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"In the heart of the community, with the community at heart."

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March, 2018

St. Patrick's Day Fundraiser



Saturday, March 17
5:00 – 6:30 PM



MENU

Corned Beef and Cabbage

Irish Stew

Vegetables

Rolls

Tea, Coffee and Green Lemonade

Desserts

Adults: \$8.00

Children ages 6-12: \$4.00

Children 5 and under: Free

Silent Auction

Restaurant Certificates and Collectibles



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4527 State Road J

10 miles east of Columbia & 10 miles west of Fulton

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Come Join the Fun!!

Patricia's Ponderings



Randy, Rev. Patricia, Savannah and Brenda - Clenched hands and hearts can't accept chocolate/forgiveness.

We began the season of Lent with ashes, with dust, with a "smudge." Those of us who attended the Ash Wednesday service were offered this blessing along with the smudge. "Remember that you are beloved, and to love you shall return." This blessing helps ground us in these days of Lent, when we return to the elemental aspects of the soul, and to the meaning of the Christ's message of love.

Artist and poet Jan Richardson reminds us that "we are entering the season that begins with a smudge. That smudge is a testimony to what survives. It is a witness to what abides when everything seems lost. It is a sign that what we know, and love may, for a time, be reduced to dust, but it does not disappear. We belong to the God who well knows what to do with dust, who sees the dust as a place to dream anew, who creates from it again and again."

Our church has recently experienced some great losses, dear ones departing too soon. Our hearts feel that they have been reduced to dust. Lent is a season to reckon honestly with our losses as we journey toward Easter hope with a God who creates again and again from the dust and remains of life's tragedies and griefs. That is how love works.

To be part of this transformation, we need to feel connected, to be part of one another's lives, to share in one another's joys and sufferings. During our Lenten season, I invite you to come earlier than usual, to join us at 9:30 for a brief Lenten devotion followed by coffee and fellowship. I also encourage you to invite your friends. Let's draw the circle wider, include more into the circle of love, community, and caring.

Men's Retreat at the Lake of the Ozarks

All men are invited to the Disciples Mid-America Men Ozarks Getaway & Retreat in Shannondale, MO, May 4-6. This retreat will be led by the Reve. Paul Koch, from our regional ministry team, who specializes in men's spirituality. Brochures are available in the foyer.

Peace, Patricia



Daylight Savings Time Begins March 11!

Daily Devotion Lenten Booklets

Pick up a copy for your family provided in the blue basket in the narthex.

Those who Serve in March



ELDER: Ralph Rowlett

DIACONATE: Jeff Moran
Rita Adams

BREAD LIST:
March 4 Patty Eggleston
March 11 Carolyn Anderson
March 18 Marsha Loyd
March 25 Vicki Fritz

SERVE Food Pantry item for the month of March: Canned Fruit

Lunch with Rev. Patricia

1st and 3rd Thursdays

11:30-1:00

You are invited to Brown Bag Thursdays, March 1 and March 15 (11:30-1:00). We will take a break after Easter, so don't miss these opportunities in March! Our brown-bag brainstorming has been fun and insightful. Many fresh ideas have arisen from various members of the congregation.



*Sincere sympathy to **the family of Kelly McGrath**, who passed away Sunday, February 25. A celebration of life will be held Friday, March 2nd at the Millersburg Lion's Club at 4:00 p.m. with dinner at 6:00 p.m. Please bring a side dish to share if you are able. Meat, drinks and utensils will be provided.

*Prayers of recovery for **Bill Anderson**, who is recovering from knee surgery

*Prayers of comfort, healing and strength for **Brooke Monson**, granddaughter of Bill and Jeanette Hudson and daughter of Ron and Beth Monson.

*Prayers of healing for **Marsha Loyd's sister**, who underwent surgery recently

*Sympathy for **Stan Adams**, whose cousin died recently.

*Congratulations to **Miles Bethell**, who was chosen as the February Student of the Month at McIntire School by his teacher and his peers

Holy Week Activities

Palm Sunday, March 25

- Special service with palms at 10:30 am.
- Please bring potted bulb flowers to decorate our sanctuary. If in memory or honor of a loved one, please tell Carolyn Anderson.

