



# THE CONTACT

Midway Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

January 2013

## Church Staff:

**Rev. Heather McColl**

*Minister*

**Joni Angus**

*Secretary*

**Melissa Askew**

*Music Director*

**Holly Coffey**

*Accompanist*

**Jestine Johnson**

*Custodian*



## Epiphany Feast 2013

*Sunday, January 6th, 2013, @ 6:30 p.m.*

*Midway College Piper Dining Hall*

By the time you receive this Contact, the deadline for reservations is past! However, you may call the office to see if there are any tickets left for this feast of Chef Ouita Michel's medieval fare, along with entertainment, for \$30 per adult and \$15 per youth ages 11 to 18. (Children 10 and under eat free). If you have reservations and need to make special table requests (with whom you wish to sit, etc.), please do so as soon as possible.

### How can Midway Christian Church members help out?

We need everyone's support by signing up for various jobs to help everything go smoothly that night. (Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex)

## Sunday Worship

9:30 AM: Sunday School

10:55 AM: Worship

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### \*DECORATING CREW:

- Put linens on table
- Fold napkins
- Set table with napkins
- Set table with silverware
- Put candles on table
- Set table with glasses
- Put greenery on table
- Set table with programs

\*Need Decorating Crew at dining hall by 2:30 p.m.

### SERVING CREW:

- Serve drinks
- Serve dessert
- Play host/hostess to the tables

### KITCHEN CREW:

- Scrape Plates
- Wash Dishes

### BREAK DOWN CREW:

- Vacuum
- Sweep
- Pack up decorations

**THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE DAY AND NEW YEAR'S DAY (Monday, December 31st and Tuesday, January 1st)**

## Budget Update

Budgeted to date: \$79,950.54

Received to date: \$71,113.09



## Worship News and Notes

### Worship Themes

*You are encouraged to read the text for the day in advance*



#### January 6

*Epiphany Sunday*  
Epiphany Service

#### January 13

*Baptism Sunday*  
Scripture: Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22  
Sermon: "You Are My Beloved"

#### January 20

*Second Sunday After Epiphany*  
Scripture: John 2: 1-11  
Sermon: "The Wedding of the Year"

#### January 27

*Third Sunday After Epiphany*  
Scripture: Luke 11: 1-4  
Sermon: "Lord, Teach Us to Pray"



### Serving This Month

**Elders:** Phil Burchell & Buddy Johnson

**Deacons:** Dottie Pollard, Jeanne Clark, Ray Clark, Carole Munson, Jim Nance, Margaret Easton, Ouita Michel, Beth Thompson, & Sandy Gruzesky

**Junior Deacons:** Franklin Watson, Jordan Batts, Nate Hill

#### Worship Leaders:

**January 6 James Batts**

**January 13 Nate Hill**

**January 20 Ouita Michel**

**January 27 Blake Adkins**



### Sunday School

***Sunday School January 6 - February 24***



Please join us each Sunday beginning January 6 for a study and discussion of the General Epistles of the New Testament offering inspirational and practical advice for Christians living in a hostile and ungodly world.

- Led by Jim Wombles.

### *In Christian Sympathy...*

To the Family of  
Virginia McDaniel Jones, 82,  
of Lawrenceburg, KY



### Acolyte Schedule

**January 6** Alex Adkins & Hannah Campbell

**January 13** Blake Adkins & Joe Campbell

**January 20** Willa Michel & Bailey Spicer

**January 27** Jack Hill & Luke Hill



## More Worship News

### Epiphany Sunday

***Sunday, January 6th***

On Sunday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, we will be celebrating Epiphany Sunday by telling the story again through Scripture, Drama, Reflection and Song. During the service, there will be a time for everyone to share his or her vision for our world and for our lives in the coming year. This service is an opportunity for our insights and understanding that we gain as people of faith to lead us down new roads to help proclaim the Kingdom of God is near.



### Baptism Sunday

***Sunday, January 13th***

On Sunday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, we will be celebrating Baptism Sunday. During the service, there will be a chance for all us to renew our baptism by dipping your hands in the water and hearing God's promise to us once more. Everyone is invited to come forward whether you have been baptized or not, because it is also an opportunity for us as people of faith to re-commit ourselves to Christ as we begin the new year. Come and join us for this very special Sunday and remember the moment you were washed clean and renewed as a person of faith.

