



# THE CONTACT

Midway Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

May 2015

## Church Staff:

**Rev. Heather McColl**

*Minister*

**Joni Burchett**

*Secretary*

**Melissa Askew**

*Music Director*

**Holly Coffey**

*Accompanist*

**Jestine Johnson**

*Custodian*

## Sunday Worship

9:30 AM: Sunday School

10:55 AM: Worship

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## Volunteer for Habitat

### Habitat Interest Night

Midway Public Library

400 Northside Drive

Tuesday, May 12th

7:00 p.m.



Bring your questions to this informational session on building the next Habitat home in Midway! No prior building experience or special skills are required!

***The next Habitat build in Midway starts this June!!!***

## Welcome, New Members!

***Doug & Pat McColl***

(transferred memberships)

***Nikki Hill & Luke Hill***

(baptized on Easter Sunday)



## Church Work Day

**Monday, May 11th, 10:00 a.m.**

Please set aside some time to help us finish cleaning and organizing the basement and storm shelter area!



## Updating Church Directory

Church Photo Directory



Since we are printing the Midway Christian Church Directory "in-house" these days, we can update your information and pictures any time! If you have a great picture of yourself that you can email to Joni, please do!



The office will be  
**CLOSED** on May 25th  
for Memorial Day

## Budget Update

Budgeted to date: \$128,436.50  
Received to date: \$122,817.16

## Worship News and Notes

### Worship Themes

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



#### May 3

*Fifth Sunday of Easter*  
Service of Special Music  
No Sermon

#### May 10

*Sixth Sunday of Easter*  
Scripture: John 15: 9-17  
Title: "Love One Another"

#### May 17

*Seventh Sunday of Easter*  
Scripture: John 17: 6-19  
Title: "Mission for This World"

#### May 24

*Pentecost*  
Worship at Second Christian Church  
Scripture: Acts 2: 1-21  
Title: "The Day of Pentecost"

#### May 31

*First Sunday after Pentecost*  
Scripture: John 3: 1-17  
Title: "What is the Meaning of All This?"



### Serving This Month

**Elders:** Shirley Eckels & John Batts

**Deacons:** Sheri Adkins, Jeanne Clark, Ray Clark, Ouita Michel, Susan Mooney, Carole Munson, Dottie Pollard, Beth Thompson, Blake Adkins, Jordan Batts, Jack Hill, Nate Hill, Franklin Watson

#### Worship Leaders:

**May 3** Nancy Dare  
**May 10** Susan Shelton  
**May 17** Blake Adkins  
**May 24** Adele Dickerson  
**May 31** Beth Thompson



ALL  
ARE  
WELCOME!

**Sunday School begins  
at 9:30 a.m.  
with Joys & Concerns,  
and light refreshments.**

Beginning in May, we will be reading and having discussions around the book, "Whole: A Call to Unity in Our Fragmented World" by Sharon Watkins. "In her hope-filled new book, Sharon Watkins, the General Minister and President of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and moderator-elect of the National Council of Churches, shares her vision of how the good news of Jesus calls American Christians to unite around justice, mercy, and openness in the 21st century." ([amazon.com](http://amazon.com))

"The first female to lead a mainline denomination in North America, she recently was featured as one of the "50 Powerful Women Religious Leaders" by the Huffington Post." ([chalicepress.com](http://chalicepress.com))

For more information about the book, please see:  
[https://youtube/T57k\\_qrm4RM](https://youtube/T57k_qrm4RM)



### Acolyte Schedule

**May 3** Joe Campbell & Luke Hill  
**May 10** Bailey Spicer & Alex Adkins  
**May 17** Alex Woodruff & Jack Hill  
**May 24** Willa Michel & Joe Campbell  
**May 31** Luke Hill & Bailey Spicer

## More Worship News

### Food for the Soul - "Dinner Church" - MCC Fellowship Hall

Join us for open discussion, a light dinner, and a simple communion service, usually on the first and third Sunday of each month.

- **Sunday, May 3rd, 6:30 p.m.**

Speaker: Sherry Maddock - "Generosity Circle Exercise"

- **Sunday, May 17th - not meeting due to Francisco's Farm weekend**



### Music Sunday - May 3rd, 10:55 a.m. Worship Service

You won't want to miss Music Sunday on May 3rd at 10:55 a.m. There will be special performances by Willa Michel on violin, Jane Bennett on harp, Alex Woodruff on flute, a solo by Margaret Lyle, an ensemble of Dr. Jim Roach with John and Melissa Askew, the Midway Children's Choir with Julie Oswald on piano, and the Midway Christian Church Choir with Holly Coffey on piano.



