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Manchester United Methodist Church invites you to the 2006-2007 season of...



Bring your family! Join your friends! Every Wednesday night.

4:30 - 5:45 p.m. Children's Choirs rehearsals
SonShine singers (K-1st graders), Carol Choir (2nd & 3rd graders), Music Makers (4th & 5th graders) For additional information please call: Lori Berger, Children's Choirs Coordinator at 636-200-4716.

5:15 - 6:30 p.m. Dinner in Fellowship Hall
(\$5 for adults, \$4 for children through 5th grade, and children under 4 are free. Maximum of \$15 per household.)

7:00 - 8:00 p.m. Christian Lay Academy*
(See inside for a complete list of courses offered.) *A \$20 course fee is requested for the Christian Lay Academy courses. This will be used to offset the costs of the program. To sign up for classes, email linda.simino@manchesterumc.org.

Other groups meeting include:

Companions in Christ
Disciple Bible Study
Jesus In The Gospels

Youth Media Club
Sr. High Youth Bible Study

Childcare Available: Childcare reservations needed for all ages. Reservations must be made at least one week in advance; please contact Sally Cleveland at 636-200-4743 or sally.cleveland@manchesterumc.org

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

- M & M classes are from 7:00 - 8:00 pm unless otherwise indicated
- Sept. 6 - Kick-off Dinner and classes

Module One

- Classes run 5 weeks - Sept. 6, 13, 20, 27 & Oct. 4
- Oct. 11 - Dinner only

Module Two

- Classes run 5 weeks - Oct. 18, 25, & Nov. 1, 8, 15
- Oct. 25 - Harvest Party for children
- Nov. 22 - Happy Thanksgiving - No classes or dinner.
- Nov. 29 - Dinner Only - No classes

Module Three

- Classes run 3 weeks - Dec. 6, 13, & 20
- Dec. 27 - No classes or dinner - Merry Christmas
- Jan. 3 - Dinner Only

Module Four

- Classes run 5 weeks - Jan. 10, 17, 24, 31, & Feb. 7
- Feb. 14 - Dinner Only
- Feb. 21 - Ash Wednesday. Dinner only. Please join us for Ash Wednesday service in the Sanctuary

Module Five

- Classes run 5 weeks - Feb. 28, Mar. 7, 14, 21, & 28
- April 4 - Holy Week - No Dinner - No classes

Module Six

- Classes run 4 weeks - Apr. 11, 18, 25 & May 2

Module Seven

- Classes run 3 weeks - May 9, 16, & 23
- May 23 - Prime Rib Dinner - tickets required

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MODULE SIX

4 weeks
Apr. 11, 18, 25, May 2, 2007

The Prophets
Dr. Carl Schenck

The Prophets are the second division of the Hebrew Bible and contain accounts of God's communications with God's people through human beings called by God to this purpose. For nearly 1500 years from Moses to Alexander the Great's conquest of the Hebrew Nation, God's messengers mediated between God and humankind. Pastor Carl will share with us some of the important topics God wanted brought to our attention.

Understanding the Mormon Faith
Pres. Gary Gessel, Missouri St. Louis Mission

The President of the local Missouri/Central Illinois Mission of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints joins us to help us to understand the beliefs and traditions of the Mormon faith.

MODULE SEVEN

3 weeks
May 9, 16, 23, 2007

Understanding the Hindu Faith
Mr. G. V. Naidu, Chair-Temple Board

Come and learn about the Hindu faith: its beliefs, practices, and sacred texts from the chairman of the St. Louis Temple Board.



MODULE ONE

5 weeks
Sept. 6, 13, 20, 27, Oct. 4, 2006

Introduction to the Bible Rev. Steve Harbaugh

This is a start from scratch introduction to the Bible. You don't need any experience to join us for this class. We'll introduce you to the entire Bible from Genesis to Revelation. Bring a Bible and your interest!

