

## MILLERSBURG CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

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

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Come sew with us at 3rd annual

"<u>Miles of Pillowcase Smiles Workshop</u>"

# 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, <u>not just machine sewing.</u> 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 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.

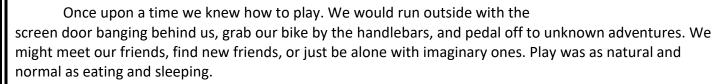
If interested in purchasing fabric ahead, you will need 3/4 yard for case and 1/3 yard for cuff. No fabric with glitter/metallic thread. (prewashed in non-scented detergent, no fabric softener or dryer sheets) This is recommended by hospitals to not interfere with meds, x-rays, or sensitivities. They are finished  $26 \frac{1}{2}$  in (case) and  $10 \frac{1}{2}$  (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

"Doing nothing usually leads to the very best of something." --Winnie the Pooh in *Christopher Robin* 

I'm preparing for a two-week vacation—yeah! But, if you think about it, we are always on vacation if we know how to play. The following is an excerpt from my recently published essay "P is for Play." (You can read the entire piece at <u>spiritualityandpractice.com</u>.)



But something happened. We grew up, and the indulgence of play became something close to sin. By young adulthood, when responsibilities of work and family began to mount, cutting the frivolities was the obvious course. If we stopped working, someone else might take our place. We might lose out; we might not succeed! Our hyper-competitive society drills this into our young psyches and who are we to question? . . .

The antidote to these fears is reuniting ourselves with the world of play. My favorite purveyor of this grown-up wisdom is Winnie the Pooh. In the film *Christopher Robin*, Pooh finds his old friend Christopher Robin all grown-up with a family to support and a demanding boss to placate. With his gentle honey-bear wisdom, Pooh nudges his stressed-out friend to rediscover his capacity for play. Like a Zen master, Pooh explains that "doing nothing usually leads to the very best of something." And so, because no one can resist Pooh, Christopher Robin finally gives up his relentless, unhappy striving and rediscovers himself again through play. . . .

Play is a spiritual practice. Think about that. If there is no play, you might get things done and impress others, but you won't get to that "very best something" that Pooh talks about. You may "gain the whole world but lose your soul," as Jesus says.

So, if your spirit feels depleted by too much work or too much news or too much monotony, try this: Do nothing — that is, nothing goal oriented. Go outside and play. Ramble about in a park or take a road trip with no particular destination. Play with children — who are the experts, after all. Play with your dog. Play with recipes or with yarn or with wood. Pick up your guitar. Read novels and watch movies that escort you into imaginary worlds. Set yourself in a new place. Open yourself up to novelty and surprise and laughter. Or simply take a nap. As Pooh says, "People say that nothing is impossible, but I do it all the time."

Joyce Berg shared her musical talents with the congregation during worship on Sunday, August 11. A musician for a church in Kansas City, Joyce recently was awarded Church Musician of the Year by the Missouri Federation of Music Clubs at a ceremony in Columbia MO."





## Those who Serve in September



ELDER:

Carolyn Anderson

DIACONATE: Jeff Moran Vicki Fritz

## **BREAD LIST:**

September 1	Peggy Strawhorn				
September 8	Vicki Fritz				
September 15	Jeanette Hudson				
September 22	Sharon Plank				
September 29	Peggy Strawhorn				
<b>SERVE Food Pantry</b>	item for the month of				
September: Beans (dried or canned)					

#### 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.

## 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 September 1! Thank you, Vicki Fritz and Brenda Rose for being our hostesses!



\*Sympathy to the McCray family on the death of their sister-in-law, Donna McCray.

\*Congratulations to **Brent Moran and Crystal** Lai on their engagement! They will be married April 19 in Hong Kong! Brent is the son of Jeff and Barbara Moran.

\*Congratulations to Nancy and Domenic (Mick) Giofre on the birth of their granddaughter, Remi Lynne Giofre born Saturday July 6, 2019. Parents are Jason and Stephanie Giofre.

\*Congratulations to Linda and Dan Cassidy on the birth of their granddaughter, Kennedy Lee Blevins born Tuesday July 9, 2019. Parents are Kristen and Schuyler Blevins.

\*Congratulations to Tammy and Joel Rifkin on the birth of their grandson, Zaidyn Joel-Richard Alvarado born Monday, August 5, 2019. Parents are Kylie Rifkin and Daniel Alvarado.

