

Worship Schedule

Sound Board Operator:

Brian Strouts

May 4th:

Youth Sunday

Color: White

May 11th:

Mother's Day

Pentecost Sunday

Color: Red

Lectionary Readings

As we prepare to seek God's Word in worship each Sunday, please prayerfully study these passages as a part of your personal and/or family devotions.

May 4th:

Acts 1:1-11, Psalm 47,
Ephesians 1: 15-23, Luke 24:44-53

May 11th:

Acts 2:1-21, Psalm 104:24-34,35b
1 Corinthians 12:3b-13, John 7:37-39

The Touch of the Master's Hand by Myra Brooks Welch

'Twas battered and scarred, and the old auctioneer
Thought it scarcely worth his while
to waste much time on the old violin,
But he still held it up with a smile:
"What am I bidden, good folks," he cried,
"Who'll start the bidding for me?"
"A dollar, a dollar"; then, "Two!" "Only two?"
Two dollars, and who'll make it three?
Three dollars, once; three dollars, twice;
going for three ..." but no.
From the room far back, a gray-haired man
Came forward and picked up the bow;
Then, wiping the dust from the old violin,
And tightening the loose strings,
He played a melody pure and sweet
As a caroling angel sings.

The music ceased, and the auctioneer,
With a voice that was quiet and low,
Said; "What am I bidden for the old violin?"
And he held it up with the bow.
"A thousand! And who'll make it two?"
Two thousand! And who'll make it three?
Three thousand, once, three thousand, twice,
And going, and gone," said he.

The people cheered, but some of them cried,
"We do not quite understand
What changed it's worth." Swift came the reply:
"The touch of the master's hand."

And many a man with life out of tune,
And battered and scarred with sun,
Is auctioned cheap to the thoughtless crowd,
Much like this old violin.
A "mess of pottage," a glass of wine;
A game; and he travels on.
He is "going" once, "going" twice,
He's "going" and almost "gone."
But the Master comes, and the foolish crowd
Never can quite understand
The worth of a soul and the change that's wrought
By the touch of the Master's hand.

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Food for Faith Coupons

CAUMC's Food for Faith program began in March of 2001. The church buys gift certificates from Dillon's and Ray's Applemarket then sells them in packets of \$100 (25's) or \$50 (10's and 5's). Dillon's GIFT CARDS are also available in \$100 dollar increments. From the selling of these coupons the church earns 4% from Dillon's and 5% from Ray's. These gift certificates also can be used at the Kwik Shop in Aggieville and the Dillon's Gas station. You can purchase the certificates before and after church.

Listen Live!

If you or someone you know are unable to make it to a church but still would like to hear the service go to the church website, <http://caumc.manhattanks.org> And click on the Listen Live button

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2008



When: JUNE 9th- JUNE 13th!
Time: 6:00 Dinner
6:20 VBS activities begin

Questions: Call Lora at 539-4191

If you would like to participate or to help, fill out a registration or volunteer form located at the VBS display in the church narthex.

The Manhattan Community

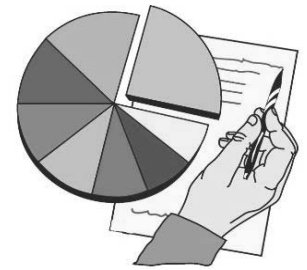
celebrated Cinco de Mayo for the first time! The free festival included dance, music and food to help Manhattan learn about Hispanic culture. Luis Sainz was the committee chair for this wonderful event! Hoo-



Facts 'n Figures

Average Monthly Ministry Commitments

Budget for 2008	\$340,885
Needed per Sunday	\$6,555
Gifts given 3/24	\$27,472 (13 Sundays)



Contributions Above the Budget Given for

Building Bridges	\$1,000
Facilities Stewardship Fund	\$100
Celebrations	\$40
Ogden Friendship House	\$531
Paraments	\$100
Sound System	\$5
Human Relations	\$25
Food For Faith	\$274
Easter Offering	\$100
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$1168

Congratulations Graduates!

The following individuals are graduating and getting ready to move on the next chapter of the lives! Don't forget MAY 18th we will be celebrating our graduates during the church service!

Manhattan High School Graduates

Emily Nelson
Wes Strouts



College Graduates

Jenette Turpin- KSU	Jenny Gladowski- KSU
Beth Kaufmann- KSU	Laci Heller- KSU
T.J. Seemann- University of North Dakota	

Prayer Concerns

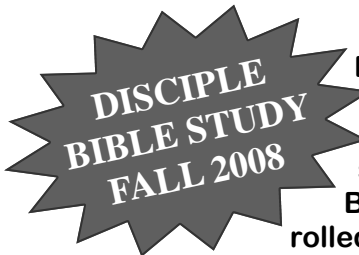
Please add to your prayer list-

Dorothy White
David Hannington- Kevin Henry's Brother-In-Law

Please continue to pray for the following-

Carol Dutton is in the hospital
Stephan- Erma Riley's brother
Brian Clay- Lynn Blackmore's friend
Collene Slabaugh- Lynn Blackmore's sister
Amanda Loveless- Friend of Randi Dale
Tom Woodhouse
Carol Kelley
Gary Thomas

Please continue to pray for the men and women in the armed forces.



