01 General Fund

Income for July:	\$21,791
<u>Expenses for July:</u>	<u>\$16,715</u>
Balance for July:	+\$5,076

Expenses year-to-date:	\$153,195
<u>Income year-to-date:</u>	<u>\$138,584</u>
Balance year-to-date:	-\$14,611

Brick-by-Brick Remodeling Project:

Cash in hand on July 31, 2023: \$46,696 (\$200 in donations in July; \$2,763 in expenses).

**Commitments initially given but not being honored:
\$35,000**

SERVING OUR CHURCH

September 3rd

8:30

Liturgist: Jeff Larsen

Scripture: Jean Gross

Children's Sermon: Paul Lyman

Communion: Jean Gross, Marilyn Feldmann, Paul Lyman.

September 10th

8:30

Liturgist: Kaci Reth

Scripture Reader: Meghan Mensen

Children's Sermon: Stephanie Stocks

September 17th

8:30

Liturgist: Carol Dighton

Scripture Reader: Meghan Mensen

Children's Sermon: Jordan LeClere

September 24th

8:30

Contemporary Service

Children's Message:

Tom Fetter

Pianists & Music Coordinators:

Beth Mueller and Lynne Rasmussen

Piano/Organ Substitute: Duane Philgreen,

Mark Philgreen, Marianne Sandberg

Tech Team: Michael Stocks, Ruth Voshell

If you would like to be part of the
Serving Our Church Team
please contact

**Communion Server, Liturgist,
Scripture Reader, Children's Sermon:**

Jeff Larsen @ 927-5089 or
call the office @ 927-4439

Door Greeter:

Lori Snyder @ 920-6692

Tech Team:

Ruth Voshell & Michael Stocks
mumctechteam@gmail.com

Nursery:

Mary Jane Fetter @ 920-2006

Acolyte and Usher:

Lori Snyder @ 920-6692

Or

Sign up at the Welcome Desk





Sunday School Kickoff *Fun Day At The Park!*

Join us on **Sunday September 10th** to kickstart our Sunday School season, which will officially begin on Sunday September 17th, with fun and food in the park after worship. We will only have one **service time on September 10th at 10:00am**. Our **Fun Day will begin after worship from 11am-2pm**. We will have burgers and dogs on the grill. If you'd like to help grill please sign up at the Welcome Desk, located in the church Narthex.

Everyone please bring a side or dessert to share.

Join Choir!

The chancel choir plans to begin rehearsals on Sunday, September 17th, and you're invited to join us!

Instead of Wednesday nights, we will now be rehearsing on Sunday mornings at 9:30 and then singing at the 10:30 worship service. We will take the LAST Sunday of each month off - no rehearsal, no singing during the service.

If you've ever thought about singing with us, give it a try! Or if you've sung with us previously and wish you hadn't stopped, we will welcome you back with open arms!

We are hoping to increase our numbers this year - the more the merrier!

"I will sing to the Lord as long as I live..."

- Psalm 104:33

Sunday Schedule Beginning Sunday September 17th

8:30-9:45AM First Worship Service

9:30-10:20AM Sunday School & Fellowship

10:30-11:30AM Second Worship Service

New Logo Shirts Available to Order

New Logo Shirts are now available to be ordered. We have kept this local by getting Stay Wild Gifts in downtown Manchester to create/print our shirts.

At this time we have T-Shirts, \$15 (\$16.05 with tax) or Sweatshirts (crew neck) \$20 (\$21.40 with tax) designed. All sizes available and a lot of different color options.

There are 2 ways to order. Either through their website or paper form. You can pick up a form on the Welcome Desk. Fill it out, bring it back with your payment and we will get it to the store OR drop it off at the store. Pick up will be at the store (210 S. Franklin), unless you otherwise note at the time of your order.

www.StayWildGifts.com. Click on Shop Now, then Category: Manchester Methodist. Click on the shirt option you want to see all the color/size options. There is a 1 to 2 week turnaround time. You will be notified by email once your order is ready to pick up.

Shirt Options on Next Page!