Balances for Millersburg Christian Church accounts at Callaway Bank:

	<u>3/18/19</u>	<u>4/22/19</u>	<u>5/20/19</u>	<u>6/21/19</u>	7/21/19	<u>8/19/19</u>
Checking -	\$10,705	12,754	10,905	14,078	13,259	11,845
Savings -	\$ 3,480	3,482	3,483	3,484	3,485	3,846
Special -	\$ 2,753	3,043	2,805	3,111	2,800	2,800
PayPal	\$ 1,313	1,313	1,313	1,409	1,485	1,485



Flex Fund (account with Disciples of Christ Board of Church Extension: \$4,837

A reminder: we need about \$1,000 a month in unscheduled donations and fundraisers to continue to meet our budget. Due to successful fundraisers, our checking account balance has remained roughly level this year. The Flex Fund account currently pays about 2% interest, paid twice a year, one of which happened at the end of June. Since the July report, we have paid for three months of mowing (\$990) and purchased the 50-inch TV for the sanctuary (about \$325).

Kingdom of Callaway Historical Society hosted their Fashion and Fun Wedding Fundraiser Sunday, July 28. Wedding gowns through the decades loaned and modeled with ties to MCC were: 1945 dress worn by Mabel Yates when married to Maurice Rankin on June 3, 1945 (mother of Maurine Long and Marilyn Whitehead); 1950 dress worn by June Wickell when married to Maurice "Rip" Russell on May 26, 1950 (Mother of Rita Adams) and 1974 dress worn by Rita Russell when married to Stan Adams on November 28, 1974 (Mother of Kim Force and Nichole Tutt). Reece Pahl (daughter of Eric and Ellen Pahl and granddaughter of Errol and Hazel Pahl) modeled her maternal grandmother, Mary Anne Lehman's 1967 dress when married to Jim Buffington on December 15, 1967; Alexis Neal (daughter of Kathy Harrison Neal) also was one of the models and Lois Long served as photographer. Barbara Bingers collection of wedding cake toppers were also displayed.











#### Stan Adams Book Reading Thursday October 10 6:00-7:30 Skylark Bookshop

Stan will be 1 of 4 local authors to read or speak about his Vietnam memoir "Mokane to Mole City" at Skylark Bookshop. They allow each author 10-15 minutes and then a few minutes for questions. If you haven't visited this new bookshop, it is absolutely beautiful, and they are a good community partner. We are thrilled that they are carrying Stan's book and hope you can join us that evening, books will be available for purchase and each author will be available for book signings too. This is Skylark's "3<sup>rd</sup> Edition of your Local Author Night" so mark your calendar, Skylark is located at 22 S. 9<sup>th</sup> Street in Columbia. Stay tuned for further details on their Facebook page Skylark Bookshop or at <u>www.skylarkbookshop.com</u>

Let's help "shower" Mabel Fischer with cards on her 101<sup>st</sup> birthday, August 30!

> Her address is: Mabel Fischer %Fulton Nursing and Rehab 1510 North Bluff Fulton, MO 65251

# September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
First Sunday Social-10:00 Linna Eddy preaching Kenton Kukal	Margaret Blattner	MPS 8-12 Shayla Rose		MPS 8-12 4-7 Janet Latty Jesse Hutchison	Set Up for Pillowcase Workshop Ken Owens	Pillowcase Workshop 9- 2 Dustin & Lauren Fritz
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	MPS 6-8 MCC/MPS Boards Meeting 5:30 Danny Rose	MPS 8-12 Board – 6:30 Elders – 6:15 Savannah Bethell Cooper Gehring	Ralph Rowlett Samantha Mielke	MPS 8-12 4-7		Bill Gentzsch
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Erik Rowlett John	Crafting Day – 9:30 a.m.	MPS 8-12	Rethink Poverty- Methodist Church 5-7	MPS 8-12 4-7 Maya		
Wilkerson	Jo Ellen Milner		Leo Crane	Rowlett		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Lance Loyd Jamie & Robin Hudson	Newsletter Deadline	MPS 8-12 Book Club – 6:30 William Brown	Jeanette Hudson Beth Haas Justin Hatfield Lance & Kim Loyd	MPS 8-12 4-7 Marilyn Thomas	Eric Pahl Danielle Cassidy	
29	30					
Cheryl Rose						

#### 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!

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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 Our telephone number is 573-642-2939 Our email address is: mcc1836@socket.net Find us on the web at 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 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 <u>pafarmer@aol.com</u> 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.

## Save These Important Dates!

Saturday, November 9 - MCC Chili and Bazaar

Tuesday, December 10 - Cookie Exchange at Anderson's

February - Program about Immigration Services, Columbia, date tbd

February 22 or 29 - Mardi Gras fundraiser party

March - Food Bank, date tbd

April 5 - Palm Sunday luncheon

May - Central MO Stop Human Trafficking program, date tbd