



# *The Midweek Visitor*

**First United Methodist Church**

*Our mission is to lead persons to Christ and disciple believers*

**May 30, 2018**

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**Serving the people of Manchester since 1813**  
**Senior Pastor, Rev. Randall T. Brown**



I hope you had a great Memorial Day! Many of you had family outings, some of you had graduations, weddings, baptisms, and other milestone activities. I know that there were a variety of blessings and great occasions experienced by people in this congregation.

I saw a question that someone posted on Facebook. The question was, "Who is the greatest person that you have ever met"?

One person answered MYSELF, sounds kind of arrogant doesn't it. The person went on to explain that they were trying to live in such a way that by the way they lived, the things they taught, the examples they set, the sacrifices they made, the attitude they showed etc. that their children would one day say, "The greatest person I have ever met was my parents". That is a great goal, isn't it? You and I need to realize that sometimes the greatest person is not the most famous person. The greatest person is the one who invests in others, adds value to others, but who may never make headline news. Memorial Day was a time to pause and reflect on those who have invested in our lives, and may you and I live in such a way that one day, we will be remembered as persons who made a difference for someone else.

**Congratulations to Jett Trussler, who was baptized on Sunday May 27!!!**

**Brother Randy**

## **A NOTE FROM DANA...**

Sometimes we as Christians need to stop along life's road and look back. Although it might have been winding and steep, we can see how God directed us by His faithfulness. Here's what the Christian can see when he/she looks back:

The deliverances the Lord has wrought (Deut. 5:15).  
The way He has led (Deut. 8:2)  
The blessings He has bestowed (Deut. 32:7-12).  
The victories He has won (Deut. 11:2-7).  
The encouragements He has given (Josh. 23:14).

When we face difficulties, we sometimes forget God's past faithfulness. We see only the detours and the dangerous path. But look back and you will also see the joy of victory, the challenge of the climb, and the eternal presence of your traveling Companion who has promised never to leave you nor forsake you!

**Grace and Peace,**

**Dana**



I hope everyone had a fun, safe Memorial Day weekend! I attended church Sunday at Ardmore Methodist in Winston-Salem, NC. It was a contemporary service, much different than what we have here. I would like to challenge you to make time to visit other Methodist churches when you travel this summer. It's always good to get a fresh perspective from time to time and it's a wonderful thing to be treated as a visitor!

I would also like to remind you that Vacation Bible School begins Friday, July 13. It is a weekend VBS called "Polar Blast". I have created an "event" on Facebook for it and if you have a Facebook page, I would appreciate it if you would share it. If you have never helped in the Children's department before and you would like to volunteer to help, you can call me at work [455-2255](tel:455-2255) or email me at [jackiemconnelly@aol.com](mailto:jackiemconnelly@aol.com). Have a great week!

Mrs Jackie

**Jacqueline Connelly**  
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We are gearing up for a BIG and BUSY summer. I am sooooo excited to see what God has in store for us this summer. I have a feeling that he is up to something BIG and I cannot wait to see what that looks like. We have a need for supper over the summer on the following dates:

Sunday June 10  
Wednesday June 13  
Sunday July 1  
Wednesday July 11  
Sunday July 22  
Wednesday July 25

If you are willing to help with this, please let me know ASAP!!!! As always, thank you for allowing us to come alongside you on this part of your teenager's journey.

**In the grip of HIS Grace,**

**Randa**

**MEMBER PRAYER CONCERNS**

God's World & Our Nation

Jay Newton; Terra Bingham; Allen Stone; Michael Starr; Justin Hendrix; Cameron Wainright; Nick Hill; Ashley Thames; Kelsie Ross; and all in the military service & their families.

McHann family	Jimmy Stephens	Faye & Ralph Jones
Susan Wood	Dave Owen & family	Eric Frantz
Sabrina Gilliam	Bernice Thornton	Dorothy Bon
Sharon Brown	Clay Riddle	Don & Mary Rounds
Linda Langham	Donna McCluskey	Brad & Teri Edwards
Jeanette Taylor	Jean Johanson	Ava Brazelton
Charles Rogers	Jesse Overall	Charles Broadrick
Marshall family	Lillian Nolan	Michael Garoppo
Harold & Terry Brown	Denise Dix	Nancy Daniel
Wayne & Sandy (Patty McHann's parents)		

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.

