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July 2024

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Vacation Bible School 2024!



We had a blast this week. Diving into a friendship with God.

Thank you to everyone who helped with VBS.

From the Pastor

In 1 Corinthians 13:12-13, Paul writes, “Now we see but a poor reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known. And now these three remain: **faith**, **hope** and **love**. But the greatest of these is love.”

In our baptismal liturgy, the pastor charges the congregation to care for the newly baptized or professing member by increasing their **faith**, confirming their **hope**, and perfecting them in **love**. We are given this charge of care for each new disciple. In the picture to the right you will notice that my finger is pointing to that charge. Please, take a moment to read it.

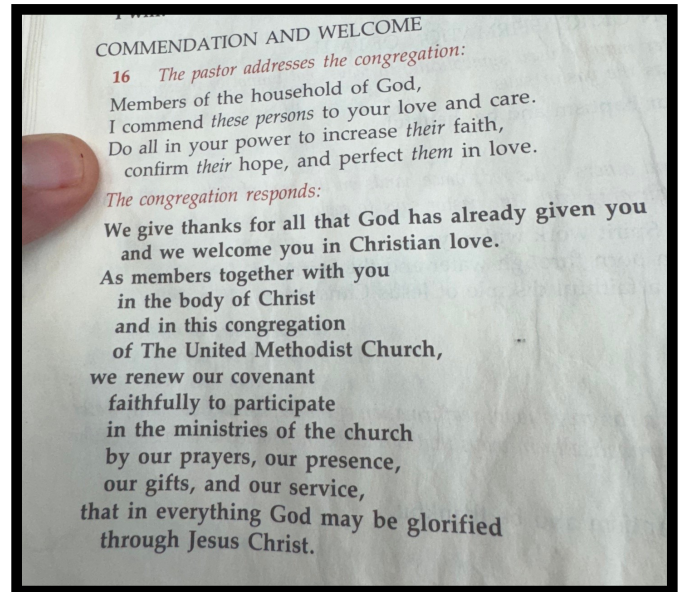
First, the pastor reminds the people that they are the household of God. Those who have been adopted by God as children are being prepared to covenant with others who are now being received. This reflects our adoption as children of God through baptism as spoken of by Paul: “You are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ” (Galatians 3:26-27; See also Galatians 4:5-7, Romans 9:8, and Ephesians 1:5). All who receive Christ, who believe in his name, are given the right to *become* children of God (see John 1:12-13).

Second, the pastor commends the new disciple to the love and care of the congregation. To me, this certainly intends that the congregation will come to cherish the person. But, even more important, this means that the congregation of the faithful will work for the good of the new disciple. As the popular rock band DC Talk sang: “love is a verb.”

Third, the pastor speaks words that remind both the pastor and the members of the congregation of exactly how we will love and care for the new disciple. We are asked to do all in our power for their good—that they may flourish in “joyful obedience through Jesus Christ our Lord.” This is no casual religion that we have been called to. Rather, it is earnest effort toward a common purpose: to see the young disciple growing and participating in making new disciples. So, to that end, the pastor implores the congregation to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love, not for their own good alone, but also for all those who will hear the word of Christ from them (Romans 10:17).

Finally, notice that the liturgy offers us a chance to vow that we live up to this charge. We give thanks to God for all that God has done. We welcome the new brother or sister in Christ in Christian love, the commitment to see them grown in the grace and knowledge of our Lord, Jesus Christ. To that aim, we commit to being faithful by praying. We commit to being present for the new family into which God has adopted all of us. We commit to giving our time, talents, treasure, and whatever else might yield growth and effectiveness as disciples of Jesus. As we pray together, be present together, give together, serve together, and witness together, we grow in maturity as followers of Jesus... together.

So why bring this up now? I have scheduled a meeting with Ken Sexton (Chair of Council) and Charlie Gavin (Lay Leader) to talk about the discernment process since clergy cannot be the ones who drive the process. That meeting was on my mind as I began thinking about what I should write here. I am hoping that your work of discernment will look like a group of brothers and sisters in Christ who are bearing in mind that you have been given to one-another for the purpose of increasing one another’s faith, confirming one another’s hope, and perfecting one another in love. I think it would be good for all of us to remember that, in answer to Cain’s enduring question, yes, we are our brother and sister’s keepers (see Genesis 4:9). Let us seek God’s guidance in that spirit.



Pastor David

Memorial Gift Instructions

Memorial gifts are an important way of expressing our sorrow and sympathy for people who have lost loved ones, especially when the deceased is a member of this congregation. The church staff sends a greeting card notifying the family that a gift has been received in memory of their loved one. In order to keep this working as well as possible, we wanted to remind you of a few things that are helpful to us:

- Please remember to mark your envelopes clearly.
- If possible, please include your address on the envelope so that it can be included in the acknowledgment that we send to the family (this saves the time of having to look up your address).
- Please remember that gifts received during the week may not make it into the bulletin for the following Sunday.



