

September 27, 2023

Dates to Remember

Wednesday’s – Acts Study- 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. -Room 219
October 1, 2023 – Executive Finance Committee – 5:30 p.m. – Conference Room
October 1, 2023 – Finance Committee Meeting – 6:00 p.m. - Parlor
October 2-6, 2023 – Fall Break -No School
October 7, 2023 – Old Timers Day
October 8, 2023 – Worship Committee Meeting – 2:00 p.m. - Chapel
October 10, 2023 - Girl Scout Troop 380 – 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall
October 10, 2023 – Administrative Board Meeting – 7:15 p.m. – Chapel
October 14, 2023 – Community Grill – 4:00 p.m. - Fellowship Hall – Parking Lot
October 18, 2023 - Girl Scout Troop 380 – 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall
October 24, 2023 - Sunshine Fellowship – 10:00 a.m. – Parlor
October 24, 2023 - Girl Scout Troop 380 – 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall
October 25, 2023 – Fall Festival 5:00 p.m. – Fellowship Hall
October 29, 2023 – All Saint’s Sunday
November 18, 2023 – MidTN Laity Gathering
November 25, 2023 – MFMC float in the Christmas parade (Possibility)

The Executive Finance Committee will meet October 1, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. in the conference room. The Finance Committee meeting will immediately follow at 6:00 p.m. in the parlor.

Administrative Board Meeting. The Administrative Board Meeting will be held on October 10, 2023, in the chapel.

ONE DAY OF HOPE, October 7, 2023: This annual event from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. is free for families in need. On hand will be free groceries, haircuts, clothing, prayer, job and career services, lunches, free family portraits, medical and dental screenings, community services and a kid’s zone. This will mark the 12th outreach event – which has regularly assisted upward of 3,000 people. Ray Marcrom, President of the One Day of Hope, is inviting interested volunteers to help. If you have questions about donations of clothing contact Jane Marcrom at 931-247-5792. For hygiene items contact Maggie Smith at 931-607-4176.

GMC Prayer Call: Please join the people of the GMC in prayer by subscribing to the monthly prayer guide located at: <https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/d5kgj1H/prayer> or on the GMC website.

9x13 Baking Pan. **If you’ve misplaced a 9x13 baking pan delivering meals the baking pan and round plastic container have been turned in to the office. **

Remember the Parlor in your kindness.

Midweek Evangelist

We should view our days as though today might be our last.
“My days are swifter than a weaver’s shuttle”
(Job 7:6).

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Hang Out Event

Hello, Church!

Please keep our students in your prayers as we have several that are dealing with a lot right now, and could really use them!

It was a busy weekend for Hangout. We went to Worship in the Woods Sunday, and while my heart was heavy going in, it was amazing. Matt Rogers, the announcer for the Tennessee Titans was amazing! There was worship and healing. It was exactly what I needed! Everybody loved it!

In Sunday School this week we talked about how having an injury and going to therapy once a week for an hour is helpful, but you must do the stretches and exercise daily at home for you to be able fully heal. Our Christian lives are the same. We can’t expect to just come to church on Sunday mornings and grow in our relationship with God. We must put some work into it on our own.

Sunday night at Hangout we had an amazing night of worship and prayer. I think some of our teens really got to experience some healing. The Lord is moving, and I am truly grateful and thankful to be a part of it.

There will be no Hangout next Sunday.

Be blessed!
Ami Shedd
hangoutyouth.mfmc@gmail.com



KINGDOM KIDS

Greetings Everyone! Kingdom Kids first Wednesday night classes started on Wednesday the 20th and we had 16 students! Everyone had a blast learning the new Trackers of Faith (Seedbed Kids). The kids were smiling and laughing the entire time. Mrs. Jessica was singing and dancing on the church van. I think she was excited to see the kids! Mrs. Lois, Mrs. Julie, Mrs. Kayla, Mrs. Kathy, and Mrs. Patty arrived early and were ready to get the classes started. The Kingdom Kids have truly been blessed with all these loving ladies!

