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

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July, 2019

**Ice Cream
Social**



You are cordially invited to a *community gathering*
at Millersburg Christian Church

Saturday, July 20, 2019

beginning at 5:30 PM
with Juicy Burger, chips and drink
followed with *ICE CREAM*



Homemade and commercial ice cream choices,
plus, our very own local Giofre Apiaries
Honey Ice Cream!

Other toppings and sides available.
Come meet your neighbors, visit and cool off
with an old-fashioned ice cream social!

*FREE AND OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY AS OUR WAY OF SAYING "THANK YOU" FOR
YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR MINISTRIES!*

Patricia's Ponderings

As we celebrate Independence Day 2019, it's good to remember our traditional national motto, adopted by Congress in 1782: "E pluribus unum." This Latin phrase means: "Out of many, one." The thirteen colonies had become one nation through courage, compromise, and sacrifice. Today, we need to break through our entrenched divisions by remembering this great truth of our beginnings: "Out of many, one." Our differences enrich us! This truth has been our greatest strength as a nation. But it is also a part of our spiritual and Biblical heritage. In a sermon entitled "Why the Bible is a Terrible Book and Worth Reading on a Regular Basis," Rabbi Bradley Shavit Artson says:



"In Genesis, the first story, we are shown a God who cannot bear to be alone. A God who is driven by love to create a world of flowering and cascading diversity in which nothing is precisely like what came before it; in which each new creature is delightfully fresh and novel; in which God, thrilled by each new creation, says: This is good. And then God creates a creature with the capacity, also, to look at diversity, and to look at novelty, and to say: This is good! And we are told in this story that we are made in that God's image. . . . And so, without obligation, God creates a diverse and flowering universe, because God cannot be God if God cannot love. We are, my friends, in God's image. And we also, though, shrivel up and die if we do not have the ability to pour out our love; to celebrate difference; to rejoice in novelty; to see in each other divine sparks; and to be delighted and thrilled by what we see." (See his book *God of Becoming and Relationship*)

Yes, our God created diversity and desires that we celebrate our enriching contrasts and differences. Thus, our more recent and official motto (1956) "In God We Trust" only makes sense if we embrace our original motto, too: "Out of many, one." These two mottos together remind us that diversity is divine—and to be celebrated on this July 4th!



Those who Serve in July



ELDER: Barbara Moran

DIACONATE: Patty Eggleston
Larry Strawhorn

SERVE Food Pantry item for the month of July:
Canned Vegetables

First Sunday Social is just that – we gather 30 minutes early the first Sunday of every month and enjoy food, beverages but mostly fellowship. Please join us July 7! Thank you, Barbara Moran and Vicki Fritz for being our hostesses!



*Prayers of healing for Margaret Blattner, who underwent a knee replacement June 24

*Continued prayers for all of those affected by the relentless flooding

Balances for Millersburg Christian Church accounts at Callaway Bank:

	<u>1/21/19</u>	<u>2/18/19</u>	<u>3/18/19</u>	<u>4/22/19</u>	<u>5/20/19</u>	<u>6/21/19</u>
Checking -	\$8,099	9,114	10,705	12,754	10,905	14,078
Savings -	\$3,478	3,479	3,480	3,482	3,483	3,484
Special -	\$2,753	2,753	2,753	3,043	2,805	3,111
PayPal	\$1,145	1,145	1,313	1,313	1,313	1,409



Flex Fund (account with Disciples of Christ Board of Church Extension) 4,789

The Flex Fund account currently pays about 2% interest, paid twice a year, so the “report” number will change only twice a year. Just a reminder: we need roughly a thousand dollars a month via unscheduled donations and/or fundraisers in order to meet our approved budget. Our checking account balance looks good for the moment, but we have some quarterly payments (insurance premium, missions, etc.) coming due in early July.

