

October 13, 2021



This week concludes focus on World Missions and the sharing of ministries supported by your Faith Mission.

Bless the Children is a UMC District ministry in Matamoros, Mexico. They provide uniforms and school supplies for children so they can go to school. The living conditions/housing situation are often dire and the hope for the children is through education.

Venezuela Now, Inc. brings hope to Venezuela through the Church as they share the transforming love of Christ. As part of this effort, Warren Lathem has built a seminary there in memory of his son to train Venezuelans to share the Gospel.

Many know **Samaritan's Purse** as Operation Christmas Child with the Shoe Box Ministry. (National Collection Week is coming up Nov. 15-22, 2021.) **The Greatest Journey** is a 12-lesson discipleship course that is shared with the shoe boxes. Faith Mission contributes to supplying these course materials. Children have been known to learn how to follow Christ and share His with others. In so doing, "entire families and communities are transformed by the power of the Gospel, and churches are started."

It will soon be time to make a new Faith Promise. Please remember all these ministries that have been shared with you over the weeks as you make your decisions. Share God's love and hope through your gifts to Faith Mission.



October 13

Beef Tacos

Lettuce, Tomato, Cheese

Black Bean Toppings

Yellow Cake/Chocolate Icing

October 20

Chicken Tender/Dinner Roll

Buttered Corn

Green Beans

Brownie

Midweek Visitor

One of the primary reasons for obtaining wealth is to be able to give it to God.

" . . . remembering the words, the Lord Jesus himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive'" (Acts 20:35).

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The Midweek Visitor

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Our mission is to lead persons to Christ and disciple believers

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From the Pastor's Desk

Thank you so very much for the way you honored me, Rachel, and the rest of the staff during coffee time on Oct. 10th.

As Jessica mentioned several times on Sunday this is such a great place to serve and be in ministry to the congregation and the community.

I am truly blessed to be able to serve as the Sr. Pastor of this church that I have such strong family ties to. Some of you may not know that my parents got married in this church back in the mid 1950's and that my grandparents were member's here for many years. I attended this church from time to time with my grandparents in the mid 1960's through the mid 1970's.

What an honor to be here as your pastor. Thanks again for the way you honor us and bless us and the community.

Sincerely,
Brother Randy



A NOTE FROM DANA...

Matin Luther once said "I have tried to keep things in my hands and lost them all, but what I have given into God's hands I still possess." When Pam and I came to Manchester back in 1999, a good friend of mine (who was Minister of Music here before me) told me "These folks in Manchester are loving and giving people. Love them and they will love you back!"

Albert was right! I never cease to be amazed by your love and generosity. Even through this pandemic you have been obedient in your giving and loving. So, Pam and I want to say a word of THANKS to all of you for your support and encouragement. Most especially, thank you for the Pastor Appreciation Month recognition this past Sunday! Your gifts and expressions of gratitude are very much appreciated! We are blessed to be a part of this church and to serve you and serve with you in this community!

Grace and Peace,
Dana

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Hangout is back to our regular schedule this week, so we will be meeting on Sundays and Wednesdays again from 5:40-7:30.

Spots for BigStuf have been ordered! We will be going June 20-24. A \$25 deposit is all it takes to get someone on the list for BigStuf. Total cost for each student will be \$125 this year. We will be doing fundraisers to cover the rest of the cost of camp.

In Sunday School this week we continued learning about Bold Prayers. We looked at Jesus’s examples of how to pray in the book of Matthew and learned that if our prayers are not intimidating to us, they might be insulting to God. We should finish Bold Prayers next week and move on to something new after that.

On Sunday at Hangout, we will begin watching Chosen and experience the stories of the Gospels in a different way.

On Wednesday night at Hangout, we will be looking at scripture to continue finding out what Jesus tells us we are in Him.

We have lots of things coming up! On October 27 we will be helping with Trunk or Treat. The youth room will undergo a transformation for the children to walk through and we are VERY excited about that, well, I am anyway!

Please continue to let me know if you would like to help feed the youth on a Sunday night. We’d be more than happy to have you come and eat with us.

Also, be in prayer for our Angel Tree and Teddy Bear trees. That time will be upon us before we know it!

Be Blessed
Ami Shedd
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Oct 13–Oct 19, 2021 Church Family Birthdays

Oct 14 Claus Thormaehlen
Oct 17 Autumn Trail

If you have a birthday during the above listed time and it is not listed above, please call the church office and a note will be made in PowerChurch and listed on next week’s birthday.



