

CHURCH FINANCE'S	
Last Sunday's Attendance	42
Last Sunday's Offering	\$1,370
Difference to Weekly Budgeted Offering	<\$1,034>
Offering YTD	\$20,696
Difference to Offering YTD	\$3,868

- * **Sermon Notes** - Available in the Narthex
- * **Listening devices are available upon request**

- * **Church Directory** - The church directory is available by request from the church office.
- * **Interested in becoming a church member?** Please talk to Pastor Joseph
- * **WE WANT TO PRAY FOR YOU:** If you have an immediate prayer need and would like us to pray for you, please fill out the pew card and place it in the offering plate. Be as thorough as possible so we can most effectively pray for you.
- * **Kids Own Worship** - Kids in Kindergarten-4th grade are invited to participate in Kids Own Worship following the Children’s Message
Lesson: Giving What We Have to Jesus; Luke 10, John 11-12
- * **Please join us in the Parlor after worship for Coffee Hour, coffee, punch, treats & fellowship.**

Contact Us at Mansfield 1st (EPC)

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Elders

Tucker Bacquet, Randy Richard, Judy Swartzmiller, Ben Troyer, Dana Woodring



Sunday, February 25th, 2024
John's Testimony, Part 1
Jesus Reveals the Father
 John 1:14-18

Rev. Joseph Yerger, Pastor

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



Welcome to Mansfield 1st EPC



Order of Worship

February 25th, 2024

Please take a moment to fill out pew pads

Sermon Notes

Call To Worship: (Psalm 82:1-2)

Pastor Joseph Yerger

***Hymn of Praise:**

#139 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

***Prayer of Adoration:**

Judy Swartzmiller

Call to Confession: (Psalm 82:3-7)

Judy Swartzmiller

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

(All)

LORD, while You alone are the God of Justice You are also the God of Mercy and Grace. Rescue us and grant us the mercy of Your forgiveness. Deliver us from the clutches of the wicked. Preserve us against the devil's flaming darts. Teach us Your truth, give us confidence to stand firm in faith against all of the many lies which the world presents. Let our foundation be firm upon the the Rock of Jesus Christ and let that foundation never be shaken or moved. We believe, help our unbelief and let us see Your almighty hand working miracles in the world around us. Let us see how Your grace abounds and satisfies our every need, and then let us be built up in love for You and our neighbor, as we respond to Your great goodness by giving You all the glory. **AMEN**

Silent Prayers & Confessions:

Judy Swartzmiller

Assurance of Pardon: (Psalm 82:8)

Pastor Joseph Yerger

***Song of Response:**

#813 Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri)

Offertory:

De and Randy Richard, Angie Hunter

Agnus Dei with How Great Thou Art, arr. by Joel Raney

***Song of Response:**

#815 Doxology

***Prayer of Thanksgiving:**

Pastor Joseph Yerger

**Please stand as you are able*

Sunday School

Visitors Are Welcome!

- Pastor Joseph teaches adult Sunday School at 9:00 am in the Library. We are studying the Gospel of Mark. Coffee is provided.

- We also have classes available for children age 3-Kindergarten (Begin with Jesus), Kindergarten -2nd grade (Show me Jesus), for grades 3rd-6th (Closer to Jesus), and for 7th-12th grade (Grow with Jesus). Each class begins at 9 am on Sunday morning.

Prime Time - Meets every other Wednesday. This study is for any adults, beginning at 4pm. **Next meets on March 6th**

Spirit Seekers - Meets every other Sunday at noon for lunch with the bible study afterwards. This study is for those in their 20's-50's and is divided into 'Parents' & Youth. **Next meets on March 3rd**

Kids O' the Kirk - The youth companion group to Spirit Seekers. **Next meets on March 3rd**

Children's Message:

Kids come down to the left-side steps

Children are released to go to Kids Own Worship

Prayers for God's People - Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6:9-13)

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**

Song of Preparation:

#308 There Is a Redeemer

The Word of God**

The Scripture Reading: John 1:14-18

Sermon: John's Testimony, Part 1 – Jesus Reveals the Father

***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:**

#401 The Church's One Foundation

Benediction:

