

This Week

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

Sky Family Concert	6:00 PM
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Wednesday

Wednesday Night Refresh	7:00 PM
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Thursday

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

Friday

MCN Student Ministries	5:00 PM
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Saturday

CCS Auction	3:00 PM
Saturation Prayer	7:00 PM

Looking Ahead

Apr 24	Potluck Dinner at 5 PM Annual Town Hall Mtg. Rumford, RI Teens NMI Meeting
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
May 31	CCS Board Meeting

Financials		
	Tithes & Offerings	Missions
Received Last Week	9,836	536
Needed Weekly	9,000	675
Received Year to Date	19,679	824
Needed Year to Date	18,000	1,350
Surplus/Deficit	1,679	(526)

Sermon Questions

Sermon Text: John 10:22-32; Ezekiel 34:1ff; John 9

1. What does Jesus say about himself, when asked if he is the Messiah?
2. What metaphor (or comparison) does Jesus make between his title and his role?
3. Who are the bad shepherds in this section of the Gospel of John?
4. Why are they bad shepherds?
5. What does Jesus do for the sheep of his pasture?
6. What is true about the sheep of Jesus' pasture; what do they know and why does this matter?
7. Who are the sheep of his pasture?
8. What kind of Messiah is Jesus?



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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 17, 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 10:22-32; Ezekiel 34:1ff; John 9

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.

Saturation Prayer—Saturdays at 7 PM

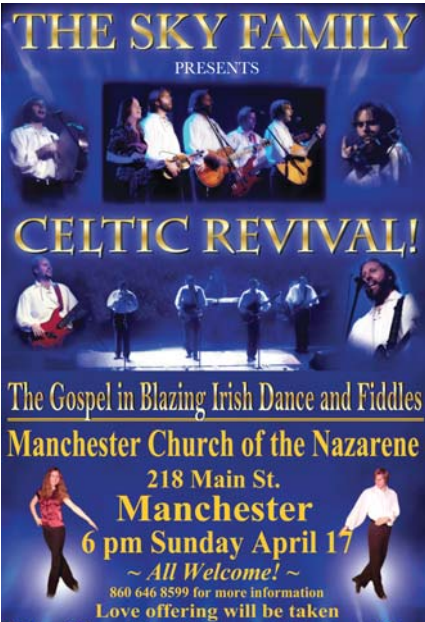
Saturation Prayer will resume on April 2 at 7:00 PM. Please join us for this time of seeking the face of God for our church, community, nation and world. Help us bear one another’s burdens, as we have been instructed in the Word of God.

Activity Highlights

Sky Family Concert—Tonight at 6 PM

This evening, 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.



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 Testimony Meeting—“Bob” by Video
- 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.

Activity Highlights (Continued)

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 1 and ending on June 26 (Class will **not** be held on June 19). Pastor Garry Light will be the teacher.

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 NEXT SUNDAY—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.



ANNUAL AUCTION

CCS will be holding its annual auction on April 23. Registration opens at 3:00 PM, and the opening ceremony begins at 3:30 PM. The theme this year is “Game Night,” and it is sure to be a fun-filled evening with a Silent Auction, Games, Food, Game Show, and Live Auction.

Tickets are on sale now—please contact the school office (860) 643-0792 to purchase. The cost of admission is:

Adults	\$15
Child (Birth—5th grade)	\$10
(with the purchase of an adult ticket)	

Come show your support and let the games begin!

Board Briefs

Board Meeting was held on April 12 at 6:30 PM.

1. A general proposal to upgrade the flooring in the basement of the McLain Building was approved.
2. CCS budget and teacher contracts were approved.
3. A summer plan for Sunday School and Children’s Church was discussed.
4. Membership Rolls were considered and adjusted.
5. A plan to raise funds to provide for parsonage repairs and capital improvements was discussed.
6. The idea of adding “service” options was discussed.
7. Celebrate Recovery was given approval for a plan to send two delegates to the annual conference.