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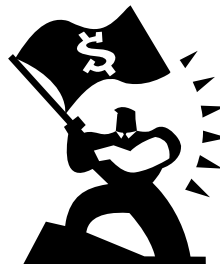
"In the heart of the community, with the community at heart."

REV. BARBARA K. GULICK, MINISTER

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May, 2009

UPCOMING EVENTS



How to Achieve Financial Fitness!

We will host two financial fitness workshops for the congregation and community to help address family distress during these difficult economic times. Child care and refreshments will be provided.

7:00-8:30 PM, Wednesday, May 13: "Personal Finance 101" Dr. Jeff Moran, who has been a cheapskate since the day he was born, will cover basic principles of saving and spending to reach financial fitness. Young people who haven't yet made a lifetime of bad decisions can especially benefit from this workshop. Older individuals may find new solutions to old bad habits. Dr. Moran has been working for the last two years on the state-mandated personal finance curriculum and assessment for high school students. Come find out what every young person (and more mature ones) should know!

7:00-8:30 PM, Wednesday, May 20: "A Christian Steward's Approach to Money Management and Financial Planning." Kirby Hughes Gould will address the question of how do we as Christians live through this troubling time in our country's history in the face of so much financial uncertainty and economic woes. As we live into the new reality of our personal situations, it is time to re-adjust priorities and focus on the future. This workshop will touch on some of the basic principles of how we as Christians should look at money and possessions and will offer helpful tools on getting a handle on finances. And, ultimately, when we leave this earth, we must make sure we have a plan as to who will inherit what God has blessed us with.

Kirby Gould has been vice president for the North Central Zone of the Christian Church Foundation since October 1997. The Foundation assists Disciples of Christ churches in the areas of endowments, permanent funds, planned gifts, and bequests. Her office is located at Community Christian Church in Kansas City, MO. She serves the regions of Greater Kansas City, Mid-America, Upper Midwest, Kansas and Nebraska.

Reflections
Rev. Barbara Gulick

Question: What is the Resurrection?

Multiple Choice Answer:

- a. A well-documented, world changing, historical event.
- b. The basis of our hope for the future.
- c. The central focus of our present reality.
- d. All of the above.

Answer: d. All of the above. As Easter People, we can shout in unison, “*We knew that!*” The fact that Christ is Risen—*He is risen, indeed!*—means “that through our believing, we may have life in his name.” (John 24:31) Because we are Easter People, we can trust in God’s goodness and mercy *right now*, as well as in the life to come. We can face life’s disappointments and challenges with boldness and confidence. We do not need to deny or avoid life’s problems, because we know that God will see us through. We do not need to be weighed down and cynical, nor overwhelmed by regret and guilt, because we know that our redeemer lives. And even in the midst of all the turmoil life throws at us, we can still laugh and sing and celebrate the joy of the Resurrection and the joy of life in the midst of the faith community.

Resurrection Celebration was at the heart of our Easter worship and fellowship, as we *celebrated* the Easter Sunrise, *celebrated* Zach Gamet’s baptism into the Body of Christ, *celebrated* the joy of the Christian community gathered for breakfast, (Thanks, Men of the church!) and *celebrated* the glory of our Risen Lord in beautiful music and worship. (Thanks to all who shared the exquisite flowers which graced our sanctuary, too.)

And *Resurrection Celebration* is at the heart of our upcoming plans and events in the life of Millersburg Christian Church:

- Youth, teacher, and graduate recognition during worship on May 3rd.
- Mother’s Day and Music Sunday on May 10th.
- Laity Sunday on May 17th with Dr. Jeff Moran bringing the message.
- Memorial Sunday on May 24th as *we move to our summer schedule with worship at 9:30 a.m.!!!*
- Pentecost Sunday on May 31st.

Special Events

- Financial Fitness Seminar (Cheapskate University) on Wednesdays, May 13th and 20th, at 7:00 PM, refreshments served. Presenters: Dr. Jeff Moran and Rev. Kirby Gould. See details elsewhere. Come and bring your neighbors and family as we all seek to set new priorities and financial survival techniques in these troubling times. I know for a fact that both presentations will be outstanding. The community is invited.
- Community Garage Sale, June 6th, in our parking lot. Tables can be rented for \$10. What’s more fun than a garage sale?