Black



Blue



Beige



Maroon



Grey



Purple



Orchid



Orange



Red



Military green



Black



Blue



Light grey



Maroon



Red



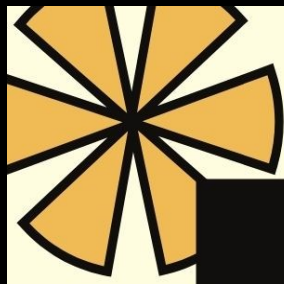
Dark grey



Pink



Military green



BOOKS

**September 16
9am-12pm**

Sale



Manchester Methodist Church Garden

413 E Butler Street Manchester IA 52057

Proceeds support shipping costs for
Operation Christmas Child
Hardcover \$3 Paperback \$1



Operation Christmas Child

Concert Fundraiser

FEATURING

Duane Philgreen

organ & piano

Brian McKenzie

bagpipes

ADDITIONAL PERFORMERS

Alaina & Anthony Bardgett

Alyssa & Abi Cashen

Maddie Gaskill

Jordan & Emily LeClere

Michelle Philgreen

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2023 2:00 PM

MANCHESTER METHODIST CHURCH

413 E. BUTLER ST

Tickets \$15

Purchase in advance 563-927-4439


or kat@manchestermethodistchurch.org

General admission~Doors open at 1:30 p.m.

Refreshments to follow.

Operation Christmas Child Newsletter

Prayer Requests

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- Pray for the upcoming Project Leader workshop and for new churches and groups to join us in packing shoeboxes as we begin the 2023 packing season.
 - Pray for wisdom and protection for Samaritan's Purse church partners in Ukraine as they continue to serve war-weary families in Jesus' Name.
 - Pray for God's guidance and abundance in finding all the necessary items to fill 1,000 **quality** shoeboxes at our packing party.

Upcoming Events

Project Leader Workshop

September 9 from 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Book Sale

September 16 from 9:00 a.m.-Noon

Concert

September 17 @ 2:00 p.m.

Bake Sale:

September 24

Packing Party Shopping List

Hygiene Items:

- 600+ bars of soap
- Washcloths
- Brushes/combs
- Finger nail clippers
- Band-aides



2023 Goals

Packing Party:

1,000 quality boxes

Drop Off Location:

1,836 boxes

A Weekly Al-Anon Meeting for Families and Friends of Alcoholics
Is held every Tuesday @7pm
In the church parlor.

A Word From Education

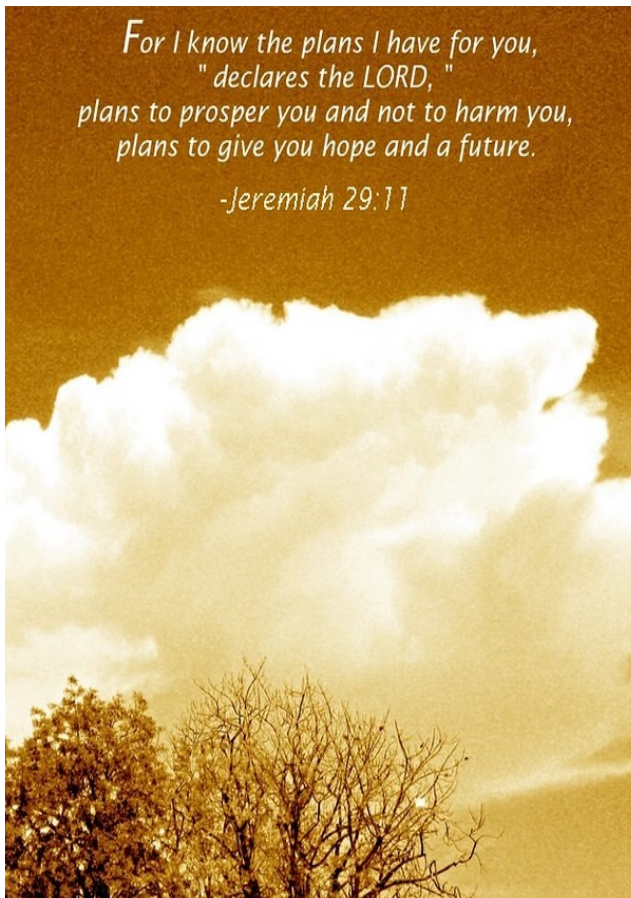
Summer is in full swing, but it's time to be planning for fall educational opportunities. We're looking for ideas for small group studies that can help us on our faith journeys. Have you read a good book lately or heard a good speaker that gave your soul a jump start? We need help with ideas for programming. Maybe you are thinking of a bible study that you have done in the past that still speaks to you. Would you be willing to share and get others excited about the book or study that touched your heart? Please share the names of authors or books in writing to Kat and she will forward them to the committee that is working on the fall educational program. If your soul was touched, please share so others can be rejuvenated as well. We look forward to hearing from you.



