## **Announcements Continued**

#### Financial Peace University—Register by September 7

We will be offering the Financial Peace University Class as a Sunday School elective beginning this September. Financial Peace University is a Biblically based program to help you better manage and understand your financial resources. The class will be offered from 9:30am - 10:30am during the following dates:

- •September 16,23,30
- •October 7,14,21,28
- November 4,11

It will be necessary to purchase the Financial Peace University Membership kit. It is only necessary to purchase one kit for your entire household. You can purchase the membership by going on line to Financial Peace University. Items should be purchased by **September 7.** The cost of the membership/kit is \$119 and includes:

- Access to nine online video lessons
- Access to local groups
- •Subscription to EveryDollar Plus, our premium budgeting tool (\$99 value)
- Member workbook for all nine lessons
- •New! Dave Ramsey's follow-up course, The Legacy Journey

Please contact the church office (860)646-8599 or <u>office@mcnaz.com</u>) or make note in the Black Communication Pad of your interest to participate in the class.

## Thank You!

Nancy and I want to thank you for granting us a Sabbatical leave this past summer. We had a blessed time of refreshment and rejuvenation. Our bodies are stronger, our minds are refreshed and our marriage enriched by this investment. We've missed you and are grateful to be back in Manchester!

### Sabbatical Return Ritual

**Leader:** Welcome back to the ministry of the Manchester Church of the Nazarene.

**Pastor:** Thank you for your prayers and support during the time that we were absent.

**People:** Welcome back, Pastor Dan and Nancy, to your ministry in Manchester. We will continue to pray for you in the days ahead.

**Leader:** Pastor Dan, are you ready to give yourself anew to the work of the Kingdom of God in connection with this Church?

Pastor: I am ready to do that, and I call on all of you to do the same.

**People:** We continue to be ready to do all that the Holy Spirit calls us to do, and to honor Him with our lives as we bear the Kingdom together.

**Pastor:** I promise to love you carefully, to pray for you, to study the Word so that my preaching will be biblical, to lead thoughtfully and prayerfully, and to endeavor to live a life worthy of the calling I have received.

**People:** We promise to work together so that we might cooperate with the Holy Spirit as he attempts to bring the Kingdom to our communities.

**Leader:** May the Lord bless us together as we seek to do His will, to the glory of God, from this day forward.



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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, September 2, 2018

Welcome Song and Welcome

Praise and Worship

Prayer, Response

**Announcements** 

Worship Through Giving (Children grades K-8 dismissed for Children's Church)

Investigating God's Word
Acts 10:9-15, Luke 23:44-45, Hebrews 6-9

Communion

Response and Blessing

## This Week

Today
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Sunday School	9:30 am
Coffee & Conversation	10:30 AM
Morning Worship	10:45 AM
Church Picnic	12:30 РМ

### Wednesday

Wednesdays w/ the Wise 11:00 AM

#### Thursday

Sept 4

Oct 30

Celebrate Recovery 6:00 PM

(Please see **Weekly Meetings** for specific information.)

CCS Board Meeting

# **Looking Ahead**

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Sept 5	Weds. With The Wise
Sept 11	MCN Board Meeting
Sept 12	MCN Student Ministries
	Fall Kick-Off
Sept 15	CR Testimony Workshop
Sept 23	Alabaster Sunday
Oct 2	CCS Board Meeting
Oct 6	Men's Prayer Breakfast
Oct 16	MCN Board Meeting

# **Weekly Meetings**

#### Celebrate Recovery-Thursday Night!

Stop struggling alone! Come find a safe place. Experience the healing love of Jesus! Lower Level, McLain Building (Sterling Place entrance).

**6:00-6:50** Food & Fellowship

7:00-7:50 Testimony Meeting-Guest!

**8:00-9:00** Open Share Groups

A good chance to explore the means of recovery, growth and discipleship. Bring your hurts, habits and hang-ups! For more information call (860)432-8251

Debt Reduction Goal: \$300,000			
Last Week	Week \$3,355		
Total	\$70,929		
Interest Saved	\$17,064		

Weekly Giving				
	Offerings	Missions		
Last Week	\$6,421	\$410		
Needed Weekly	\$9,000	\$525		
Received YTD	\$187,204	\$9,928		
Needed YTD	\$198,000	\$11,550		
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# **Activity Highlights**

### Picnic on the Grounds—TODAY

CCS Board Meeting

Our final informal "Picnic on the Grounds" for this year is TODAY following the morning worship service. You are invited to bring your picnic lunch, lawn chairs, and games. The church will provide drinks and hot dogs. We hope you will be able to join us for this fun time of fellowship!

# Wednesdays with the Wise—September 5 at 11 AM

Our next luncheon will be THIS Wednesday, September 5th,, at 11:00am in the Fellowship Hall. The main dish will be Lemon Chicken Ring. You are welcome to bring a friend and a side dish to share if you are able. For further information contact Tonia Light at 860-646-8599 or tonia.light@mcnaz.com.

# **Activity Highlight's Continued**

### MCN Student Ministries Fall Kickoff!—Wednesday, Sept. 12

All students from grades 7-12 are invited to join us for the MCN Student Ministries annual fall kick-off on Wednesday, September 12 from **6:30PM—8:00PM** which marks the start of our 2018-19 year. We meet in the McLain Building gym and we'll have some food, play games, worship, and hear a short message from Pastor Garry. We hope to see you there!

#### **Small Group Leader Training**

Saturday, Sept 15 from 9 – 11 AM has been earmarked for all those interested in leading or hosting a small group this fall. We would like to get groups formed and launched by the end of September. Please talk to Pastor Dan or Garry if you have interest in assisting. You don't need to make a reservation to attend. We need folks who will both start the conversation and those who have been blessed with homes that can accommodate 6 to 10 people for discussion and prayer. These groups are critical to our growth in Christ! Please prayerfully consider!

## **Announcements**

Fall Session Begins Today—Sunday School and Children's Church Sunday school classes have resumed for the year. Our students are grouped as follows by a teaching staff that has been certified according to MCN's Children's Ministries Policy Manual.

- Grades K-1: Jen Cane & Patrick Cane (Room 14 Downstairs)
- Grades 2-4: Racheal Davis & Mark Davis (Room 32 Upstairs)
- Grades 5-7: Bob Cornell & Phyllis Cornell (Room 34 Upstairs)
- Grades 8-12: Tim Sehi (MCN Library, Room 37 Upstairs)

**Christmas Musical** practice begins today for **grades K-8** during the children's church hour.

# Alabaster Offering—September 23

Several times a year, we collect a loose change offering to assist the construction of missions focused buildings around the world. The offering receives its name from the story of the woman who anointed Jesus' feet in anticipation of His sacrifice for us. On September 23, we will receive this annual offering once again.