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**REV. BARBARA GULICK, MINISTER**  
 “In the heart of the community, with the community at heart.”

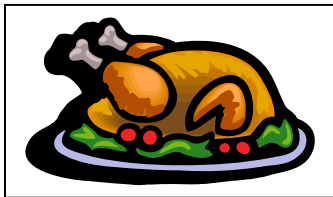
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**NOVEMBER, 2008**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Pie Auction Postponed** ☹ Due to several of our faithful pie bakers and bidders being out of town on Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, the Pie Auction Fundraiser has been postponed. Please watch for it to be rescheduled after the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year.

**THANKSGIVING DINNER – NOVEMBER 23!**

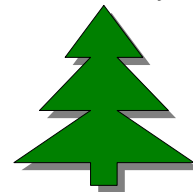


Come join us in worship, giving thanks for our bounty, and stay after church to break bread together and hear how MCC is doing mission work throughout the world. The Membership Committee is providing the turkey, so please bring a large dish to share. This is a perfect time to invite a neighbor or friend to see what we’re doing at MCC. If you bring a friend, please fix an extra dish for them, too. We’re hoping to have the church full of family and friends from the Millersburg and surrounding area! With Veteran’s Day on Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>, is there also a local veteran you could invite to share a meal and say thanks to them for their service?

Jeff, Barb, and Courtney recently went to Cuba on a mission trip, and they will be sharing a 20-minute presentation about their experience immediately after dinner. Over the past several years, the Morans have participated in several mission trips, and we are very fortunate to have a family in our congregation who is spreading the word of God and representing MCC abroad through their labor and actions. Come hear about their works of faith!

**“HANGING OF THE GREENS”  
SERVICE  
NOVEMBER 30, 2008**

*During the worship service on Sunday, November 30, come join us for Christmas carols, scripture readings, and holiday decorating!*



**Christian Women Fellowship for November**

Rita Adams is hosting the November CWF meeting on Tuesday, November 18! Meet at the church and bring a salad to share. Come join us for some fun organizing of the storage areas in our church!

**INSTALLATION OF REV. GULICK  
DECEMBER 7, 2008**

Plan to attend this important event in the life of Millersburg Christian Church! Rev. Barbara Gulick will be installed as our permanent pastor on Sunday, December 7, during the morning worship service. The Rev. Dr. Kris Tenny-Brittian will be leading the service of installation and the Rev. Dr. John Bennett will present the sermon.

REFLECTIONS  
BY  
REV. BARBARA GULICK, MINISTER



*“To everything there is a season. Turn, turn, turn.”*

To quote the Book of Ecclesiastes and Pete Seeger, *“Turn, Turn, Turn.”* Truly, we are living in a season of change. The leaves are turning, as are, quite literally, our fortunes, our governing bodies, and perhaps our lives. We each seem to be dealing with an inordinate amount of anxiety and stress. I recently mentioned that I believe that cynicism, pessimism and crankiness are the work of the devil in our present circumstances. To watch the news, it would seem that anger, divisiveness, and hopelessness are rampant. With this in mind, I am completing a short sermon series entitled, *“My Name is God and I Approve This Message: The Word of God for Troubling Times.”* The series concludes on All Saints Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, with *“Decision Time: Who Do We Trust?”* As much as I hope that we can put all the anger and unrest behind us once we get past the elections, the experts—whoever they are—tell us that we have more tough times ahead. So---with an eye to Pete Seeger (or was it *“The Byrds”*?), may I suggest that we...

- **Turn** off the ranting of media commentators and turn to the careful process of informing ourselves to be wise and discerning voters and citizens...
- **Turn** away from the destructive, self-defeating, and alienating behaviors that this age of anxiety seems to be driving us toward and turn our hearts to messages of hope, inspiration, and compassion that are all around us if we but have the eyes to see...(Taking some vigorous walks in the beauty of the changing colors wouldn't hurt either.)
- **Turn** back to God. In the words one of the *“new to us”* songs we are learning from our Chalice Praise Hymnals, *“Come, now is the time to worship; come, now is the time to give your heart. Come just as you are before your God, come.”*

We begin a special Thanksgiving series on November 9<sup>th</sup>, *“What Would I Do Without My Church Family?”* Sermon titles include: *“Encourage One Another;”* *“Build Up One Another;”* and *“Give Thanks for One Another.”* Please plan to join us for the entire series.