KINGDOM KIDS

As we are settling into the beautiful fall weather, we are learning so much in Kingdom Kids! Before talking about our activities though, I wanted to express my sincerest thanks to our ministry team at FUMC. I already knew they were phenomenal but as I stated on Sunday, one cannot imagine all the prayers, energy, time, and pure love that is poured into this community by our minsters here! October may be pastoral appreciation month, but we really do appreciate our ministers all year round! Thank you for all you do for us and for your devotion and love for us and most importantly to God! Our children have the ultimate examples of true leadership and truly look up to our ministry team and our incredible team of volunteers!

Speaking of volunteers, I hope that everyone is making plans to join us on October 27th for our Trunk or Treat and fall festival activities. Everyone is super excited and looking forward to a fun time. We have a lot of fun while learning about God. We were on a break this past Wednesday but are looking forward to welcoming everyone back for a meal and our regular lessons.

This past week we were in Genesis talking about being made in God’s image. One exercise in our curriculum really stood out to me to share with everyone (I always learn more than our children do) and it was this: Have you ever thanked God for making you the way He did? Sometimes we get so focused on trying to be like God, that we can miss the fact that He already made us to be like Him! We can live out His love, joy, and peace in the unique way that He made us.

In Christ,
Jessica
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I Will Support My Church With My Presence	
Attendance:	Oct 10
Sunday School	64
8:25 Service	34
10:55 Service	80
Facebook Live	123

I Will Support My Church With My Gifts	
Total of	Oct 10
Sunday School	53.00
Youth	40.00
Missions	330.00
Coffee Time	21.00
Family Fund	600.00
Honorariums to General Fund	400.00
Music	70.00
Pastor Discretionary	50.00
Waverly Flood Relief	200.00
Weekly Required	9,204.00
Contributions	8,393.00
YTD Offering	354,549.00
YTD Required	377,364.00
(+/-) Difference	-22,815.00

I Will Support My Church With My Service

Building Checker	
Week of October 10	Eric Beachboard
Week of October 17	Eric Frantz

Altar Guild	
October	Joane Cassady & Kay Pratt
November	Anita Turner & JaNelle Burt

Counters	
October	Butch Niederhauser & Virginia McKee
November	Frank Langham & Max Hester

Kitchen Monitors	
October	Topsy Layne
November	Nellie Leonard

Door Greeters	
October 17	Billie Danford & Deborah Blanton Kaye Tracy & Kay Pratt
October 24	Billie Danford & Deborah Blanton Ben Spaulding & Carolyn Norfleet

Coffee Time	
October 17	Sarah Potuk
October 24	Trish & Daniel Porter

Communion	
November	
Preparer	Ami Shedd
Servers’ 1 st Service	Jonathon Shedd Billie Danford
Servers’ 2 nd Service	Jim Thorington Frank Langham
Thank you for your service to Manchester FUMC!	

<u>Member Prayer Concerns</u>	
God’s World & Our Nation	
All in the military service and their families	
Bernice Thornton	Jerry Freeze
Bob Truesdale	Ed Turner
Mason Phillips	Evans Baird
Sandy Matlock	Billie Danford
Matilda Locke	Diane Conklin
Dorothy Bon	Mary & Don Rounds
Mr. Ed & Mrs. Sue Yother	

Please keep our **Nursing Home Residents** and **Homebound Members** on your prayer list even though they may not be listed above.
Please let the church office know when you would like your name removed from the prayer listing.

Prayer Request
Simply go to www.manchesterfirst.org and place your curser on the “Home” tab. There you will scroll down to “PRAYER REQUESTS.” Fill out the form and submit your prayer requests and our staff will pray for you. This is available 24/7. Of course, the church staff is available during the day at 931-728-4624 to talk with you when you have prayer request.

Memorials & Honorariums
A gift was given to the music fund in memory of Vivian Henley by Rev. Dana & Pam Brooks.

A gift was given to the youth fund in memory of Terry McMahan by Mattie Lee Eaton.

A gift was given to the music fund in memory of William Bass by Frank & Linda Langham.

A gift was given to the pastor discretionary fund in honor of Rev. Randy Brown and Rev. Dana Brooks by Jack & Kay Smoyak.

Gifts was given to the general fund in honor of Rev. Randy Brown, Rev. Dana Brooks, Ami Shedd and Jessica Jernigan by Ken & Marie Kimble.