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Date	Worship Attendance
June 2	9:30 am Sunday School— 29 Worship 10:30 am — 68
June 9	9:30 am Sunday School—34 Worship 10:30 am — 70
June 16 Father's Day	9:30 am Sunday School—33 Worship 10:30 am — 81
June 23	9:30 am Sunday School— 32 Worship 10:30 am — 83

All the yellow highlighted days are open for arrangements. If you wish to have flowers on any of these Sunday's please call or email the church office.

2024 Flower Calendar					
July	7	14	21	28	
August	4	11	18	25	
September	1	8	15	22	29
October	6	13	20	27	
November	3	10	17	24	
December	1	8	15	22	29



Manning High School's Student Council gave items to United Ministries.

What a musical treat with this past Sunday June 23, 2024. Thank you so much!



Did you know that Manning UMC has been a Stephen Ministry church for over 25 years? Stephen Ministers are trained members of our congregation who listen, care, encourage, and provide emotional and spiritual support to people who are facing a crisis or going through tough times. The care received is confidential, free, and helpful. If you know of someone who would benefit from this ministry, contact one of the Stephen ministers or Pastor David. Our current Stephen ministers are: Sandra Brewer, Betty Coffey, Gerri Danilowicz, Helene Ellis, Jo Gamble, Carol Gavin, Charlie Gavin, Carolyn Haynes, Don Miller, and Shirley Miller.

Memorial Gifts:

Steve Brunson

Given by:
Sharon Cramer
Billy & Betty Coffey
Annette Browder
Jo Gamble
Artie & Beverly Felder
Rock & Vicki Ouzts
Michael & Lisa Burns

Bill Vanscoy

Given by:
Stan & Lu Nickell
MJG Class
Scott & Anne Wannamaker
Susan Elmore
Garson Taylor
Lauri & Fuzzy Furse
Carolyn Coffey
Joan McElhinney
Tony & Ann Salemo

Dinky Russell

Given By:
Jo Gamble
Susan Elmore
Jeffrey & Stephaine Black

Jack Sexton

Given by:
Garson Taylor
Lauri & Fuzzy Furse
Michael & Lisa Burns

Rusty Odom

Given by:
Garson Taylor

Ernestine Powell

Given by:
Garson Taylor

Benson Atkinson

Given by:
Garson Taylor

Drew Taylor

Given by:
Billy & Betty Coffey

Howard Bagnal

Given by:
Jo Gamble

Mike Johnson

Given by:
Jo Gamble

Irene Brewer

Given by:
Stan & Lu Nickell

John Milton Odom

Given by:
Stan & Lu Nickell

Lamar Kennedy

Given by:
Garson Taylor

Anne Haley

Given by:
Garson Taylor

Geraldine McInnis Weaver

Given by:
Garson Taylor

Rick Brock

Given by:
Garson Taylor

Paulette Kever

Given by:
Garson Taylor
Lauri & Fuzzy Furse

Honorarium Gifts:

Annette Browder

given by: Stan & Lu Nickell

Sharon Cramer

given by: Stan & Lu Nickell

Jim Black

given by: Stan & Lu Nickell



2024	Tithes & Offering	
Needed Each Week	\$ 9,794.00	
	Received Weekly	
June 2	\$ 7,789.72	
June 9	\$ 5,959.30	
June 16 Father's Day	\$ 4,663.31	
June 23	\$ 4,815.86	
Total Received	\$ 23,228.19	
Needed Year to Date		\$ 244,850.00
Total Received YTD		\$ 206,711.94
Overage or (Deficit)		\$ (38,138.06)



As you can see in the pictures to the right,

we won Best Church!

Thank you so much for voting in the

Best of Clarendon!



The *Jane Craft* and *Nell Wells* Circles met together in June for a backyard social and picnic lunch. Even though the weather was warm, the ladies enjoyed visiting together and eating a delicious, covered dish lunch. This was followed by playing "Name that Tune" with songs from the 20's, 30's, 40's, 50's, and 60's. One of the ladies named all 10 songs! The two circles will begin meeting together in September as one combined circle. The ladies in the Jane Craft Circle are happy to welcome the Nell Wells Circle.



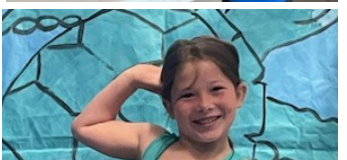
Our Prayer List Please remember the people below in your prayers.