Upcoming Events

- Abbey Road Musical Group with Roanne Lane will bring us the message in music at worship on Father’s Day, June 21st.
- Family Fun Nite—watch for date
- Millersburg Parade Float, July 25th. We won first place last year!
- Family Photographs and Church Directory. Our Membership Committee is finalizing plans with Olan Mills for a new pictorial directory with photos to be taken Friday, June 12th and Saturday, June 13th. This is a wonderful opportunity to showcase who we are. It is important that every individual and family be a part of this endeavor. The directories are free to all participants and each participant also receives a free 8x10 photograph. There is absolutely no obligation to buy anything. Just come and show your smiley face. Friends of the church are also welcome to participate.

One final note: I will be on vacation from May 6th – 19th. We will check messages on our home phone regularly: 573-556-8280. Rev. John Bennett has once again graciously agreed to be available for emergency needs: 573-635-2743.

Yours in the joy of the Resurrection!



THOSE WHO SERVE IN MAY:

Elders: Lynn Reynolds and Elaine Long
Ushers: Anna Sue Harmon
Preparation: Carolyn Bethell

Bread: May 3, 2009 – Pat Baumgartner
May 10, 2009 – Vicki Fritz
May 17, 2009 – Karen Ackley
May 24, 2009 - Anna Sue Harmon
May 31, 2009 - Lynn Reynolds

SERVE Food Pantry for May: Macaroni & Cheese

WITH SYMPATHY

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to the family of J. H. Long on the death of his aunt.

PRAYERS

Please keep Hazel Pahl, Beth Haas, and Ken Bright in your prayers.

NEWBORNS



Congratulations to Jesse and Allison Hutchison (and sister Maddie) on the birth of their son, Elijah Cole Hutchison, born on Friday, April 17. Elijah weighed 7 lbs. 15 oz. and was 21 inches long!

Rebeka Lynn Garrett was born ten weeks early on Tuesday, April 14, to the proud parents Anthony Garrett & Breanna Sanders, proud grandparents Pam & Wally Garrett, and proud great-grandparents Pat & Richard Shores. Rebeka weighed 3 lbs. 8 oz. and was 15 inches long! Both babies are doing well!

VISITORS

We have welcomed visitors Dolores Tennenbaum, Beth Fitzgerald & Kammy Holcomb, and son Austin.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy 60th birthday to Joyce Schermerhorn, whose family surprised her with a birthday party a week early!

SCRAPBOOK COMMITTEE

The Scrapbook Committee now has all the supplies needed to start assembling the 150th Anniversary Scrapbook! We are planning to meet on Monday, May 11, at 6:30 PM. We would really appreciate help from anyone interested in joining in on this fun project – we hope to see you there!

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Begins May 24th with
Worship at 9:30 AM!

President's Ponderings

A lot happened during April (as it should in the church life during the Easter season): Palm Sunday, with special music, pot-luck dinner, and Easter egg hunt; a moving Maundy Thursday service; Easter sunrise service and baptism; regular Easter service; "low" Sunday, when we shared our service and a luncheon with the Millersburg Preschool. We had lots of guests at each of the Sunday services, almost filling the sanctuary with 50 to 60 people in attendance, more than we usually have for church.

While we consider ourselves "Easter people" (since Easter is the reason for our faith), we practice that faith all year. Our work is never done, from routine and special maintenance of our property (see details of our May 9 work day) to our mission work in Callaway County and the world at large. We plan to do more community outreach efforts, such as the Financial Planning seminars in May, Abbey Road concert (in lieu of a sermon) in June (with former Millersburg resident Roanne Lane Dean), participation in the Millersburg Parade in July, and a Family Movie night in August. See other articles in this and future newsletters for details about these events.

We hope to see you and your friends and neighbors at these and other Millersburg Christian Church events, including regular Sunday services!

Jeff Moran

Missions Committee

We received the following letter from Julie Roark, CAN Director at SERVE, Inc.:

"On behalf of the Callaway Action Network and SERVE, Inc., thank you for all of your donations given during the first quarter of 2009 in support of our food pantry and other programs! Your first quarter donations totaled over 100.2 lbs. of food and your monetary gifts totaled \$556.65! The SERVE food pantry has served 2,256 families, equaling 6,536 individuals, during the last three months of 2008. Without private support like yours, we could not provide the quality of services that we do for individuals and families throughout Callaway County. Please know that the support you give does make a difference. By helping SERVE, you are helping us serve people in their most desperate time of need. Again, thank you for thinking of SERVE and for contributing to our mission to serve others."

