



## MILLERSBURG CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

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

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### UPCOMING EVENTS



## Callaway Christian Convention

Be sure to mark Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, on your calendar for a very special event! The Callaway Christian Convention celebration will honor 115 years of activity by the Convention and area churches. Millersburg Christian Church will be hosting this event and will be providing meat, bread, and drinks. Guests should arrive at 12:45 PM and bring side dishes or desserts. Lunch will begin around 1:00 PM, with entertainment following, which includes special music and historical displays. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Kris Tenny-Britton, our Area Minister. Everyone is invited to attend this last meeting of the Callaway Christian Convention!

## Stewardship Emphasis

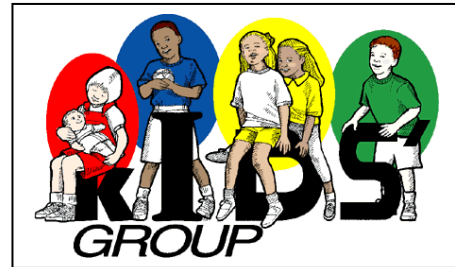
### Commitment Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup>

Commitment Sunday is scheduled for October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2011. This is the Sunday at which we hope every-one will return their "Estimate of Giving" form. More information can be found on page three of this newsletter, along with an "Estimate of Giving" form, which can be returned to the church either in person or by mail to our treasurer, Lisa Bright, at:

Millersburg Christian Church  
4527 State Road J  
Fulton, MO 65251

### Christian Women's Fellowship

Carolyn Anderson will host CWF at her home at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>. We will be planning our programs for the coming year. Please bring a salad to share and join the fun!



### Children's Sunday School

Sunday School topics for October are:

October 2 – Worship God Only

October 9 – Respect God's Name

October 16 – Remember the Sabbath

October 23 – Honor Your Father & Mother

October 30 – Don't Hurt Others

Join us for fun, fellowship, and learning about the teachings of Jesus!



### Bible 101: The Bible for Dummies

### Adult Sunday School

Adult Sunday School is resuming our overview of the Bible, *Bible 101: The Bible for Dummies*. Don't miss out on our leisurely stroll through the Bible as we seek not only to learn more about this remarkable book, which is the cornerstone of our faith, but also to relate Biblical truths to our present day world. Sunday School starts at 9:30 AM -- come join us!



## REFLECTIONS

by  
Rev. Barbara K. Gulick

Even though we are all united in the One Body of Christ, as members we are all different. We are a wonderful variety of personalities--unique and precious--blending into an ever changing harmony which at its best reflects the glory of our creator and the humanity of our savior. Likewise, each congregation offers up its own unique personality.

At Millersburg Christian Church we have been defining and refining our own distinct personality and harmonies for 175 years. One might assume that after such a long time, we might have become stodgy or stale or stuck in our ways. Far from it. We continue to grow and change and seek new directions as old paths become rutted and impassable. Yet some of our unique personality attributes continue throughout our ages. For instance: our warmth and friendliness, our caring support to one another in times of trouble, our zeal for reaching out to others in the community and in the world and...our reticence to talk about *money*. We never want to be pushy.

Sometimes our annual stewardship campaign seems to be more of a whispering campaign. Talking about money not only seems to embarrass us, it often seems to offend us. Yet we may be missing out on a real opportunity to prayerfully examine what is most meaningful to us in our lives--how we set our priorities. Whom we pay first and whom we pay last may say a lot about our values and may offer us the chance to make some real and lasting changes. In 2 Corinthians, chapter 9, the apostle Paul reminds us to give as we have made up our minds to give, not reluctantly, but joyfully, *for God loves a cheerful giver*. So as we dedicate our estimates of giving for the new year on October 16<sup>th</sup>, let our harmonies be joyful and life-changing as we *give thanks to God for his indescribable gift!*

