# MANCHESTER BULLETIN

The Manchester church of Christ 66 Mammoth Rd Manchester, NH 03109

#### NOVEMBER 10, 2024 Danny Campbell CALL TO WORSHIP Gerry Millette SONG LEADER **Glorify They Name** 77 The Lord, My Shepherd Is 126 Praise Him! Praise Him! 300 SCRIPTURE Dave Skerry John 15:7 VERSE Danny Campbell SERMON Heaven Came Down 517 Lamb of God 176 LORD'S SUPPER John Ogunsuyi CLOSING PRAYER **Rich Therrien** ANNOUNCEMENTS **Barry Fogal** Alex Normandin WORSHIP TECH COORDINATOR Danny Campbell WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 13, 2024 EVENING Gerry Millette SONG LEADER Dave Skerry PRAYER DEVO Karl Davies Alex Normandin WORSHIP TECH

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**Deacons** Benevolence: David Skerry Education: Doug Paul

#### **Worship Times**

Sunday Worship: 9:30 AM Fellowship Time: 10:30 AM Bible Classes: 11:00 AM Sunday Evening: 6:00 PM Tuesday Morning Ladies' Class: 10:00 AM Wednesday Evening Devo & Bible Class: 7:00 PM



### FAMILY NEWS & PRAYER REQUESTS

#### DATES TO SAVE!

(More information in foyer unless otherwise stated)

- Weekly Recurrence: Tuesdays after Ladies Class: lunch & handwork fellowshipping; see Tracy M with questions
- Monthly Recurrence: 2nd Monday of the Month Ladies' (only) dinner - Longhorn at 5:15p
- November 10 (Sunday): Next Regional Gander Brook Ladies Retreat meeting at 2:30p at the Concord church building
- November 15-17: Manchester, CT Youth Rally
- November 15-17: "Is the Bible Reliable" presented by Eric Lyons at the Lakes Region church of Christ
- **December 14 (Saturday):** Adult's Christmas Party at the Skerry's (more information to come)
- December 14 (Saturday): 9a-2p: Ladies Sewing/ Crafting/Potluck time in the fellowship hall. Bring your projects, machines, and a dish to share! Contact Tracy M with questions.
- December 15 (Sunday): Christmas Caroling! More details to come.

#### There will be no News & Notes this week, 11/13.

Wednesday night suppers are ongoing! Cost is **\$5 per person**, which goes directly to the cooks to help cover their costs.

A letter is posted in the foyer regarding Freed-Hardeman's nursing students medical mission.

If you are interested in helping with Disaster Relief Effort, this is a good organization that is run through a church of Christ:

https://giving.disasterreliefeffort.org/

New Prayer Requests

- Carol, Randy C's mother, is in palliative care at the Elliot Hospital. Please pray for her. No visits to the hospital are requested.
- Nicole H's coworker, who is now out unexpectedly for the next few weeks

#### Continuing Prayer Requests

- Linda T
- Deniza and her family
- Darlene C(hamberlain)'s upcoming move
- · John Matthew's health
- Cade in his deployment
- Lee, Dave's friend
- Alex's sister, Sam, and the pregnancy

November Budget Vs Contribution						
DATE	BUDGET	CONTRIBUTION	DIFFERENCE			
11/3	\$3200	\$4680	+ \$1480			
11/10	\$3200					
11/17	\$3200					
11/24	\$3200					
Total	\$12,800					

Darlene C(hamberlain)'s move is Friday, 11/15. **New Info:** She needs strong backs, many hands, and large vehicles. She will provide Dunkin Donuts, coffee, and a UHaul. She would like to start loading mid-morning, but would also take help from people who can help after they get out of work. She will have more details prior to 11/15. Please see her at church, call, or text her if you can help. Thank you for your help and prayers.

Thank you to all who have helped and continue to help with Larissa's transportation need. Margery will be coordinating more rides come January.

Please remember:

Any items for the Bulletin need to be sent to the church email by 7p on Thursday.
Any items for the News & Notes need to be sent to the church email by 6p on Tuesday.

Please be sure to add <u>mhtchurch@icloud.com</u> to your address book - this should help your email recognize us as a trusted sender!

## **BACK-ROW CHAMPION**

"... the Lord sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." 1 Samuel 16:7b

I met Jimmie Ross on August 28, 2018. A good friend and I were volunteering at an outreach program for veterans in Richmond, Virginia, hoping if we volunteered, we might share our faith and grow the kingdom. When we met Jimmie, we met a man who was much more than we had initially thought.

At our first meeting, we had lunch at Shoney's. Great conversation. Lots of fun. We discovered he had been a long-time member of the church in Tennessee, Illinois and Maryland. I looked forward to his becoming a part of our church.

Not too many noticed him when he began to worship with us. He sat on the back row. Didn't look up. Didn't make much eye contact. Not the kind of man one would notice. Turns out the reason he didn't make eye contact was because of bone issues – he couldn't raise his head to a normal position. His many health issues, including kidney failure, slowed him down. A little.

I say his health issues slowed him down "a little" because in his broken, dying body beat the heart of a champion. It wasn't long before we noticed some changes in the Back Row at church. New people, looking for new life. New people bringing their children to church. New people who energized us, challenged us and helped us see that God was at work.

Pretty soon, I had been promoted from Preacher to Church Bus Driver (okay, Minivan Driver). Jimmie didn't have enough room in his car to bring everybody who wanted to come. Some thought I was taking on "too much" by picking up folks on Sunday Morning when I had duties in the building. Perhaps I was taking on too much. But in those rides to and from church, I received more than I gave. It was a joy hearing my new friends talk about God's work in their lives and it was a pleasure seeing some of them step out of darkness into light. In a short time, Jimmie became, to me, more than a friend. He was a loyal fellow worker in the kingdom of God, and I loved him. It wasn't long before ten people had been baptized.

Jimmie, now, is "absent from the body" and "present with the Lord". His many ailments finally brought him home, but those of us who knew him will never forget him.

Jimmie Ross taught me to never anticipate what someone might or might not be capable of doing based on their age, health, or any other "outward" characteristic. He taught me that, even though someone might be old, frail and dying (aren't we all dying?), that says nothing of the inner man. His inner man was a champion. And I believe, with all my heart, he is, even now, receiving a champion's reward.

-Danny Campbell

**LESSON NOTES** 

**Answered Prayer** "If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you." John 15:7 (ESV)

Bible Reading/Birthday/Anniversary Calendar November 10-16, 2024							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
11/10	11/11	11/12	11/13	11/14	11/15	11/16	
John 18	2 Chronicles 32-33	2 Chronicles 34-36	John 19	Ezra 1-2	Ezra 3-5	John 20	
Matt S bday	Ken S bday	Darlene C(ordaro) bday				Larissa B bday	