



MILLERSBURG CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

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

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UPCOMING EVENTS



You Ought to be in Pictures - Millersburg Christian Church's Pictures! Friday June 12 (3:00-9:30) and Saturday, June 13 (10:00-5:00)

We are excited that sign-ups have started for the new pictorial directory of our church family to be taken June 12-13! The directory will help us to connect names with faces. It will be an ideal outreach tool and will capture the history of our church congregation.

If you have not already done so, please remember to sign up to have your picture taken to be in our new church directory, as we need everyone's participation to get the activity pages highlighting the work of the church done throughout the years. You view your poses electronically, immediately after being photographed, so you only visit the church once. Each family receives a free 8x10 photograph and a directory. *You are under no obligation to purchase additional photos and will not be pressured to do so!* If for some reason you are unable to be photographed on the above dates, you may have your picture taken at another local church that is also working with Olan Mills. You may also submit a photo for the directory, but please remember that if it is a professional photograph, a copyright release will be needed. Please arrive 10 minutes early for your sitting and allow one hour for the entire appointment. Portraits are shipped in 4-6 weeks.

Military Pictures: Something new this time are military pictures, which are free in the directory! They consist of church members or close family members that currently serve in the military or have served in the past. No copyright release is necessary for military pictures.

Memorial Pages: We are pleased to offer a special Memorial section to include photos of various MCC members who have passed away. Since we celebrated our 150th Anniversary last year, these pictures can be from years ago to just last year. The church *does* have to pay for Memorial pages, so there is a nominal fee depending upon the size of page you select. A full page is \$100, a half page is \$50, and a quarter page is \$25. In addition to submitting the photo, please submit the person's birth and death dates (month, day, year) or even a special saying, a favorite bible verse, etc. If you would like to see an example of a Memorial page, we have some available. Please see the Membership Committee members Rita Adams, Pat Baumgartner, or Anna Sue Harmon. The photo, information, and payment should be made by Sunday, June 14th.

UPCOMING EVENTS continued...



THE MILLERSBURG CHRISTIAN CHURCH FUNDRAISER

will be held during the Annual Community Garage Sale,
June 6, 2009 from 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM

The church will be hosting a garage sale fundraiser and is in need of donations for the sale. If you would like to donate any items to the church, please contact Patty Eggleston at 642-3288 or email her at egglestonp@missouri.edu. Remember that if you donate items, make sure that they are priced to sell, as this will make things easier and faster to set up. The sale will begin at 8:00 AM and end at 3:00 PM. We will be setting up things starting at 5:30 PM on Friday, June 5, so please have all items to the church no later than 8:30 PM. If you can stay to help out with the organization of these items, it would be greatly appreciated!

If you live off the beaten path and would like to rent a space at the church, the parking lot will be made available for a \$10.00 donation fee. Remember this is a fundraiser. This fee will also include the use of one of the church's large tables, if you need one. In these hard financial times, in addition to offering space available to our church family, we are inviting anyone else in the community to rent a space for the nominal charge, so please check with your neighbors and see if they are interested in participating.

In addition to selling gently used items, crafts, collectibles, etc., we are asking for donations of baked goods (cookies, candy, mini loaves or breads, muffins, cupcakes, etc.) or canned goods, fresh produce from your garden, plants, or flowers. So be creative in your donations! Have all baked items marked per individual wrapped item or as a whole plate item. We need all these items by Friday evening. We also will be offering bottled water and soda for sale, along with complimentary coffee.

Let Patty know whether or not you would like to have your items back after the sale or have them donated to Goodwill in Columbia. She will have a truck available that day to deliver goods to Goodwill after the sale is over. Sale will be held rain or shine.

Please sign up to work a shift to assist the shoppers or to cashier. All proceeds will benefit the church's on-going maintenance needs, as well as other church programs, as we reduce, recycle, or reuse! Thank you in advance for your donations and help!



THOSE WHO SERVE IN JUNE:

Elders: Barbara Moran and Carol Cox

Ushers: Jesse Hutchinson

Preparation: Rita Adams

SERVE Food Pantry for June: Peanut Butter

Bread: June 7, 2009 -- Elaine Long

June 14, 2009 -- Rita Adams

June 21, 2009 -- Allison Hutchison

June 28, 2009 -- Tom & Beth Haas

Reflections
By Rev. Barbara Gulick

Vacations are wondrous things, seldom relaxing, but rejuvenating nonetheless. When we left, the dogwoods were still blooming and the trees were still trying to leaf out in shades of pale green. When we returned, scarcely a week later, the trees were in their full green glory. Is it my imagination--or recent sojourn in the desert—but aren't the greens greener this year? Mid-Missouri is truly magnificent in June.

