



MILLERSBURG CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

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

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September, 2011

UPCOMING EVENTS



ANNUAL “SWEET TREATS” AUCTION

Saturday, September 17th ~ 5:30 PM
Millersburg Christian Church Basement
4527 State Road J

Be sure to mark Saturday, September 17th, on your calendar, because we are having a fun, delicious get-together in the basement of Millersburg Christian Church starting at 5:30 PM! Larry Baumgartner (who is relentless!) will be auctioning off scrumptious pies, cakes, cookies, candy, rolls, etc. Everyone will have an opportunity to “taste test” some of the baked goods as well, with coffee and lemonade after the sale! We encourage each family to bring one or two “sweet treats” for sharing/auctioning off, but donating an item is not a requirement to join us for a fun-filled evening! This has always been one of our most popular fundraisers, with lots of competition from the bidders. So bring your sweet tooth, your funny bone, and invite your friends and family, too!



Sunday School Kickoff Celebration

September 11th @ 9:30 AM

Fun for All Ages

Don't miss out on the opportunity to go “back-to-Sunday-school” with friends and family as we bid farewell to summer and move into our fall schedule with Sunday School for all ages at 9:30 AM and Worship at 10:30 AM. Children and adults will gather together for snacks, share a beloved Bible story, and work on a fun project together. A lively children's curriculum, specifically tailored for our own children, begins the following Sunday under the able leadership of Elaine Long. Youth and adults will continue studying how the Bible applies to our lives today with Rev. Barbara Gulick.

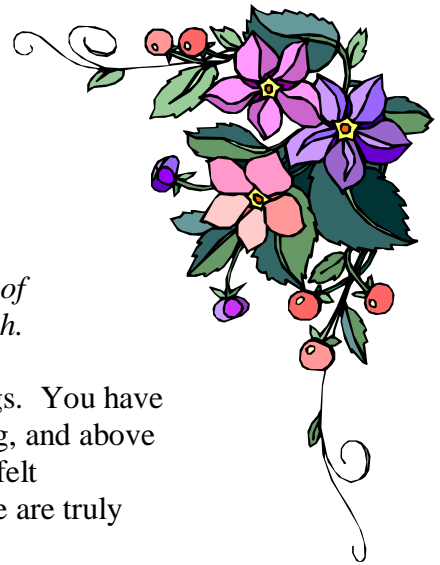
Fall Worship Schedule

9:30 AM Sunday School for All Ages

10:30 AM Worship

Begins September 11th!

REFLECTIONS
by
Rev. Barbara K. Gulick



*Excerpted from the Sermon August 27, 2011 on the occasion of
the 175th Anniversary of Millersburg Christian Church.*

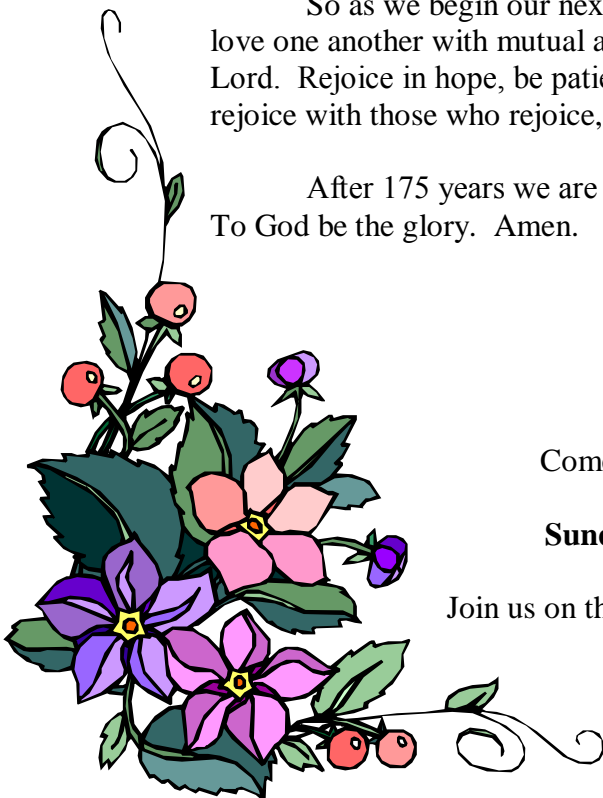
In these past weeks, you have showered John and I with blessings. You have persevered in prayer for us, wept with us, been patient with our suffering, and above all, you have loved us. You have hugged us, sent us beautiful and heartfelt messages of hope, and you have outdone one another in feeding us. We are truly blessed by the spirit as you have tended to our needs.

You have been church to us. You have been the kingdom of God on earth. As the body of Christ, you have upheld us. You have turned aside from your daily lives to answer God's call. Oh yes, we are standing on holy ground. That's what being church is all about. We are standing on a 175 year legacy of being church. And we are still going strong.

