

November 25, 2020



November 25
Thanksgiving Break

December 2
Homemade Spaghetti/French Bread
Tossed Salad/Dressing
Red Velvet Cake



The Missions Committee is requesting the help of our church family for support of the annual White Christmas food boxes. We plan to distribute 120 boxes to families in need in our community. Financially you can help by contributing to this mission outreach project by donations throughout the month of December. On your check please write on memo line White Christmas food boxes. We also need volunteers to help assemble these boxes at 2 pm on Friday, December 18 in the fellowship hall. For drive by distribution we will start at 8 am on Saturday, December 19. Please wear a mask on both days, and we will practice social distancing. We thank you in advance for your generosity in helping families in need in our Manchester community!

The Missions Committee

REMINDER

November 29, 2020 is the fifth Sunday, we will only be having one worship service on Nov. 29th. The one worship service will take place at 11:00 a.m.

Midweek Visitor

God expects us to provide for our families.
"If anyone does not provide for his relatives, and especially for his immediate family, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever" (1 Tim. 5:8).

The Midweek Visitor

First United Methodist Church

Our mission is to lead persons to Christ and disciple believers

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From the Pastor's Desk

I hope that as you read this edition of the Mid-Week Visitor that you are preparing to enjoy all of the traditions and special moments of however you celebrate Thanksgiving.

In the midst of a crazy year known as 2020 we are approaching and entering into the Advent Season. Christmas celebrations are just around the corner.

As I stated on Sunday, we will try our best to have a safe, spiritual, special, and traditional Advent/Christmas season as possible.

Nov 29th we will begin our countdown and we will light the First Advent Candle. Don't forget, since this is the fifth Sunday, we will only be having one worship service on Nov. 29th. The one worship service will take place at 11:00 a.m.

See you at the Father's House !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Brother Randy



A NOTE FROM DANA...

FOR COURAGE TO DO JUSTICE

O Lord, open my eyes that I may see the needs of others;
Open my ears that I may hear their cries.
Open my heart so that they need not be without succor.
Let me not be afraid to defend the weak because of the anger of the strong,
Nor afraid to defend the poor because of the anger of the rich.
Sow me where love and hope and faith are needed.
And use me to bring them to those places.
And so, open my eyes and my ears that I may this coming day be able to do some work of peace for thee. Amen

As we approach the Thanksgiving holiday, let us not be unaware of the needs of others! BTW, this prayer is found in our United Methodist Hymnal, #456. Have a blessed Thanksgiving.

Grace and Peace,
Dana

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There is NO Hangout this week. We will meet again on Sunday, November 29, just before we go back to school.

Teddy Bear and Angel Tree are up. You may start bringing in Angel Tree gifts whenever you're ready. I had said that gifts need to be in by December 10, but I am extending that to December 13, and I will deliver the Head Start gifts on December 15. We stepped out on faith this year and did all of Head Start, the youth, and the children that come on Wednesday nights. There are some REALLY big families, so we definitely need your support.

I absolutely LOVE this time of year. This year has been tough for everyone, but it seems like everyone is a little more happy this time of year, and I think we could all use an extra dose of happy. Anybody know if there's a prescription for that?

I'm sure most of you have heard by now, but so that you can all be praying...Jonathan had a mass removed about a month ago. We finally got the pathology report, and it is liposarcoma. We have learned a lot since his diagnosis. We know that it is a rare form of cancer and that there are very few surgeons who specialize in sarcomas. We have an amazing oncologist in Murfreesboro, and a surgeon at Vanderbilt. He will have a PET scan on 11/25, and we hope to know more sometime after that. As of now, he's feeling great, so our schedules are not changing at this time. He's still coaching basketball, and the kids and I are as busy as ever. We just ask that you keep us in your prayers.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Ami Shedd

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The Missions committee has become aware of some deserving people in the community who have financial needs for medical reasons. The committee has a "Family Fund" to help with these kinds of needs, but it is currently depleted. If you would/could help, please write a check to FUMC with "Family Fund" on the memo line and it will get to the right place. Thank you for anything you can give. Prayers are always welcome.

Thank you,
Marie Kimble



We head to Matthew 20:1-15 this week. Jesus told a parable about a few vineyard workers making comparisons about what others were getting paid. They became ungrateful for what they did receive and started complaining. In the end, they needed to adjust their attitude and be grateful.

Bottom Line: Adjust your attitude.

We can change our whole outlook on life if we take the time to refocus and think about all that we've been given. We pray that kids will see their own life differently and discover all the ways they can show gratitude.

Jacqueline Connelly
jackiefromchurch@outlook.com

Memorials & Honorariums

A gift was given to White Christmas in memory of Jack Huffman by Rev Dana and Pam Brooks.

Gifts were given to the general fund in memory of Jack Huffman by Pam and Bud Riddle, Max and Judy Hester, Ron and Patty Winingham, and Sain Construction Company.

A gift was given to the general fund in memory of Dorene Jernigan by Pam and Bud Riddle.

A gift was given to the general fund in memory of Alan Niles by Pam and Bud Riddle.

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I Will Support My Church With My Presence

<u>Attendance:</u>	Nov 22
Sunday School	35
8:25 Service	31
10:55 Service	47
Facebook Live	257

I Will Support My Church With My Gifts

Total of	Nov 22
Sunday School	5.00
Poinsettias	90.00
Missions	255.00
Youth	610.00
Memorials to General Fund	225.00
White Christmas	50.00
Family Fund	2025.00
Angel Tree	205.00
Required weekly	9,204.00
Budget Contribution	7,087.00
Year-to-date offering	392,882.00
Offering needed to date	432,588.00
(+/-) Difference	-39,706.00

I Will Support My Church With My Service

Building Checker

Week of November 29	Mike Giffin
Week of December 6	Jim Thorington

Altar Guild

For the Month of November	Anita Turner Janelle Burt
For the Month of December	Brenda Bryan

Counters

For the Month of November	Frank Langham
For the Month of December	Richard Dix Billie McEwen

Greeters

Week of November 29	
Week of December 6	Ann & Wade Stevenson John & Shandra Richardson

Kitchen Monitors

For the Month of November	Nellie Leonard
For the Month of December	Pam Brooks

Thank you for your service to Manchester FUMC



It is poinsettia ordering time. If you would like to give a poinsettia for the altar in memory or in honor of someone please see Tammy in the church office by December 2, 2020.

They will be \$6.00 each. You may pay at the time you place your order.

Member Prayer Concerns

God's World & Our Nation

All in the military service and their families

Bernice Thornton	Judy Starr
Bob Truesdale	Ed Turner
Mason Phillips	Evans Baird
Sandy Matlock	Troy Rose
Matilda Locke	Diane Conklin
Nellie Leonard	Billie Danford
Mary & Don Rounds	Suzanne Smead
Mr. Ed & Mrs. Sue Yother	
Dorothy Bon & her daughter Becky	
Betsy & Hurshel Shanks	

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.

Copies of the complete Prayer Concerns list are available at the Welcome Center counter.



November 25 – December 1, 2020 Church Family Birthdays

Nov 25	Holly Jones
Nov 27	Doris Hendrix
Nov 28	Chrissy Henley
Nov 30	Makenna Orrick
Dec 1	Teri Christian

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.