Similarly, we left in the church season of Eastertide—with the pale beauty of new life gently lily-blooming among us. We returned to the riotous reds and yellows and oranges of Pentecost when the spirit comes dancing among us and we celebrate the birth of the church. But hard on the heels of Pentecost comes what in the church year is called *ordinary time*, and we put on the green colors of summer. I cannot think of anything less aptly named than *ordinary time!* After the excitement of the tongues of fire and the amazing ability of the disciples to communicate in any language, comes the work of church—the challenging, demanding, and joy-filled work of carrying the Gospel message from here to the ends of the earth.

And it comes in the green days of summer. Summer offers the church a break from regular schedules—as we move our worship service to 9:30 AM. And it also offers us the opportunity of long, light days and lighter moods--unburdened by the challenges of cold and darkness. Summer offers us, as church, the time to shine with the glory of our risen Lord. I encourage each of you to join your friends in church every Sunday you are in town, to come welcome the stranger, and share in the joy of Christian fellowship. Your regular presence is the strongest witness you can make to one another and to a world so desperately in need of the love of our Savior.

And be sure to take part in these upcoming opportunities:

- Millersburg Community Garage Sale on June 6th. Tables will be available in our parking lot. Come and share your junk! And your smiles.
- Pictorial Directory photographs will be taken on June 12th and 13th. I can't emphasize enough how important an up-to-date pictorial directory is to our congregation now and as a historical document for future generations. You are not obligated to buy anything and you will receive a free directory and free 8 x 10 photograph. Sign-up sheets are at the back of the sanctuary.
- Roanne Lane and Abbey Road Concert at 7:00 PM on June 20th. We are blessed to have such an outstanding musical group available to share a community concert and also to bring us a message in music on Father's Day, June 21st. I can think of no better way to kick off our summer of family fun for Millersburg than to share the joy of this outstanding group. Come and bring all your family and friends.

Finally, I want to thank our outstanding choir and laity for their contributions in my absence. And special thanks to Amanda Smith for her musical leadership and to Jeff Moran for his message. I heard good things about both Sundays. Millersburg Christian Church is an amazing and blessed place. I also want to thank Jeff Moran and Rev. Kirby Gould for their excellent presentations for our Financial Fitness Seminar. Well done, good and faithful servants!



WITH SYMPATHY

Heartfelt Sympathy extended to Mrs. Esther Ehly & her family on the death of her husband Rev. Paul Ehly who died Sunday, May 17, 2009 at the age of 94 in Columbia, Missouri. Rev. Ehly served twice as an interim minister at Millersburg Christian Church.

PRAYERS

Prayers for: Laverne Bell, Jim Baumgartner, and Hazel Pahl, as well as prayers of appreciation for all veterans who have served our country and prayers of safety for those who are currently serving.

VISITORS

Visitors: This month we've been blessed to have the following visitors with us on Mother's Day: Rachel & Haylee Landrum and Mike Landrum & Alice Gamet (Zach Gamet's mother). Thanks for worshipping with us!

JOYS

Chris & Amy Hitt are the proud parents of a new arrival, Caleb Isaak. Caleb is 13 months old and arrived from South Korea on May 20th. Chris is Rev. Barb's nephew and they have visited MCC several times. We look forward to greeting little Caleb in the near future!

President's Ponderings

As usual, it seems like a lot happened in May at Millersburg Christian Church: Music Sunday, Laity Sunday, the Financial Planning Workshops, All Church Cleaning Day, and others. Some of these I played a role in: the first Financial Planning Workshop (Personal Finance 101) and Laity Sunday. To sum up the Personal Finance 101 presentation: "Don't spend money you don't have on stuff you don't need." If only it were that easy... And to sum up my Laity Sunday message from the pulpit about miracles: "Because we are believers, we are also 'miracle people,' miracles are all around us, and we can make miracles happen every day."

I like making these sorts of presentations (although I am not looking for a second career as a preacher). But I feel comfortable being "on stage," often more comfortable there than in one-to-one interactions with people. Other people are just the opposite: they get stage fright and would rather deal one-to-one with people. The point is that we all have different talents, and all of those talents are necessary to keep Millersburg Christian Church running. I am a terrible evangelist, but we need people with evangelical talent to tell their friends and neighbors about Millersburg Christian Church. We need people with carpentry, plumbing, and electrical skills to keep our building maintained. We need people with educational, mission, and outreach skills to keep our various church programs going. We need people with organizational and bookkeeping skills. We need people willing to share their time and talents as elders and diaconate, piano players, and choir director/members.

Please try to find ways you can share your talents with us!

Jeff Moran



SUMMER OFFERINGS & REGULAR PLEDGES

Please remember to keep current on offerings and pledges during the summer months. If you are not in worship as often, please mail your offering/pledge to Lisa Bright, Treasurer, or the church. Thank you!

