



MONEE FREE
METHODIST CHURCH

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To Know Christ, Exalt Christ, and Share Christ.

Small Group Opportunities:

- **Pathos Youth Ministries:** Every Sunday Night 6:30-8:30pm. Includes Service Opportunities, large group activity, and small group interaction. Everyone also meeting Wednesday Nights at MFMC for bible study @ 6:30-7:30pm. Be sure to check calendar for specifics!
- **Quizzers:** Please see Jim Setty if you are interested in joining the Monee FM Quiz Team! Practice began September 1st. Next Quiz April 9th @ Waukegan, IL.
- **Men's Group:** Meets at PJ's Ice Cream Parlor in Manteno Thursdays 6:30pm.

Who We Are

We are a Bible-believing church that seeks to know Christ. We have a desire to teach others to know Him the same way. At Monee Free Methodist you will learn to build a relationship with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

In our worship service, we hope you will enjoy and be refreshed in our casual, relaxed and versatile, family environment. "Come as you are" is what we say and practice.

Opportunities include: Sunday School- For All Ages: Learning and sharing God's Word.
Wednesday Night- Adult bible study and planned events each month for children that are safe, fun and encourage faith.

Our Sunday Worship hour offers a Children's Church Program (3 years through 2nd grade) where children are dismissed right before the morning message. We also offer a Nursery for children 3 years and younger. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact the Church Office at 708-534-5683. Please join us for the opportunities to learn and serve Christ!

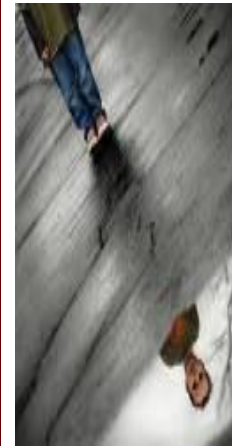


THE CROSSLINK...

KEEPING CURRENT WITH THE HAPPENINGS AT MFMC

Mirror

by Interim Pastor Paul Alf



Sometimes I think it would be fun to be a mirror for a day and see the things they see. I would laugh at people making really weird faces as they try to pick something out of their teeth and laugh at someone flexing as they check out their muscles. When you look in the mirror, what do you see? So often people only see their own flaws. They see things that are out of place and things that are growing in places they shouldn't.

Have you ever heard how Gold is made? First, impure gold is harvested and placed over a very hot fire so all the gunk, and all the impurities can be burned out of the gold. The gold smith looks at the gold and when he sees his own reflection in the gold, he knows that it is pure, perfect, gold. This process is called refiner's fire. This is just what God wants to do to us. He takes our impure self, and takes away our all our gunk, until he can see Himself reflected in us. Then He knows that we are pure.

So I will ask the question again, when you look in the mirror what do you see? Do you see your imperfections, your faults, your sins? God wants us to see Himself...He wants us to see a glimpse of himself when we look in the mirror.

To know what Jesus looks like, we don't have to go any farther than the fruits of the spirit found in Galatians 5. Jesus is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. If we clothe ourselves with these then we will be a reflection of Christ. My prayer is that when people see our church they see a reflection of Christ. When they look at you, may they see Him. When they look at me, may they see Him. When I look myself in the mirror, I hope I don't just see my sins and failures. I hope I see Christ shining through me.

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: 'Every Sunday/All Ages' Program @ 9:30am

The Children's Church class will also reinforce those truths by learning from the same books of the bible. Each week offering a unique truth;

- Jesus' Life Foretold
- Jesus Announces He's the Christ
- Jesus Enters Into Jerusalem
- Jesus Asks John to Take Care of His Mother
- Jesus and the Miraculous Catch of Fish



Please look for opportunities to reinforce this learning about God's truth, it is a treasure. Please see Sandi Dasch for ministry opportunities in the Children's area!

Children's Church Scripture Focus

- 'God Gave Me His Son As An Example to Follow'



The GQ (gentle quiet) Woman

Do not let your adornment be merely outward—arranging the hair, wearing gold, or putting on fine apparel—rather let it be the hidden person of the heart, with the incorruptible beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is very precious in the sight of God. 1 Peter 3:3-4

We are welcoming women of all ages to join together at the MFMC fellowship hall @ 6:30pm on April 5th.

Join with us as we:

seek to bring you into the family of God

through the gospel message, and to edify those who are in the Body,

through the fellowship and comfort of one another.

This month's focus will be 'Growing in Organization'

John 6:48 "I am the Bread of Life."

*For **Easter Sunday** we will be decorating the church with bulb plants once again. The cost is \$10.00 and after the service you can take home your choice of Hyacinth, Daffodil, or Tulips. Your plants can be in honor of or in memory of your loved ones. Forms will be included in the bulletins beginning Sunday, April 3rd. See Carol or Don Schirmer.*



Annual Easter Brunch and Egg Hunt

We need your help in making great memories for our littlest disciples in the making. Our annual Easter Brunch 9am and Egg Hunt 10:30am is scheduled for Saturday April 23rd! Experience the JOY of remembering the Life and death of our Savior through this god-given opportunity for fellowship, food, gospel message, searching for 'golden' eggs, & service to our community! See Sandi Dasch for ways to help :)

The Balm of Bahamas Cruise

WHEN: April 2nd @ 6:30pm

WHERE: Tuscany Restaurant



Manteno \$20.00 per person

Tilly Song (a megastar singer) has hired a luxury-plus cruiser to see the Bahamas and have a holiday. She has invited a variety of other famous people along to share the lobster. But just as the party was about to start, Karl Virgil, musician and mad-man troublemaker, has been found overboard as full of water as he was of his own self-importance. Was it one of the singers, actors, the tennis player or basketball star, or one of the others? Al-

though we have more comedians on-board than we do detectives, this is no laughing matter. We have to find out who did it!

Treasurer's Report

Don't forget we now offer the option of online giving www.moncefmc.org for your convenience. Offering for March is \$10,727.00

The budget for the month of April is \$11,675.00. If you have questions about the budget you may contact Treasurer Don Schirmer or Pastor Paul.

"Honor the Lord by giving Him the first part of all your income."

Proverbs 3:9

PLEASE NOTE

DIRECTORY

CORRECTIONS :(

Be sure to pick up labels for appropriate address corrections.

DEB THOMPSON WOULD PREFER TO BE CONTACTED BY PHONE NOT THE EMAIL LISTED.

JoAnn Alo Birthday 12/9

David Alo Birthday 6/7

Alo Anniversary 6/6

Mark Mowers Lives on South Linden not West.

birthdays

Bill Kimbrel Jr. 4/27

Tim Gerlich 7/21

Bill Kimbrel 10/11

Sandi Bolsoni 10/11

Alice Larson 10/30

John Keith Jr. 4/10