

Last Sunday's Attendance	47
Last Sunday's Offering	\$3,080
Difference to Weekly Budgeted Offering	\$676
Offering YTD	\$36,630
Difference to Offering YTD	<\$1,834>

Pastor Joseph is ordinarily available, in the office, from 9a-12pm each weekday

We Want To Pray For You! - If you have a prayer need and would like us to pray for you, please fill out a pew card and place it in the offering plate. If you need **immediate prayer** please speak with Pastor Joseph after worship.

Study Ahead - May 4th: John 8:46-59: May 18th: Genesis 2:15-17, Genesis 17:7-14, 1Corinthians 11:23-32; May 25th: Genesis 1:26-30, Romans 8:18-25

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Dana Woodring

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Diann Barnett
Dana Constance
Leslie Lancy
Bonie Standridge
Judy Swartzmiller
Carrie Troyer



Sunday, April 27th
Before Abraham Was
John 8:48-59

Rev. Joseph Yerger, Pastor

A Sanctuary of Worship
A School of Religious Education
A Church Home with Open Doors



Welcome to Mansfield 1st Presbyterian!



Order of Worship: *April 27th, 2025*

Please take a moment to fill out pew pads

Call To Worship: (Psalm 119:1-3)

Pastor Joseph Yerger

***Hymn of Praise:**

#43 All Hail the Power of Jesus Name

Acolyte:

Elizabeth Bacquet

***Prayer of Adoration:**

Judy Swartzmiller

Call to Confession: (Psalm 119:4-6)

Judy Swartzmiller

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

(All)

Sovereign LORD, Your Law is perfect and good, yet we often prefer to rely upon our own understanding rather than follow Your instruction. Forgive our pridefulness, we pray. Forgive our arrogance, we pray. Inscribe Your Law within our hearts and help us to love and obey it. Preserve us from falling into the shame of transgression and keep us on Your path. Preserve us as blameless people, for the sake of Jesus Christ. Let us praise You and remain always confident, knowing that You will never forsake Your Chosen people. **AMEN**

Silent Prayers & Confessions:

Judy Swartzmiller

Assurance of Pardon: (Psalm 119:7-8)

Pastor Joseph Yerger

***Song of Response:**

#813 Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri)

Offertory:

Bernice Holman

***Song of Response:**

#815 Doxology

**Please stand as you are able*

Wonder Junction VBS Team Meeting Schedule

*** All meeting will be held in Westminster Room ***

Date	Time	Team
Monday, May 5th	6:30 - 7:30 pm	Game Team
Monday, May 12th	9:00 am - noon	Craft Team
Monday, May 19th	9:00 am - noon	Toddler / Pre-Primary Teachers
Monday, May 26th	9:00 am - noon	Primary / Junior Teachers
Saturday, May 24th	9:00 am - noon	Set Construction Team
Monday, June 2nd	9:00 am - 10:00 am	Snack Team

All team members should bring their corresponding guides and any questions they may have as we prepare lessons and materials for VBS week.

Set-Up / Decorating Days

Please plan on attending at least one

Tuesday, June 3rd - 9:00 am - noon

Wednesday, June 4th - 9:00 am - noon

Thursday, June 5th - 9:00 am - noon

Tear-Down Day

Saturday, June 14th - 9:00 am - noon

Westminster Larger Catechism

Q. 42. Why was our Mediator called Christ?

A. Our Mediator was called Christ, because he was anointed with the Holy Ghost above measure; and so set apart, and fully furnished with all authority and ability, to execute the offices of prophet priest, and king of his church, in the estate both of his humiliation and exaltation.

t. Matt. 1:21, 23. Matt. 3:17. 1 Pet. 2:6. w. Matt. 1:21. x. Matt. 3:16. Acts 10:37–38. John 3:34. Ps. 45:7. .y. John 6: Rom. 1:3–4.

Sermon Notes

Whenever we see a reference to “the Jews” in John’s Gospel, remember that John intends the Jewish religious leadership and **not all ethnic or religious Jews.*

***Prayer of Thanksgiving:**

Pastor Joseph Yerger

Children's Message: *kids come down to the left side step*

Pastor Joseph Yerger

Children are released to go to Kids Own Worship

Prayers for God’s People and the Lord’s Prayer

(All)

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. **AMEN**

Hymn of Preparation:

#549 Higher Ground

The Word of God**

The Scripture Reading: John 8:46-59

Sermon: Before Abraham Was

***Affirmation of Faith: (The Apostles Creed)**

(All)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. **Amen.**

***Sending Song:**

#575 Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Benediction:

Pastor Joseph Yerger

**Please stand as you are able*

*** Found on page 841 in the pew Bible.*

This Week at Mansfield 1st Presbyterian Church

Sunday, April 27th	9 am	Sunday School
	10 am	Worship Service
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour
Monday, April 28th	1 pm	Quilters
Wednesday, April 30th	12 pm	Staff Meeting
Sunday, May 4th	9 am	Sunday School
	10 am	Worship Service w/Preschool Singing
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour

I am asking that you hold rummage sale donations until the first week in May. My loyal workers need to rest before beginning to work on the next sale. It takes months to prepare for each sale. Any questions, please call Diann Barnett 419-756-8720

Dear Mansfield First Presbyterian Church family, I can’t thank you enough for reaching out to me and my family at our time of loss. Your congregation holds a special place in my heart because of your kindness to me and loving care of my kids, Jodie & Joe. I’m grateful that we are part of the church of God together, and grateful for all of you. Blessings on you as you celebrate our Lord’s resurrection! Much love, Jonna High (Jodie’s mom)

Church Shirts - Order form is in the Narthex, payment due upon delivery. Last day to order is May 4th. (\$12 adult & youth S-XL; \$14 2X & up)

We are collecting notes & cards of God’s love and encouragement for the teachers of our Preschool. The collection box is located in the Narthex.

Game Night, May 20th at 5pm - We will be doing Bible Trivia. Please bring an appetizer to share.

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Praise

David Steveline, cancer scans clear after 2 rounds of radiation
For all those that God has put in our lives to help us, love us & pray for us
Our American Freedoms
Our Freedom to worship the LORD

Prayers of Petition

Healing for Jim Standridge
Healing for Elle Woodring, hip and knee replacement
Healing for Ms. Vivian Stevens
Healing for Margaret Baker
Healing for Dianna Hammer
Healing for Chuck Fancourt, foot surgery
Healing for Martha Ball
Healing for Sandy Shaun
Healing for Margaret Johnstone
Healing for Blane Young, 15y.o, stage 4 cancer
Healing for Rita Copper
Healing for Janis Gibbs
Healing for Rodney, stroke
Healing for Rich, infection in feet
Healing for Lucy, recent cancer diagnosis
Healing for Shane Murphy, broken hip

Healing for Ken, broken arm
Healing for Laura, aortic aneurysm
Comfort & strength for Sherry & her sister (caretaking for their parents), Healing for their mother, full body cancer, hip replacement , dementia.
Healing for Meyer Mixdorf, 9 year old, with a recurrence of brain cancer
Family and friends of Dorothy Powell (Jodie’s grandmother), in mourning
Theresa Plutko, health & housing issues
Christine Bell, as she seeks a new church appointment in the Global Methodist Church
Friends and family of Wendy, in mourning
Sid Hall
Joe Hayes
Mandy Cordle
Pam White
Creta Barber
Chester Geiser
Our Preschool & Staff
Richland Pregnancy Services
Safe Harbor / 8 Days of Hope
Bernice Holeman
Frank Daniell
The Thomassen Family