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

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

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**August, 2019**



**Come sew with us at 3rd annual**  
**"Miles of Pillowcase Smiles Workshop"**

**Millersburg Christian Church**

**September 7, 2019 from 9 AM - 3 PM**

This is part of a national effort in September, called MOPS, to make 1 pillowcase per child in treatment - 44,000 - for the organization giving hospitalized children (2-18 years old) a fun, colorful pillowcase to ease their trauma and bring smiles to young patients in Mid-Missouri hospitals.

There are many jobs, **not just machine sewing**. Help cut, press turn, bag and tag, visit, support and enjoy the fellowship. A really fun and worthwhile project!!!!

***Lunch will be provided.***

RSVP: [brendarose344@msn.com](mailto:brendarose344@msn.com) or 573-642-4912

to reserve your sewing spot, lunch &/or questions

For pattern and specifications go to <http://caseforsmiles.org>

Pillowcases can be brought finished and 100% cotton child-friendly fabric is welcome and needed.

If interested in purchasing fabric ahead, you will need 3/4 yard for case and 1/3 yard for cuff. No fabric with glitter/metallic thread. (prewashed in non-scented detergent, no fabric softener or dryer sheets) This is recommended by hospitals to not interfere with meds, x-rays, or sensitivities. They are finished 26 1/2 in (case) and 10 1/2 (cuff) so keep in mind shrinkage when shopping for fabric. Please invite your friends and neighbors. This is a great project and lots of fun.

**FUN DAY PLANNED!!!**

## Patricia's Ponderings

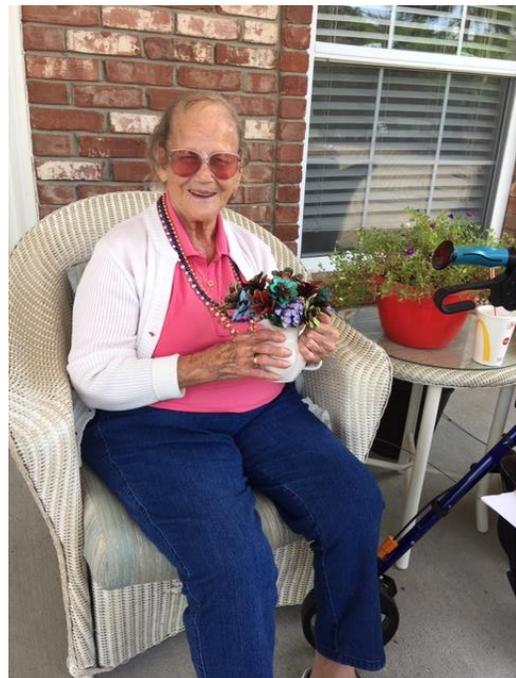
For my wedding anniversary this year, my husband gave me a beautiful dragonfly lamp. It is part of a dragonfly theme we are establishing for our home that dates to the early Twentieth Century—that time in the Arts and Crafts movement when the dragonfly took center stage as an icon for a home attune to nature.

So, what does the dragonfly symbolize? With a quick internet search, you'll find something like this: "In almost every part of the world, the dragonfly symbolizes change, transformation, adaptability, and self-realization. The change that is often referred to has its source in mental and emotional maturity and understanding the deeper meaning of life." As a 43<sup>rd</sup> anniversary present, I can't help but note that this is the secret of a long and happy marriage, too!

I am particularly drawn to the quality of adaptability, which I believe is the key to transformation and the pathway of self-realization in a world of perpetual change. We can only endure change if we can adapt to it. As the dragonfly adapts quickly to the direction of its prey (usually, mosquitos!), so we learn to adapt to the changes of life in ways that enlarge our sense of self. We are transformed daily by change, or rather, by way we *respond* to change. If we adapt, all is well. But if we freeze in mid-air, we flounder. We might even go hungry (literally for the dragonfly and spiritually for us) and lose our sense of direction.

Jesus' life, death, and resurrection show us what God is like—always in the process of creating a new thing, even out of our suffering. This is what process theologians call "creative transformation." It's all a matter of adapting to change, and that is a choice on our part.

This summer, as you embrace God' beautiful creation, be on the lookout for the colorfully winged dragonfly in your own backyard. Find the eternal wisdom of coping with change in this lovely creature! [Please note: Rev. Patricia will be on vacation August 19-September 2. Guest preachers for those two Sundays: Rev. Eric Holmes, August 25 and Rev. Linna Eddy, September 1.]



Esther Flaigle, longtime member of MCC, will be 98 years young August 17! She loved her bouquet of pinecone flowers that Rev. Patricia took her recently. They were made by our crafting group.

## Those who Serve in August



**ELDER:** Randy Loyd

**DIACONATE:** Bill Anderson  
Brenda Rose

### **BREAD LIST:**

August 3 Vicki Fritz  
August 10 Anna Sue Harmon  
August 17 Marsha Loyd  
August 24 Patty Eggleston  
August 31 Peggy Strawhorn

**SERVE Food Pantry item for the month of August:** Canned Fruit

## 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 August 4! Thank you, Barbara Moran and Peggy Strawhorn for being our hostesses!



