

MANCHESTER BULLETIN

The Manchester church of Christ

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APRIL 13, 2025

CALL TO WORSHIP	Danny Campbell
SONG LEADER	Gerry Millette
869	We're Marching to Zion
860	There is a Habitation
853	When We All Get to Heaven
SCRIPTURE	Dave Skerry
VERSE	TBD
SERMON	Guest Speaker: Burley
791	On Bended Knee
496	O Listen to the Wondrous Story
LORD'S SUPPER	Karl Davies
CLOSING PRAYER	David Girling
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Barry Fogal
WORSHIP TECH	Alex Normandin
COORDINATOR	Gerry Millette
WEDNESDAY EVENING	APRIL 16, 2025
SONG LEADER	Gerry Millette
PRAYER	Danny Campbell
DEVO	Barry Fogal
WORSHIP TECH	Alex Normandin

Minister

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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 4/26): 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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- **NEW EVENT:** April 13 (Sunday), there will be a potluck lunch for Park and Burley!
- **NEW EVENT:** May 3 (Saturday) at 10a: the next ladies regional meeting for the Gander Brook Ladies Retreat

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- **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.

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

New Prayer Requests

- **Noreen D** has pain in her lower back and will probably have surgery soon
- Kathy & Will have **two nieces** that were recently diagnosed with cancer

Continuing Prayer Requests

- **Cameron & Giselle**
- **Anne D's mother**
- Linda P's sister, **Nancy**
- Gerry's brother, **Ray**, and Ray's wife, **Rhonda**
- Darlene's brother, **Mark**
- Linda P's younger brother, **Richard**
- Mary R's brother, **David**

April Budget Vs Contribution

DATE	BUDGET	CONTRIBUTION	DIFFERENCE
4/6	\$3200	\$6429	+ \$3229
4/13	\$3200		
4/20	\$3200		
4/27	\$3200		
Total:			

Jim & Darlene sent a thank you note. It is posted in the foyer, and it has their new address.

Matt's last day with us is this Sunday (4/13). Take a moment to send him off with God's blessings.
We will miss you, Matt!

From Dave S: "We are in search for a place for Linda T to live. I have been searching high and wide for a place for nearly 2 weeks. She told me her current living situation is coming to an abrupt end on May 1st. I am asking if anyone knows a place she can stay on a temporary or permanent basis. The only other option is the street and homeless shelters."

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

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 to your address book - this should help your email recognize us as a trusted sender!

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

MARCIE

“ . . . being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ.” (Philippians 1:6)

“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.” (Deuteronomy 31:6)

I was delighted to receive the invitation.

“Marcie” (not her real name) was getting married! And, considering the chaos in which she spent much of her early life, the fact that she hadn’t been lost to drugs or something worse was a very surprising blessing.

She was very angry the first time I met her when she was seven years old, with good reason. Her father was irresponsible, corrupt, deceitful and driven by his passions. He had only been out of prison for a few years when we met, and he would return to prison within 18 months of our meeting. Considering the reason he went to prison (convicted of rape), I believe Marcie had endured abuse herself.

The family went to our church; when they went. And usually that was when they needed money. Marcie and her brother, like many children, didn’t know the proper “rules of engagement” in the church house. When correction was necessary, it was often doled out more harshly than necessary by the more “experienced” members of our little church.

Mom wanted to do the right thing, but she had little success getting through to her errant husband, who couldn’t keep a job. I didn’t have any success getting through to him either. I remember warning him that if he didn’t change his ways, he would pay

a hefty price for his greed and deceitful ways. He didn’t listen, and within a month, the police had picked him up for another sex crime. Mom, ill-advisedly, let her husband back in the house while he awaited trial, resulting in State Involvement; both Marcie and her brother were taken and ended up in foster care. I haven’t seen Marcie face-to-face since and I never heard of her brother from then on. For years, I worried that she’d never outgrow the dysfunction in which she had been raised, but she did. For years now, she has been “her best friend” and still follows Christ as well as she can.

When I think of Marcie, I am amazed that she survived and is happy. I’m so proud of her and surprised that she wants to maintain contact with we who were unable to rescue her. I don’t know how her life will turn out. But I believe, were she here, she would tell you that no matter what you are facing, don’t give up! God will help you get through it. Like He helped her.

-Danny Campbell

LESSON NOTES

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Bible Reading/Birthday/Anniversary Calendar April 13-19, 2025						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4/13	4/14	4/15	4/16	4/17	4/18	4/19
1 Corinthians 5	Psalms 113-115	1 Corinthians 6	Psalms 116-118	1 Corinthians 7	Psalms 119:1-64	Psalms 119:65-120
	George & Sharon anniv.	Karl & Sue anniv. Randy C bday		Gabriel H bday Gerry M bday		