



**MILLERSBURG CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
**(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)**

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

**REV. PATRICIA A. FARMER, MINISTER**

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**January, 2019**

Well, just like that – it is 2019. Thank you to the individuals who have agreed to serve on our board of directors this coming year and to the people who have already signed up to serve/chair a functional committee. If you haven't had a chance to sign up yet, please do! Our numbers are few but we accomplish a lot! Here's to another great year!

**Millersburg Christian Church (*Disciples of Christ*)**  
**2019 Board of Directors**

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>
<b>Elder</b>	Randy Loyd	2019
	Ralph Rowlett	2019
	Carolyn Anderson	2020
	Barbara Moran	2021
<b>Diaconate</b>	Patty Eggleston	2019
	Vicki Fritz	2019
	Rita Adams	2020
	Jeff Moran	2020
	Brenda Rose	2021
	Bill Anderson	2021
	Larry Strawhorn	2021
Board President	Carolyn Anderson	642-2948/220-6769
Vice-President	Brenda Rose	642-4912/220-3309
Secretary	Barbara Moran	220-9112
Bookkeeper	Lisa Landrum	220-3102
Treasurer	Jeff Moran	642-9749
Minister	Rev. Patricia Farmer	505-900-1553
Admin. Asst.	Carolyn Anderson	642-2948/220-6769

***Functional Committees at time of printing!***

***Membership – Vacant***

***Missions – Randy Loyd, Chair, Patty Eggleston, member***

***Property – Bill Anderson, Chair, Stan Adams, Co-Chair, Larry Strawhorn, Randy Loyd and Rita Adams, members***

***Worship – Vacant***

***Stewardship & Finance – Larry Strawhorn, Co-Chair***

# ***Patricia's Ponderings***



***My mission in life is not merely to survive, but to thrive.  
—Maya Angelou***

The New Year is upon us! We will make our resolutions and we will break them soon after. Perhaps instead of resolutions, which tend toward self-improvement schemes, why not try something grander? Like a mission in life.

A mission in life helps us frame our goals in something larger than ourselves. In this way, we discover that our bad habits fall away more easily when we are not focused so much on the "giving up" of something, but rather on the "moving toward" something better. In short, we need to set our sights on *thriving*.

Here is where our need for spirituality comes into play. What are our dreams? What new thing do we want to learn or create this year? How can we embody the peace that we talk about at Christmas? Perhaps we will read more or explore some spiritual practice like centering prayer or mindfulness meditation. Perhaps we will take long walks and study birds or sit quietly in the early morning hours with a Bible. Perhaps we will be truly ambitious and begin a memoir!

Maybe we will attend church more and meet new people and discover new ways to participate that we had never dreamed of doing! Maybe we will get involved in the community and discover that helping others thrive unleashes our own capacity to thrive. The biblical phrase for thriving is "abundant life." Jesus said, "I came that they may have life and have it abundantly." (John 10:10b). This is God's desire for us—not to punish ourselves with resolutions that will not last, but to thrive, to help others thrive, and to find joy in the company of fellow thrivers.

Yes, we may need to give up some bad habits, but let us do so with gentleness and kindness toward ourselves, and as part of a larger mission in life: to thrive. If you need a little help this year, join us, and let us work together as a church family to encourage one another. Let us thrive together!

Happy New Year! – Rev. Patricia

**First Sunday Social  
January 6, 2019**

Join us for food, fellowship and fun at 10:00 a.m. for our monthly 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Social. Thank you to Vickie Roberts and Carolyn Anderson for being our hostesses this month!



**Those who Serve in January**



**ELDER:** Carolyn Anderson

**DIACONATE:** Bill Anderson  
Brenda Rose

**BREAD LIST:**  
January 6 Brenda Rose  
January 13 Vicki Fritz  
January 20 Rita Adams  
January 27

**SERVE Food Pantry item for the month of January: Household and personal products**



Congratulations to Russ and Julie Jones on the opening of their new store in downtown Millersburg – Jones Farm, Home and Auto! An awesome addition to the Millersburg community!

- \*Prayers for **Brian Wisner**, who fell December 31 and broke his ankle
- \*Continued prayers of healing for **Patti Ann McCray Carr**
- \*Prayers of joy as **EmmyLou Bartley** went home January 1 after undergoing massive brain surgery!
- \*Prayers for **Pat McGrath**
- \*Prayers for **“Miss Sherri”** as she recovers from foot surgery
- \*Congratulations to **D. J. Tucker and Ashley Hayes**, who were married December 15, 2018. D. J. is the son of Dave and Mary Tucker.