Ellen Alwin, after a lifetime of studying the Bible, enrolled in Disciple

Bible Study. She loved the course and said, "This is the first time I have seen the while pattern of how God loved and interacted with us. Now I have new pegs on which to arrange my understanding." She saw how God first worked through individuals, then families, then tribes, and formed a people/nation. She saw the patterns of God making covenants, our breaking covenants, and God restoring them. Through Christ and the Holy Spirit, God is forming world-wide, all-inclusive, family of love. Jumpstart your faith, expand your understanding, and enjoy a deep fellowship with other Christians. Fall classes of Disciple Bible Study for adults and your are now forming.

Women's Book Study



The next meeting of the Women's Book Study will be August 27th at 12:30 p.m. Please read "Three Cups of Tea" by Greg Mortenson by that date. There are multiple copies at the Manhattan Public Library.



If you, a friend, or some one in your family is looking for something to get involved in, check out the Small Groups/ Sunday school bulletin in the church narthex. This bulletin board is filled with information about the programs offered at our church. There are new & continuing small groups, Sunday Schools offer a wide variety of curriculums, and information is posted available for our Music ministries and UMW circles.

Can't find what you're looking for? Call or stop by the church so we can visit and find the group that is right for you!

Sunday School Highlights

Hot Topics

Through the month of May, Hot Topics will be studying the Sojourners discussion Guide on "Christians and the Environment." The Christian theology of stewardship and sacred relationship between God, humans and creation was also an essential element of the environment movement.



Combing Bible study, social and economic analysis, and personal stories, this collection of Sojourners articles is a part of a series designed to spark discussion, thought, and action about how to live out God's call to love the whole world.

Games Group

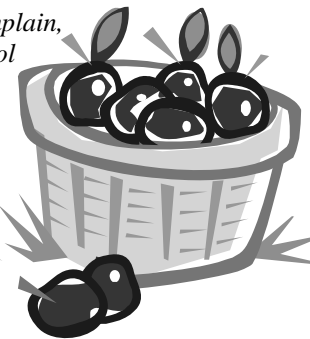
This small group has people of all ages who enjoy games. Various types of board and card games are played in whole or smaller groups. Games Group meets in the church parlor and our next meeting will be May 17th at 7:00 pm. If you enjoy snacks and games, this is the group for you! (Childcare is provided)



This Month's Fruit of the Spirit:

~ Self-Control ~

*Any fool can criticize, condemn, and complain,
But it takes character and self-control
To be understanding and forgiving.
~ Dale Carnegie*



The Christian Education Commission invites each of us to explore this years theme the "Fruits of the Spirit". As your Sunday schools, small groups, and Bible studies meet in fellowship and learning, remember the "fruits" and how they could intertwine with your classes or groups!

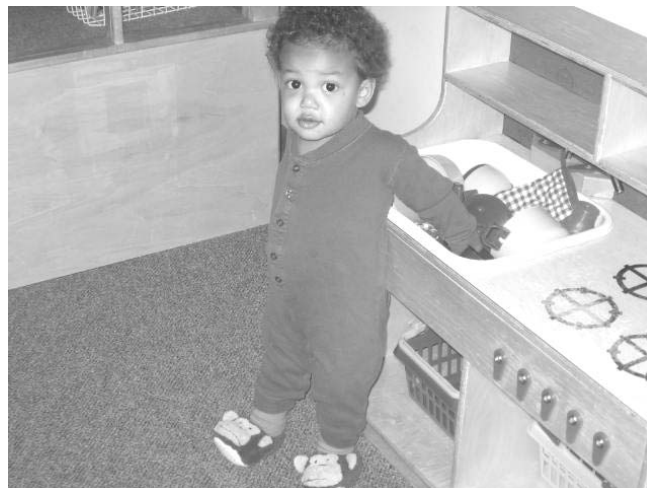
From the Infant and Toddler classroom

April was a busy month in the infant and toddler classroom. We spent a lot of time doing sensory and art activities when it was rainy, and lots of digging, running, and bike riding when it was sunny out! We also celebrated week of the young child this month from the 13th to the 19th. This is a time to focus public attention on the needs of young children and their families and to recognize the early childhood programs and services that meet those needs. To help us celebrate this time we did a special theme for each day such as pajama day, inside out day, and mismatch sock day. The children and staff both really enjoyed participating in these activities. We also had special parent involvement activities throughout the week such as planting flowers, parents reading to the children, and a family picnic. We had lots of involvement and participation which made this years week of the young child great!



From the Preschool

April was a month full of changing weather and lots of new and fun experiences!! The continued change in our weather from cold to warm this month has made activities and play all the more creative!! With the beautiful warm weather, we have been spending an increasingly large amount of time outside. We have just finished planting our flower garden and still need to plant our vegetable garden. We have enjoyed watching all the different "critters" eating from the new bird feeders. The children also have discovered many bugs crawling around including grubs and roly pollies. Towards the end of the month, we were excited to welcome a new student to our classroom and look forward to learning more about them in the coming months!



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Our Mission Statement

The Mission of College Avenue UMC is to allow the Holy Spirit to be visible in person through participation in a community of faith; to welcome diversity within God's creation, and to encourage the telling of God's story through traditional & creative celebrations of worship, study, and outreach.