Thanksgiving Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, has been declared, *“Bring a Friend Sunday.”* Our goal is to double our attendance, which will be easy if each of us just brings one friend, veteran, and/or family member to share thanksgiving with us. A Thanksgiving meal will be served following worship. The Moran family will share some of their experiences and insights from their recent mission trip to Cuba. The turkey will be furnished. Members are asked to bring a dish or dessert to share. All *“Friends”* will be our guests.

Our beautiful *“Hanging of the Greens”* Service will be during worship on November 30<sup>th</sup> as we decorate the sanctuary in preparation for the celebration of Christmas. And finally, mark December 7<sup>th</sup> on your calendars for my installation as your *“permanent”* pastor. The Reverend Doctor Kris Tenny-Brittian will be leading the service of installation and the Reverend Doctor John Bennett will present the sermon.

As the Apostle Paul said, *“We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.”*

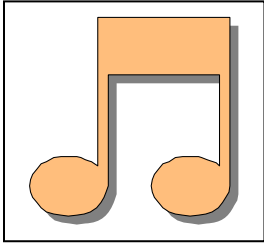


*Jeff, Barbara, and Courtney Moran recently served two weeks on a mission in Cuba.*

**PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS**  
**BY**  
**BARBARA MORAN**

Jeff, Courtney, and I recently returned from a two-week mission trip to Cuba. We spent time working alongside the staff at a church camp near Miller (really!) that provides year-round facilities for groups of up to 500 people engaged in training and worship. Several different denominations use the camp. Jeff and Courtney mostly dug ditches to bury utility cables where the hurricanes can't wipe them out. Ask Courtney about "going to the beach" where she and another team member went to a sand pile to shovel sand to put at the bottom of the ditches... I worked cutting, bending, and tying rebar towers for a bridge project. Besides the hard work, we found time for lots of laughter, devotionals, and visiting Cuban church services. Churches hold services on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays. The events we attended had standing room only left in the sanctuaries. The typical service started with about one hour of enthusiastic singing and dancing to the glory of the Lord, then about a 30- minute sermon.

After such an experience, it is difficult not to see the world differently. To marvel at all we have and take for granted: we can turn on the tap and have potable water, we can have meat at every meal if we want it, and we can hop in the car and drive where we need to go. But not just the material blessings we have. We must remember the spiritual gifts we have and not take them for granted: loving family and friends, and the love of Jesus Christ. How can we not sing our hearts out in joy for all the blessings that have been poured out on us? Thank God for the blessings, abilities, and opportunities he has given me!



### *Come Join The J.O.Y. Choir*

As always, the choir is eager to welcome new members. Interested participants of all ages and voice types are encouraged to attend one of our weekly rehearsals Mondays from 6:30-7:30 in the sanctuary (this is a day change for the fall) and to perform with us during worship services (Sundays at 10:30 AM). A long-term commitment is not necessary, but is welcome. We usually sing every other Sunday. And before we know it, it will be time to begin practicing for the Church Christmas Program. There are five specific parts for youth in the program, so let Jeff Moran know of your interest and availability. If you have any questions or comments regarding the J.O.Y. Choir or any special music you might like to share, please feel free to contact Amanda Smith at [smithama@health.missouri.edu](mailto:smithama@health.missouri.edu) or at 642-4768. You may also contact Barbara & Jeff Moran at 642-9749; Barb at [auntB1203@yahoo.com](mailto:auntB1203@yahoo.com) or Jeff at [scimusic@tranquility.net](mailto:scimusic@tranquility.net).

### *Prayer Requests*

You are invited to pray for these requests because prayer transforms life, supports healing, and helps us through difficult times. Please call Rev. Gulick with your prayer requests at 573-556-8280 or e-mail her at [bgulick@embarqmail.com](mailto:bgulick@embarqmail.com).

Bill Hudson, who is beginning rehab following shoulder surgery

Elaine Long

Jay Harmon

Rev. John Gulick

Ken Bright

Rip Russell

Shelby Hanson, daughter of Keith & Nancy (Baumgartner) Hanson & granddaughter of Lewis & Janice Baumgartner, who had surgery in St. Louis. Shelby also attends the Millersburg Preschool, which meets at our church.

