

Thank You...

To all who helped organize, cook, chaperone and house for the youth rally!

The teens were blessed by their time with other young people from around New England.

Having a church family that cares about its young people and takes interest in their spiritual growth is a huge blessing!

So, thank you for doing your part to make our youth rally a success!



Notes from the Elders:

If you're like the rest of us, you probably have questions about whether or not you are serving the Lord as He desires. Some days, things happen and you realize God's hand is there helping you. Others, you feel nothing and may wonder why. Some days, you might be ashamed of your weaknesses. Other days, you may not even notice or care. The Bible states that when you align your life with God's path, there will be more good days than bad (Romans 8:28, Romans 12:1-2). If you are having trouble seeing God in your life, we would like to help. Have a blessed week!



We are so pleased that you have joined us for worship this morning. If you are visiting, we hope that you will feel warmly welcomed by our church family. Our prayer is that you may be encouraged and uplifted as we worship together. Please join us downstairs after worship for some coffee and fellowship, followed by bible classes for all ages.

Our Ministers:

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Doug Paul- Education
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If you have any concerns that the elders should be aware of, or need to speak with them, please contact Barry or Charles this month.



Our Family

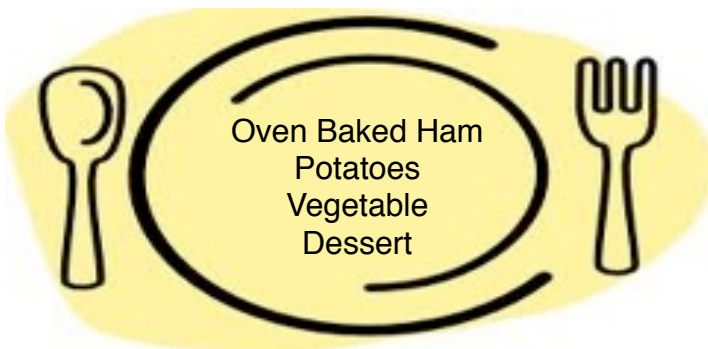
May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope. ~Romans 15:1



News & Important Dates:

- April 26:** Outreach & Service committee meeting
- April 26-28:** Gander Brook Center for Christian Leadership
- April 27:** Elder/Deacon meeting 9:00
- May 3-5:** New England Lectureship
- May 6:** Monday Night for the Master
- May 13:** Family Prayer Night
- May 18:** Groton CT seminar "How to Evangelize Your Community" with Stafford North

Menu for 4/24 Wednesday evening supper:



Attention Ladies!

April 27th: Ladies Retreat Planning meeting 10 a.m. Concord.

May 11th: Edgewood Ladies

Day- registration forms available in the foyer



- ▶ **WORK** —Candy Chase; Marie Levesque -job needed; Gary Chase's job adjustment; Justin Chase-difficult work situation.
- ▶ **SYMPATHY** -- to Linda Paul on the death of her brother Peter
- ▶ **PRAISE!**- Mandy's friend Erin is recovering from being in a coma! Sharon & George Abood are grandparents! Baby Eden Elizabeth was born on Monday.
- ▶ **PERSONAL STRUGGLES** — Mark Brown & his daughter Emma; Cory Roukey faith and guidance; Jim Kenison; Blessing Kavari and baby Christopher (friends of Anne Davis)
- ▶ **HEALING & COMFORT** - Victims of the Boston bombing; Victims of the West, TX fertilizer plant explosion; Linda Tetrault; Randy Chase's dad; Linda Carroll's granddaughter Sophia- very ill; David Black-in rehab; Rick Gelinas - chemo, CMC room E215; Linda Paul-healing from rotator cuff surgery; John Matthew-pain & treatment; Deb Garvin's son Richard-diagnosis & treatment; Virginia Gray(Susie's mom)-radiation treatments.
- ▶ **SITUATIONS**-- Penny to find a new aide.
For the LeCats to sell their house.



**If you have updates to prayer requests, please call the office or let Susie know.*



Anger and the Proverbs



Anger is a pretty common problem among non-Christians and Christian alike. It is an emotion that can overwhelm us and provoke us to say and do things about which we are often deeply sorry or even horrified later. What can learn from the book of Proverbs to help us prevent, control, and cool down our anger?

WARNINGS ABOUT ANGRY PEOPLE

Proverbs 19:19 “A man of great anger will bear the penalty, For if you rescue him, you will only have to do it again.” — Here’s another warning about the angry-guy: he’s going to get in big trouble somewhere along the way — count on it! Don’t be that guy!

Proverbs 29:22 “An angry man stirs up strife, And a hot-tempered man abounds in transgression.” — It’s not so much that anger is itself is wrong; even God gets angry. It’s what we are prone to do when we’re angry — sin. When we’re angry, we aren’t thinking all that rationally and are likely to do things that we’d never do in our right mind. So it is with the angry-guy, the guy on a constant hair-trigger — constantly prone to think, say, and do the wrong things, because they’re not thinking things through, not letting the Lord guide them, not considering the consequences.

Proverbs 15:18 “A hot-tempered man stirs up strife, But the slow to anger calms a dispute.” — People that are on a “hair-trigger” are often in the middle of arguments, strife, and hurt feelings. Don’t be that guy! Jesus (and the proverb here) teaches that there is a blessing for the peacemaker, who is (according to the Proverb here) the one who keeps his anger reined in.