Please share the word: Picking up children at 5:30 p.m. classroom lessons plus snacks from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. most every Wednesday. Continued Next Column ...



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If you have any children or grandchildren that would like to join us, please bring them. There is a Nursery available during these times. Kingdom Kids follow the city school schedule, and we are not meeting Wednesday, October 4th, due to Fall Break.

Please join us for our Fall Festival October 25th from 5 pm until 7 pm inside the Fellowship Hall. There will be food, games, pumpkin painting contest, prizes, and fun for all ages! Bring your entire family and all your friends, too!

Nicole Holland
mfckingdomkids@gmail.com



MFMC-CLC HAPPENINGS

Hello all! We are gearing up for another great week at MFMC-CLC. We are kicking off our week with school pictures and our theme this week is camping week. The students are enjoying chapel time with Pastor Stephen and look forward to it each week.

It’s hard to believe that it is already time for our fall break. We will be out next week and return Monday, October 9th. There are lots of happenings coming up to finish the last few months of 2023. There will be several opportunities for you to volunteer. We will have Thanksgiving Lunch (our church family is also invited to attend), Christmas Musical and Cookies and Milk with Santa. Please think ahead as to how you’d like to volunteer with our preschool ministry. I promise your heart will be blessed.

Be the Light!
Mrs. Angie
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From the Pastor’s Desk ...

Grace & Peace,

The most important thought I ever had was that of my individual responsibility to God. – Daniel Webster

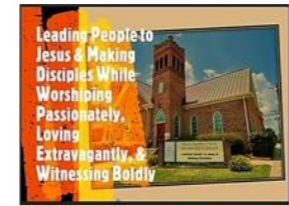
“Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband’s will, but born of God.” John 1:12-13 NIV We are children of God because God chose to rescue us when we were hopelessly lost and adrift on the trackless and thunderous sea of sin. Jesus came to us when we were already dead in the depths. Jesus called out to us, and we put our trust in Him. Jesus carried us to the safe shores and breathed into our lifeless form the spirit of rebirth and redemption that came at the great cost of His sacrifice on the cross and through the glories of His resurrection. For such a wondrous love that sought us out and gave us new life what can we do but humbly acknowledge our eternal dept and the wondrous unfathomable gift of God’s divine adoption; and thereafter be dutifully compliant like Stephen, Philip, Procorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas (Acts 6) who when chosen to “wait on tables” said yes in the spirit...“I am the Lord’s servant”. Luke 1:38 NIV

- October is full of Love, Outreach and Opportunity:
- 1) ONE DAY OF HOPE, October 7, 2023: at the Coffee County Fairgrounds. 9 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
 - 2) Community Grill: Saturday, Oct. 14 at 4:00 p.m. – Get ready to disciple up and support our church’s efforts to reach out to our neighbors through visitation, invitation, food, fun, and fellowship.
 - 3) Fall Harvest: Wed. Oct. 25 at 5:00 p.m. – Let’s support this!
 - 4) 5th Sunday: Sunday, Oct 29 – Following Sunday School at 10:00 a.m., combined services at 10:55 a.m., with fellowship meal following, and Youth Ministries sponsored Bingo and fund raiser.
 - 5) All Saint’s Remembrances: Sunday, Oct. 29 is set as All Saint’s Sunday. Please call the church office to provide corrections or additions to the list of persons to be remembered: Charlie Jackson, Jimmie Bell, Jonathan Victory, Bettye Roberson, Phyllis Dix, Jeanette Taylor, Don Rounds, Dorothy Bon, Linda Maxwell, John Michael Jones, Debbie Moffitt and Chad Conatser.

Catechism, Part 4. Ecumenical Affirmations, Lesson #6.
Statement: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
Question #3 of 6. What is the mystery of the Trinity?
Answer: God is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, distinct but inseparable, eternally one in essence and power.
(Luke 3:21-22; John 15:26; Acts 2:33; Rom. 8:9-11; 2 Cor. 13:13; Gal. 4:4-6; Eph. 2:18; Titus 3:4-6; Heb. 9:14; 1 Pet. 1:2; CoF I.) [Please review these scriptural references.]

