



MILLERSBURG CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

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

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UPCOMING EVENTS



THANKSGIVING SERMON SERIES

Join us in worship for the following Thanksgiving Sermon Series:

“With Grateful Hearts”

November 6: “Set Your Hope in God”

--Joshua 24: 1-3a, 14-15

--Psalm 78: 1-7

November 13: “Enter Into the Joy”

--Matthew 25: 14-30

--Psalm 123: 1-3a

November 20: “After You Eat Your Fill”

Thanksgiving Sunday

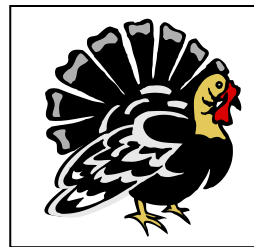
--Deuteronomy 8: 7-18

--Psalm 100

November 28: “Inherit the Kingdom Prepared for You”

--Matthew 25: 31-46

--Ephesians 1: 15-23



MEET TOM TURKEY

Our annual Tom Turkey will make his appearance at MCC on November 6th for our adopt-a-family

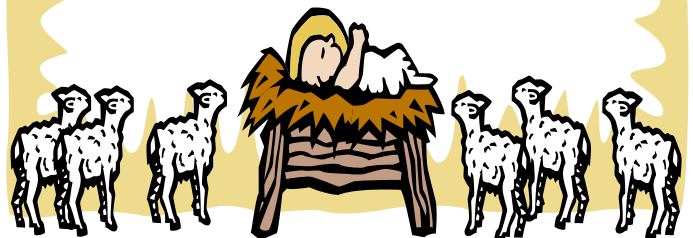
Thanksgiving Day gift of food for a complete meal. Come pluck a feather and provide part of a delicious meal for a well-deserving family. Thank you!

UPCOMING CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

It is time to start thinking about the Christmas Program (which will be Dec. 17th). Please join us at a planning meeting at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, November 15th. If you have ideas for the program and can't make the meeting, please talk to Allison Hutchison.



**DON'T FORGET
TO TURN YOUR
CLOCKS BACK
ON SATURDAY
NIGHT, NOV. 5TH!**





REFLECTIONS

by

Rev. Barbara K. Gulick

As I write this, we are in the full glory of a Missouri Indian Summer and our beloved Cardinals are ahead in the World Series. So in the fleeting days of autumn, it seems a good time to pause and affirm our conviction that God is in his heaven and surely all is right with the world. It's an upbeat note to sound as we enter the season of Thanksgiving.

But sadly, we are also painfully, personally aware that not everything is right with the world after all. We know the sorrow of lingering loss; we know the suffering of persons fighting devastating disease who are enduring medical assessments and on-going treatment; we know the plight of the unemployed and underemployed even in our own midst; we know of war and injustice and hardship around the world. We are reminded of on-going human catastrophes on our evening news.

Yet the mark of Christians throughout the generations is our enduring hope. Sometimes we must appear hopelessly, fatally optimistic. But we are followers of the Christ who snatched victory from death, who ushers in new life all around us—if we but have the eyes to see. It is his intention that we are always looking forward to the good things God has prepared for us, even as we recognize and tend to the needs of those around us.

So in this season of thanksgiving, let us open our eyes to our blessings and give thanks with grateful hearts.

To God be the glory. Amen.

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***GROUNDBREAKING
CEREMONY WITH SOCKET AT
MCC!***

Socket received a grant from the federal stimulus money and is bringing high speed internet, telephone, and video (Cable TV) to rural Mid-Missouri! Socket has been a good community friend of Millersburg Christian Church for several years, providing free dial-up internet so we can have e-mail, as well as hosting our webpage. Socket is putting their communications hut on a small section of our church property.

The groundbreaking ceremony was held on Wednesday, October 19, at 2:00 PM. Those gathered in support of this project included members and friends of Millersburg Christian Church, various business owners, people from the Millersburg community, Socket owners and staff, and Governor Jay Nixon. Watch next month's newsletter for pictures of this event!

Aaron Bedsworth Signs To Play Baseball At St. Charles Community College!

Aaron Bedsworth, a 2011 New Bloomfield graduate, signed a letter of intent to play baseball at St. Charles Community College. An all-state outfielder-pitcher, Bedsworth helped New Bloomfield win its first-ever Class 2 state title in June, the Wildcats' seventh state championship overall. Aaron will pursue an Associate of Science degree at St. Charles Community College. Aaron is the son of Todd & Susan Bedsworth.



***Celebration of Thanksgiving for
Danny Stewart, Regional Minister***

Saturday, November 19, 2011
First Christian Church, Jefferson City
Reservations Required by November 7th

Schedule:

12:00 Noon: Lunch

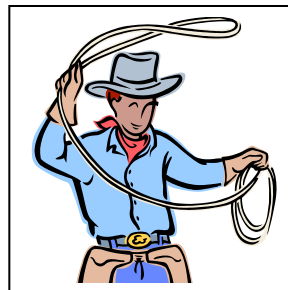
1:00 PM: Worship Celebration featuring Dick Hamm

2:00 PM: Roast of Danny Stewart, with dessert served

Reservations are required for the Retirement Celebration lunch on November 19. There will be a freewill offering with a suggested \$7.00 donation. Please notify us of any special dietary or accessibility needs.