Property Committee

Thanks to everyone who helped with our annual Clean Day! We still have a few items needing to be done, so please select an item you can do. In addition to the routine cleaning being done, a few special projects were done this year:

- The closet behind the baptistery was cleaned out in anticipation of a clothes rod and shelves being built.
- Two new handicapped signs were purchased and installed, giving us one spot in the front and two in the back lot. The church is used for many events, including voting, so we thought it was important to have more handicapped spaces available.
- A dead tree in the side yard was cut down and disposed of.

Repairs/Replacement Needs at Church: Bids Being Received for New Millersburg Christian Church Sign:

History of our current sign: The double-sided church sign was installed in the mid 1980's when Mike Duenow built the brick/bell structure that matches the design of our church. Each side of the sign is encased with a very heavy plastic door, but the hinges and locks are broken, so it's very difficult to change the lettering. The lights have been repaired numerous times, but they don't work on a regular basis. The lettering is in bad shape, too. We initially checked into getting the sign repaired, but it is so old, it's not possible. We have received two bids from Bee Seen Signs in Columbia to replace the interior of our existing church sign. The bid for an illuminated sign similar to the one we have is \$2,647 or a non-illuminated sign is \$1,350. If you would like to help with the cost of the new sign, please earmark your donation for the sign.

Brick Retaining Walls & Concrete Ramp: For the past few years the bricks have begun popping off the retaining walls that lead to the basement. In this same area the concrete ramp has broken up and is dangerous. Both of these items need to be addressed in the near future. Last year we received bids on getting both these items fixed and they ranged from \$10-\$18,000 for both. Please prayerfully consider how you might help. Thank you.

Basement Closet Leaking: This spring one of the closets in the basement has been leaking during heavy rains. We are currently trying to solve this issue and hope it doesn't require major drainage work as we did on the other part of the church during the remodeling project done in 2001.

Rita Adams

Missions Committee

Our first quarter outreach project was CMCA, Central Missouri Community Action. A check for \$306.70 was donated to that organization. We received a check for \$60.00 from Best Choice for saving UPC labels from Best Choice Foods. This will be sent to the Callaway Action Network at SERVE, Inc. A check for \$224.00 was given during the special Easter offering. This money will go to the Disciples Missions Fund.

A Missions Committee meeting was held on April 26th. It was decided that we would put together "Backpacks of Love" for the Festival of Sharing on October 17th. In June we will put together one for a 4-5 year-old girl and boy, in July one for a 6-7 year-old girl and boy, in August one for an 8-9 year-old girl and boy, and in September one for a 10-11 year-old-girl and boy. These will be used within Missouri when a child is taken from their home and put in foster care. The backpacks will include the following:

- 1 small backpack (no backpacks with wheels)
- 1 small stuffed animal
- 1 narrow tooth comb
- 1 t-shirt
- 1 youth toothbrush
- 1 tube child-flavored toothpaste, 6 oz. or more
- 1 coloring book or 1 notebook
- 1 box crayons or 1 pencil
- 1 travel pillow
- 1 pair socks
- 1 pkg. – 3 pair underpants

There has been a reorganization of Ecumenical Ministries, of which we are a member. It now will be called "Emerge." There will be a single issue of organization – homelessness – with Emerge HAVEN House and Emerge Wiley House. The mission of Emerge is to positively promote understanding, respect, and housing solutions for the homeless in Callaway County through committed volunteers providing education, advocacy, and shelter. This information was to be presented to congregations and a follow-up meeting was to be held May 21st.

The 39th consecutive Kingdom of Callaway CROP Walk will be held Sunday, October 11, at 1:30 PM from Champ Auditorium.

Now with school out and students not receiving breakfast and lunch at school (unless they are attending summer school), there will be a greater demand for the SERVE food pantry. The food item we are collecting for June is peanut butter.

Elaine Long, Chair

Ecumenical Ministries Votes Itself Out of Existence

The following motion was approved unanimously at Ecumenical Ministries' last board meeting on May 21. The motion proposed "that Ecumenical Ministries be renamed and become a single issue agency organized to combat homelessness in Callaway County, as outlined in the EMerge proposal by June 1, 2009, and that a transition board of no more than seven persons be named by the board chair and the Interim Executive Director by that date. The transition board will operate until a permanent board is elected. Linda Clemens will be named interim Executive Director and paid a half-time salary until the board hires an Executive Director. Ecumenical Ministries as it currently exists and all its assets will be transferred to the new organization as soon as legally feasible."