### Laity Sunday

***Sunday, January 20th***

On Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, Midway Christian Church will be celebrating Laity Sunday as a "great opportunity to help everyone explore and recognize the many types of ministry that members of the congregation have been uniquely gifted to accomplish." During the service, some of our members will be giving testimonies about their faith. They will share with us their faith journeys and who God is for them as people of faith. We are celebrating Laity Sunday because "The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) are a people built upon laity and clergy working together in service to Christ. Laity Sunday is a special time to reflect upon, promote, and celebrate the many roles served by [our] congregation's lay ministers, both inside and outside [our] church walls." As we continue to live out our mission of WELCOME, this Sunday gives us an opportunity for all of the ministers of Midway Christian Church to engage in their role as leaders of this church. ([www.disciples.org](http://www.disciples.org))

### Greg Alexander Taking a Sabbatical

Christian Church in Kentucky's General Minister, Greg Alexander, will be taking a sabbatical - his first one in over 15 years, from January 1 to March 31, 2013. The CCK Personnel Committee and the Board "felt that it was important to grant Greg this time of rest and renewal, and that the region would benefit from the work Greg will be doing while he is away. In Greg's absence, CCK Associate Minister, Linda Jones, will be assuming the responsibilities of General Minister.

## Retreats, Assemblies, Workshops...

### Seminary Saturdays @ LTS

631 S. Limestone, Lexington

- January 5 - The Psalms  
*Rev. Kory Wilcoxon, Crestwood Christian*
- January 26 - And God Said What?  
*Dr. Margaret N. Ralph, Lexington Theological Seminary*
- February 2 - Reading and Understanding the Gospels  
*Dr. Jerry Sumney, Lexington Theological Seminary*



See the church office bulletin board or call 859-351-9612

### General Assembly 2013

July 13 through July 17, 2013

Orange County Convention Center,  
Orlando, Florida

Early rates apply  
until April 1st

[www.disciples.org](http://www.disciples.org)



### Christmount Events (Black Mountain, NC)

February 1 - 3	Winterfest 1 Ski Weekend
February 15 - 18	Winterfest 2 Ski Weekend
March 1 - 2	Elders & Deacons Workshop
May 26 - 31	Week of Wonder Adult Work Camp
May 31 - June 2	Discovery Weekend for Women
June 13 - 16	Music Workshop



For more info call  
828-669-8977

or visit  
[www.christmount.org](http://www.christmount.org)

## Fellowship News and Notes

### Keenagers Luncheon

Thursday, January 17th @ 11:30 a.m.

The Keenagers will travel to Wallace Station on Thursday, January 17th at 11:30 p.m. Please RSVP to the church office by Monday, January 14th if you wish to go.



### Disciples Women Luncheon

Sunday, January 20th, 12:30 p.m.

The Disciples Women will meet at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday, January 20th. **Please bring your ideas, and a sack lunch and a drink.**



### Board Retreat

Saturday, January 19th, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.



All elders, deacons and committee team leaders are encouraged to attend the Board Retreat. We will be taking a look at our mission statement of WELCOME and looking for opportunities for us to

best live out our mission of Welcome as Midway Christian Church. We will meet in the fellowship hall from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

**Please RSVP to the church office by Monday January 14<sup>th</sup> so that we can plan for lunch.**



### Burgoo Fundraiser

Tuesday, February 12

Rick Caudle will be hosting a Burgoo Dinner on Tuesday, February 12th at 6:30 p.m. This will be instead of our usual Fat Tuesday Pancakes (we are "pancaked-out" for a while!)

Donations to the MCC General Fund are welcome!



## Community News and Notes

### Next Community Dinner

#### ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF!

**Monday, January 28th  
at 6:30 p.m.**



CALLING ALL CHILI COOKS!

Midway residents, MCC members, and friends are invited to enter your best chili in MCC's Annual Chili Cook-Off to win a prize! If you're not bringing a batch of chili, please come and help eat it! You can sample lots of different recipes, or just eat a big bowl of your favorite. **Please let the office know by Monday, January 21st if you plan to enter a pot of chili.**

### Midway Christian Clothes Closet



**Monday, January 28th @ 7:30 p.m.**

Each month, at 7:30 p.m. on the night of the Community Dinner, the community is invited to explore the MCC Clothes Closet in the Fellowship Hall basement. Gently-used clothing items for men, women, & children will go for about 25 cents each.

***(Please respect the Scouts and wait until 7:30 before going downstairs!)***

### MLK Service

**Sunday, January 20th at 6:00 p.m.  
at Central Christian Church in Lexington**



Disciples for the Dream presents a celebration of the religious heritage of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. This year's speaker will be Rev. LaMarco Cable of Bread for the World. Rev. LaMarco Cable is a Memphis, TN, native and an ordained minister in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). He earned a B.A. in religion from Transylvania University and a Master's of Divinity degree from Lexington Theological Seminary. Cable served as pastor at a Christian Church in Rogersville, TN, and Broadway Christian Church in Winchester, KY. He also served congregations in Indiana, Oklahoma, and Washington, DC. Cable previously served the Christian Church and the United Church of Christ's Global Ministries as program associate for advocacy and education, working on policy advocacy and constituency relations.

### Thank You from the Bluegrass Cycling Club

This letter accompanied a \$300 contribution to MCC:

*"We hold rides throughout the Bluegrass nearly every day of the week from March through October. We ride throughout the winter as weather allows. Partners like you make this possible. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for allowing the members of the Bluegrass Cycling Club to utilize your facilities. The community support that you have chosen to show our group allows us to pursue our passion - cycling."*

Note: John and/or Cindy Batts opens the basement for this group every week!



