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

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Another infrastructure project that needed to be corrected were the hanging lights in our sanctuary. I'm not sure how old they are but the porcelain part that you screw the light bulb in to was beginning to crumble away so thank you to Bill and John Bright (Bright Electric) and Dan Rose and Stan Adams for correcting this problem. They also changed to LED light bulbs so that they do not have to be changed as often. Now if we could just attend church again!

Thank you so much to Twillman Construction for repairing the sidewalk behind the church and for pouring a brand-new concrete pad for handicap parking! It looks awesome and is such an improvement for our church. Please remain faithful to your financial commitment to MCC. This was not an inexpensive project but needed to be done. You may mail a check to the church or go to the church website – <http://millersburgchristianchurch.org/> and click on the "donate" tab at the top of the page. This will take you to a secure, PayPal page where you can donate by either a deduction from your PayPal account or by using a credit card. Thank YOU!!



Patricia's Ponderings



Zooming In

It dawned on me the other day that I am a Boomer, a Sooner (from Oklahoma), and now a Zoomer. Thanks to Rev. Bob Green, our "zoom master," we are meeting each week for the most unusual worship services I could ever imagine. This chapter of MCC's long and distinguished history will certainly be noteworthy to future generations of Millersburg Disciples.

Thanks to Barbara and Jeff Moran, we even have hymns that we can sing along to - for better or worse. (We discovered that it is best to "Mute" ourselves while singing along with Barbara and Jeff on most songs, due to a lag time on Zoom.) I am happy that so many of you can tune in. Some of you do not have all the bells and whistles for the full experience, like cameras and speakers on your computers, and that is okay. Like Joyce Schermerhorn, you can still be a part by listening in and seeing your friends. We were able to sing Happy Birthday to her! Others, like Margaret Blattner, come to Zoom via the telephone. Rita Adams puts her on "speaker" and she can listen in - and talk, too! (That's how we know she puts on her earrings for each service.)

What a joy it is to see and hear one another during these days of quarantine! So, if you do not have an e-mail, do not hesitate to "call in" by calling one of your friends in the church who is on Zoom. There are many ways to be a part. Jeff Moran, our web master, has also posted links to each Sunday's sermon on our website (www.millersburgchristianchurch.org) under the tab "sermons."

Zoom is new concept for me. Before the pandemic, I only associated the word "zoom" with a zoom lens on my camera, the lens that brings things closer in order to get details. Since Zoom itself has been an enormous blessing, maybe we can "zoom in" to other blessings during this time of national and global crisis. We have the option of focusing only on what we do not have - hugs, handshakes, family events, real church services - or zoom in on unexpected blessings.

At Zoom church, during our joys and concerns, we share what we are grateful for. Last Sunday, I noted that many of us referred to some aspect of nature - the spotting of an Oriole in the garden (Vicki Fritz) or suddenly encountering a wild turkey, flapping its massive wings (Barbara Moran). Nature can be a balm in these days of grim news. It reminds us that, despite the pandemic, Robins will still sing, Red Buds will still bloom, and daffodils will still dance under the sun in gladness.

All this reminds me of Easter, the season we celebrate now. Jesus' resurrection reminds us that fresh and surprising blessings are all around us if we take time to zoom in. While the pandemic is terrible and terrifying, we can still tap into the resurrection possibilities all around us. What will you zoom into today?

We Be Zoomin'!!

So, for those of you who have not participated, here is the procedure for joining us in other services

1) Prior to the Sunday worship service, Bob Green will send an email to members and friends of the church with a link to the Zoom meeting (church service); click on that link and follow the instructions; it is OK if you forward Bob Green's email to other friends and family that might be interested; you will be able to sign in to the meeting 30 minutes or so before the 10:30am meeting "start" time.

2) Listen to and participate in the worship experience until the end of the session, about 11:30.

If you have questions about any of this, call Jeff Moran at 573-642-9749 or email him at scimusic@tranquility.net.



Not a real good quality picture, but you get the idea! Join us!



- *Sincere sympathy to Margaret Blattner, whose Aunt Darlene Hammett passed away April 19.
- *Prayers for Marilyn Thomas' daughter-in-law, Debbie Cupp, who has been diagnosed with lung cancer.
- *Sympathy to the family of Sara Downard, who passed away recently. She was a good friend of the Adams' family.