Child care will be provided for infants to pre-kindergarten and a separate program provided for children Kindergarten to 12 years of age. Please state age(s) of children.

Reservations for the lunch and child care need to be made by November 7 to dotccma@socket.net or 573-636-8149, Ext. 21.



***Ropin' on the Run –
Cody Baumgartner!***

Cody Baumgartner, 8th grade student, earned a position on the Missouri National Junior High Rodeo Team and traveled to Gallup, New Mexico, June 26-July 2 to compete at the 7th Annual National Junior High Finals Rodeo in Team Roping, Ribbon Roping, Tie-Down Calf Roping, and Goat Tying. Cody had to place in the top 4 in each event just to make it to Nationals for the state of Missouri! Cody is the son of Mike & Cindy Baumgartner.

*Missions Committee
Report
By Beth Haas*

The Missions Committee has postponed the trip to Joplin until we can gather enough of us to make the trip worthwhile for all involved. The folks facilitating volunteers in Joplin said they'll be thrilled to have us there anytime. Goodness knows there's still much to be done.

For October, our food contributions to SERVE thus far are about 40 pounds. Maybe we can break our own record of 60 pounds in a single month!

Thank you to Amanda Smith for organizing the Crop Walk for this year.

The Thanksgiving Day adopt-a-family will begin officially on November 6th, with Tom Turkey making his annual appearance complete with all the goodies that go with (another) turkey :O) This has been an annual mission for many years at MCC, and this year the needs are greater than ever. What a treasure to us all that we can share in this very personal and purposeful way.

There will be two Sundays set aside for the special Thanksgiving Offerings: Nov. 13th and Nov. 20th. This is the link to explain what these offerings will be used for:

<http://www.disciples.org/DisciplesNewsService/tabid/58/itemId/759/Thanksgiving-Special-Day-Offering-assists-students.aspx>.

Thank you, as always, for your continuing devotion to the missions of Millersburg Christian Church.

Kahlil Gibran

*"Love has no desire but to fulfill itself.
To melt and be like a running brook that sings its melody to the night.
To wake at dawn with a winged heart and give thanks for another day of loving."*



THOSE WHO SERVE IN NOVEMBER:

Elders: Lisa Bright and Barbara Moran
Ushers: Yolanda Schafer & Anna Sue Harmon
Preparation: Buddy Thomas

Bread:

November 6, 2011 – Elaine Long
November 13, 2011 – Rita Adams
November 20, 2011 – Anna Sue Harmon
November 27, 2011 –

SERVE Food Pantry for November: Support our Thanksgiving Families

Please Hold in Prayer...

- Jenny Brown
- Virginia Williams
- Richard & Patricia Shores
- Yolanda Schafer
- Carolyn Gass



Lectionary Readings for the Month of November:

November 6, 2011

Joshua 24: 1-3a
Wisdom of Solomon 6: 1:
1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18
Matthew 25: 1-13

November 13, 2011

Judges 4: 1-7
Zephaniah 1: 7, 12-18
1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11
Matthew 25: 14-30

November 20, 2011

Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24
Psalm 95: 1-7a
Ephesians 1: 15-23
Matthew 25: 31-46

November 27, 2011

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



MCC PHOTO GALLERY



Vacation Bible School ~ 2011



Pictured here is Rev. John Gulick, reading with a Millersburg Preschool student during "MCC goes to Preschool!"



Jackson Gulick got to meet Governor Jay Nixon at the groundbreaking ceremony with Socket at MCC!



