

MILLERSBURG CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

“In the heart of the community, with the community at heart.”

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Members of the Millersburg Gloryland Band that performed in February - minus Juanita Heider, Susan Groves and Vic Phelps - will perform in June. They are: Jeff and Barbara Moran, Larry Brown, Lonnie Vaughan, Beth Haas and Patty Eggleston.

June 21, Bluegrass Worship Service

Millersburg Gloryland Band will lead the music for our next Bluegrass Worship Service on Saturday, June 21st. Music starts at 4:45 pm, and worship begins at 5:00 pm. Our theme will be Pentecost, so plan to join us and tap your toes to some lively spirit, dove, and wind songs! And you are welcome to join us afterwards for refreshments and conversation.

Reflections
Rev. Barbara K. Gulick

Powered by the Spirit

When the day of Pentecost had come, all the disciples were gathered together in one place. Suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind and it filled the entire house. Divided tongues, as of fire, rested on each of them and they were filled with the Holy Spirit. (Acts 2: 1-3)

As members of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Pentecost, coming up June 8th and talk of the coming of the Holy Spirit with violent wind and tongues of fire, makes us uneasy. We are people of reason and intelligent faith; and the Holy Spirit doesn't quite sound reasonable to us. Yet our New Testament faith is insistent upon it. It is the fulfillment of Jesus' promise to the first disciples that he will not leave them orphaned. Throughout his ministry, Jesus preached a baptism of the Holy Spirit - not water, but the spirit. Moments before being taken up into heaven Jesus promised that his disciples "will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you and you will be my witnesses to the ends of the earth."

Power it seems is the key to understanding the Holy Spirit - the power to do things we never could accomplish on our own. Good Christians come up with lots of good ideas - some of them may even be inspired by God. But left to our own devices - we don't seem to quite be able to pull them off - at least not the way God had in mind. Our good ideas become nothing more than good intentions or even ideas we should have spent more time praying about. We don't always hear God's word quite right. It is the spirit that empowers us to tackle those things God calls us to do that sound impossible at the time. And it is the leading of the spirit that keeps us on the right track. Lately there has been a powerful wind blowing around MCC empowering us to continue our efforts to organize a community response to the possibility of disaster and shaking the rafters with blue grass worship. We can only hold on tight and thrill at the possibilities of where the spirit is leading us next!

To God be the glory!!! Amen! and Amen!

WHAT: Fundraiser to benefit the Millersburg Cemetery and Millersburg Volunteer Fire Department

WHERE: Baumgartner Farm - end of County Road 352

WHEN: June 1, 2014 - 1:00 to 4:00

PRICE: \$15 for a 3-4 pound slab of cooked ribs

ACTIVITIES: Hayrides with history and humor

Tour the 175 year old tobacco barn

Fish in the lake if you would like

See the fire trucks

Visit with friends and neighbors

Hike the trail along the creek



Our Graduates!!



Congratulations to Kristen Bright, who graduated May 10th from the University of Central Missouri with a Bachelor of Science in Education. She is teaching in a summer program in Lee's Summit this summer.



Amiria Harper-Rose completed with honors in December, the necessary requirements for a BFA degree from New York University. This week she participated in the 2014 commencement in Yankee Stadium and the Tisch School of Fine Arts Film and Television program at Radio City Music Hall. She will begin work in Los Angeles with The Young Turks, an online news show.



Congratulations to Suzie Whitmar, who graduated May 16th from Fulton High School. She will be attending Truman State University this fall. She has been a wonderful babysitter for us as well as pitching in where needed and we will miss her.

Our Committees At Work!

Missions Committee

On May 3rd, MCC hosted the Red Cross Sheltering Essentials conducted by Phil Iman, Regional Red Cross Director. The morning session comprised aspects of shelter. Lunch was served by MCC. The afternoon session took place at the Millersburg Lion's Club, determining how it could be set up as an emergency shelter. Half of the group acted as intake personnel. The other half role played persons affected by the disaster.

