

Week of Sunday, June 16, 2024

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Prayer Concerns - We welcome all to join in prayer...

- ◆ Prayers and Blessings for our Jr. High youth who, with Seth, will be participating in a FAITH-X service learning trip this week in South Bend, Indiana.
- ♥ We hold the McFadden family in prayer as they prepare to celebrate the life of Wilbur McFadden this Saturday at 1:00pm here in our Sanctuary. We, all together, feel our grief every time someone from our church community or a beloved of someone in our church community dies.
- ♥ We pray for those who are facing and managing life's situations quietly and inwardly. In unknown ways to us, our loving prayers flow around them, for ongoing and newly diagnosed concerns of illness, covid, cancer, healing, adapting, and anticipation. We pray for the upholding of those who offer caregiving.
- ♥ We pray for all of our families and individuals who are traveling this summer, far and wide.
- ◆ We pray for all who join us online, whose names and faces we do not know, holding them in God's love for all they are enjoying and difficulties faced, the good and the hard in life. We would love to know who is worshiping with us online. You are invited to let us know, especially if there is a way the pastors and deacons can listen, pray, and meet a need.
- ♥ We hold our **country** in prayer this week as **Juneteenth** is recognized as an important day, as we own our pain-filled and destructive past, moving on with hopes of a more constructive future.
- ♥ We hold **one another** aware during **PRIDE** month, that too many who are queer, are vilified and harmed by culture and laws. May the **LGBTQIA+** community know their personhood and goodness is seen and affirmed.
- ♥ We pray with witness and vigil for **gun violence to cease**, and for the **families** affected by a gunman yesterday at a splash pad in Detroit. We pray for the inner demons of the one who shot others in a place of play, and then shot himself. We pray for the **9** who were injured. May God be merciful to all.
- ♥ We hold the places of war and political change throughout the world before God: Gaza, Israel, France, Ukraine; for flooding in Florida, and for everyday folks facing dangerous heat in the week ahead. May our prayers be active, as we are on the lookout for neighbors and each other.
- ♥ We pray for our sister church in El Salvador, Iglesia Bautista Emmanuel, our worldwide Church of the Brethren communities, and with others in our district for the Northview congregation and Western Plains district.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

(Office Hours: 1 to 3 pm Monday - Friday)

MONDAY, JUNE 17

1:00 p.m. Pickleball | FLC

TUESDAY, JUNE 18 (Jr. High FaithX Service Trip Jun 18-23)

1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

3:30 p.m. Women's Book Group Video Conference

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19

Midweek Update | YouTube

1:00 p.m. Tennis | FLC

7:00 p.m. Executive Board | Conference Room



THURSDAY, JUNE 20

12:00 p.m. Red Cross Blood Drive | FLC

1:00 p.m. SMH Steering Committee | Video Conference 5:00 p.m. Gun Violence Prevention Meeting | Chapel

FRIDAY, JUN 21

10:00 a.m. Kitchen Reserved 1:00 p.m. Pickleball | FLC

SATURDAY, JUNE 22

9:00 a.m. Visitation in the Timbercrest Chapel

1:00 p.m. Wilbur McFadden Memorial Service | Sanctuary SUNDAY, JUNE 23 - Outdoor/Evening Worship

7:00 p.m. Evening Worship: "God's work of art!"

Scripture: Ephesians 2:10

Creativity in Community Activity: S'mores & Tie Dye

NURTURE NUDGE Do you have a memory of sitting beneath the quilt frame, or learning to knit or sew? What handcrafts have you learned from a mother or grandmother that you are teaching to another? How is God's love passed down, one to another, in simple household tasks?



Sustaining Care Deacons

Diana Bucher, Jan Fairchild, Tina Rieman, Diane Sincroft

Immediate Care Deacons

Ruth Barrett, Chuck Bell, Debbie Chinworth, Jim Chinworth, Christine Fisher, Paul Fry-Miller, Bob Gross, Donna Ritchey Martin, Anita Sautter



The Education Commission is planning for the upcoming Sunday School year. We are hoping for plenty of caring adults to share in the teaching and helping each week. This is such a great opportunity for our kids to know more adults that shape their faith, and for the adults to be shaped by the wonder of each of our children!





EXECUTIVE BOARD

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Church Safety Ad Hoc Committee

The Safety Committee began meeting in March to continue developing plans and procedures for a variety of safety needs identified by the Property Commission. The needs encompass situations related to health,

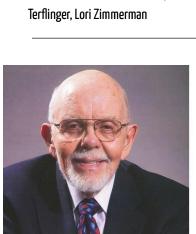
weather, building access, disaster recovery, and building safety maintenance – to name a few. For their first tasks, the Committee started with medical emergency procedures, severe weather and fire instructions, and building security.

Medical emergencies: Signs with step-by-step protocol for medical emergencies will be placed in the Peace Patch, Family Life Center, Kitchen, and Adult Wing Hallway. A new cabinet which houses all medical equipment including a pulse oximeter and BP cuff is located under the AED on the east wall of the Narthex.

Severe Weather/Fire instructions: Maps with specific evacuation instructions will be placed in each room. These maps will also include information about the placement of medical equipment. Stickers will be placed on each phone with instructions for reaching 911.

Building Security: All building doors except the main entrance will be locked 15 minutes after worship services begin.

Committee Members: Chuck Bell, Jan Fahs, Jack Fisher, Randy Self, Tim Terflinger, Lori Zimmerman





1 pm SATURDAY, JUNE 22

IN PERSON & LIVESTREAM

Manchester Church of the Brethren Sanctuary



The Manchester Church of the Brethren has been actively involved in helping asylum-seeking people from Central and South America in the last few years. The **Immigration Support Group** at the church,

with help from the church formally and many individuals within the church, has been assisting these asylum seekers with information and some funds, reduced rent, birthday and shower gifts, food cards, as well as advocacy. The church leadership and witness commission have been active in assisting with support and some financial aid including application for grants.



Annual Conference KID'S LUNCH BAG

Service Project



SUNDAY, JUNE 30



Sing Me Home 2024 Line-up Announcement!! We are excited to welcome new and familiar faces this fall. More information and RSVPs: www.singmehome.org



Join us after worship on **July 28** to celebrate Pastor Gwen's ministry among us, and send her on with blessings for the journey. Pastor Gwen will lead us in

Dances of Universal Peace in the northex and then we will share fresh fruit salad and tea. Please bring cut up fruit to add to the "stone soup' salad. Cards for you to write notes of thanks and best wishes to Pastor Gwen will be available on the credenza outside the sanctuary for the next several weeks. ♥



Our next Equal Exchange sale starts now. Turn in orders to <u>Dean Beery</u> and money into the church by <u>JUNE 21</u>. Equal Exchange is a fair-trade organization that pays partners around the world a fair price for goods, so their workers are paid appropriately, and can sell the product to us at a very competitive price.

The main products are coffee, tea and chocolate, but they offer several other items like olive oil, nuts dates and dried mango. Click HERE for their website (http://shop.equalexchange.coop/) where you can find all products and their normal prices.



Our Communal "Creativity in Community" Art Project is taking shape. We invite those near and at a distance to join in the project. Design as many quarter circle sheets as the spirit leads. We will see it come to life on the wall in the narthex throughout the summer. Contact the church office if you have questions.



June 23: (Outdoor/Evening Worship): S'mores & Tie Dye June 30: Annual Conference Kids Lunch Bags Project















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