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The reason he doesn't change is that he does not need to, he got it right the first time. Are you glad that Jesus is the same yesterday, today, and forever? Have you ever had to deal with someone who wakes up in a different mood every day? One day they are up and the next day they are down. One day they are high on life and the next day they are lower than low. One day they lean in favor of one ideology and the next day they are in favor of the opposite side.

The God we love and serve, the Jesus we worship is the one who never changes. His love never fails and never gives up. His grace is never ending. My prayer is that you will fall deeper and deeper in love with God and you will come to know and trust in his unfailing love and grace.

Sincerely

Bro. Randy



November 4

Homemade Lasagna/French Bread  
Tossed Salad/Dressing  
Chocolate Chip Bar

November 11

Ham/Turkey/Cheese Wraps  
Chips  
Homemade Vegetable Soup  
Cookies

Memorials & Honorariums

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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

November 4, 2020

Serving the people of Manchester since 1813

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From the Pastor's Desk

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ !!!!!

I am so glad that on Sunday I heard conversation around something other than COVID-19 and the ELECTION. Any idea what the new subject was? If you answered , "the ending of daylight-saving time", you would be correct. The sad news is that we seem to be just as divided on that issue as we are on presidential politics and COVID 19.

There is enough blame to go around, and we do not have to tear someone else down in order to build ourselves up. If there was ever a time to pray for peace in the land now is the time, and today is the day. We often refer to this as "time change". You know the drill, spring forward and fall back. Our world has changed and is changing more rapidly than ever before. It seems as though things are spinning out of control.

I have some good news for you, news that should comfort every heart that is beating. It comes out of Hebrews 13:8 which reads, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." The question that I want to ask you today is, "Are you looking for a constant in your life." If your answer is yes, then Jesus Christ is the answer to what you are looking for. Everything that God does is perfect, dependable, and for a reason. The sun has always come up in the East and gone down in the West. That has never changed, and it never will. As sure as the rising and the setting of the sun is the same every day, day after day so is Jesus. Jesus never quits loving us. Jesus never quits forgiving us. Jesus never quits providing for us. Jesus never leaves our side. Jesus is always inviting us to (walk on water) that is to explore all that God has for us to experience. Jesus never tells us to stop loving our neighbor's, and/or our enemies. Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever.

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A NOTE FROM DANA...

Since this is election week, I thought you might enjoy this little political anecdote.

In 1883 in Allentown, New Jersey, a wooden Indian -- the kind that was seen in front of cigar stores -- was placed on the ballot for Justice of the Peace. The candidate was registered under the fictitious name of Abner Robbins. When the ballots were counted, Abner won over incumbent Sam Davis by 7 votes.

A similar thing happened in 1938. The name Boston Curtis appeared on the ballot for Republican Committeeman from Wilton, Washington. Actually, Boston Curtis was a mule. The town's mayor sponsored the animal to demonstrate that people know very little about the candidates. He proved his point. The mule won! From Our Daily Bread, November 1992.

All joking aside, this is a critical time in our nation's history. Whoever wins, I hope you will join me in a prayer for the future of our country, beginning with our nation turning back to God.

Grace and Peace,  
Dana

THANK YOU!  
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A special thank you to Bill Tracy for the paint and supplies and the Boy Scout Troop 314 for painting the handrails on the Church.



It is time for Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes again. There are paper and plastic boxes and brochures at the ramp entrance under the coat rack. Please bring shoeboxes to the church on November 8th, 15th and 22nd. They will be blessed on the altar November 22nd before they are taken to the distribution center. Thank you for your participation

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There was no Hangout Sunday night due to me being in quarantine from exposure to COVID, but we ARE meeting on Wednesday of this week, and I am so excited to be back! Quarantine is NO fun at all!

In Sunday School this week we talked about being faithful in the fire. We talked about Shadrach, Meshack, and Abednego, and how they stood up for their faith even when they were faced with the fiery furnace. I don't know that there are any fiery furnaces in the good ole U.S. of A., but how often do we compromise our faith for the sake of power, position, or for our teens, popularity. It's not easy, and a lot of times we fall victim to peer pressure in those situations. We have to remember that when we are obedient, and we stand up for Christ, it isn't just about us. It allows others to see God's power, so it is important for us to take that stand no matter what the consequence.