Proverbs 16:32 “He who is slow to anger is better than the mighty, And he who rules his spirit, than he who captures a city.” — There is both a warning here and a word of congratulation to those who do rein in their anger. The warning: once anger gets a hold on you, it’s like a war to get control of yourself again; so, don’t let it get that far. And when you do find yourself in the control of anger and your deliberately regain control of yourself, you are to be congratulated and applauded.

ARE THERE ANY SECRETS TO CONTROLLING IT?

Proverbs 19:11 “A man’s discretion makes him slow to anger, And it is his glory to overlook a transgression.” — Here’s a secret to keeping control, evaluate whether the offense is really worth getting angry about; use discretion and overlook offenses, when possible. Not everything is a big deal; not everything is worth blowing a gasket. Some “offenses” are accidents; some offenders are genuinely unaware of their offense; some things are so small in the big picture that we need to learn to let them “roll off our backs”; and sometimes our anger is completely useless anyway (there’s nothing to be done about a broken shoestring, for example). Save your anger for something really worth while.

Proverbs 30:33 “For the churning of milk produces butter, And pressing the nose brings forth blood; So the

churning of anger produces strife.” — And here’s another secret: don’t “churn” your resentments; don’t constantly turn them over in your mind; change the channel! Here was probably the problem with Cain against Abel, he probably just turned it over in his mind until he became enraged and killed his own brother.

Proverbs 15:1 “A gentle answer turns away wrath, But a harsh word stirs up anger.” — Not only does this proverb teach that a quiet voice will help us stay rational (a scientific claim, too), but it also makes the obvious observation that answering angry words with more angry words just make matters worse. In other words, if you want to make matters worse (angrier, more irrational, more out of control), go ahead and fight fire with fire.

Proverbs 29:8 “Scorners set a city aflame, But wise men turn away anger.” — Want to start a really big fight? Try this: “You’re nothing, you’re worthless!” Etc. It’s scorn, contempt, and disdain; and it’s the shortcut to a brawl. Want to try to make peace? Let the other person know that they are valued, loved, and cared for.

Proverbs 22:24, 25 “Do not associate with a man given to anger; Or go with a hot-tempered man, Or you will learn his ways And find a snare for yourself.” — Want another great secret to keeping your cool? Don’t hang out with the angry-guy. We’re all influenced by the people that we associate with. Hang out with controlled people and you’ll learn how to control yourself; hang out with angry people and you’ll learn how to be angry. Angry fathers usually produce angry sons — and it’s not just the genetics. Remember, Paul also said, (1 Corinthians 15:33) “Do not be deceived: ‘Bad company corrupts good morals.’”

Proverbs 25:23 “The north wind brings forth rain, And a backbiting tongue, an angry countenance.” — Sometimes we haven’t the courage to speak directly to someone who’s offended us (as Jesus commands, Matthew 18:15), so we decide to talk about them behind their backs. But as sure as a wind from the northeast in the winter (I’m speaking to New Englanders, now) brings a big snow storm, backbiting words will start a fight. You won’t avoid a confrontation by this kind of behavior, you provoke it!

The Christian isn’t super-human and will occasionally be provoked to anger, the difference ought to be in how we handle it. Use these gems from God’s word to guide you in your personal spiritual growth.

Park Linscomb



THE MANCHESTER CHURCH OF CHRIST "WE ARE HERE & WE CARE" APRIL 21, 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
21 Youth Rally!	22 Happy Birthday Caroline Apgar Happy Anniversary Tom & Linda Carroll	23	24 Happy Birthday Quila Burkett	25 Happy Anniversary Rick & Sharon Gordon	26 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">GBCCL (26-28)</div>	27 elder/deacon mtg 9:00 Ladies Retreat Planning 10:00 Concord Mark Brown Concert 8:00
28 Happy Birthday George Abood	29	30	MAY 1	2	3 Happy Birthday Matthew Karafelis <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">New England Lectureship (3-5)</div>	4
5 Happy Anniversary Beth & Carl King	6 Happy Birthday Sue Bell Monday Night for the Master	7 Happy Anniversary Patrick & Deb Garvin	8 Happy Birthday Kaylee Daggett	9 Happy Birthday Mary Roukey	10 Happy Birthday Nicole Cordaro	11 elder/ preacher mtg 8:30 Edgewood Ladies Day
12	13 Happy Birthday Noelani Hillhouse & Casey Peacock	14 Family Prayer Night	15	16 Happy Birthday Marge Simon	17	18

TEENS!

Great Job on the Youth Rally!



Tuesday Chill 7-8 pm

The Manchester church of Christ

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Secretary office hours: Monday-Friday 9:00-1:00

Our Worship Services

Sunday AM: 9:30

Bible Class: 11:00

Sunday PM: 6:00 (3rd Sunday congregational potluck @ 5:00)

Small Groups:

West Side: 5:30 at Doug Paul's house,
Christian Ethics.

Merrimack: 5:30 , youth studies

Wednesday PM Devotional/Bible Classes: 7:00

Contact David Skerry with Benevolence/Pantry
needs.



W O R S H I P S C H E D U L E	April 28	WORSHIP LEADERS
	Gary Diaz	Songs
	Dave Skerry	Closing Prayer
	Casey Peacock	Scripture
	Stuart Peacock	Lord's supper
	Alana Cottrell	Worship Tech
	Mike Moser	Coordinator
	Larry Glass	Call to Worship
	Park L.	Songs pm
	April 24-Doug Paul	Wed Songs
April 24-Barry Fogal	Wed Devotional	

Statistics

Sunday morning attendance:....152

Sunday morning contribution:

Weekly budget.....\$3800.00

Pantry served 3 Families this week.