

This Week

Today
Sunday School 9:30 AM
Coffee & Conversation 10:30 AM
Morning Worship Service 10:45 AM

Tuesday
MCN Board Meeting 6:30 PM

Wednesday
Wednesday Night Refresh 7:00 PM

Thursday
Celebrate Recovery 6:30 PM
(Please see **Weekly Meetings** for specific information.)

Friday
MCN Student Ministries 5:00 PM

Saturday
Friendship Tea 11:00 AM
Saturation Prayer 7:00 PM


Looking Ahead

- Apr 17 Sky Family Concert
- Apr 23 CCS Annual Auction
- Apr 24 NMI Meeting and Potluck Dinner
Annual Town Hall Mtg.
Rumford, RI Teens
- Apr 26 CCS Board Meeting
- Apr 30 Chess Night
- May 4 Wednesdays with the Wise
- May 5 National Day of Prayer
- May 7 Men’s Prayer Breakfast
- May 10 MCN Board Meeting
- May 28 Chess Night

Financials		
	Tithes & Offerings	Missions
Received Last Week	9,843	288
Needed Weekly	9,000	675
Received Year to Date	9,843	288
Needed Year to Date	9,000	675
Surplus/Deficit	843	(387)

THE SKY FAMILY

PRESENTS



CELTIC REVIVAL!

The Gospel in Blazing Irish Dance and Fiddles

Manchester Church of the Nazarene

218 Main St.

Manchester


6 pm Sunday April 17

~ All Welcome! ~

860 646 8599 for more information

Love offering will be taken

Prince Edward Island’s Premier Irish Dance Show





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Welcome to Manchester Church of the Nazarene! We are delighted to have you with us today, as we seek to worship God, pray for one another and our world, and listen intently to whatever the Holy Spirit might say to us. Relax! Consider yourself among friends!

Sunday, April 10, 2016

Welcome Song and Welcome

Praise and Worship

Prayer

Announcements

Worship Through Giving
(Children are Dismissed to Children’s Church)

Investigating God’s Word: John 21:1ff (Matthew 4:19ff)

Response and Blessing



Weekly Meetings

Wednesday Night Refresh—7 PM

Wednesday Night Bible Study will resume on April 6, led by Pastor Whitney. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 7:00 PM.

Moments for Moms—Thursdays at 9:30 AM

“MOMENTS FOR MOMS” Bible study invites ALL WOMEN to attend *The Patriarchs: Encountering the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob*. Discover God’s pursuit of relationship and the unfolding of His earthly plan: How through one nation—and ultimately one man—all people on earth will be blessed. A DVD driven Bible study by Beth Moore herself along with a group study participation. Come grow with us! Childcare from nursery to pre-school provided beginning at 9:15 AM. Contact Sandy Snellenberger at 860-432-0241 or dalesnel@att.net, or see her at church. This class is held in the Fellowship Hall.

Celebrate Recovery—

Thursdays at 6:30 PM

Celebrate Recovery East of the River meets Thursday evenings in the lower level of the McLain Building. Don’t struggle alone with hurts, habits and hang-ups! Join us!

THIS THURSDAY:

6:30 PM	Food and Fellowship
7:00 PM	Teaching Meeting—Spiritual Inventory Continued
7:45 PM	Cross Talk Café—Coffee & With It
8:00 PM	Open Share Groups—Men’s and Women’s

More information is in the lobby.

Saturation Prayer—Saturdays at 7 PM

Saturation Prayer will resume on April 2 at 7:00 PM. Please join us for this time of seeking the face of God for our church, community, nation and world. Help us bear one another’s burdens, as we have been instructed in the Word of God.

Activity Highlights

Summer Camp Early Registration Begins Today

Early registration for summer camp at Windsor Hills Camp and Retreat Center begins TODAY. Registration information is listed on the website (whcamp.org).

Teen Camp	July 17-23
Children’s Camp	August 8-13

Discipleship Class—Segment 3—Nazarenes: What We Believe

In this class, we will learn about the history of the Church of the Nazarene. We will discuss the core values of the Nazarene Church and the 16 Articles of Faith. We will also talk about the importance of belonging to a faith community, and local church membership here at MCN.