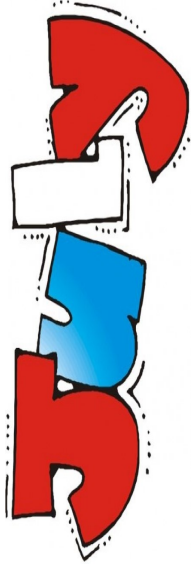
This list is in continuous rotation, if you do not see your loved one on this list please call the church office and update us on their health.

Milton Ackerman	Mary Cramer	Tom Lahmon	Karen & Ronnie Myers
Betty Black	Ann Cutter	Janice Lamb	Neal Onderlinde
Bill Brewer	June Davis	Don Lee	Tim Richburg
Joe Brewer	Elisa Furse	John Lesemann	Linda Rogers
Hope Briley	Lisa Gibbons	Ken Lovorn	Family of Dinky Russell
Family of Steve Brunson	Family of Lane Ham	Grey Matthews	Jan Toner
Frank & Marie Brunson	Kristen Helms	Hunter Morris	Ted Tucker
Chuck Buddin	Lou Holladay	Clint Michaelson	Leah Wells
Jake Buddin	Family of Bettye Johnson	Christian & Baby Murphy	Duane Wiggins
Larry Cramer	Howard King		Emery Yung

Please remember to Pray for our members who are living away from home, in the **military**, or who have limited mobility:

Joyce Bowers	Jared Dube	Neal Mahoney
Isabelle Brown	William (Artie) Gamble	Joan Odom
Dedee Clark	Woody Haynes	Willie Sabb
Rosella Daniels	Margaret Lee	Jean Schmelzle
Liz Denny	Wilson Lepp	Cliff Toner



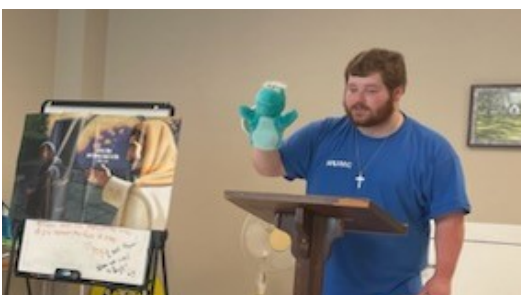


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 Church office Closed	5 Church office Closed	6
7 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 5:30 pm UMYF	8 6:30 United Methodist Men's Supper	9	10 6:00 pm Trustees	11	12 Salkehatchie Meal	13
14 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 5:30 pm UMYF	15	16 10:00 am-2:00 pm AARP Class	17 6:00 pm Finance	18	19	20
21 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 5:30 pm UMYF	22	23 Senior Peach Trip	24	25	26	27
28 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 5:30 pm UMYF	29	30 6:00 pm Stephen Ministry	31			

7/2 Walker Coffey
 7/6 Frankie Lowder, Jake Jordan
 7/8 Cindy Brunson
 7/10 Bill Bowers, Michelle Brewer
 7/11 O'Neil Ward
 7/14 Lauri Furse, Shirley Miller
 7/19 Jane Benton, Michael Ouzts

7/20 Nell Sprott, Merrix Coffey
 7/24 Sarah Sprott Stephens
 7/25 Tammy Martin
 7/27 Ron Jordan, Breland Land, Hudson Bozard
 7/28 Louise Holladay, Don Ellis, Mason Lee
 7/29 Kathy Bryce

7/1-Tony & Marian Norris
 7/5-Artie & Beverly Felder
 7/14-Howard & Monika King
 7/27-Gary & Kate Martin
 7/30-Richard & Frankie Anderson





Smart Driver Course 7/16/24 10am-2pm

Cost is \$20 for AARP members/\$25 for non-members

About the class: update your awareness of new road design, traffic laws, and how to adjust your driving to compensate for physical changes

**This course may qualify you for multiyear discounts on your car insurance
(consult your insurance agent for details)**

Details:

- Sign up with Kelly at Manning United Methodist Church
- Bring a lunch or sign up to purchase a meal
- Bring your AARP membership card for discount
- AARP instructor will take payment by cash or check on the day of the event
- Course open to everyone who would like to attend



CarFit 9/23/24

Appointments last about 30 minutes / NO Charge

CarFit is a hands-on one on one appointment that performs a driver safety check and assessment and **checks proper car seat placement in your vehicle**

Details:

- Sign up with Kelly at Manning United Methodist Church
- Course open to everyone who would like to attend

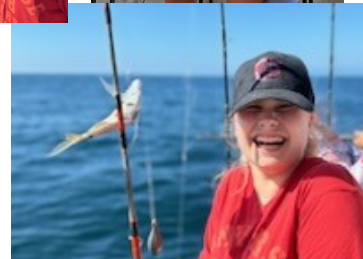


Protect your children:

Get checked to be sure your car seat is
properly installed in your car!

Glad to have our
intern, Gabriel
back!

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Our trip to the Florence Flamingos Baseball Game