- Potluck Luncheon downstairs after worship. Worship Committee members will provide the meat dishes. Others are asked to bring a large salad, vegetable, or dessert.

- Egg Hunt after lunch. Please bring treats for the children's treat bags (wrapped candy, pencils, or stickers, etc.). Older youth will have a puzzle hunt.

Maundy/Tenebrae Service, 6:30 pm, Thursday, March 29

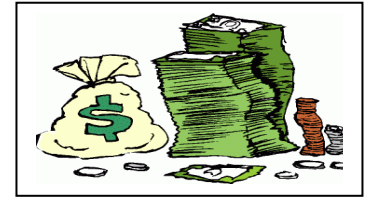
Experience a special worship service at which Maundy (the Last Supper) communion will be followed by a service of Tenebrae, or shadows, in which candles are extinguished. Come and remember the somber events that occurred in Jesus' life from the exuberant entrance into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday through the night of His burial.

Easter Sunday, April 1

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!
- Men provide breakfast at 9:00 am. Men sign up and bring breakfast foods, serve, and clean up. No women in the kitchen. All enjoy the fellowship time!
- Joyful Worship at 10:30 am

Balances for Millersburg Christian Church accounts at Callaway Bank:

	2/19/18	1/20/18	12/17/17	11/18/17
Checking -	\$12,625	\$13,671	\$14,763	\$13,323
Savings -	\$ 3,278	\$ 3,277	\$ 3,776	\$ 3,274
Special -	\$ 6,517	\$ 5,077	\$ 5,062	\$ 3,946



The checking account balance does not include the \$1,221 in offering from Feb 18. The increase in the "special" account is from the Elaine Long memorial and other donations. Once again, currently, our financial situation seems healthy, with enough funds to be somewhat flexible about addressing some infrastructure issues and unanticipated expenses. But please remember: the budget approved by the congregation calls for about \$4,000 per month in regular monthly expenses, and our regular income from pledges and use of the church by the preschool is about \$3,000 per month. That means that we must have about a thousand dollars a month in donations and from fund raisers to fully support our budget. And so, we must remain faithful to those monetary pledges to the church and to our fundraising activities. Thanks!

Jeff Moran, Treasurer

Lenten Lesson and Fellowship

Everyone is invited to join us at 9:30 for a short Lenten devotional followed by coffee and fellowship (through March). This is an intergenerational event, so bring the children, too! We plan to continue the 10:00 fellowship time even after Lent, as it provides a joyful space for connecting to one another, greeting new visitors, and swapping stories with old friends. Invite your friends and neighbors!

First Sunday Social March 4

Join us, immediately after our Lenten Lesson, starting at 10:00 AM and enjoy some fruit and fresh baked goodies. All are welcome! Thank you to all who have signed up so far to help with this year's activities. In March, Jeff Moran will set up and make the drinks; Bill and Carolyn Anderson will provide the fruit and Patty Eggleston will provide a baked goodie! **I made a mistake last month – Randy and Marsha Loyd will provide a baked item in June – not Lee & Sharon Plank – my apologies!**



The JOY Choir resumes rehearsals at 4:30 pm on Mondays in March: March 5, 12, 19, 26. Please join us to make a joyful noise unto the Lord!

We Need Your Help!!

We need baked goods, candies, and collectibles for the Silent Auction at our fundraiser on St. Patrick's Day, March 17. Please bring your items to the church no later than 3:30 p.m. that Saturday. Thanks!



If you bring a flowering potted bulb plant to decorate the sanctuary for Holy Week, please tell Carolyn Anderson if it is in honor or memory of a loved one so she can add it to the bulletin.

Also remember our potluck luncheon after Palm Sunday worship. Please bring a large vegetable, salad, or dessert. And for the Egg Hunt, please bring treats for the children's treat bags. Thanks!

Welcome New Member!