### Zumba Classes - **NEW TIME!**

**Thursdays @ 6:00 p.m.  
\$5 per class  
(Gratz Street door)**



### Lifeline Screenings at Midway Christian

Register now for the life-saving screenings being done at Midway Christian Church on January 25th! **See the pink insert for details.**

## Youth News and Notes

### Children/Youth Calendar:

- 1/2/13 6 p.m. Finish reading **The Best Christmas Pageant Ever**
- 1/9/13 6 p.m. **Scavenger Hunt**
- 1/16/13 6 p.m. **Sewing**
- 1/23/13 6 p.m. **Shrinky Dinks**
- 1/30/13 TBA **\*DANCE - The community is invited/welcome**



\*Members are asked to donate goodies to this Fundraiser Dance!

Look for a Valentines Dinner in February and a Knowledge Hunt in March. Let Cindy Batts know if you are interested in helping with any of these!

### Youth Ski Trip

**Saturday, January 26th**  
**Perfect North Ski Slopes**



More details to come...

Please let Heather know if you are interested!

### Midway Community Children's Choir (MCCC)

**Practice Fridays**  
**2:45 p.m.**  
**Northside Elementary**



Logo painted by Charlotte Morgan



### Green Chalice

#### A Poem:

Forever Oneness,  
Who sings to us in silence,  
Who teaches us through each other.  
Guide my steps with strength and wisdom.  
May I see the lessons as I walk,  
Honor the Purpose of all things.  
Help me touch with respect,  
Always speak from behind my eyes.  
Let me observe, not judge.  
May I cause no harm,  
And leave music and beauty after my visit.  
When I return to forever  
May the circle be closed  
And the spiral be broader.  
- Aboriginal poet Bee Lake

### Fair Trade Products

**Available in Fellowship Hall:**



Breakfast Blend Coffee	\$7 per bag
Organic Decaf	\$8 per bag
French Roast	\$7 per bag
Teas	\$4 per box
Organic Baking Cocoa	\$8 per box
Extra Virgin Olive Oil	\$16/bottle
Mint Chocolate Bar	\$3 per bar
Ecuador Dark Chocolate	\$3 per bar
Panama Extra Dark	\$3 per bar
Chocolate w/ Caramel	\$3 per bar
Dk Chocolate w/ Almonds	\$3 per bar
Orange Dark Chocolate	\$3 per bar

# Mission News and Notes



Many thanks to the Meals on Wheels teams that served during the week of 12/3: Pat Wilson, Phil Burchell, Buddy & Gertrude Johnson, Phil & Nancy Dare, and Pat Settlemyre. The next deliveries are the weeks of **December 31st & January 28th.**

## January Mission Payments

### Lexington Theological Seminary

Lexington Theological Seminary is an accredited graduate theological institution related to the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). The purpose of Lexington Theological Seminary is to prepare faithful leaders for the church of Jesus Christ, and thus, to strengthen the church's participation in God's mission for the world.

In January, we also make a small donation to **District 5** and **Regional Green Chalice**

### Thank You, Contributors to the Christmas Food Boxes

We were able to feed 40 families this Christmas, thanks to donations of food, funds, and time from the following:

Northside Elementary School students, the Midway Business Association, Midway Lions' Club, Midway Women's Club, Midway businesses and merchants, Midway area churches, citizens of Midway, Kroger - through the Woodford County Food Pantry, J M Smucker Company, Weisenberger Mill, Phil and Nancy Dare, Bobbie Dare, Braxton Dare, Phil and Sharon Burchell, Jim and Gloria Batts, Dan Roller and Adele Dickerson, Genie Graf, Rick and Wilda Caudle, Mike McColl, and Drew Angus.



### Thank You from the Fayette County Detention Center's Stocking Project:

"Thank you for your contribution of toys, books, gloves, toothbrushes, and snacks for the stockings for children of inmates this Christmas.

So many children will feel uplifted and loved by your kind thoughtfulness!"

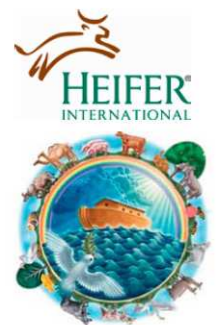


## Heifer Ark Project

### Close to Our Heifer Ark Goal!

We are less than \$900 away from meeting our goal of \$5000 needed to purchase another "Ark" (livestock to help poor villages around the world be able to feed themselves) from Heifer International.

Please keep the Heifer Ark in mind when purchasing gifts for the important people in your life. If you make a donation in their name, they get to know that because of your gift to them, needy people around the world are being helped in a meaningful, lasting way!



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*Return Service Requested*



\* \* \* \* \* **WELCOME, 2013!** \* \* \* \* \*