

MANCHESTER BULLETIN

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MAY 25, 2025

CALL TO WORSHIP	Danny Campbell
SONG LEADER	Gary Diaz
2	We Praise Thee, O God
202	Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee
589	Leaning on the Everlasting Arms
SCRIPTURE	Karl Davies
VERSE	Matthew 26:39
SERMON	Danny Campbell
945	Kneel at the Cross
383	Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross
LORD'S SUPPER	Will Hamel
CLOSING PRAYER	Freddie Hillhouse
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Barry Fogal
WORSHIP TECH	Alex Normandin
COORDINATOR	Gerry Millette
WEDNESDAY EVENING	MAY 28, 2025
SONG LEADER	Danny Campbell
PRAYER	Gerry Millette
DEVO	Dave Skerry
WORSHIP TECH	Alex Normandin

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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 6/9) - Longhorn at 5:15p
- **Monthly Recurrence:** 4th Saturday of the Month, 9a-2p (next is **5/31** due to Memorial Day weekend): 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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- **June 14 (Saturday), 10a:** Next Gander Brook Regional Ladies Retreat Meeting at the Concord church
- **July 19 (Saturday):** Lakes Region church of Christ "The Travels of Paul" VBS

New Prayer Requests

- Juliette's brother, **Jose**, who was found to have diabetes type 1, keto acidosis, and pancreatitis. He needs to catch a flight to pick up the car, then drive home. Prayers for his health and travel is appreciated.
- **Lydia's mom** got results earlier this week of having cancer in her liver. Prayers are requested for her healing and comfort, as well as the family as they process this. She also had her gallbladder removed Monday and is still recovering from that.
- Prayers are requested for Darlene & Alan's brother, **Mark**, who is in Exeter Hospital for blood clots in his legs and lungs. This may have something to do with his cancer.

Continuing Prayer Requests

- **Linda P**
- **Darlene, Alan, & Wendy**
- Darlene's neighbor, **Rose**
- Caleb's cousin, **Ben**
- Nicole's **coworker's wife**
- **Gary C's** recovery
- **Noreen D**
- Kathy & Will's **two nieces**
- Gerry's brother, **Ray**, and Ray's wife, **Rhonda**
- Mary R's brother, **David**

Thank you to those who contributed to the Doordash card for Ben's sister. We were able to send a \$200 gift card which is helpful and appreciated while she's camped at the hospital with him.

Thank you to those who contributed to the Gander Brook gift card. We collected \$200 to send to help them out with their wish list.

Linda T is still looking for a place to move into by the end of May. Please see Dave S if you can help.

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.
May 28 cook/meal: unknown

May Budget Vs Contribution

DATE	BUDGET	CONTRIBUTION	DIFFERENCE
5/4	\$3200	\$4896	+ \$1696
5/11	\$3200	\$4349	+ \$1149
5/18	\$3200	\$2326	-(\$874)
5/25	\$3200		
Total:	\$12,800		

Reminder: Events are on the calendar at the back of the auditorium as well as our website calendar!

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

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WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

ENGAGEMENT

Kimberly and I were out of town most of last week, up in Littleton, NH. Pretty little town. And a town in which a church has been planted.

Wayne, an older gentleman with more than fifty years in ministry, decided to bring his wife to the “lower elevation” (lower, at least, than Colorado!) and plant a church up there. He’s a strong man with a loving, persistent wife and I believe they will succeed.

During my life in ministry, I’ve served in New England (twice), Western Pennsylvania (once, and for a short time) and Virginia. Different locations with different people. But one constant remains: though the people are different with different preferences, cultures and attitudes, the people, still, are our business. Up in Littleton, things are kind of rural and “woke” at the same time. Strange combination, to me. Wayne and Weezy (his wife), born and raised Down South with many years in service Out West, have learned a lot about the people in Littleton and continue to learn every day. That’s what must happen if one is to break through the noise and discover those who are searching for salvation. One must learn how to engage with the “locals” and draw them into our world if they are to find salvation in Him.

And we must do the same in our town, which is filled with many different “tribes, tongues, nations and people”. But how? How, when most people like staying among “their own kind”, do we reach across that “great gulf” and entice people to know us – and, more essential, to know Christ? How can our call to embrace Primitive Christianity and Unity penetrate when it likely appears that we’re just one more offering on the Religious Smörgåsbord? A few suggestions:

- **Be prayerful.** “Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it.” (Psalm 127:1)
- **Be yourself.** And be happy with who you are in Christ.

- **Be content** with who we are in Christ, even if there are things with which you are dissatisfied. Resist the temptation to remake the gathering in our image. Learn to trust the Spirit as He moves among the Brethren *today, as we are*, knowing that God works through us.
- **Be unafraid** to share Him – and your friends in this congregation – with your neighbors.

I am not suggesting any “method” or “program”. This is not because I have anything against Methods or Programs.

But the genesis of outreach (engagement) is simpler than a method or program and more important. Without the “raw material” of searchers, does it matter if you have memorized your study method or designed a great program?

It all begins with engagement. And how does that begin? With three decisions: **(1) Choose to pray** that God would give you favor to lead a friend toward Christ; or spiritual conversation; or Bible Study; **(2) Choose to be content** with who you are, what your church represents and what you have to offer in Christ; and **(3) Choose to open your mouth** and give the friend you have been praying for opportunity to move your relationship from “surface” to “spiritual”.

Your prayer, hospitality, enthusiasm, love, and courage; along with the Spirit of Christ and the truth of the Gospel; will cut through all the noise. And may we be given favor to see God give the increase.

-Danny

LESSON NOTES

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Matthew 26:39 (ESV)

Bible Reading/Birthday/Anniversary Calendar May 25-31, 2025						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5/25	5/26	5/27	5/28	5/29	5/30	5/31
2 Corinthians 6	Proverbs 18-19	2 Corinthians 7	Proverbs 20-21	Proverbs 22-23	2 Corinthians 8	Proverbs 24
				Brian C bday		Julia O bday