Revs. John and Barbara Gulick attended the board meeting. Rev. Barbara Gulick will serve on the transition board. The new organization will continue to operate Haven House and Wiley House homeless shelters. Callaway Clergy will assume responsibility for area wide worship services. Others in the community will sponsor the annual Crop Walk for Hunger. Copies of the EMerge document will be available in the church office.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Christian Women's Fellowship to Take a Mini-Garden Tour

CWF will meet on Tuesday, June 2nd, at 6:30 PM at Barbara Gulick's home in Jefferson City. Bring a salad or dish to share. The program will (hopefully) include a visit to a nearby garden. Go south on 54 past downtown to the Jefferson/Stadium exit. Exit to the right, then turn right on Jefferson. Turn left on Stadium at the stoplight. Turn left on Southwest Blvd at the next stoplight. Go past the Capital Region Healthplex, Cancer Center, etc. and turn right on Cedar Ridge Road. The Gulick's are about halfway down the hill on the right at 1826 Cedar Ridge. Meet at the church at 5:45 PM to carpool!

RE-VISITING MILLERSBURG CHRISTIAN
CHURCH'S 150TH ANNIVERSARY

CONGRATULATIONS
2009 GRADUATES!



Kristen Bright graduates
May 29 and will be
attending UCM in
Warrensburg this fall.



Gwendolyn Scott received
her Bachelor of Science in
Nursing from Harding
University on May 9th.

Pictured here are long- time church members Wayne Latty and Peggy Rose attending our 150th Anniversary last August.

Congratulations also to D. J. Tucker, graduating from Franklin Pierce Law School in Concord, New Hampshire!

ABBEY ROAD CONCERT

Mark your calendars now for a special weekend of Family Fun beginning with the Roanne Lane and Abbey Road Concert in our Millersburg Christian Church Sanctuary at 7:00 PM on Saturday, June 20th. There is no charge for this special community event, but a free-will offering will be taken. Refreshments will be served. Then on Father's Day, Roanne and Abbey Road will provide a message in music for our Father's Day Worship Service at 9:30 A.M. Child care will be provided both days.

Roanne and Abbey Road do a variety of music—something to charm anyone. Most of us remember Roanne's uplifting contributions to our Sesquicentennial Celebration last summer. The group has quite a following in the Cape Girardeau area. They will be coming home to the Millersburg/Fulton area to play at the Fulton Street Fair earlier in the day on June 20th. We are privileged that they have made room in their schedule for us. Come and bring your friends, family, and especially your Dad!



Tiffany Scott is graduating from Fulton High School on May 29th.

JUNE, 2009

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
<p><i>*Birthdays in Italics</i> <i>*Anniversaries in Bold Italics</i></p>	1	2 CWF at Barb Gulick's Home Meet to carpool at 5:45 PM at church	3	4	5	6 Community Garage Sale 8:00-3:00 <i>James Owens Gary & Patty Eggleston</i>
	<i>Dustin Fritz Katie Huffman</i>			<i>Jimmie & Sherry Hoesch</i>	<i>Bill & Jeanette Hudson</i>	
7 9:30 Worship <i>Ken McCarty</i>	8	9 6:15 PM Elders 7:00 PM Cabinet	10 <i>Jeremy & Melanie Czeschin Jesse & Allison Hutchison</i>	11	12 Church Directory Photos 3:00-9:30	13 Church Directory Photos 10:00-5:00
	<i>Paul Arnall</i>			<i>Sam Landrun</i>		
14  9:30 Worship <i>Shea Gentsch</i>	15 Newsletter Articles Due by Noon	16 MPS 8-5	17	18 MPS 8-5	19	20 Roanne Lane & Abby Road Concert 7:00 PM
			<i>Laverne Bell</i>		<i>Debbie & Ken Owens</i>	
21  9:30 Worship Roanne Lane & Abbey Road Concert <i>Tina Mann</i>	22	23 MPS 8-5	24 Newsletter Assembly 5:15	25 MPS 8-5	26	27
		<i>Dan & Linda Cassidy</i>		<i>Marvin Bryant</i>		<i>Tucker Smith</i>
28 9:30 Worship <i>Lynn Reynolds J.H. & Lois Long</i>	29	30 MPS 8-5				

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LECTIONARY READINGS FOR JUNE

June 7, 2009

Isaiah 6: 1-8

Psalm 29

Romans 8: 12-17

John 3: 1-17

June 21, 2009

1 Samuel 17: 1a, 4-11, 19-23, 32-49

Psalm 9: 9-20

Psalm 133

2 Corinthians 6: 1-13

Mark 4: 35-41

June 14, 2009

1 Samuel 15: 34-16: 13

Psalm 20

2 Corinthians 5: 6-10, 11-13, 14-17

Mark 4: 26-34

June 28, 2009

2 Samuel 1: 1, 17-27

Psalm 130

2 Corinthians 8: 7-15

Mark 5: 21-43