Among all the gifts with which you have blessed us is a beautiful stone inscribed with the words: *"Our family chain is broken, and nothing seems the same, but as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again."* Besides being a wonderful message of comfort and hope for us, I think it speaks to the essence of being church. And I think of all the times the chain must have seemed broken through the past seven or eight generations since Millersburg Christian Church was planted and how nothing seemed the same; but as we turn aside to hear God's call, the chain is linked again. The mission of the church is not only to do God's work according to God's will on earth, but to link us to God's heavenly kingdom.

So as we begin our next 175 years, let love be genuine; hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, and don't forget to pray. And finally, rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep, and live in harmony.

After 175 years we are still standing on holy ground. And we've only just begun!
To God be the glory. Amen.



Upcoming Worship Opportunities

Sunday, September 4th—Casual Worship

Come as you are in the midst of the Labor Day Week-end.

**Sunday, September 11th—Special Service of Hope and
Remembrance**

Join us on the 10th Anniversary of 9/11 for a special memorial service.

Missions Committee Report By Beth Haas

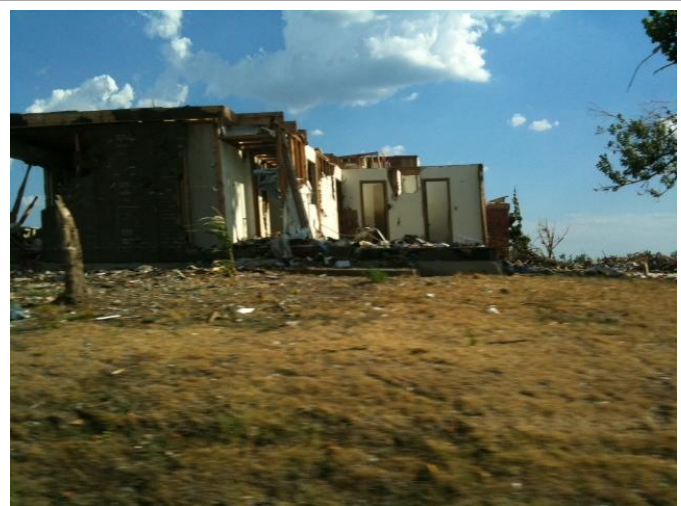
Interested in Hands-on Mission Work in Joplin???

The Missions Committee is contemplating a mission trip to Joplin in the near future. We need to know what the interest level is within our church so we can plan somewhat efficiently. We would stay at the Neosho Christian Church, about 20 minutes from Joplin. They have air mattresses, showers, and a full-duty kitchen. Right now, Joplin needs volunteers to:

- clean bricks after removing the mortar, pull nails from lumber, size and stack lumber
- clean up of debris in the neighborhoods
- hospitality volunteers to work on campus at MSSU, assisting first responders and fellow volunteers
- a crew to help clean the police and fire building located at 303 E. Third
- volunteers to work at City Hall and assist residents and businesses with completing the FEMA disaster assistance application
- sorting debris once it has been collected.

This is not an exhaustive list by any means. This is just to give you an idea of what the needs are in Joplin, at least as of now. If you are interested in joining us, please talk to Elaine Long, Jeff Moran, Brenda Rose, Beth Haas, or Patty Eggleston. **THANK YOU!**

Photos of Joplin Devastation





**Stewardship & Finance
Committee**
By Jeff Moran

We are beginning to plan financially for 2012. The Stewardship and Finance committee has received askings from the other church committees and will present a total proposed budget to the Board of Directors' Meeting on Sept 13th. Then comes an "askings packet" that will be available to each family, which we ask you to read and consider what MCC means to you as you plan your financial giving to the church. Commitment Sunday will be October 16th, and on that date (or earlier), we hope to have everyone's "estimate of giving" for 2012. These "estimates" help the Board of Directors in planning church programs for the coming year. Thank you for your support of MCC!

JOY Choir has begun for the Fall! We will meet on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:00 PM. Come join us in making a joyful noise to the Lord! Even if you miss a practice or two, you can still be a part of the JOY!



Choir Start-Up



Property Report
by
Larry Baumgartner

Payment of a grant of \$500 for a new water heater has been received. Rob of All Pro Plumbing will be replacing the water heater.

Payment of \$7500 has been received from Socket.

Bill Bright has given us a bid on replacing the old baseboard heaters in the basement with new wall heaters. The new heaters will be \$219.00 each and have been ordered.

The air conditioner next to the sidewalk needs to be replaced. Jack Reed gave us a bid to replace the unit with a new one for \$4693.00.

A special Board Meeting was set up with Jack Reed on Thursday, August 18th to discuss this matter. The Board approved the purchases and the new unit will be installed the week of August 22, 2011.

*A belated Happy 90th Birthday to
Esther Phillippe Flaigle on August
17, 2011.*



THOSE WHO SERVE IN SEPTEMBER:

Elders: Patty Eggleston and Barbara Moran

Ushers: Jeff Moran and Beth Haas

Preparation: Sarah Gehring

Bread:

September 4, 2011 – Rita Adams

September 11, 2011 – Vicki Fritz

September 18, 2011 – Jerry Landrum

September 25, 2011 – Patty Eggleston

SERVE Food Pantry for September:

Beans (dried or canned)

Please Hold in Prayer...