In the materials was a list of suggested items that might be needed in setting up a shelter. Patty Eggleston had gotten a \$50 gift card donated by Wal-Mart which was not needed to cover the cost of food. She has purchased most of the items on the list. Members of the congregation are supplying the remainder. The items will be kept in a plastic tub under the counter in the kitchen.

Mr. Iman had offered a set of Red Cross preprinted signs which Beth Haas is obtaining. Elaine Long has printed necessary intake forms to be kept on file in the tub if ever needed.

A Missions committee meeting was held after church May 4th. Tom Haas has volunteered to be responsible for the Moser's receipts. Karen Ackley has volunteered to be responsible for the UPC Best Choice labels.

Last year, MCC did not participate in Festival of Sharing due to repair of extensive damage to the church basement. This year, we will put together personal hygiene kits for incarcerated women starting in June and throughout the summer. Items needed are listed below. The Festival of Sharing will be October 18th.

Christian Education

Blast Off with VBS Launching Kids on a Mission of God's Love

Vacation Bible School is coming up July 11 and 12. Fun activities are being planned for the kids. VBS will start the Friday evening, July 11 at 6 pm and run until about 8:30 pm. Saturday, July 12 will run from 9 – 11:30 am.

God loves us, so love each other will be a key theme as they Blast Off on their mission to learn about Jesus. This program is filled with Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear and touch. Please pass the word along to any kids you know. VBS is the most fun when there are lots of kids to share the experience.

One of the items we need to borrow from a church member is a pop-up canopy. This will be decorated and be the location where the kids have their lesson during VBS. If anyone has one they would let VBS borrow, please contact Sarah at 573-819-0806 or sb.gehring@gmail.com.

The next two planning meetings will be after church on June 8 and July 6. Contact Sarah with any questions.

Women's Prison Pack - Pack Value \$ 9.00

The hygiene items in this pack will be given to the women in the Vandalia Prison and the Chillicothe facilities. There are approximately 3,000 women housed in the MO prison system. The women must purchase their own shampoo, deodorant and toothpaste through the prison store. However, most women don't have money to purchase any of these items. The Department of Corrections has very strict rules about what can be given. So we need to carefully check that none of the products contain alcohol.

Often a person ends up in prison because of choices they have made. A bad choice can mean that there are tough consequences. While we and the women understand that they lose certain privileges, our faith teachings tell us that we want to show them the love and compassion that God has for everyone.

1 -Shampoo (12-16 oz. size, alcohol-free only, must be transparent)

***Acceptable brands: Suave, Equate Herbal, Personal Care Herbal, Alberto VO5, Style**

1 -tube toothpaste (6 - 6.4 oz. size, alcohol-free only)

***Acceptable brands: Ultrabrite, Colgate, Crest, Aquafresh & Gleem**

1 -Deodorant (2-3 oz. size, alcohol-free only, no roll-ons, no men's brands)

***Acceptable brands: Mitchum for Women, Almay Clear Gel, Soft & Dri, Crystal Stick**

1 Emery board

1 Pencil

5 Standard envelopes with 5 sheets of writing paper (6" X 9" folded in thirds, with part of the paper not in the envelope.)

Toothbrushes are not allowed as part of these kits.

AROUND AND ABOUT MCC!



Rev. Gulick delivering the message at the April Bluegrass Worship service behind the lovely mix of spring flowers that decorated our sanctuary during Holy Week!



Larry Baumgartner, Jay Harmon, Anna Sue Harmon and Jeff Moran - better known as "The Holy Folders" working hard on YOUR monthly newsletter! Joyce Schermerhorn and Barbara Moran are also members of this elite group.



Elaine Long and Beth Haas provided organization, coordination, and lunch for our recent Sheltering Fundamentals class taught by Red Cross Regional Director Phil Iman.

Save the Date!

July 13! After worship on that Sunday we will be enjoying food and fellowship. More details will be coming from the Membership Committee.

Also, the Pastoral Relations Committee will be meeting July 27th after church to discuss budget requests for the next year. All members should plan to attend this very important meeting.

