

# MANCHESTER BULLETIN

## The Manchester church of Christ

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### MARCH 23, 2025

CALL TO WORSHIP	Gerry Millette
SONG LEADER	Gary Diaz
288	Fairest Lord Jesus
412	Jesus, Hold My Hand
574	Oh, How I Love Jesus
SCRIPTURE	David Girling
VERSE	Galatians 6:9
SERMON	Danny Campbell
903	There is Power in the Blood
382	Why Did My Savior Come to Earth
LORD'S SUPPER	Rich Therrien
CLOSING PRAYER	Barry Fogal
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Gerry Millette
WORSHIP TECH	Caleb Oehlert
COORDINATOR	Rich Therrien
WEDNESDAY EVENING	MARCH 26, 2025
SONG LEADER	Danny Campbell
PRAYER	John Ogunsuyi
DEVO	Dave Skerry
WORSHIP TECH	Caleb Oehlert

### 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' dinner (next is 4/14) - Longhorn at 5:15p
  - **Monthly Recurrence:** 4th Saturday of the Month, 9a-2p (next is 3/22): Craft and potluck lunch time will be held. All ladies welcome. Let Tracy M know when you see her if you will be coming.
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- **April 4-6:** Conway Ladies Weekend. The topic is "Lessons from 1 Peter". The flyer is hanging in the foyer with more information. A RSVP is requested.
  - **April 12 (Saturday), starting at 2p:** Easter Singing - 2p at Hillsborough County Nursing Home & 3.30p at Bedford Hills. Meet at the building at 12:30p to warm up our voices. The sign-up sheet is posted in the auditorium.
  - **April 26:** Warwick church of Christ Youth Rally. Topic: "Not of This World". Registration is requested.
  - **May 10 (Saturday):** Annual Bible Bowl at the Seabrook Church of Christ. Registration deadline of April 20.
  - **May 17:** Lakes Region church of Christ Ladies Day with Weezie Burger. Topic: "Biblical Hospitality".
  - **May 23-26:** Gander Brook Christian Camp Work and Worship Weekend. The speaker is Aaron Tremblay, and the topic is "Faith: Shaping A Godly Lens". The flyer is hanging in the foyer with more information. Registration is required.

## New Prayer Requests

- Gerry's brother, **Ray**, has a nerve in his neck that is being pressed by the bones in his neck. Doctors say that if that nerve gets severed he will be paralyzed from the neck down. Prayers for healing, wisdom and skill of doctors, wisdom for Ray in his upcoming choices, and Ray's wife, **Rhonda**, as they navigate this.
- The **Plybons** are all sick and are requesting prayers of healing for the entire family.

## Updated Prayer Requests

- Darlene's sister, Wendy's, last conversation with their brother, Mark, ended poorly. She conveyed that she will no longer enable his addictions. They do not know if he found a job, a place to live, or if he is being seen for his cancer. Prayers are requested that **Mark** finds his way.

## Continuing Prayer Requests

- **Alan and his group home** in the loss of Suzie
- Mike G's friend **Miguel and Miguel's brother and their families**
- Linda P's younger brother, **Richard**
- Mary R's brother, **David**

## March Budget Vs Contribution

DATE	BUDGET	CONTRIBUTION	DIFFERENCE
<b>3/2</b>	\$3200	\$2837	- (\$363)
<b>3/9</b>	\$3200	\$6832	+ \$3632
<b>3/16</b>	\$3200	\$1905	- (\$1295)
<b>3/23</b>	\$3200		
<b>3/30</b>	\$3200		
<b>Total</b>	\$16,000		

The use of Elexio, the online giving platform, will be discontinued sometime in April (date TBD).

The Coffee Fund is running low again. There is a red Folgers can near the coffee for any donations.

Wednesday night suppers are ongoing!  
 Sign up sheet is in the foyer.  
 Cost is **\$5 per person**, which goes directly to the cooks to help cover their costs.  
 Contact Linda C with questions.

Cancellations and important public announcements will be posted to the Calendar on our website! Check it for weather cancellations, general events, etc.

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 [mhtchurch@icloud.com](mailto:mhtchurch@icloud.com) to your address book - this should help your email recognize us as a trusted sender!

## WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

# THE BEAR AND JUSTIN BIEBER

“Justin Bieber saved a Russian fisherman from the clutches of a killer bear” reads the first sentence of the report in the New York Daily News (Source: [www.dailynews.com](http://www.dailynews.com), 2014).

Seems that Igor Vorozhbitsyn was going fishing when a bear attacked him. But before finishing off the unlucky fisherman, his cell phone rang and his ringtone – Justin Bieber’s “Baby” – sent the bear running away in fear.

What was it that scared the bear off? Was it the fact that the song was not emanating from his prey’s mouth? Was the bear afraid that Justin Bieber was driving through the woods? Was the bear afraid that Justin Bieber was planning to sing more? Are Russian bears music lovers? Do Russian bears read the gossip pages in the New York Daily News? I suppose we won’t ever know just what it was that scared the bear off. Suffice it to say he heard something he didn’t expect to hear; it spooked him; and he “got outta Dodge”.

What do people see and hear from us when we’re around them? What do they expect to hear? What should they expect to hear? When they hear the unexpected from us, is it unexpected in a good way? Or in another way? Upon their interaction with us, what is their response? Do they move ever closer to us, and, hopefully, to Christ? Or are they moved to “hit the door,” running away from us at the speed of light? Are we bringing folks closer to us and, hopefully, to Christ? Or are we giving another reason to steer clear of us – and Christ?

Jesus, upon meeting the woman at the well, interacted with her in an unexpected way by asking her for help and drew her in. Paul, a stranger in a new town, interacted with the citizens of Athens in

an unexpected way by commending religious nature. Peter, under compulsion by the Holy Spirit, interacted with Cornelius in an unexpected way by entering his house and preaching Christ to his household. What do people expect to see from us? And when we “break the mold” of that expectation and do something different, does it lead people to want to know the Christ we proclaim?

Lord, help us. When we surprise people, may we surprise them with a loving, welcoming embrace; with love; with mercy; with righteousness; with Jesus.

-Danny Campbell

