



**MANCHESTER CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**

218 Main Street, Manchester, CT • (860) 646-8599 • [mcnaz.com](http://mcnaz.com)

*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, DECEMBER 31, 2023**

Call to Worship & Welcome

Worship Through Song & Scripture

Prayer & Response

Announcements

Worship Through Giving  
Children Dismissed to Children's Church

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

MCN Student Ministries	6:30 PM
Prayer Meeting	7:00 PM

### Thursday

Celebrate Recovery	6:00 PM
--------------------	---------

## LOOKING AHEAD

<b>Dec 31</b>	New Year's Eve Party
<b>Jan 2</b>	CCS Board Meeting
<b>Jan 3</b>	Prayer Meeting Resumes
<b>Jan 8</b>	Ladies Ministry Meeting
<b>Jan 14</b>	Un-Decorating
<b>Jan 16</b>	MCN Board Meeting
<b>Jan 17</b>	Mid-Week Connection
<b>Jan 20</b>	Ladies Encouragement
<b>Jan 26-28</b>	NYI Teen Winter Retreat

## 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 Launch a New Season of Spiritual Recovery this New Year! 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 - support without condemnation.

6:15 pm **Fellowship Coffee**

7:00 pm **Teaching Meeting:  
Don't Get Stuck!**

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **New Year's Eve Party—Tonight @ 7PM**

Come and join us for a family-friendly night of fun and games tonight at 7PM for our annual New Year's Eve party! Bring some snacks to share and some games to play while we say goodbye to 2023! All ages are welcome! Bring your kids or bring a friend! This is a very casual gathering with no set end time, so there's no obligation to stay all night. Hope to see you there!

### **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.

### **New England NYI Winter Retreat—January 26-28**

All students in grades 6-12 are invited to join us at the annual District NYI Winter Retreat from **Friday, January 26—Sunday, January 28**. We will be heading up to the Berkshire First Church of the Nazarene in Dalton, MA. Students can choose from skiing, snowboarding, or tubing. We'll also spend time at the local YMCA and hear from great speakers and participate in worship services. Current registration price is **\$115 per student**, but if cost is an issue, please speak to Pastor Chima for assistance or if you have any other questions!



## END OF YEAR GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

Beyond paying our tithes to the local church, many MCN Nazarenes support other ministries and charities. Here is a short list of those we have worked with over the last year:

**Nazarene Mission International (NMI)** - We support our world-wide network of missionaries by giving to Nazarene Missions. Our "around-the-world" local churches also serve as our disaster relief network when it comes to delivering support in times of crisis.

**Nazarene Compassionate Ministries (NCM)** - From Sponsoring Children to supporting local projects around the world, NCM is our "good works" arm. Find a project at [NCM.org](http://NCM.org).

**Cornerstone Christian School (CCS)** - Our local educational ministry, Cornerstone provides a solid education from a Christian perspective. Never has this been more important.

**His Mansion Ministry** – A recovery facility, one of our own, Josiah Phelps, is on staff there in Deering, NH making a difference in the lives of those caught in various addictions.

**Loved by Jesus School** – David Blaney's Christian school in Ghana, Africa.

**International Students, Inc.** – Ruth Hartunian-Alumbaugh was here this past year to tell us about this ministry to foreign students at UCONN.

**MACC Food Pantry** – We partner with this local ministry that supplies food for families in our own city.

**Caring Families** – This ministry supports women in various ways, especially in medical and health related situations surrounding pregnancy.

In each situation, write checks to MCN and list the destination in the MEMO line. We will distribute for you, unless you want to send your check directly to the ministry itself.

Weekly Giving		
	Tithes & Offerings	Faith Promise
<b>Received</b>	<b>\$2,837</b>	<b>\$205</b>
<b>Needed</b>	<b>\$7,500</b>	<b>\$450</b>
<b>Received YTD</b>	<b>\$273,205</b>	<b>\$15,319</b>
<b>Needed YTD</b>	<b>\$292,500</b>	<b>\$17,5500</b>
<b>+Surplus or (-Deficit)</b>	<b>(-\$19,295)</b>	<b>(-\$2,231)</b>