Mark Your Calendars
October 12th
80+ Birthday Party Here At Church
More Details to Come!

Happy
Birthday!

Karon Rosauer.....09/18
 Roger Erickson.....09/19
 Sam Milroy.....09/23
 Calvin Turner.....09/23
 Mark Clemen.....09/30



*For I know the plans I have for you,
 " declares the LORD, "
 plans to prosper you and not to harm you,
 plans to give you hope and a future.
 -Jeremiah 29:11*

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Travis & Lisa Hough.....09/01
 James & Nancy Hough.....09/02
 Randy & Kathy Waterman.....09/05
 Walter & Barbara Davis.....09/28

FLOWER SIGN UP

Please sign up in the hallway to donate flowers for the altar. Please let Kat in the office know if there is a special occasion or in memory of a loved one.



Good Neighbor Home

105 McCarren Drive, Manchester

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ROOM #</u>
Karen Slife	#208
Delores Timmer	
Joe Vap	
Bill Welcher	

The Meadows

220 McCarren Drive, Manchester

John Tyrrell	109
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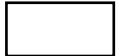
September!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Second Helpings	September 20th CHIMES DEADLINE	WOW 5:30 Dinner 6:15 Worship 7:00 K-4thKids/Youth/ Small Groups	September Mission:		
	Clothing Closet Open 4:30-5:30 During Second Helpings		Clothing Closet Open 10:00am to 2:00am		1	2
3	4 No Second Helpings Church/ Office Closed Labor Day	5	6 WOW	7	8	9 8:00PM Community Meeting
10 Family Fun Day 11:00-2:00	11 Second Helpings & Clothing Closet 4:30-5:30	12	13 WOW	14	15	16 OCC Booksale 9:00-noon
17 Sunday School Begins 9:30-10:20 OCC Concert 2:00Pm	18 Second Helpings & Clothing Closet 4:30-5:30	19	20 Chimes Deadline	21	22	23 8:00PM Community Meeting
24	25 Second Helpings & Clothing Closet 4:30-5:30	26	27 WOW	28	29	30 8:00PM Community Meeting



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Manchester, IA 52057-1612



Return Service Requested

TO: _____

Office Hours
Monday & Wednesday
 9:00am-5:00pm
Tuesday & Thursday
 9:00am-3:00pm
Friday
 Church is Closed

**We invite you to join us for
 worship on Sunday mornings at 8:30am, visit
 our website manchestermethodistchurch.org
 Or listen to KMCH 94.7 at 6:00pm on
 Sunday Nights**

*May the God of hope fill
 You with all joy and peace in
 Believing so that by the power
 Of the Holy Spirit you may
 Abound in hope.*

-Romans 15:13

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The Ministry Team at MMC includes:

The Entire Congregation

Reverend Phil Rogers

Secretary: Kat Rogers

Church Custodian:

Dennis Porter

And Dusty Ingles

Christian Education Director:

Paul Lyman

Choir Director & Organist: Beth Mueller

& Lynne Rasmussen

Bell Choir Director: Beth Mueller

Mission Coordinator:

Wayne Birkenholz

Articles printed as submitted.

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 at MMC.

Please forward any new addresses to
 the church at

413 E. Butler or call 563-927-4439

Thank you!