



The Midweek Visitor

First United Methodist Church

Our mission is to lead persons to Christ and disciple believers

May 9, 2018

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



Last Monday evening, April 30th, we had a great meeting at church with 24 people present. We met for one hour and begin to talk about the future of this congregation. We have committed to prayer and to take steps to be "the Body Of Christ," which is what we are called by God to do. We will be meeting again, next **Monday, May 14**, and you are welcome to attend. In the last meeting, we talked about Everybody, Nobody, Somebody, and Anybody. After the meeting, I received an interesting text from one of our members and I want to share it with you:

"If nobody tells anybody about the love of a certain somebody, Jesus; everybody is disembodied. But if everybody tells anybody, nobody is left out of the body of the certain somebody, Christ. So, let's make sure nobody is tongue tied and everybody is a busybody sharing with anybody the love of the certain Somebody, Jesus, our Lord and Savior."

Other comments from the group that were present are as follows:

"I am just a nobody that knows somebody, the can can and wants to save anybody."

"I'm telling everybody.

I'm a nobody who knows somebody.

Who can save anybody...anyplace anywhere anytime."

You are welcome to come and work with us on this theme and help discern God's direction for us. Come to the meeting **May 14th at 6:30 p.m.**

See you Sunday as the Body of Christ celebrates Mother's Day.

Brother Randy

A NOTE FROM DANA...

W. Tozer once wrote "What is worship? Worship is to feel in your heart and express in some appropriate manner a humbling but delightful sense of admiring awe and astonished wonder and overpowering love in the presence of that most ancient Mystery, that Majesty which philosophers call the First Cause, but which we call Our Father Which Are in Heaven."

Worship is the central act of the people of God and the scripture does, indeed, encourage us to worship, both privately and corporately! And remember, we are (or should be) worshipers **BEFORE AND AFTER** we attend corporate worship!

With summer coming on, it is important to keep our worship routines. So, I pray that if you're in town, please do not forsake the weekly services of worship here at Manchester First. And when you're traveling this summer, why not visit other churches along the way? Keep your worship consistent and intentional!

Grace and Peace,

Dana



Sunday, we will continue to look at honesty. We will look to 1 Samuel 21-22. David is on the run from King Saul and escapes to the town of Nob where he asks the priest Ahimelek for help. Ahimelek asks some questions, but instead of telling the truth, David spins a tale that ends up getting Ahimelek killed when King Saul found out. David found out the hard way that lies have severe consequences.

Bottom Line: When you're not truthful, you hurt others. We tend to think that if we lie, we're only helping ourselves get out of trouble or get something we want. But lies have consequences. Often those repercussions extend beyond ourselves to the people we lie to or lie about. We pray that kids will realize that telling the truth keeps everyone from experiencing unnecessary pain.

Mrs. Jackie

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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



Thank you to everyone who has participated in the envelope fundraiser so far. You guys rock!!!! We have ONE more week of this fundraiser. If you have not had a chance to pick up an envelope yet, don't worry, you still have time. This year they are in increments of \$5 dollars. Just a reminder of how this works. You pick the envelope with the amount you choose. Put at least that amount of money in that envelope, seal it and either put it in the offering plate or give it to Randa. I am in need of several people to fix dinner for the youth during the summer. If you are willing and/or able to help with that, then please let Randa know ASAP!!!!

In the grip of HIS Grace,

Randa



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.

786 McMinnville Hwy, Manchester, TN

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MIDWEEK VISITOR

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	Brian Cassidy	Dave Owen & family
Sabrina Gilliam	Bernice Thornton	Dorothy Bon
Sharon Brown & family	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
Eric Frantz	Rachel Amodei	Jack Rogers & family

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.

Memorials & Honorariums

A gift was given to the Good Samaritan fund in memory of Robert Fritts by Earl & Mattie Lee Eaton.

A gift was given to the General Budget in memory of Mrs. Regina "Cookie" Brassfield by Jimmie S. Bell.

A gift was given to the Children's Ministry in memory of Mrs. Regina "Cookie" Brassfield by the Coffee County Bar Association.

I Will Support My Church With My Presence

<u>Attendance:</u>	<u>May 6</u>
Sunday School	78
8:25 Service	51
10:55 Service	73

I Will Support My Church With My Gifts

	<u>May 6</u>
Sunday School	58.00
Missions	320.00
Good Samaritan	90.00
Coffee Time	00.00
Youth Fund	420.00
Children's Ministry	50.00
Pastor's Discretionary	21.00
Required weekly	9,347.00
Budget Contribution	9,400.00
Year-to-date offering	158,380.00
Offering needed to date	168,246.00
(+/-) Difference	-9,866.00

I Will Support My Church With My Service Acolytes

May 13	8:25 Megan Fibelkorn
	10:55 Madison Miller
May 20	8:25 Natalie Fibelkorn
	10:55 Elizabeth Miller

Building Checker

Week of May 13	Richard Wakeman
Week of May 20	Ed Holland

Coffee Time

May 13	Brenda Fibelkorn
May 20 & 27	Doris & Roy Hendrix

Altar Guild

May	Debra Thorington
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Counters

May	Richard Dix & Topsy Layne
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Greeters

May 13	8:25 Kay Smoyak, Jack Smoyak, James McKee
	10:55 Ben Spaulding, Ann Spaulding, Marlin Hoover

Kitchen Monitor

May	Pam Riddle
June	Brenda Fibelkorn

Welcome Center

VOLUNTEERS NO LONGER NEEDED AT THIS TIME

Bakers/Visitors

May 13	Kay Pratt (Baker)
	Frank Langham (Visitor)
May 20	Melissa Cope (Baker)
	Roger & Kimla Weeks (Visitors)



****SUMMER AT THE PAVILION SERIES****

Church Fellowship Kickoff Event

Hosted by Summitville UMC

May 19, 2018 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Phelps Pavilion – 15 Clark Street,

Manchester, TN 37355

Featuring Music by:

Manchester First UMC Praise Band

Come enjoy great fellowship with area churches!

Learn about the Summer Pavilion Series Line Up!

Hot dogs, chips, drinks!

Bring your lawn chair or blanket!



*****May 13, 2018 – We are starting our Baby Bottle Fundraiser this Sunday, Mother's Day. You will pick up a bottle after the service, fill it with change, bills, or checks, and return your bottle to the church on Father's Day, June 17th. Call the office at 728-4624 or email manchesterfumc@gmail.com with any questions.*****

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

The **Sanctuary Handbell Choir** will be assisting in worship on May 13, 2018.

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! 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)

The Wesley Wanderers Day Trip will be Wednesday, **May 23, 2018**. They will leave the church at 10 a.m. They will be touring an Antebellum Home in Winchester and will have lunch at the home. Price per person is \$20, which includes everything except for gas for the bus ride. Call Nellie Leonard at 728-1077 if you would like to go or if you have any questions. This will take place of the Wesley Wanderers meeting on Thursday, May 24, 2018.

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!

May 20, 2018 - The District Conference is located here at Manchester First United Methodist Church from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

May 20, 2018 – Finance Meetings – Executive at 5:30 p.m. and Regular meeting at 6:00 p.m.

May 29, 2018 – Administrative Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

Good Samaritan Workers

May 21 – Max & Judy Hester, Marie Kimble, Donna McCluskey, Topsy Layne

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