On Wednesday night we studied 1 Corinthians 15. We learned that the resurrection is the reason Christians can choose to live the risky, others-centered life, and it is the foundation of our hope, but it takes a strong faith in order to do that. That strong faith is built by taking one step in faith at a time.

Be on the lookout for information about Angel Tree and the Teddy Bear tree. It's coming soon!

Be blessed!  
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Memorials & Honorariums

A gift was given in memory of Alan Niles to the general fund by Pat and Joane Cassady.

A gift was given in memory of Dorene Jernigan to the general fund by Pat and Joane Cassady.

Gifts were given to the general fund in memory of Jack Huffman by Pat and Joane Cassady, Jim and Debra Thorington, Fellowship Sunday School Class, Richard, Phyllis and Denise Dix and Steve and Gena Dix and Family, Kay Pratt and Rogers and Judy Starr.

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It's November, so we are talking about being thankful! We kick off this month with something Paul wrote in 1 Thessalonians 5:18, Give thanks no matter what happens. God wants you to thank him because you believe in Christ Jesus, (NIrV). It's pretty clear. Giving thanks is something God wants us to do. No matter what happens, we can be thankful for Jesus and God's gift of salvation.

**Bottom Line: You always have something to be grateful for.**

When life is hard or even if life is normal, finding why you should be thankful can be difficult, especially for kids. We pray that as kids think about this bottom line, they'll remember they can always be thankful to God for sending Jesus to be our Savior.

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Paul Jackson "Jack" Huffman passed away on October 28, 2020. Funeral services were held November 1, 2020 in the Manchester Funeral Home Chapel. Burial followed in Rose Hill Memorial Gardens. Memorial donations may be made to Manchester First United Methodist Church.

Our sympathy goes out to Kimla and Roger Weeks in the passing of Kimla's brother Deland Craig Isbell. Craig passed away October 29, 2020. The funeral was held November 1, 2020 at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church in Fayetteville, TN. Burial followed in Pleasant Hill Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Pleasant Hill Baptist Church Building Fund, 353 Stewarts Chapel Road, Flintville, TN 37335

I Will Support My Church With My Presence

Attendance:	Oct 25	Nov 1
Sunday School		30
8:25 Service	25	47
10:55 Service	34	46
Facebook Live	286	180

I Will Support My Church With My Gifts

Total of	Oct 25	Nov 1
Missions	300.00	430.00
Youth	30.00	360.00
Memorials to General Fund	50.00	425.00
Honorariums to General Fund		200.00
Good Samaritan		150.00
Children's Ministry	50.00	
Required weekly	9,204.00	9,204.00
Budget Contribution	7,290.00	14,037.00
Year-to-date offering	354,804.00	368,841.00
Offering needed to date	395,772.00	404,976.00
(+/-) Difference	-40,968.00	-36,135.00

I Will Support My Church With My Service

Building Checker

Week of November 8  
Week of November 15 Freddie Fibelkorn

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 8 Trish Porter  
Dennis & Brenda Bryan  
Week of November 15 Susan & Rich Wakeman

Kitchen Monitors

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

Thank you for your service to Manchester FUMC!

Ladies, God has a purpose for your life!

You are invited to join the Mary and Martha Class starting on Sunday, Nov. 15 to study *Becoming a Woman of Purpose* by Cynthia Heald. We meet in Rm 116 at 10 o'clock and have space to social distance. For more information, call Karla Childs at 723-4192.

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 Jennifer Burroughs  
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 4 – November 10, 2020 Church Family Birthdays

Nov 4 Leo Marple  
Nov 6 Eric Beachboard  
Nov 6 Elizabeth Ann Moretti  
Nov 7 Faye Huffman  
Nov 9 Jean Heard  
Nov 9 Bob Truesdale  
Nov 10 Daniel Brooks

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.