This class will be taught on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM and will meet in the CCS library. It will be an 8-week class, beginning May 6 and ending on June 26. Pastor Garry Light will be the teacher.

Friendship Tea – Saturday, April 16 from 11-1:00 (for women ages 12 and up)

Lori Smith, from the Willimantic Church of the Nazarene, will be speaking on “The Next Chapter” – a reference to how God prepares us for each new chapter in our life. Lori has experienced the transforming power of Christ and will share how that relationship has impacted her life. Signup sheets for the Friendship Tea are in the lobby at the Women’s Ministries table. **PLEASE SIGN UP TODAY** to bring items for our tea and plan to deliver them to the church by 10:45 AM. Bring along your favorite tea cup or mug and get ready for wonderful food, fellowship and fun!

Activity Highlights (Continued)

Sky Family Concert—April 17 at 6 PM

On Sunday evening, April 17, we will welcome the Sky Family to our church once again! For those of you who enjoy Celtic dance and music, this is for you . . . and for your friends who like the same! It is important that you take the opportunity to invite your friends to this concert! This is a great chance to introduce your friends both to the church and to your church friends – Don’t miss it!

The poster outlining the details is printed on the back of this bulletin. We will need some help the day of the event. We would also like to encourage you to reach out to our senior citizens who might need a ride to this evening event. There are posters and invitations available for you use, so we encourage you to make use of this material to invite others to join you.

Bethany Church Joins Us for a Special Evening—April 24

Bethany Church (Rumford, RI) will be here for a special service on Sunday night, April 24! The teen worship team will lead us as a part of a special evening of activities. They will also tell us about a work and witness trip they are planning and will share their testimonies with us. We will take a love offering for them that evening.

Annual Meeting—April 24 AM and PM

As you know, the administrative structure of the Church of the Nazarene is a hybrid democracy. The congregation, in cooperation with the district leadership, calls a pastor to offer leadership to a local church body. The local church congregation elects a church board and departmental leaders to work with that pastor to shape and support the ministry on an annual basis.

Once each year, there is an annual meeting at which formal church members elect leaders for the congregation and ratify the annual budget proposed by the Church Board. This year, that meeting will happen on April 24.

Before the morning service begins, voting will commence in the lobby of the church. It will conclude about fifteen minutes after the service ends. A report booklet will be published which contains information from the various church leaders as well as a copy of the proposed budget.

In the evening, there will be a short town hall type meeting where questions will be taken regarding the proposed budget. In addition, after the meeting we will participate in worship with the Bethany Church teens, followed by a short missions lesson. We will enjoy a pot-luck meal together after the event is finished.

One other note: Formal membership is held by all those who have applied to become members and have taken the pledges required for such a step. Associate members are those who worship here regularly and have pledged themselves to cooperate with the general principles and ministry of the church. “Friends” of the church are those who worship here regularly, but have not taken the steps to become either formal or associate members. In our eyes, everyone who attends here is a member of our family, and is loved, appreciated and treated in the same manner. In terms of the laws of the State of Connecticut and church law, however, only those who are formal members of the religious corporation may vote in the business meetings of that corporation.

If you have questions about membership or would like to pursue membership, please speak with either Pastor Garry or Pastor Dan.

Sermon Questions

Sermon Text: John 21:1ff (Matthew 4:19ff)

1. Why do you think Peter and friends are fishing?
2. What types of things come into your biblical memory when you hear this passage?
3. What does it mean to “fish for people?” (Matthew 4:19)
4. Why do you think the disciples are confused about the identity of Jesus? How had their relationship changed since the resurrection?
5. Why does Jesus single out Peter on the beach?
6. What instruction does Jesus give to Peter?
7. Do you think there is a connection between the first time Jesus finds these guys fishing and the last?
8. Is this instruction (John 21:15-17) for apostles only, or for all disciples of Jesus? Is it for you?