- John & Barbara Gulick Family
- Peggy Rose
- Richard & Pat Shores
- Esther Flaigle



With Deepest Sympathy...

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to Rev. Barbara & John Gulick and their family on the death of their son, John Dale Chip Gulick, who passed away on August 5, 2011. Chip is also survived by his son, Jackson Dale Gulick, his former wife and best friend, Andrea Gulick, and his grandparents, Floyd and Marie Lytle of Jefferson City and Jeanne Gulick of Kansas City, MO.

Lectionary Readings for the Month of September

September 4, 2011

Exodus 12: 1-14

Ezekiel 33: 7-11

Romans 13: 8-14

Matthew 18: 15-20

September 11, 2011

Exodus 14: 19-31

Genesis 50: 15-21

Romans 14: 1-12

Matthew 18: 21-35

September 18, 2011

Exodus 16: 2-15

Jonah 3: 10-4:11

Philippians 1: 21-30

Matthew 20: 1-16

September 25, 2011

Exodus 17: 1-7

Ezekiel 18: 1-4, 25-32

Philippians 2: 1-13

Matthew 21: 23-32



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Vacation Bible School ~ 2011

Our intergenerational VBS was held on Friday, July 22nd, and Saturday, July 23rd. On Friday we shared a meal and discussed how Jesus fed 5,000 people with five loaves of bread and two fish. On Saturday we had "Breakfast by the Lake" as Jesus did with Peter and some of the disciples. We enjoyed stories, crafts, games, and music!



More Vacation Bible School..



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

September, 2011

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
				1 MPS Mtg. 6-8 <i>Kenton Kukal</i>	2	3 <i>Shayla Rose</i>
4 10:30 Worship	5 <i>Jesse Hutchison</i> <i>Janet Latty</i>	6 MPS 8-12 <i>Ken Owens</i>	7 Joy Choir 7-8	8 MPS 8-12, 5-8	9 <i>Danny Rose</i>	10 <i>Cooper Gehring</i> <i>Savannah Bethell</i>
11 9:30 Sun. School 10:30 Worship <i>Ralph Rowlett</i> <i>Samantha Mielke</i>	12	13 MPS 8-12 Elders 6:15 PM Board 7:00 PM	14 Joy Choir 7-8 <i>Bill Gentzsch</i>	15 MPS 8-12, 5-8 <i>John Wilkerson</i> <i>Betty Berry</i> <i>Erik Rowlett</i>	16 <i>Jo Ellen Milner</i>	17 Sweet Treats Auction 5:30 PM
18 9:30 Sun. School 10:30 Worship	19 Newsletter Articles Due by Noon	20 MPS 8-12 <i>Lance Loyd</i>	21 Joy Choir 7-8	22 MPS 8-12, 5-8	23 <i>Patricia Shores</i> <i>Jerry & Eva</i> <i>Landrum</i>	24 <i>William Brown</i>
25 9:30 Sun. School 10:30 Worship 2:00 Callaway County Christian Churches Mtg. At MCC <i>Jeanette Hudson</i> <i>Justin Hatfield</i> <i>Beth Haas</i> <i>Lance & Kim</i> <i>Loyd</i>	26 <i>Marilyn Thomas</i> <i>Abby Wasem</i>	27 MPS 8-12 <i>Jerry Arnold</i> <i>Eric Pahl</i> <i>Walt Carlson</i> <i>Danielle Cassidy</i>	28 Newsletter Assembly 5:15 PM Joy Choir 7-8	29 MPS 8-12, 5-8 <i>Cheryl Rose</i> <i>Jamie & Robin</i> <i>Hudson</i>	30	



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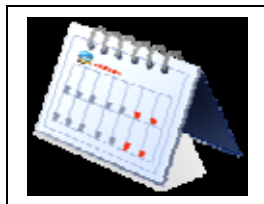
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SEPTEMBER AT A GLANCE

Sunday, September 4

10:30 AM ~ Worship (Casual Worship – come as you are!)

Monday, September 5

Labor Day

Wednesday, September 7

7:00-8:00 PM ~ JOY Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, September 11

9:30 AM ~ Sunday School Kick-off
10:30 AM ~ Worship (A Special Service of Hope and Remembrance)

Tuesday, September 13

6:15 PM ~ Elders Meeting
7:00 PM ~ Board Meeting

Wednesday, September 14

7:00-8:00 PM ~ JOY Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, September 17

5:30 PM ~ “Sweet Treats” Auction

Sunday, September 18

9:30 AM ~ Sunday School
10:30 AM ~ Worship

Monday, September 19

12:00 Noon ~ Newsletter Articles Due

Wednesday, September 21

7:00-8:00 PM ~ JOY Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, September 25

9:30 AM ~ Sunday School
10:30 AM ~ Worship

Wednesday, September 27

5:15 PM ~ Newsletter Assembly
7:00-8:00 PM ~ JOY Choir Rehearsal