Elaine Long, Chair



Trash Pick-up Rescheduled!

Due to inclement weather, the trash pick-up scheduled for April 18 has been rescheduled for the weekend of May 30-31. Our two-mile stretch is divided into seven sections, so we need at least that many people to help. Please sign up to adopt one of those sections and complete your pickup by Sunday, May 31! Large yellow trash bags and orange reflective safety vests are provided. Thank you!

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY

You Ought To Be In Pictures - MCC's Pictures!

After celebrating our 150th Anniversary and hiring our new minister, Rev. Barbara Gulick last year, it's time to make a new church directory! (The last one was done in 2003.) Please mark your calendars for Friday, June 12 and Saturday, June 13, to come be a part of our church's history. Friday's pictures are from 3:00-9:30 PM and Saturday from 10:00 AM -5:00 PM. We have selected Olan Mills, and in addition to doing in-person sign-ups after church, you will be able to schedule your appointment online through their customized EZ Signup. In addition to the standard printed directories, the church will also receive a free online directory.

We will be striving for 100% participation, and in addition to our church family, we want to extend a special invitation to the families of the Millersburg Preschool to join us, too! Each family will receive a free directory and an 8x10 photo! Although you may wish to purchase more photos, there is no requirement to do so, nor will you be pressured to do so.

In honor of our 150th anniversary, this year for the first time we are exploring the possibility of having a Memorials Page where you can submit a photo of your loved one. As we reviewed directories of years past, there are many faithful members who are no longer with us. If you are interested in this, please contact Rita Adams at 573-642-5250 or by e-mail: theadamsfamily@ktis.net.

We will be needing lots of volunteers to help with scheduling appointments at church, by phone, being a greeter on photography day, and selecting the photographs we'll put in the directory. Please let Pat, Anna Sue, or Rita know how you can help. Stay tuned for further information in our weekly bulletin. Sign-ups will be each Sunday beginning the 10th of May!



Property Committee

All Church Clean Day-May 9th 8:00 AM-12:00 noon. A list of jobs is posted on the bulletin board. Please sign up for several tasks, doing them anytime that works best for you. This is the only time of the year that the church gets a good cleaning inside and out, so we need everyone's help! Thank you!

PRE-SCHOOL SUNDAY

Pre-school Sunday was held on April 19 at MCC. Those in attendance found the experience quite rewarding! The alumni schoolers performed a harmonica tune and the pre-schoolers joined them at the front of the church to sing "Shake a Friend's Hand." The conversation and fellowship around lunch was joyful and focused on the joint mission of the church and pre-school – caring for children. On Sunday evening pre-schoolers wore their pajamas and brought their pillows to listen to Larry Brown tell stories and sing favorite songs! Thanks to all who attended!



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!

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 12

An Easter Moment for Young People

Pictured here are Rev. Barb Gulick with Jackson, Savannah, Mattie, Aimee, Kinsley, Lauren, and Maddie.



Big Kids at the Little Kids' Table

Enjoying Easter breakfast are (left to right): Allison & Jesse Hutchison, Jeff & Courtney Moran, and Sarah & Doug Gehring.

Sunrise Breakfast/Kitchen Crew

Pictured here are: Jerry Landrum, Robert Thomas, Jeff Moran & John Reynolds, with Rev. Barb supervising! Everyone enjoyed the delicious breakfast casseroles, fresh fruit, coffee cakes, and especially the biscuits & gravy! Talk was that, "We should have this EVERY Sunday!"



MORE EASTER SUNDAY!