Pray for the Awakening,
Stephen

Midweek Evangelist



Please Join Us
Saturday
September 9, 2023
Starting at 4:00 PM
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For the
“Community Grill”
Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Desert
and more until it’s all gone.
FREE - NO COST
No Carry Outs
Just good food, good
times, and friends.
See you there neighbor!

We are Your local neighbors
now and since
January 7, 1813.



What do we believe?
For a full explanation Please Go to
<https://globalmethodist.org/resources/>
or Scan the QR code



Our Mission
To make disciples of
Jesus Christ who worship
passionately, love extravagantly,
and witness boldly.
Our Vision
To join God in a journey of
bringing new life, reconciliation,
and the presence of Christ to all
people, and to helping each person
reflect the character of Christ.
Why be left out when you can be
with First Church?

Hebrews 10:23-25, Faithfully Attending		
Attendance:	Sep 17	Sep 24
Sunday School	41	42
8:55 Service	50	48
10:55 Service	70	60
Facebook Live	184	74

2 Corinthians 9:7, Cheerfully Giving	
Total of	Sep 17 & 24
Sunday School	118.00
Coffee Time	29.00
Missions	1,450.00
Youth	330.00
Pastor Discretionary	6.00
One Day of Hope	425.00
Weekly Required	20,000.00
Contributions	10,045.00
YTD Offering	321,111.00
YTD Required	390,000.00
(+/-) Difference	-68,889.00

Acts 6, Actively Serving Christ and Church	
Building Checker	
Week of September 24	Roger Weeks
Week of October 1	Jim Thorington

Altar Guild	
September	Deborah Blanton & Teri Christian
October	Joane Cassady & Kay Pratt

Counters	
September	Deborah Amacher & Mark Williams
October	Butch Neiderhauser & Virginia McKee

Kitchen Monitors	
September	Deborah Blanton
October	Brenda Fibelkorn

Door Greeters	
October 1	Kay & Jack Smoyak
	Leslie Trussler & Ed Henley
October 8	Kay & Jack Smoyak
	Leslie Trussler & Ed Henley

Coffee Time	
October 1	Sarah Potuk
October 8	The Riddle’s

Communion	
October	
Preparer	Deborah Blanton
Servers 8:25	Jim & Debra Thorington
Servers 10:55	Freddie Fibelkorn & Kaye Tracy
	Mike Anderson & June Holland

May God bless you to overflowing for your willing
and cheerful service to Jesus and MFMC!

Member Prayer Concerns: God’s World & Our Nation,
All in the military service and their families, Stan
McHann, Marine Recruit Cody Jones, Dean &
Stephanie Babcock – Missionaries in Malawi.
Please keep our Nursing Home Residents and
Homebound Members on your prayer list. Submitted
prayer requests are transferred to our prayer team
after 30 days.
Submit prayer requests at www.manchesterfirst.org
Place your curser on the “Home” tab. There you will
scroll down to “PRAYER REQUESTS.” Fill out the
form and submit it 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.

Condolences: To the family and friends of Ben Kredich

Church Family Birthdays: Sept. 27, 2023 – Oct. 3, 2023,	
Sep 27	Ken Kimble
Sep 29	Jerry Bailey
Oct 1	JoAnn Hartman
Oct 3	Deborah Amacher
Oct 3	Linda Langham

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

Christmas Parade. The Manchester Christmas parade is
coming Nov. 25, the Saturday after Thanksgiving. We’re
going to get involved. Registration begins Nov. 1st. We need
volunteers to help and participate. Step through the
threshold and let us know your all in:
manchesterfirstmethodistchurch@gmail.com /
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Gifts to Jesus: Yes, today, tomorrow and every day is the
right time to cheerfully give by contributing to the general
or designated offering; and by supporting an existing
ministry or starting a new one. (2 Cor. 9:6-11)