Those who are affected by the economy & financial downturn.

Prayers for those serving in the Armed Forces & in Law Enforcement.

**Joys:** Over the past month we've welcomed visitors Tom & Katherine "Candy" Padgett (neighbors of Robert & Marilyn Thomas). We look forward to getting to know you better & appreciate Candy considering singing with us, as we can use another good alto!

**Christian Women's Fellowship:** We met on Monday, Oct. 20, at Carol Cox's home for a salad supper. For dessert, Carol made 3 pies (pumpkin, chocolate & lemon meringue), so we sampled a slice of each! For our program, Lynn Reynolds demonstrated the art of cake decorating. Lynn had miniature cakes and a variety of icing colors ready for us to decorate our mini cakes. Thank you, Lynn, for sharing your love and talent of cake decorating with our church!

### **Property News**

For the Children's Library we are in the process of creating a reading area. For it we need a small children's table with 2-4 chairs, a small bookcase with glass enclosure (to keep the books clean), and a medium-sized rug. Initial plans are to put the children's library in the entryway to the basement fellowship/preschool area, but we would also like input and ideas from others in the church, especially families with children. This was discussed briefly at the October Cabinet meeting, but there were several committee chairs not there, and we would like their input with this important church decision. Please contact Rita Adams and Patty Eggleston, Property Co-Chairs, or Rev. Barb Gulick. Thank you!

**REMEMBERING OUR  
150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**



Pictured here are Robert "Buddy" Thomas, his sister Lillian Johnson, and her daughter, Kelly Wilson, who attended our Anniversary Celebration! Robert lives in Millersburg, but Lillian and Kelly live in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and they were the two who traveled the farthest to come to our 150th Anniversary! Robert and Lillian grew up attending MCC, so it was especially nice to have the two of them at our Friday and Saturday night events.

Esther Phillipe Flaigle and Peggy Rose are two long-time members of MCC. Esther lives in Columbia, and Peggy lives here in Millersburg.



**THOSE WHO SERVE IN NOVEMBER**

**Elders:** Brenda Rose & Ken Bright  
**Ushers:** Tom Haas  
**Preparation:** Beth Haas

**Bread:** November 2, 2008 Pat Baumgartner  
November 9, 2008 Anna Sue Harmon  
November 16, 2008 Marilyn Thomas  
November 23, 2008 Lynn Reynolds  
November 30, 2008 Linda Stiers

**SERVE Food Pantry for the month of November:** Support our Thanksgiving families.

**FALL WORSHIP SERIES**

*My Name is God and I Approved This  
Message  
The Word of God for Troubling Times*

**October 19<sup>th</sup>**

**What Do We Really Know About God?**

Exodus 33: 12-23; Psalm 99; 1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10;  
Matthew 22: 15-22

**October 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Beyond the Fundamental Differences**

Deuteronomy 34: 1-12; Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17; 1  
Thessalonians 2: 1-8; Matthew 22: 34-46

**November 2<sup>nd</sup> - All Saint's Sunday**

**Decision Time: Who Do We Trust?**

Joshua 3: 7-17; Psalm 107: 1-7, 33-37; 1  
Thessalonians 2: 9-13; Matthew 23: 1-12

**Thanksgiving Series: November 9<sup>th</sup> -  
November 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**What Would I Do Without My Church  
Family?**

Celebrating the Blessings of Life as Brothers and  
Sisters in Christ

**November 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Encourage One Another**

Joshua 24: 1-3a, 14-25; Psalm 78: 1-7; 1  
Thessalonians 4: 13-18; Matthew 25: 1-13

**November 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Build Up One Another**

Judges 4: 1-7; Psalm 123; 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11;  
Matthew 25: 14-30

**November 23<sup>rd</sup> - Thanksgiving Sunday**

**Give Thanks for One Another**

Ezekiel 34: 11-16; Psalm 100; Ephesians 1: 15-23;  
Matthew 25: 31-46

**Holiday Reminder: Advent begins on November  
30<sup>th</sup> with the beautiful "Hanging of the Greens"  
Service.**

*I was glad when they said, "Let us go into the  
house of the Lord."*

**December 7: Rev. Gulick's Installation Service**

**MCC Member & Friends Update of  
Personal Information for In-house  
Directory**

Please provide updated information for  
our new church directory! Feel free to  
include as much or as little as you'd like!  
You can complete this form and return to  
the basket on the back table at church,  
mail it in to the church office, or e-mail  
your information to Shirley at  
[sdixon@ktis.net](mailto:sdixon@ktis.net). Thank you!