### Prayer Requests

- \*Sincere sympathy to Jeff and Barbara Moran whose sister-in-law, Sherri, passed away recently.
- \*Happy anniversary to John and Nichole Tutt, who celebrated their first wedding anniversary July 20!
- \*Congratulations to Huston Force, who is now driving!
- \*Congratulations to Ava Bush, who participated in the Little League World Series Softball Regionals recently. She was featured on ESPN SportsCenter Top 10 Plays of the Night July 24! That's a big deal, folks! She is the granddaughter of Terry and Vicki Fritz.
- \*Congratulations to Ashley Hackmann, who will graduate August 10 with a degree to become a Physical Therapist Assistant.
- \*Congratulations to Savannah Bethell, who starts her senior year being a co-captain of the football cheerleading squad.
- \*Congratulations to Aidan Whitworth, who is a member of the Francis Howell High School marching band. They began practice 2 weeks ago. He is the grandson of Dan and Brenda Rose.
- \*Prayers for Tom Haas, who is having a bone scan
- \*For Vera Muckler the infant daughter of Jim and Kristi Muckler. Vera was born Tuesday July 23<sup>rd</sup> but had a difficult delivery and was taken to the NICU because of complications.

### 13<sup>th</sup> Annual BLUEGRASS & BBQ

**Sunday, September 8 12:00-5:00**

at 54 Country, 400 Gaylord Dr. off Hwy 54 & Rt. F, Fulton.

Musicians: **THE BAKER FAMILY, CALLAWAY BLUEGRASS, GOOD TURN DAILY, DIXIE UNION**

\$10/Person-16 & under are free with parents. BBQ & Homemade Pies for sale by First Christian Church. A benefit for and presented by the Foundation for the Advancement of the Fulton State Hospital.

Balances for Millersburg Christian Church accounts at Callaway Bank:

	<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>	<u>7/21/19</u>
Checking -	\$9,114	10,705	12,754	10,905	14,078	13,259
Savings -	\$3,479	3,480	3,482	3,483	3,484	3,485
Special -	\$2,753	2,753	3,043	2,805	3,111	2,800
PayPal	\$1,145	1,313	1,313	1,313	1,409	1,485
Flex Fund (account with Disciples of Christ Board of Church Extension:						4,837



Due to successful fundraisers this year, our checking account balance has increased since February. The checking account number above includes the quarterly insurance payment (\$870) but does not include our quarterly missions' contributions, usually about \$900. The Flex Fund account currently pays about 2% interest, paid twice a year, one of which happened at the end of June, so this number is \$48 higher than in June's report.

A reminder to committee chairs: The Stewardship and Finance Committee needs 2020 budget askings from each committee by the first of September in order to proceed with the 2020 budget preparation. Thanks!

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.*

## CWS Kits

Sharing your love with others



Items still needed for School Kits:

- 1- pair of child-sized metal scissors, round tip only
- 2- 70-count spiral or tape bound notebooks
- 4- folders with pockets
- 1- 12-inch ruler
- 1- large eraser (no pencil caps)
- 1- box of 24 crayons (24 only)
- 1- box of 10 markers (10 only)
- 1- pencil holder that goes in a 3-ring notebook

We thank you so much for your participation or help for the ice cream social held July 20, celebrating National Ice Cream Day. We would like to thank HyVee, Moser's and Giofre Honey Ice Cream for their generous donations. It was so good especially on such a hot day.



# August

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
					Ashley Hackmann	Brent Moran Hayden & Hollis Long Aimee Landrum
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
First Sunday Social-10:00	Adam & Michelle Hans		Linda Reed Brown	David Rose	Justin Bright	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Rodney & Janet Latty	Bill Bright Randy & Marsha Loyd	MCCF Planning Meeting – 6:00  Pastor's Cabinet – 6:30	John McCray Brianna Force			Esther Flaigle Frances Bittle Shayla Rose & Scott Gesternecker
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Missions Meeting after church  J. H. Long Brock Simmons	Newsletter Deadline  Crafting Day – 9:30 a.m.				Sherry Hoesch	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Eric Holmes – guest preacher  Riley Simmons	Bonus Crafting Day - 9:00 a.m. Come learn how to make a Rag Quilt.	Book Club – 6:30 p.m.	Newsletter Assembly		Ava Bush	Madeline Hutchison

**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!

## Millersburg Christian Church

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Several people asked for the recipe – here it is!

### **Millersburg Juicy Burgers** (Peggy Rose's version)

#### **Per 5 pounds of ground beef:**

2 ½ cups ketchup  
2/3 cup mustard  
½ cup brown sugar  
10 cubes beef bouillon (or beef base stock)  
5 T. vinegar  
1 ½ onions, chopped

Brown hamburger. Drain grease. Add other ingredients.  
Simmer at least 15 minutes.

We are still offering a crafting opportunity on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday each month for anyone who would like to join us, many different projects happen here. Or if you have a suggestion, we are all open to learning new things. On August 26, we will offer a bonus Monday craft project in the form of a "Rag Quilt". These are fun throws done in 3 layers of flannel sandwiched, stitched in rows and clipped to have a fringe edge.

Rev. Barbara Gulick bought a beautiful color set of flannel from Taos, New Mexico and had great hopes of doing this sometime ago. She decided she would love some help and some of us are willing to contribute. If you would like to see this technique or just like to visit, we will be at the church 9 AM – until done on August 26 sewing away. Bring some good clipping scissors or just come visit!

**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.**

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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.