**Baptism of
Zachary Gamet
April 12, 2009**

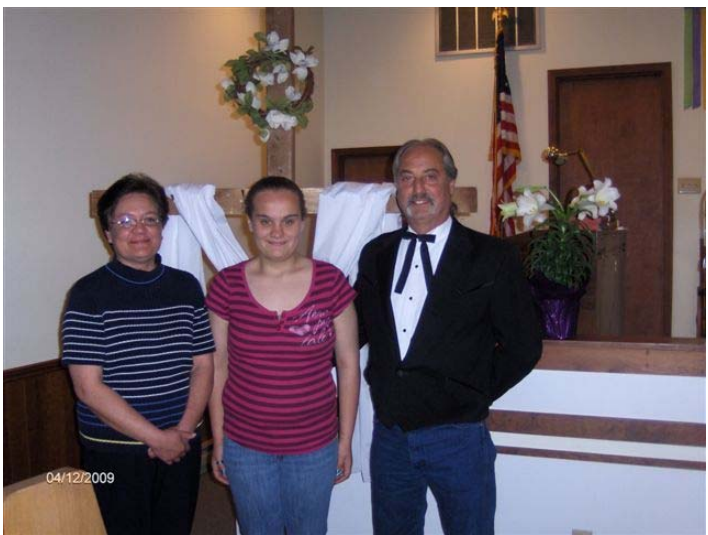
Pictured here are Zachary Gamet and Rev. Barb Gulick on the occasion of his baptism Easter morning!



**Baptism of
Zachary Gamet
April 12, 2009**

Family members share in the joy of Zach's baptism (pictured left to right):

Dick Hansen
Alice Gamet
Zachary Gamet
Abby Wasem
Mike Gamet
Shirley Burnett



New Members

Millersburg Christian Church welcomes Eva, Aimee, and Jerry Landrum, who joined our church family earlier in the year!

MAY, 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 <i>Dan Cassidy Pat Baumgartner Allen Bright</i>	2
3 Recognition Sun. 9:15 SS 10:30 Worship <i>Heather Forsee</i>	4 JOY Choir 6:30-7:30 pm <i>Gary Long</i>	5 MPS 8-12	6	7 MPS 8-12 Alumni Sch 5-8	8 <i>Dusty Baumgartner</i>	9 All-Church Work Day 8:00-12:00
10  <i>Mother's Day</i> Music Sunday 9:15 SS 10:30 Worship	11 JOY Choir 6:30-7:30 pm Scrapbook Committee 6:30 pm <i>Chris Force</i>	12 MPS 8-12 Elders 6:15 pm Board 7:00 pm <i>Rose Watson</i>	13 Financial Fitness & Fun 7:00 pm	14 MPS 8-12 Alumni Sch 5-8 <i>Chelsey Bowles</i>	15	16
17 Laity Sunday 9:15 SS 10:30 Worship	18 JOY Choir 6:30-7:30 pm Newsletter Articles Due by Noon <i>Angie Schermerhorn</i>	19 MPS 8-12 <i>Meghan (Rose) Whitworth Art Smith</i>	20 Financial Fitness & Fun 7:00 pm <i>Earl & Kathy Bryant</i>	21 MPS 8-12 Alumni Sch 5-8 <i>Jay & Anna Sue Harmon</i>	22 <i>Jana & Kerry Bush</i>	23 <i>Bess Reisch</i>
24 Memorial Sun. 9:30 Worship <i>Jason Hatfield Lauren Rose</i>	25  <i>Memorial Day</i> JOY Choir 6:30-7:30 pm <i>Helen Rowlett</i>	26 MPS 8-12	27 Newsletter Assembly 5:15 pm <i>Jana (Fritz) Bush Shirley Martin</i>	28 MPS 8-12 Alumni Sch 5-8 <i>Stanley McCray Robert & Marilyn Thomas</i>	29 <i>Jerry & Tina Arnold</i>	30 Trash Pick-up
31 Pentecost Sun. 9:30 Worship <i>Tim McCarty</i>						

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LECTIONARY READINGS FOR MAY

May 3, 2009

Acts 4: 5-12
Psalm 23
1 John 3: 16-24
John 10: 11-18

May 10, 2009

Acts 8: 26-40
Psalm 22: 25-31
1 John 4: 7-21
John 15: 1-8

May 17, 2009

Acts 10: 44-48
Psalm 98
1 John 5: 1-6
John 15: 9-17

May 24, 2009

Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26
Psalm 1
1 John 5: 9-13
John 17: 6-19

May 31, 2009

Acts 2: 1-21
Psalm 104: 24-34, 35b
Romans 8: 22-27
John 15: 26-27, 16: 4b-15