- *Prayers for Jessie Vaughn, who is a patient at Fulton Community Hospital. She is Vicki Fritz's mom.
- *Sympathy for Wyatt and Grayson Wilfley. Their grandma Arlene Wilfley passed away April 16.
- *Prayers for Barbara Moran's mother who is in a care facility in Oklahoma where a staff member has been diagnosed with the corona virus.
- *Continued prayers for Kamden Nolte.
- *Thank you to Bill Anderson, Stan Adams, and Bernie Roberts for trimming the bushes and trees at the church!

Balances for Millersburg Christian Church accounts at Callaway Bank:

	<u>10/21/19</u>	<u>11/17/19</u>	<u>1/17/19</u>	<u>2/17/20</u>	<u>3/16/20</u>	<u>4/20/20</u>
Checking -	\$11,177	10,972	10,631	11,605	11,603	13,367
Savings -	\$3,489	3,490	3,493	3,494	3,495	3,496
Special -	\$3,515	3,515	3,710	3,590	4,004	4,079
PayPal	\$1,506	1,593	689	737	786	1,634
Flex Fund (account with Disciples of Christ Board of Church Extension)						4,837



In general, our church finances look good despite not meeting physically during the corona virus pandemic. People have remained faithful to their financial commitments to the church, and we received a generous donation. However, we do need to pay for a \$4,500 infrastructure project that has been completed, and our quarterly insurance premium has increased to \$923.50, a larger increase than we had anticipated. Just a friendly reminder: we do need about a thousand dollars a month in fund-raiser income and/or unscheduled donations in addition to our pledged amounts in order to meet our general operating budget. Thanks! - Jeff Moran, Treasurer

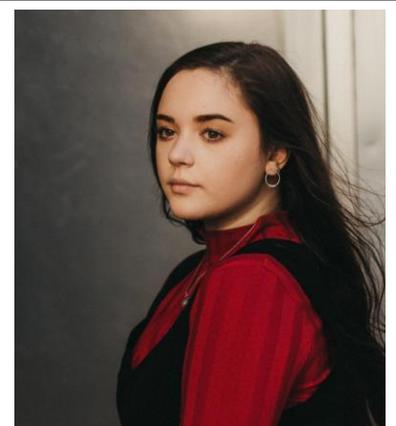
Our High School Graduates!



Savannah Bethell, daughter of Lance & Rose Bethell and granddaughter of Bill and Carolyn Anderson. She will be attending Drury University in the fall, pursuing a degree in nursing.



Grace Loyd, daughter of Lance & Kim Loyd and granddaughter of Randy and Marsha Loyd. She will be attending Columbia College this fall, pursuing a degree in nursing.



Lauren Rose, daughter of Matt Rose and Kathy Nobles and granddaughter of Dan and Brenda Rose. She will be attending Missouri State University this fall.

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Congratulations! to Ava Bush on making the 2020 JK Sports Perfect Game All Tournament Team (Batting) .750 Avg with 1 HR and 9 hits. #stealthramsey

Congratulations to Ava Bush! She is the daughter of Kerry & Jana Bush and the granddaughter of Terry and Vicki Fritz!

Morning Worship starts at 10:30 a.m.

1st Sunday Social is the first Sunday of every month at 10:00 a.m.

Rev. Patricia Farmer, Minister

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Find us on the web at

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 pafarmerecuador@gmail.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.

May Birthdays!

May 1 - Dan Cassidy, Allen Bright, and Amy Simmons

May 3 - Heather Forsee

May 7 - Bernie Roberts

May 8 - Dusty Baumgartner

May 11 - Chris Force

May 13 - Adelia Hans

May 14 - Dillon Baumgartner

May 15 - Sandi Bernard

May 18 - Angie Crane

May 19 - Meghan Whitworth
Art Smith

May 21 - Shannon Baumgartner

May 24 - Lauren Rose
Jason Hatfield

May 27 - Jana Bush
Shirley Martin

May 28 - Stanley McCray

May 31 - Tim McCarty

Anniversaries

May 20 - Earl & Kathy Bryant

May 21 - Jay & Anna Sue Harmon

May 22 - Kerry & Jana Bush

May 29 - Larry & Peggy Strawhorn