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Children's  
Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Anniversary \_\_\_\_\_

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Luella Randolph has asked that we share her new mailing address:  
262 Spalding Road, Apt. 1A, Holts Summit, MO 65043

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<p>All Saints Sunday Nominations Posted for Board Members</p> <p><b>Todd &amp; Tracy Guse</b></p>	<p>JOY Choir 6:30-7:30 pm Community Library Meeting 5:00-6:30 Mezzanine</p>	<p><b>Election Day</b> No MPS</p> <p><b>Mike &amp; Cindy Baumgartner</b></p>	<p>Prayer Group 6:30-7:00 pm</p>	<p>No MPS/Alumni</p> <p><i>Allison Hutchison</i></p>		<p><b>Glenn &amp; Linda Stiers</b></p>
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<p>Veteran's Sunday</p> <p><i>Hayle Whitworth</i></p>	<p>JOY Choir 6:30-7:30 pm Newsletter Deadline by Noon</p>	<p>MPS 8-12</p> <p>6:15 Elders 7:00 Board of Directors</p>	<p>Prayer Group 6:30-7:00 pm</p>	<p>MPS 8-12 Alumni Sch5-8</p>	<p>NE Area Assembly at Broadway CC, Columbia</p> <p><b>Pam Garrett</b></p>	<p>NE Area Assembly at Broadway CC, Columbia</p> <p><b>Janna Rose &amp; Gazi Islam</b></p>
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<p>Congregational Meeting</p> <p><i>Jordan Collins</i></p>	<p>JOY Choir 6:30-7:30 pm</p>	<p>MPS 8-4 Parent Mtg. 6:00-8:00</p> <p><i>Lisa Bright</i></p>	<p>Newsletter Prep 5:30 pm Prayer Group 6:30-7:00 pm <i>Patty Eggleston</i> <i>David Wilkerson</i></p>	<p>Preschool 8-12 Alumni Sch 5-8</p> <p><i>Mattie Arnold</i> <b>Jimmie &amp; Frances Bittle</b></p>	<p><b>Larry &amp; Linda Reed Brown</b></p>	<p><i>Doug Milner</i> <b>Doug &amp; Jo Ellen Milner</b></p>
<b>23/</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<p>Thanksgiving Dinner</p> <p style="font-size: 2em;"><b>30</b></p> <p>Hanging/Greens <i>Carol Terrell</i></p>	<p>JOY Choir 6:30-7:30 pm 7:00 Ecumenical Ministries Thanksgiving Service at Westminster Bring Can/Food for Pantry</p>	<p>MPS 8-12</p> <p><i>Kristen Cassidy</i></p>		<p>Thanksgiving Day</p> <p>No MPS/Alumni</p> <p><i>Arvid Rowlett</i></p>	<p><i>Casey Baumgartner</i></p> <p><b>John &amp; Cathy McCray</b> <b>Stan &amp; Rita Adams</b></p>	

# NOVEMBER, 2008

## LECTIONARY READINGS FOR NOVEMBER

### November 1, 2008

Revelation 7: 9-17  
Psalm 34: 1-10, 22  
1 John 3: 1-3  
Matthew 5: 1-12

### November 9, 2008

Joshua 24: 1-3a, 14-25  
Psalm 78: 1-7  
1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18  
Matthew 25: 1-13

### November 23, 2008

Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24  
Psalm 100  
Ephesians 1: 15-23  
Matthew 25: 31-46

### November 30, 2008

Isaiah 64: 1-9  
Psalm 80: 1-7, 17-19  
1 Corinthians 1: 3-9  
Mark 13: 24-37

### November 2, 2008

Joshua 3: 7-17  
Psalm 107: 1-7, 33-37  
1 Thessalonians 2: 9-13  
Matthew 23: 1-12

### November 16, 2008

Judges 4: 1-7  
Psalm 123  
1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11  
Matthew 25: 14-30

### November 27, 2008

Deuteronomy 8: 7-18  
Psalm 65  
2 Corinthians 9: 6-15  
Luke 17: 11-19

Wednesday Night Prayer Group has been moved to 6:30. Please join us for this inspirational mid-week "break" and revitalization as we pray for our church, our community and our world. There is power in prayer!