Pastor Joseph Yerger

**Please stand as you are able ** Found on pages 863 in the red pew Bible.*



<u>Prayers of Thanksgiving and Praise</u>	Maxine Smith
The LORD is Sovereign over ALL THINGS	Don Harding
Our American Freedoms	Sally and Bill Wyatt
Our Freedom to worship the LORD	Ms. Vivian Stevens
<u>Prayers of Petition</u>	Elizabeth Arthur
Healing for Carol Nemeth	Patsy Himes
Healing for Martha Ball	Jim Standridge
Healing for Pat Olsen	Hazel Bigner & family
Healing for Dan Davis	Jon & Dorothy Powell, Home Hospice
Healing for Beverly Urschel	Maureen Doherty
Healing for Joseph James	Mark Doherty
Healing for Meg Wyatt O’Rourk	Kenly Scott, improve vision
Healing for Martha Montague	The Thomassen Family
Healing for Nik Stevens	James Willis
Healing for Edda Braun	Brandi Coe
Healing for David Doerr	Caroline Ruth, home hospice
Healing for Agie	JH
Healing for Janis Gibbs	Justin
Healing for Ryan Christman	Eurobrass
Sid Hall & family in mourning	Chris and Emily Carpenter and family
Erna & Frank Becker	Over ——>
Cindy Hessin	

Our Preschool is looking for volunteers to help them in the classroom. Please sign up in the Narthex, if interested.

From March 3rd-17th We will collect boxes and bags of cereal to donate to the Salvation Army Food Pantry. Please consider writing a note of encouragement & God’s love on the boxes or bags you bring in.



This Week at Mansfield 1st EPC

Office hours are M-F 8am-noon

Sunday, February 25th	9 am	Sunday School
	10 am	Worship Service
	11:30 am	Session Meeting
Monday, February 26th	1 pm	Quilters
Wednesday, February 28th	12 pm	Staff Meeting
Thursday, February 29th	10 am	Prayer Group
Sunday, March 3rd	9 am	Sunday School
	10 am	Family Worship Service *No Kids Own Worship*
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour
	12 pm	Spirit Seekers & Kids of the Kirk Bible Study



EduNations and its students

Families & children of the Sudan

Our Congregation

Pastor Joseph & Jodie

Shawn Wade & Our Preschool

For Our City, Our Nation & Civic
Leaders (for wisdom, grace, peace)

Reverend El Akuchie, Mansfield City
Councilman, 3rd Ward

Mayor Jodie Perry

First Responders (Police, Fire, EMS)

All Christians being persecuted
around the globe

For Revival in our city, state & coun-
ty

Palestinian Christians

Jerusalem and all those in harms way

For everyone else not listed, but also
in need of prayer

Our Empty Bowls dinner

The Youth of Richland County

YMCA Stronger Through Prayer:

2/14

I ask your prayers for my new
job.....from Brooke.

I ask your prayers for Ricky's new job
at the Y.

Continued prayers for healing for Sal-
ly, Lanny, Marilyn and Dean and Jack
Cowell.

2/7

Ricky, find a job

Healing for Sally Oswalt

Healing for Lanny Reader

Healing and Strength for Jack Cowell



*to everyone who helped
at our Empty Bowls
Fundraiser yesterday!*

HEIDELBERG CATECHISM

LORD'S DAY 8

24. Q. How are these articles divided?

A. Into three parts: the first is about God the Father and our creation; the second about God the Son and our redemption; the third about God the Holy Spirit and our sanctification.

25. Q. Since there is only one God,¹ why do you speak of three persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?

A. Because God has so revealed himself in his Word² that these three distinct persons are the one, true, eternal God.

¹ Deut 6:4; Is 44:6; 45:5; 1 Cor 8:4, 6.

² Gen 1:2, 3; Is 61:1; 63:8-10; Mt 3:16, 17; 28:18, 19; Lk 4:18; Jn 14:26; 15:26;

2 Cor 13:14; Gal 4:6; Tit 3:5, 6.