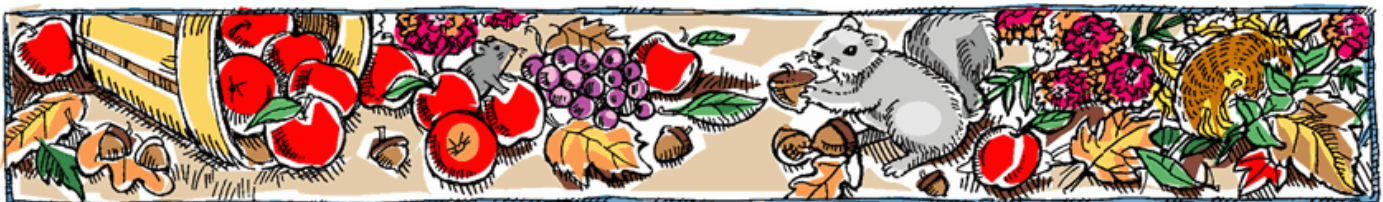
### Upcoming Events

Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at 12:45: We are hosting the final gathering of the Callaway County Convention of Christian Churches. The Callaway Convention has a history that dates back at least 115 years and may have begun in the earliest days of the Christian Church movement in Callaway County. We are looking forward to a time of good food, good fellowship, good music, and glorious celebration as we move into a time of renewed relationship with our brothers and sisters in Christ. Dr. Kris Tenny-Britton, our Area Minister, will be our guest speaker. Special music and historical displays will be a part of the celebration. We will provide meat, bread, and drinks. Participants are asked to bring side dishes or desserts.

Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup> during worship: Commitment Sunday and dedication of our estimates of giving for the new year.

Every Sunday at 9:30: Sunday School for all ages. Adult Sunday School is resuming our overview of the Bible, *Bible 101: The Bible for Dummies*. Don't miss out on our leisurely stroll through the Bible as we seek not only to learn more about this remarkable book which is the cornerstone of our faith, but also to relate Biblical truths to our present day world.

**And in all things...to God be the glory! Amen.**



*Stewardship & Finance  
Committee  
By Jeff Moran*

Yes, it is already that time when we are planning the church calendar for 2012. And in order to plan various programs, it is helpful to have an estimate of church income for the coming year. On September 25<sup>th</sup> and October 2<sup>nd</sup>, packets of information will be available for members and friends of Millersburg Christian Church, which will include 2012 budget askings from the functional church committees, a letter from Rev. Gulick, and an "Estimate of Giving" form. Commitment Sunday (the Sunday at which we hope everyone will return their "Estimate of Giving" form) is **October 16<sup>th</sup>**. If you prefer, an "Estimate of Giving" form is included in this newsletter, which can be returned to the church either in person or by mail to our treasurer, Lisa Bright. Only she will know your estimate.

We ask that each of you prayerfully consider what Millersburg Christian Church means to you and how you can best serve the purpose of our church, both financially and by a commitment of time and energy.

**2012 Estimate of Giving**

In grateful response to God's love and mercy, I/we estimate my/our giving to Millersburg Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) during 2012 will be\*:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ per week, or

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month, or

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ per year, or

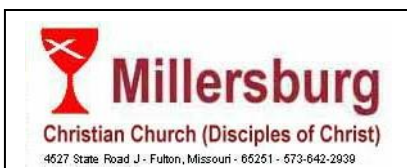
a one-time donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ .

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\*I understand that if my circumstances change, my level of giving can be changed by notifying the church treasurer of my new adjusted estimate of giving.



*Missions Committee  
Report  
By Beth Haas*

The Missions Committee was able to donate \$40.00 worth of food to SERVE, thanks to our wonderful congregation's dependable generosity. We gave two more clean-up buckets to the Festival of Sharing. We have a basketful of personal hygiene items, towels, facecloths, etc., to share with Our House.

All of these mission projects will be ongoing, as their needs are greater than ever. Please pick up a sheet listing Festival of Sharing, SERVE, and Our House needs, gather what you're able to, and thank you. The needs are becoming greater due to budget cuts statewide and the continuing depressed economy.

The CROP Walk this year is being facilitated by Elaine Long. "CROP Hunger Walks are community-wide events sponsored by Church World Service and organized by religious groups, businesses, schools, and others to raise funds to end hunger at home and around the world. CROP Hunger Walks help children and families worldwide – and right here in the U.S. – to have food for today, while building for a better tomorrow. Our local efforts are making a huge difference... and you are part of it!" For more in-depth information: [http://www.churchworldservice.org/site/TR/2011FallCROPHungerWalk/TR-Fall2011?pg=entry&fr\\_id=12723](http://www.churchworldservice.org/site/TR/2011FallCROPHungerWalk/TR-Fall2011?pg=entry&fr_id=12723).