Welcome Bernie and Vickie Roberts, who joined the church on December 30! The Roberts, who retired to Millersburg from Brookfield, MO, have been an important part of our fellowship for several months. What a joy to have them join us officially!

Balances for Millersburg Christian Church accounts at Callaway Bank:



	<u>8/13/18</u>	<u>9/11/18</u>	<u>10/15/18</u>	<u>11/18/18</u>	<u>12/17/18</u>
Checking -	\$11,837	9,985	9,828	9,842	9,818
Savings -	\$3,472	3,473	3,475	3,476	3,477
Special -	\$8,817	9,067	7,803	7,803	2,753
PayPal	495	495	1,076	1,095	1,145
Flex Fund (account with Disciples of Christ Board of Church Extension)					4,742

The “special” account has gone down in recent months as we have paid for special projects (the railings and the guttering and trenching on the highway side of the roof). Just a reminder: we need roughly a thousand dollars a month via unscheduled donations and/or fundraisers in order to meet our approved budget. The November crafts fundraiser has netted about \$1,300. I have added our Flex Fund account to the monthly report. This account currently pays about 2% interest, paid twice a year, so the “report” number will change only twice a year.

The congregation approved the 2019 budget calling for an estimated \$51,185 in expenses.



I am deeply grateful for the generous Christmas gift from the congregation. Thank you for your love and support. I feel so blessed to be your minister! Rev. Patricia

Thank you for the card and gift! There are a couple of Christmas movies I would like to buy! God Bless! – Lisa

Thank you so much for the beautiful card and gift! I am so blessed to be a part of this church! – Carolyn

Members of the Millersburg Christian Church Mission Committee – Thank you so much for your donation of \$1,200 to our agency! These funds will greatly help in our food pantry and our Adopt-a-Family program. It is because of caring people like you that we are able to continue helping the people of Callaway County! – Sincerely, Courtney Harrison



Hanging of the Greens



Bob Green shared his talent on the harmonica



The Christmas Cookie Exchange



Our JOY Choir



# January

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
			<i>Joshua Bright</i>	<i>Amanda Smith</i>	<i>Randy Pahl</i>	
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
First Sunday Social – 10:00 a.m.  <i>Hazel Pahl</i>		Elders – 6:15 Board of Directors – 7:00 p.m.	<i>Justin Collins</i>			<i>Brenda Rose</i> <i>Destanie Neal</i>
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<i>Carolyn Anderson</i> <i>Kamden Nolte</i> <i>Steve Whitworth</i>	<i>Brad Weiss</i>		<i>Kathy Craighead</i> <i>Kathryn Leonard</i>	MCCF visits Central MO Food Bank 4-6 <i>Lance Bethell</i> <i>Terri Collins</i>	<i>Gabriella Loyd</i> <i>Debbie Owens</i>	
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
	Newsletter Deadline  <i>Sandy Brock</i>	Book Club – 6:30  <i>Cindy Quick</i>	<i>Tara Murray</i>	<i>Yolanda Sosnowski</i>		<i>Cathy McCray</i> <i>Kali Eggleston</i> <i>JoAnn DiNunzio</i>
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>		
<i>Stacy Bryant-Wimp</i>  <i>J. D. &amp; Letha Baumgartner</i>		<i>Coralie Forsee</i>	Newsletter Assembly	<i>Megan Kukal</i>		

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**Please join us at Millersburg Christian Church every Sunday!**

**Morning Worship starts at 10:30 a.m.**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Social is the first Sunday of every month at 10:00 a.m.**

**Rev. Patricia Farmer, Minister**

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[www.millersburgchristianchurch.org](http://www.millersburgchristianchurch.org)

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Rev. Patricia's normal office hours at MCC are the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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.

### Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Support Group

**3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of Each Month**

**11:00 a.m. to 12 Noon**

**First Presbyterian Church Library**

**Facilitators: Rhonda Cundiff and Lois Long**

An Alzheimer's caregiver support group is an opportunity to find comfort and reassurance about feelings of guilt, frustration and fear. Learn more about Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. Make new friends. Join us!

