MANCHESTER BULLETIN

The Manchester church of Christ

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January 5, 2025					
CALL TO WORSHIP	Barry Fogal				
Song Leader	Gary Diaz				
4	To God Be the Glory				
452	Standing on the Promises				
957	This World is Not My Home				
SCRIPTURE	Dave Skerry				
Verse	Genesis 12:1				
SERMON	Danny Campbell				
904	Have You Been to Jesus				
315	When I Survey the Wondrous Cross				
Lord's Supper	Karl Davies				
CLOSING PRAYER	Freddie Hillhouse				
Announcements	Barry Fogal				
Worship Tech	Alex Normandin				
Coordinator	Danny Campbell				
Wednesday Evening	January 8, 2025				
Song Leader	Matt Saulnier				
PRAYER	Gerry Millette				
DEVO	Dave Skerry				
Worship Tech	Alex Normandin				

Minister

Danny Campbell: 804-223-2452

Elders

Barry Fogal: 603-326-8004 Gerry Millette: 603-315-1136

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 fellowship; see Tracy M with questions
- Monthly Recurrence: 2nd Monday of the Month Ladies' (only) dinner - Longhorn at 5:15p
- NEW EVENT: January 11 (Saturday), 10a-11:30ish:
 Regional Gander Brook Ladies Retreat meeting at the
 Concord church. See Margery or Kimberly with any
 questions.
- January 5 (Sunday): starting during fellowship time will be a Gander Brook Ladies Retreat meeting. There are lots of ways to get involved. See Kimberly or Margery for info.
- January 29 (Wednesday): 5th Wednesday Singing Night

January 12th is the deadline to let the office know if you need an annual contribution notice (for tax purposes).

Please *email* the office at <a href="mailto:mhttps://mhttp

The Cordaro's are moving! They are looking for any boxes that people may have extras of. Please see Darlene if you are able to provide any.

Wednesday night cooks are needed starting January 8th!
Sign up sheet is in the foyer.
Contact Linda C with questions.

Wednesday night suppers are ongoing!

Cost is \$5 per person, which goes directly to the cooks to help cover their costs.

The Coffee Fund is running low. Please consider feeding it! (There is a can near the coffee maker.)

New Prayer Requests

- Mary R's oldest brother, Rene, passed away unexpectedly 12/30. Please keep the family in your prayers as they navigate his passing.
- Max G was worked up at the hospital for a seizure on 12/31. His parents report Max is home and healthy, but there will be appointments and tests in the coming days to hopefully determine the cause of this. From Beth & Mike: "God bless you all for your prayers and encouragement so far, prayers for his continued safekeeping would be greatly appreciated."

Continuing Prayer Requests

- · Gary C
- Darlene and Alan's sister, Marsha, and the family
- · Lydia's brother, Andrew, and the family
- Freda's son, Bill
- · Cade in his deployment
- · Lee, Dave's friend

December Budget Vs Contribution							
DATE	BUDGET	CONTRIBUTION	DIFFERENCE				
12/1	\$3200	\$4233	+ \$1033				
12/8	\$3200	\$3171	- (\$29)				
12/15	\$3200	\$4149	+ \$949				
12/22	\$3200	\$2698	- (\$502)				
12/29	\$3200	\$10,450	+ \$7250				
Total	\$16,000	\$24,701	+ \$8701				

Margery is scheduling Larissa's rides for the next 3 months. Rides are needed for Monday and Wednesday mornings to and from her English class on Dubuque Street. Even if you can only take her a day or two, it is a huge help!

Kerstin will be sending a package (or several) to both Cade and his flight. Please see previous bulletins or speak to her if you would like to contribute.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

When I was a kid, the idea that I'd see the year 2025 seemed unlikely. I mean, my parents (then in their thirties) were ancient! For me to ever be 65 years old? Impossible!

But here I am, within "shouting distance" of 65. Many pages have turned since I thought that 65 was unlikely. And the world I grew up in is so different from today's "modern times". I doubt I need to list all the changes in communication, transportation, entertainment, culture and attitudes. Suffice it to say, had I been dropped through a "time warp" and immediately transported from 1975 to 2025, I would not have easily made the transition. I would have needed some remedial training to live life as it is now.

Change notwithstanding, one constant is
Human Nature, which doesn't change. Our nature,
flawed since the beginning, is still flawed. Our
nature, containing within it the capacity to do great
things from the beginning, still has that potential.
We are, and have always been, capable of doing
great things and great harm.

And that is why, beloved, we need a Great Heavenly Father. He has given each one of us great gifts which we should employ for the Kingdom. He has given us great responsibilities which we should fulfill for the Kingdom. And therefore, we need great grace. Grace to forgive us for "missing the mark" and grace to remind us of the mark we should hit. "Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for *His* good pleasure. (Philippians 2:12-13)

As we contemplate the coming year with all the opportunities and challenges it brings, it is important to know that we will not face these things alone, keeping in mind what Moses said to his successor Joshua shortly before his death: "Be strong and of good courage, do not fear nor be afraid of them; for the LORD your God, He is the One who goes with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you . . . Be strong and of good courage, for you must go with this people to the land which the LORD has sworn to their fathers to give them, and you shall cause them to inherit it. And the LORD, He is the One who goes before you. He will be with you, He will not leave you nor forsake you; do not fear nor be dismayed." (Deuteronomy 31:6-8)

The words of Moses were fulfilled. Joshua was a successful leader, taking Israel through victory after victory. And if we will walk with the Lord, we will, likewise, fulfill our destiny, whatever it might be.

I don't know what Your goals this year are, and I don't know whether you are pursuing the goals God wants you to pursue. What I do know is that if you will dedicate your goals to the Lord, He is capable and will do more with your goals than you will ever accomplish without Him. Dedicate this year to God! He's a better manager of your life than you will ever be.

-Danny Campbell

LESSON NOTES

Leaving and Cleaving "Now the Lord said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you." Genesis 12:1 (ESV)

Bible Reading/Birthday/Anniversary Calendar January 5-11, 2025								
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
1/5	1/6	1/7	1/8	1/9	1/10	1/11		
Acts 13	Job 30	Job 31	Job 32-33	Acts 14	Job 34-35	Acts 15		
	John & Kehinde Anniv.							