The Reconciliation Offering will be on two Sundays: September 25<sup>th</sup> and October 4<sup>th</sup>. "The mission of Reconciliation is to nurture the wholeness of the church by dismantling systemic racism and other oppressive structures toward becoming a church that demonstrates true community, deep Christian spirituality, and passion for justice. This ministry is accomplished through organizing, education, and advocacy." If you'd like more in-depth information on this mission: <http://www.mid-america-disciples.org/pro-reconciliation-anti-racism.htm>.

MCC's Joplin trip will be October 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, and 14<sup>th</sup>. We have one van filled. Please see Missions Committee members if you're interested and able to help.

The SERVE food item for October is soup and crackers.

*"There will never cease to be ferment in the world unless people are sure of their food."*

-- Pearl S. Buck (1892-1973)

## *MCC Awarded Community Grant from KTIS*

Kingdom Telephone Company awards Community Grants to deserving community organizations within its serving area. Up to four \$500 grants are awarded quarterly and recipients are determined by the Kingdom Telephone Company Board of Directors. This year Millersburg Christian Church applied for the grant and was awarded \$500 in which to purchase a new water heater to replace the aging hot water heater for the church.

Accountant Suzie Baldwin, representative for KTIS, made the presentation to Larry Baumgartner (right), Chair of Property, and Robert Thomas (left), Co-Chair. A big thank you goes out to Carolyn Anderson for doing all the leg work on getting the paperwork and preparation for this grant completed. And, thank you, KTIS, for your generous support of our community and church!



### *Sweet Treats Auction*

The Sweet Treats Auction held on September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011 was a huge success. The auction brought in \$444.00 in auction money and \$39.00 in donations, for a grand total of \$483.00! Our auctioneer, Larry Baumgartner, did an excellent job working the crowd, and everyone had a wonderful time. There were cakes, pies, brownies, fudge, cinnamon rolls, and even some gift certificates to local restaurants, just to name a few of the treats. The highlight of the evening was Larry's granddaughter Katie's chocolate pie that sold for \$100.00! Jackson Gulick proved to be the most ambitious bidder, and he may have spent a significant portion of his college savings if Grandpa hadn't intervened a few times. There were also a couple of inner-family bidding wars, but in the end nobody got hurt and there were no hard feelings. When it was over, we all shared our winnings and everyone went home well fed. Thanks to all who attended and a special thanks to the ladies who worked so hard putting it all together.



### **THOSE WHO SERVE IN OCTOBER:**

**Elders:** Carolyn Anderson and John Gulick

**Ushers:** Joyce Schermerhorn and Gary Eggleston

**Preparation:** Anna Sue Harmon

**Bread:**

**October 2, 2011** – Elaine Long

**October 9, 2011** – Patty Eggleston

**October 16, 2011** – Anna Sue Harmon

**October 23, 2011** – Pat Baumgartner

**October 30, 2011** –

**SERVE Food Pantry for October:** Soup & Crackers

### **Please Hold in Prayer...**

- Colin Parsons
- Jenny Brown
- Richard Shores
- Yolanda Schafer
- Barbara Dexter



### *Property Committee Report by Larry Baumgartner*

- ❖ Commemorative plaque installed by front door of church.
- ❖ Hot water heater installed September 14, 2011.
- ❖ New wall heaters installed in the basement area September 17, 2011.