Daylight Savings Time ends Sunday  
Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> ~Turn your clocks back 1 hour  
before you go to bed Saturday night.



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**MISSIONS**  
**by**  
**Elaine Long**

The Missions Committee met October 5<sup>th</sup>. The CROP Walk was that afternoon. \$355 had been raised for the CROP Walk. The Reconciliation Offering was September 28<sup>th</sup> and October 5<sup>th</sup>. \$57 was given for that offering. \$416.94 was sent to Missouri Center for Rural Ministry as our third quarter local outreach project. This organization aids in ministerial preparation and continuing education with emphasis on small rural churches and communities.

At the Missions Committee meeting it was decided to provide two Thanksgiving baskets again this year. The turkey will go up November 2<sup>nd</sup>. All food items will need to be at the church Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>.

MCC will take part in the SERVE Adopt-a-Family Christmas Assistance Program. The items needed will be on the tree November 23<sup>rd</sup>. All items need to be at the church Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, to be taken to Mueller Center on Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Woodhaven**  
**1405 Hathman Place**  
**Columbia, MO 65201**

Several of us attended Woodhaven's Annual Fundraising Dinner. It was a very uplifting evening, and many of the Mid-MO Disciples of Christ Churches were in attendance. Woodhaven was founded in 1964 as a service unit of the National Benevolent Association of the Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ).

Woodhaven's Mission is: "A caring team advocating for those with disabilities: enhancing lives, respecting individuality, providing quality opportunities for choice, and promoting community membership." They provide community-based supported living services to 105 men and women with developmental disabilities in Mid-Missouri. A professional direct-care staff assists with living skills training, health care, personal hygiene, nutrition, transportation, recreation, and other daily needs as required by each individual.

MCC has collected and donated Campbell's Soup Labels to Woodhaven for many, many years. They also collect Best Choice labels and have a "Wish List" posted online. For more information about one of our "sister" agencies and to see how you can help, please log on to: [www.woodhaventeam.org](http://www.woodhaventeam.org). Rev. Larry Veatch, Chaplain of Woodhaven, brought a message and greetings to us from Woodhaven when he filled in as pulpit supply one of the Sundays when Rev. Gulick was on vacation.



Thanks to the following individuals who picked up trash on our Adopt-A-Highway section this fall: Pat & Larry Baumgartner, Vicki Fritz, Tom Haas, Jesse Hutchinson, Errol Pahl (did 2 sections!), Amanda Smith, and Stan & Rita Adams. In addition to the 2-mile stretch, Rita picked up some of the side yard and parking lot of the Short Stop Convenience Store because it was in dire need of some attention. During our spring pickup, trash bags were provided and an invitation was extended to the manager of the Short Stop to assist us, but it didn't look like much was done. If the convenience store doesn't keep their yard picked up, in the future this might be a good project for our Youth Group. What a difference our efforts make in our community!

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### ADDITIONAL ITEMS OF INTEREST

- If you have not already done so, please turn in your pledge cards as soon as possible. Thank you!
- Kristen Bright will be in charge of "Children's Church" - thank you, Kristen!
- Northeast Area Assembly and Youth Rally are scheduled for November 14-15, 2008 at the Broadway Christian Church in Columbia. Registration fee is \$25 before October 31 and \$30 after that date. Worship services and exceptional workshops are offered both days, culminating in the Youth Rally!
- Our Annual Congregational Meeting will be after worship on Sunday, November 16! Agenda: 2009 Budget and new Deacons and Elders.
- Ecumenical Ministries Thanksgiving Service is scheduled for Monday, November 24, 2008 at Westminster. Bring canned food for the food pantry!