



MANCHESTER CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

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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!

3rd SUNDAY of Advent – DECEMBER 17, 2023

Advent Reading

Worship Through Singing

Welcome & Prayer

Worship Through Giving

“The Names of Jesus Spelling Bee”
MCN Kids

Morning Message
Pastor Dan Whitney

Response & Blessing

THIS WEEK

TODAY

Sunday School	9:30 AM
Prayer in Sanctuary	10:00 AM
Morning Worship	10:45 AM

Wednesday

MACC Christmas Delivery	6:00 PM
MCN Student Ministries	6:30 PM
Prayer Meeting	7:00 PM

Thursday

Celebrate Recovery	6:00 PM
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LOOKING AHEAD

Dec 20	Teens - Christmas Party
Dec 20	MACC Christmas Basket Deliveries
Dec 23	CCS Christmas Break
Dec 24	Christmas Eve Services AM & PM
Dec 25	Christmas Day
Dec 31	New Year's Eve Party
Jan 2	CCS Classes Resume
Jan 8	Ladies Ministry Meeting
Jan 13	All Church Work Day

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES



Wednesday Nights!

MCN Student Ministries meets most **Wednesday nights at 6:30PM**. All students in grades 6-12 are invited to join us to hang out, play games, and grow in our relationship with Jesus! For more info: connect with Pastor Chima or the church office at (860)646-8599.

Celebrate Recovery

Thursday Nights!

Come Celebrate Recovery and Spiritual Growth this Advent: Christ has Come! Christ Comes Today! Christ will Come in Glory! Celebrate Recovery meets every Thursday night from 7 – 9 pm at 218 Main St, Manchester. We Celebrate Christ's coming into our hearts with healing. It is a place where you can experience real growth - encouragement without condemnation.

6:15 pm **Fellowship Coffee**

7:00 pm **Teaching Meeting:
Just Say Yes!**

8:00 pm Women's or Men's Open
For more information, call/email
(860)432-8251 or
profdave8@cox.net

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MACC Christmas Baskets—Due Today

We have been putting together Christmas meal and gift baskets for local families in need. Today is the official deadline for bringing in items to be packed and delivered later this week. We will be making deliveries this **Wednesday the 20th, around 6PM**. See Cindy Augustine or Pastor Chima to see how you can help meet our delivery goals this week.

Children's Musical—"The Names of Jesus Spelling Bee"—TODAY

This morning, the MCN Kids will be performing their annual children's Christmas musical. This year's performance is called "The Names of Jesus Spelling Bee". Nancy Whitney has been working with our kids to bring us this Christmas celebration. We look forward to seeing (and hearing!) what Nancy and our children have spent the past few months working on!



Support Christian Education through Year-End Giving

The Cornerstone Christian School (CCS) is committed to engaging and educating young people to know and be transformed by Christ through the ways they think, act, learn, serve, and work together for God's Kingdom. Consider making a year-end donation to support the work God is doing at CCS. You can write a check to "CCS" or go to <https://tinyurl.com/yearendboard> or use the QR code on display in the foyer.

Pastoral Christmas Love Offering

As a way to express our love and appreciation for our pastoral families, we are receiving a Christmas love offering to be presented to the Whitneys and Ezeigbos this Christmas season! If you would like to give, just note "Christmas Love Offering" on your offering envelope or check.

Teen Christmas Party—Wednesday December 20 @ 6:30PM

All students in grades 6-12 are invited to join the youth group for a Christmas Party on December 20th in the McLain gym loft. We will have food, games, and a white elephant gift exchange. (No more than \$5, please!) We hope to see you there! We will also have an Ugly Christmas Sweater contest, so get creative. Friends are always welcome!

SERMON NOTES

Weekly Giving		
	Tithes & Offerings	Faith Promise
Received	\$5,650	\$236
Needed	\$7,500	\$450
Received YTD	\$262,128	\$14,741
Needed YTD	\$277,500	\$16,650
+Surplus or (-Deficit)	(-\$15,372)	(-\$1,909)