### **Lectionary Readings for the Month of October:**

#### **October 2, 2011**

Exodus 20: 1-4, 7-9, 12-20

Isaiah 5: 1-7

Philippians 3: 4b-14

Matthew 21: 33-46

#### **October 9, 2011**

Exodus 32: 1-14

Isaiah 25: 1-9

Philippians 4: 1-9

Matthew 22: 1-14

#### **October 16, 2011**

Exodus 33: 12-23

Isaiah 45: 1-7

1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10

Matthew 22: 15-22

#### **October 23, 2011**

Deuteronomy 34: 1-12

Leviticus 19: 1-2, 15-18

1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8

Matthew 22: 34-46

#### **October 30, 2011**

Joshua 3: 7-17

Micah 3: 5-12

1 Thessalonians 2: 9-13

Matthew 23: 1-12



# MCC PHOTO GALLERY

## Vacation Bible School ~ 2011



*More Vacation Bible School..*



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

# October, 2011

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
						<b>1</b> <i>Wayne Latty</i> <i>Marsha Loyd</i>
<b>2</b> 9:30 Sun. School 10:30 Worship <i>Walter Garrett</i>	<b>3</b> MPS Parent Mtg. 6:30 PM	<b>4</b> MPS 8-12 CWF 6:30 at <b>Carolyn</b> <b>Anderson's</b>	<b>5</b> Joy Choir 7-8 <i>Cody</i> <i>Baumgartner</i>	<b>6</b> MPS 8-12, 5-8	<b>7</b> <i>Jeff Moran</i> <i>Janis Stock</i>	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b> 9:30 Sun. School 10:30 Worship 12:45 Callaway Convention <i>Fred Erickson</i> <i>Kinleigh Rose</i> <i>Mason Rose</i>	<b>10</b>  <b>Columbus Day</b> <i>Kerry Bush</i>	<b>11</b> MPS 8-12 Elders 6:15 PM Cabinet 7:00 PM <i>Rodney Latty</i> <i>Nick Arnold</i>	<b>12</b> Joy Choir 7-8 Mission Trip to Joplin	<b>13</b> MPS 8-12, 5-8 Mission Trip to Joplin <i>Brandi Garrett</i> <i>Ken &amp; Susan</i> <i>McCarty</i>	<b>14</b> Mission Trip to Joplin <i>Jay Harmon</i>	<b>15</b> Festival of Sharing in Sedalia
<b>16</b> 9:30 Sun. School 10:30 Worship – Commitment Sunday CROP Walk 1:30	<b>17</b> Newsletter Articles Due by Noon <i>Matt Rose</i> <i>Jeff &amp; Barbara</i> <i>Moran</i>	<b>18</b> MPS 8-12 <i>Art Bedsworth</i> <i>Steve &amp; Meghan</i> <i>Rose Whitworth</i>	<b>19</b> Joy Choir 7-8 <i>Stan Adams</i> <i>Paige Bedsworth</i>	<b>20</b> MPS 8-12, 5-8	<b>21</b> <i>Laden Force</i>	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b> 9:30 Sun. School 10:30 Worship <i>Susan McCarty</i> <i>Robert Thomas</i>	<b>24</b> <i>Alice Gamet</i>	<b>25</b> MPS 8-12 <i>Nichole Adams</i> <i>Lola Weiss</i>	<b>26</b> Newsletter Assembly 5:15 PM Joy Choir 7-8 <i>Grace Loyd</i>	<b>27</b> MPS 8-12, 5-8	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b> 9:30 Sun. School 10:30 Worship <i>Jessica Kukal</i>	<b>31</b>  <i>Roger Harmon</i>					

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## OCTOBER AT A GLANCE

**Sunday, October 2, 2011**

9:30 Sunday School

10:30 Worship

**Monday, October 3, 2011**

6:30 MPS Parent Meeting

**Tuesday, October 4, 2011**

6:30 CWF at Carolyn Anderson's

**Wednesday, October 5, 2011**

7:00 JOY Choir Rehearsal

**Sunday, October 9, 2011**

9:30 Sunday School

10:30 Worship

12:45 Callaway Christian Convention

**Monday, October 10, 2011**

Columbus Day Observed

**Tuesday, October 11, 2011**

6:15 Elders Meeting

7:00 Cabinet Meeting

**Wednesday, October 12, 2011**

Mission Trip to Joplin

7:00 JOY Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, October 13, 2011**

Mission Trip to Joplin

**Friday, October 14, 2011**

Mission Trip to Joplin

**Saturday, October 15, 2011**

Festival of Sharing in Sedalia, MO

**Sunday, October 16, 2011**

9:30 Sunday School

10:30 Worship – Commitment Sunday

1:30 CROP Walk

**Wednesday, October 19, 2011**

7:00 JOY Choir Rehearsal

**Sunday, October 23, 2011**

9:30 Sunday School

10:30 Worship

**Wednesday, October 26, 2011**

7:00 JOY Choir Rehearsal

**Sunday, October 30, 2011**

9:30 Sunday School

10:30 Worship