Members are:

Sarah Gehring (chair) – 2014-2016

Jeff Moran (2014)

Joyce Schermerhorn (2014)

Karen Ackley (2015)

Dan Cassidy (2015)

Beth Haas (2016)

Bill Anderson (2016)



Dear MCC friends –

Thank you so much for all of the phone calls, cards and prayers on the passing of Terry's mother, Jewell Fritz. It meant a lot to know that so many cared.

Sincerely,
Terry & Vicki Fritz

Prayers for:

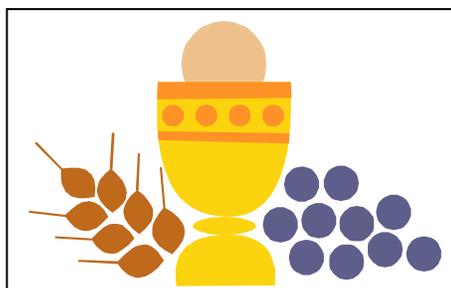
*Suzie Whitmar, whose grandmother passed away recently.

*Sincere sympathy for Terry Fritz, whose mother, Jewel passed away recently.

*Sincere sympathy for Rita Adams, whose mother, June Russell, passed away May 10th.

*Prayers for Bob Flanagan, former minister of MCC, who is recuperating from a total knee replacement.

*Sympathy to the Baumgartner family on the death of Gail Baumgartner Sublett, April 29th.



Those Who Serve in June

ELDERS:

Rita Adams
Robert Thomas

DIACONATE:

Larry Baumgartner
Dan or Linda Cassidy

BREAD LIST:

June 1	Marilyn Thomas
June 8	Vicki Fritz
June 15	Sarah Gehring
June 22	Sarah Gehring
June 29	Patty Eggleston

Dear Friends in Christ – On behalf of our guests, board of directors and myself, I wish to express my profound appreciation for your faithful support of Our House. The financial and in-kind support we receive from congregations like yours makes it possible for us to fulfill our mission to shelter and serve the homeless in Callaway County. I am grateful that you have heard Christ's call to care for the least of these. I firmly believe that as we partner together that is exactly what we do. I hope you will see the mission and work of Our House as an expression and extension of your congregation's ministry to the community.

Enclosed please find a Partner Congregation certificate; I hope you will display it proudly in your church.

Thank you for partnering with us to shelter and support Callaway's homeless. Sincerely – Rev. Brad Sheppard, Executive Director, Our House

Birthdays are shown in italics
Anniversaries are shown in bold italics

June, 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1</p> <p>Ribs at Baumgartner Farm – 1-4 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting</p> <p><i>Dustin Fritz</i> <i>Katie Huffman</i></p> <p>William & Sara Brown</p>	<p>2</p> <p><i>Matthew Bright</i></p>	<p>3</p> <p>7:00 – Bluegrass Music Practice</p>	<p>4</p> <p><i>Jimmie & Sherry Hoesch</i> <i>Beau & Meredith Landrum</i></p>	<p>5</p> <p>Bill & Jeanette Hudson</p>	<p>6</p> <p><i>James Owens</i></p> <p>Gary & Patty Eggleston</p>	<p>7</p> <p><i>Ken McCarty</i> <i>Nora Brown</i></p>
<p>8</p> <p>Membership Committee Meeting</p> <p><i>Paul Arnall</i></p> <p>Chris & Lisa Cole</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p>7:00 – Cabinet Meeting <i>Jesse & Allison Hutchison</i> <i>Jeremy & Melanie Czeschin</i></p>	<p>11</p> <p><i>Sam Landrum</i></p>	<p>12</p> <p>MCCF – Mezzanine – Sandy Brock, Hostess</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p><i>Shea Gentzsch</i></p> <p>Gary & Ashley Hackmann</p>
<p>15</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Newsletter Articles Due</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Ken & Debbie Owens</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>5-6 p.m. – Bluegrass Gospel Worship <i>Tina Mann</i></p>
<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Dan & Linda Cassidy</p>	<p>24</p> <p>7:00 – Book Club</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Newsletter Assembly <i>Marvin Bryant</i></p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p><i>Lynn Reynolds</i> <i>J. H. & Lois Long</i></p>
<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>					

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