MUMC and Other Historic Churches of West County MUMC Historical Committee

Come and hear the history of MUMC from the beginning in the early 1800's. We will also find out about other early church congregations in West County.

Help for Life's Struggles in the Sermon on the Mount Betsy Vicente

Jesus' Sermon on the Mount is at once both as influential and relevant in life today as it was when he spoke the words. Using Rev. Adam Hamilton's video series we will seek to understand these teachings of Jesus and apply them to our lives. These sessions may make you laugh and cry, but they will also give you hope.

The Alpha USA Course (Sept. 6 through Nov. 15) Rev. Erik Corley, Rev. Steve Harbaugh

The Alpha Course is for anyone interested in finding out more about the Christian faith while having some fun at the same time. It is centered around food and conversation as well as some video teaching to spark discussion. This longer term course will be offered during Modules I and II.

MODULE TWO

5 weeks
Oct. 18, 25, Nov. 1, 8, 15, 2006

Women in the Bible Rev. Debby Peebles

Get to know five women in the Bible who made a difference. Join Pastor Debby as she points out five women in the Old and New Testaments who responded to God's call in significant ways.

In the Footsteps of Paul Dr. Carl Schenck

Come and hear Carl describe his travels in the lands that Paul traveled. Carl's recent trip to the central and eastern Mediterranean will provide the basis for this first hand experience of sights and lands important to the formation of the early church and its traditions.

MODULE THREE

3 weeks
Dec. 6, 13, 20, 2006

Hanukkah for Christians TBD

Hanukkah is the Jewish festival that falls somewhere around our Christian celebration of Christmas. But is there any relation between the two celebrations? Come explore the history and traditions of this Jewish festival with someone who can help us understand what Hanukkah is.

Christmas Servants Rev. Erik Corley

We will spend one week learning about how we can let others know about Jesus by showing His love in a practical manner. We'll spend the next two weeks showing His love to the people who are shopping in our community.

MODULE FOUR

5 weeks
Jan. 10, 17, 24, 31, Feb. 7, 2007

Understanding Eastern Orthodox Christianity Fr. Joseph Strzelcki, Assumption Greek Orthodox Church

The Eastern Orthodox faith preserves some of the oldest Christian traditions and in some ways is difficult for Protestants to understand. In this class, the Senior Pastor of a Greek Orthodox congregation in West County will help us to understand what it means to be an Eastern Orthodox Christian.

Me, a Methodist? Betsy Vicente Jan. 10, 17, and 24 Only

Are you a visitor? Would you like to join but have not found the time? Do you have to work on Sunday? If so, then this is the new member class for you! Come and pick up a complimentary ticket for dinner and stay for a time of learning and sharing fellowship. You don't have to attend all three sessions.

Self-Defense Through Martial Arts for Physical Fitness and Safety By Ron Gaddis (New Member!)

Adults and teens: learn how the discipline of martial arts has changed Ron's life and his family's lives! In this participation class you will challenge yourself learning discipline, commitment, and self defense techniques, all while growing in awareness.

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MODULE FIVE

5 weeks
Feb. 28, Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2007

Understanding Islam Imam Mohammed Hasic

Islamic faith and its tenets are constantly in the news these days. It is important for us as Christians to realize where we have common tenets with our Muslim neighbors and where we differ. The chief Bosnian Islamic Imam will lead us in understanding the key beliefs of the Muslim faith.

Mind, Soul and Body Carolyn Langston, Rev. Debby Peebles

Our minds, bodies and souls are gifts from God. When they are not in harmony, we are not all God intended us to be. Come and explore how your Christian spirituality, through the techniques of Tai Chi, can help you achieve this harmony.

Parenting Your Teenager Facilitated by Carol Long

Emotional. Powerful. Real. **Parenting Your Teenager** six lesson video series and workbooks feature relationship experts Drs. Les and Leslie Parrott. The Parrotts provide practical, Godly council on raising today's teens. Class space is limited.