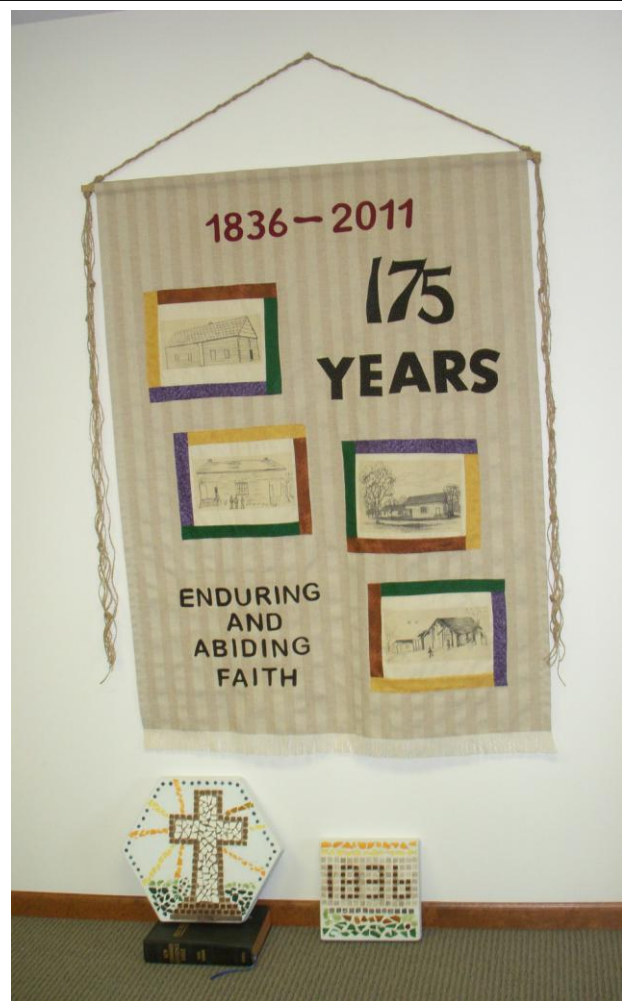
Meet Maya

Erik Rowlett and his wife Isabel had a baby girl named Mayahuel Rowlett-Rueda on September 19, 2011. Maya weighed 6 lbs. 11 oz. and was 19 inches long. The baby's mother is an Aztec/Nahua Indian, and they all reside in Charlotte, NC. Her proud grandfather is Ralph Rowlett!

175th Anniversary Banner



The banner and stones were made for the 175th anniversary of the planting of Millersburg Christian Church on Millers Creek. Brenda Rose, Barbara Moran, Peggy Rose, and Amira Harper-Rose made the banner. Brenda included sketches transferred to fabric of MCC buildings throughout the years, and bordered them with a "log cabin" pattern in fabric to make the picture frames. Barbara made the stepping stones. The cross planted on the hexagon stone is made from an old MCC dinner plate.



Children's Sunday School for November

- ❖ November 6: Don't Hurt Others
- ❖ November 13: Don't Take What Isn't Yours
- ❖ November 20: Don't Lie
- ❖ November 27: Don't Covet

With Sympathy...

We would like to extend our deepest sympathy to the Jim & Cheryl Pardue family on the death of Jim's mother, Wanda Pardue, who passed away October 10, 2011.

*Birthdays in *Italics*
 *Anniversaries in **Bold Italics**

November, 2011

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
		1 MPS 8-12	2 Joy Choir 7-8 <i>Todd & Tracy Guse</i>	3 MPS 8-12, 5-8	4 <i>Mike & Cindy Baumgartner</i>	5 
6 9:30 Sun. School 10:30 Worship Daylight Saving Time Ends <i>Allison Hutchison</i>	7	8 MPS 8-12 Elders 6:15 PM Board 7:00 PM Election Day Glenn & Linda Stiers	9 Joy Choir 7-8 <i>Hayden Bush Emma Bright Hayle Whitworth</i>	10 MPS 8-12, 5-8	11 Veterans' Day	
13 9:30 Sun. School 10:30 Worship Congregational Meeting after Worship	14 Newsletter Articles Due by Noon <i>Pam Garrett</i>	15 MPS 8-12  Janna Rose & Gazi Islam	16 Joy Choir 7-8 <i>Jordan Collins</i>	17 MPS 8-12, 5-8	18 	19 <i>Patty Eggleston David Wilkerson</i>
20 9:30 Sun. School 10:30 Worship <i>Mattie Arnold Jimmy & Frances Bittle</i>	21 <i>Larry & Linda Reed Brown</i>	22 MPS 8-12 <i>Doug Milner Doug & Jo Ellen Milner</i>	23 Joy Choir 7-8 Newsletter Assembly 5:15 PM	24 Thanksgiving Day	 <i>Kristin Cassidy</i>	26
27 9:30 Sun. School 10:30 Worship	28 <i>Casey Baumgartner John & Cathy McCray Stan & Rita Adams</i>	29 MPS 8-12	30 Joy Choir 7-8 <i>Carol Terrell</i>			

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NOVEMBER AT A GLANCE

Wednesday, November 2, 2011

7:00 JOY Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, November 5, 2011

Turn clocks back 1 hour

Sunday, November 6, 2011

9:30 Sunday School

10:30 Worship

Daylight Saving Time Ends

Monday, November 7, 2011

6:30 MPS Parent Meeting

Tuesday, November 8, 2011

Election Day

6:15 Elders' Meeting

7:00 Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 9, 2011

7:00 JOY Choir Rehearsal

Friday, November 11, 2011

Veterans' Day

Sunday, November 13, 2011

9:30 Sunday School

10:30 Worship

Congregational Meeting after Worship

Monday, November 14, 2011

12:00 Newsletter Articles Due

Wednesday, November 16, 2011

7:00 JOY Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, November 20, 2011

9:30 Sunday School

10:30 Worship

Wednesday, November 23, 2011

5:15 PM Newsletter Assembly

7:00 JOY Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 24, 2011

Thanksgiving Day

Sunday, November 27, 2011

9:30 Sunday School

10:30 Worship

Wednesday, November 30, 2011

7:00 JOY Choir Rehearsal