**I Will Support My Church With My Presence**

<b><u>Attendance:</u></b>	<b><u>May 27</u></b>
Sunday School	67
8:25 Service	51
10:55 Service	77

**I Will Support My Church With My Gifts**

	<b><u>May 27</u></b>
Sunday School	63.00
Good Samaritan	50.00
Coffee Time	14.00
Youth Fund	10.00
Children's Ministry	20.00
Required weekly	9,347.00
Budget Contribution	3,814.00
Year-to-date offering	175,665.00
Offering needed to date	196,287.00
(+/-) Difference	-20,622.00

**I Will Support My Church With My Service**

**Acolytes**

June 3	8:25 Natalie Fibelkorn
	10:55 Daniel Hawkins
June 10	8:25 Megan Fibelkorn
	10:55 Madison Miller

**Building Checker**

Week of June 3	Dennis Bryan
Week of June 10	Marlin Hoover

**Coffee Time**

June 3 & 10	Sue & Jerry Reid
June 17 & 24	Frank Langham

**Altar Guild**

June	Tina Niederhauser
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**Counters**

June	Frank Langham & Ed Turner
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**Greeters**

June 3 & 10	8:25 Brenda & Freddie Fibelkorn
	10:55 Ann & Ben Spaulding
June 17 & 24	8:25 Nellie Leonard & Beverly Smith
	10:55 Donna McCluskey & Mike Keeling

**Kitchen Monitor**

June	Brenda Fibelkorn
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**Sunday School Greeters**

June 3 & 10	Patricia Anderson
June 17 & 24	Doris Hendrix

**Bakers/Visitors**

June 3	Karla Childs
June 10	Bobby & Topsy Layne (Bakers)
	Anita Turner (Visitor)

**Memorials/Honorariums**

A gift was given to the General Budget in honor of John Roberson's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday by Roger and Kimla Weeks.

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**Grief Support Group**

A grief support group to the community is being offered at the Coffee County Funeral Chapel in the Hospitality Suite every Thursday at 10 am and 7 pm. It is being led by Nationally Certified Grief Counselor, Benny Benjamin. This is free of charge to anyone in the community suffering from any type of loss. Call 723-3330 to reserve your spot, but walk-ins are welcome as well.

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MIDWEEK VISITOR

**June 3, 2018, 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. – Girl Scout’s Spaghetti Luncheon after late service – Donations are accepted!**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The **Sanctuary Choir** will meet for a brief rehearsal tonight at 7:15 p.m. in the Choir Room.

Both the **Sanctuary Handbell Choir** and the **Men’s Chorus** are now on summer break!

No **Casual Chess Club** until further notice.

**\*\*\*One Day of Hope is October 13, 2018. Details coming soon.\*\*\***

**July 13-14 Vacation Bible School – Polar Blast: Where Jesus’ Love Is Cool**, where kids chill with new friends and warm up to Jesus – the coolest friend of all.

Just about ANYTHING you need to know about the mission and ministry of Manchester First UMC can be found at our website, [www.manchesterfirst.org](http://www.manchesterfirst.org)! Download the “Mid-Week Visitor,” audio and video of sermons and children’s sermons, link to other important web sites and even find help for those who need it. Check out our website today!

And don’t forget about our church APP which is available for your smart phone on Google Play Store or Apple App Store! (Mobile MFUMC)

**May 30, 2018** – Pastor’s Meeting, 6:00 p.m. – Youth Room

**Deadlines:** Items to be put in the newsletter are due to the office no later than Monday at 3pm; items to be put in the bulletin are due to the office no later than Thursday at noon. Thank you!

**\*\*\*Our Baby Bottle Fundraiser has begun! If you did not pick up a bottle on May 13<sup>th</sup>, you may come to the office and pick one up. Just fill it with change, bills, or checks and return your bottle to the church on Father’s Day, June 17<sup>th</sup>. Call the office at 728-4624 or email [manchesterfumc@gmail.com](mailto:manchesterfumc@gmail.com) with any questions.\*\*\***

**WANTED – Garden Tiller – If you are able to do this, please contact Debbie Wright at 931-800-9780.**

**Money is a neutral commodity, a means of exchange. It is neither inherently good nor evil.**

“But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”  
Matthew 6:33

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