Dr. Ralph Rowlett, professor emeritus of Anthropology at the U. of Missouri--Columbia, and colleague Dr. Garret Olmsted, professor emeritus of Anthropology, now in Tazewell, Virginia, have been asked to study a prehistoric golden cauldron found by a recreational diver in Chiemsee Lake, Bavaria, in SE Germany. The decorated cauldron shows scenes of Iron Age Celtic seasonal ceremonies, which help to explain some of the passages in the Biblical book of Galatians, written by the Apostle Paul when the Galatians threatened to withdraw from emergent Christianity because of worries about forced genital mutilations. The Galatians had threatened to resume some of their seasonal pagan sacrificial ceremonies, which are depicted on the Chiemsee cauldron. Before the discovery of the cauldron, Paul's letter had been misunderstood that the Galatians were reverting to ancient Greek and Roman pagan ceremonies. The chemical analysis of the gold alloy of the cauldron will be performed at the Research Reactor of the University of Missouri--Columbia. A public announcement of these research results is tentatively scheduled by the American Institute of Archaeology in St. Louis, MO, for November 11, 2019. This is the same agency that made the Millersburg Christian Church world renowned when it made the archaeological excavation of the original building of the Millersburg Christian Church a featured item on International Archaeology Day in 2012.

This year for the Festival of Sharing effort, the Missions committee selected CWS School Kits. The last day we will be collecting these items will be September 15, 2019. We didn't set a goal for the number of kits this year, we will provide what we collect. You can use the form below, or there are "tear off" copies listing the needed items at the Church. Thank you in advance for your continued generosity. *The Missions Committee.*



Church World Services School Kits

School kits give children in impoverished schools, refugee camps, or other difficult settings some of the basic tools for learning.

- One pair of blunt scissors removed from the package (rounded tip, only)
- Three 70-count bound notebooks or notebooks totaling 200-210 pages (no loose-leaf or filler paper)
- One 30-centimeter / 12" ruler
- One hand-held pencil sharpener removed from the package
- One large eraser (no pencil cap erasers)
- Six new, unsharpened pencils with erasers, removed from the package
- One box of 24 crayons (only 24)
- One 12"x14" to 14"x17" finished size cotton or lightweight canvas bag (solid color or kid-friendly fabric) with cloth handles (no reusable shopping bags, backpacks, or bags with logos)



Sunday, June 2nd, Stan Adams was presented a Quilt of Valor lovingly made especially for him by the Columbia Chapter Patriot Piecers. Jan Hobbs, read from Stan's Vietnam memoir 'Mokane to Mole City' prior to presenting him his quilt, which they named "Welcome Home". Stan's quilt was pieced by Paula Miller and quilted by Jan Hobbs. According to this national organization's website, "they raise money and hand cut the pieces of carefully chosen fabrics, transforming them into snugly works of art. Many veterans are still and always will be in a state of healing from the physical and mental wounds of war. A quilt is a physical manifestation of a HUG-they are warm, soft and come with love. The war may have come to an end over 50 years ago, but these combat veterans, are still trying to process the heartache and trauma".

Each quilt is titled and embroidered on the back with the veteran's name, who pieced it and who quilted it. Stan is so appreciative of this memorable gift and appreciates his family and friends, the Rose's and Anderson's from church, attending also.



July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	<i>Rita Adams</i>	MPS 8-5		MPS 8-5		<i>Braxton O'Bryan</i>
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
First Sunday Social-10:00 Membership Meeting After Worship	<i>Bill Hudson Cindy Baumgartner Amiria Harper-Rose</i>	MPS 8-5 Board of Directors – 6:30 p.m. <i>Stephen Bryant</i>	<i>Beau Landrum Tom & Beth Haas</i>	MPS 8-5 <i>Craig Latty Paul Schmidt</i>		
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
MPS Pyro-Musical Fireworks Fundraiser 6:00	Crafting Day – 9:30 <i>Kim Loyd Emmett Crane Gary Hackmann</i>	MPS 8-5 <i>Jennifer Weiss Billie Woods</i>	<i>Kate Bedsworth</i>	MPS 8-5 MPS Art Show 6-9 <i>Bowen Force</i>	<i>Danny & Brenda Rose</i>	Community Ice Cream Social 5:30 p.m. <i>Huston Force Janna Islam-Rose</i>
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	Newsletter Deadline <i>David & Cheryl Rose</i>	Book Club – 6:30 <i>Ron & Patricia Farmer</i>	<i>Slater Roberts</i>	<i>Chris & Kim Force</i>	<i>Bill Anderson Bernie & Vickie Roberts</i>	
28	29	30	31			
			Newsletter Assembly			

Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Support Group
3rd 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!

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Thank you to all who helped in some way with our recent garage sale - either by contributing items for us to sell, pricing, setting up, cleaning up - it was all much appreciated! We made a little over \$1,400 which will help us continue the ministries of our church! Thank you again!



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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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.