Margaret Blattner, long-time friend of Millersburg Christian Church, came forward Sunday, February 18, to join the church. Margaret has been a vital part of our church family for 10 years, but now, she has made it official! We rejoice in her coming forward, her renewal of her confession of faith, and her delightful sense of humor. What a joy to welcome Margaret!

Dear MCC Friends,

Thank you so much for all the text messages, cards, prayers and well wishes during my last knee surgery last week. Not quite as smooth a road this time but I am getting there! Thank you, Rev. Patricia, for your visits and to Brenda and Danny Rose for sitting with Carolyn during the surgery. We appreciate it so much – Bill Anderson

March

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
				MPS 8-12 5-8 Brown Bag Lunch 11:30- 1:00		
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Lenten Study – 9:30 a.m. 1 st Sunday Social – 10:00 a.m.	MPS 6-8	MPS 8-12 <i>Justin Bedsworth</i>	<i>Gary Eggleston</i>	MPS 8-12 5-8 <i>Manning Weiss</i>	<i>Hana Brown</i>	<i>Jackson Gulick D. J. Tucker</i>
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Lenten Study – 9:30 a.m. Daylight Savings Time Begins <i>Rachel Landrum</i>	Brent & Tracy Long	MPS 8-12 <i>Jamie Hudson</i>	<i>Kim (Adams) Force</i>	MPS 8-12 5-8 Brown Bag Lunch 11:30-1:00 <i>Lee Plank Beth Monson Courtney Moran Lauren Anderson</i>	<i>Edward Bright Jimmie Hoesch Aidan Whitworth</i>	St. Patrick's Day Fun-draiser 5 –6:30 p.m. 
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Lenten Study – 9:30 a.m.	Newsletter Deadline	MPS 8-12 <i>Sara Brown</i>	<i>Jimmie Schafer</i>	MPS 8-12 5-8	<i>Hunter Bethell</i>	MPS Bunny Breakfast 8-1 <i>Madelyn Hackmann</i>
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Lenten Study – 9:30 a.m. Palm Sunday Luncheon/ Easter Egg Hunt	<i>Brady Parker</i>	MPS 8-12	Newsletter Assembly	MPS 8-12 5-8 Maundy Thursday service – 6:30 <i>Jason Bedsworth Patti Karr</i>	<i>Errol Pahl Jon Schmidt</i>	

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Morning Worship starts at 10:30 a.m.
1st Sunday Social is the first Sunday of
every month at 10:00 a.m.
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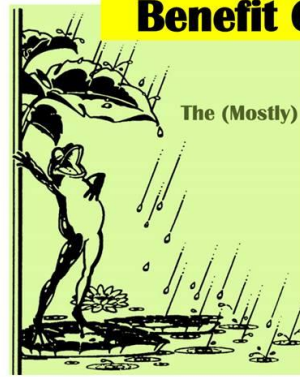
Our email address is: mcc1836@socket.net

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www.millersburgchristianchurch.org

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Rev. Patricia's normal office hours at MCC are the
1st, 3rd and 4th Thursdays from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. On
Thursday afternoons, she is available for pastoral visits
(home or office) by appointment. You can contact her at
pafarmer@aol.com or by phone/text (505-900-1553).
The best times to reach her are Monday-Thursday during
regular business hours. Fridays and Saturdays are her
days off.

Mobility Carts for Kenya Dr. Chordate's Benefit Concert



FEATURING:

The (Mostly) Prime of Senility Tour -

Jeff Moran
Walter Bargaen
Dave Bandy
Sam D'Agostino
T C Elliott
William Haight
Tom Lata
Tony Lotven
Aimee McGoveran
Dennis Layne Schubert
Grant Withers
... and others

Saturday, March 10, 7:00pm, \$15

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Mobility Worldwide - <https://mobilityworldwide.org/> (offices/missouri-columbia/)

Upcoming Dates:

May 13 – Recognition of mothers, youth, and
musicians. The service will be filled with
favorite hymns and music by the JOY Choir.

May 27 – Laity Sunday. Service led by lay
people.

June 17 – Recognition of fathers.