### Stewardship Sunday - May 17th

Together, we give to financially support the ministries and programs that help build up the Kingdom of God in our community and in our world. How much money is spent? How is it spent?



The narrative of who we are as a church unfolds in Scripture, in the life of Jesus, and in the world. We live out this story in many ways, including through the seven Christian Practices of: **W**orship, **E**ducation, **L**ove, **C**ommunity, **O**pen Table, **M**ission, **E**vangelism

These practices give us sacred containers within which we can place our financial resources so that this congregation will be able to offer ministry and programming as we continue to live out God's transforming love in so many faith-filled ways.

**The Admin Team is asking everyone to prayerfully consider how we will respond with our pledge cards to our mission and story of WELCOME on Stewardship Sunday, May 17, 2015, as we estimate our giving for the coming year.**

### Pentecost Celebration: Sunday May 24th @ Second Christian Church

On Sunday, May 24th, **Midway Christian Church will worship at Second Christian Church (on the corner of Stephens & Smith Streets)** for our annual Pentecost celebration. Each year, we worship together on Pentecost to celebrate our beginnings as brothers and sisters in faith. Heather McColl will be preaching, and we will have a potluck lunch following the service. Everyone is invited to **bring a side dish, salad, or dessert**. Come join us for this wonderful service and **wear RED** to celebrate the Holy Spirit!



## Fellowship News and Notes

**Board Meeting:**

*Sunday, May 3rd  
12:30 p.m.*

**Worship Meeting:**

*Monday, May 11th  
6:30 p.m.*

**Cabinet Meeting:**

*Wednesday, May 20th  
6 p.m.*

**Elders Meeting:**

*Monday, May 18th  
6:30 p.m.*

**Disciples Women Luncheon**


*Disciples Women will NOT meet In May.*

Plans are in the works for a lunch outing. Details later!

**Keenagers Luncheon**

*Thursday, May 28th  
11:30 a.m.*



On Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, the Keenagers will travel to Lexington Diner for lunch at 11:30 a.m. Please RSVP to the church office by Tuesday May 26 if you can go. Meet at church by 10:45 a.m. to carpool.

**Graduation Invitation from Megan Webb**

*Saturday, May 9th,  
Ceremony: 11 a.m. @ Midway College  
Open House: 2-4 p.m. @ MCC Fellowship Hall*



MCC's long-time nursery attendant, Megan, will be graduating from Midway College with a BA in Equine Studies/Equine Management, and you are invited to celebrate with her! If you can't attend, you may leave cards of congratulations in the narthex.

**Midway Green Chalice Meeting**

*Tuesday, May 19th, 5:30 p.m.*



Come to this "working" (outdoors) meeting, and then dinner at Grey Goose.

## Youth News

**MCC Youth Group** Mondays at 5:30 p.m.

- May 4th:** Conversation: "How Can We Help Heal the Earth?" Dinner by Chef Ouita
- May 11th:** Team Building Games (outside, if possible)
- May 18th:** Studying Some of Our Symbology
- May 25th:** Service Project: Helping with the Community Dinner


**Graduation Sunday - June 7<sup>th</sup>**

There is a basket in the narthex for cards and gifts for our four high school graduates:

- Isaac Batts:** Graduating from Woodford County High School  
College plans to be determined...
- Nate Hill:** Graduating from Woodford County High School  
College plans to be determined...
- Betsy Schein:** Graduating from Tates Creek High School  
Will be attending Macalester College (St. Paul, MN)
- Will Schein:** Graduating from Tates Creek High School  
College plans to be determined...



## Community News & Notes

### Note from Helen Rentch

Dear friends and church family, For myself and Jim & DeeDee I want to thank you - and also for Judy's immediate family - for your attention and prayers and for the lovely flowers. Pulling out the old pictures, diaries, and scrapbooks, there is much record and testimony of the impact of the Midway church and her Disciples background throughout her life. It is with much gratitude that we keep that spirit of a loving community and covenant alive. Sincerely, Helen Roach Rentch

### Francisco's Farm Art Festival Volunteers Needed

**May 16 & 17**

**Midway College Campus**



Green Space needs help on "recycling teams" during this festival!  
See Phil Dare.

This art festival enjoys a great reputation among vendors, artists, and patrons because of the wonderful volunteers! If you would like to be one, go to [www.franciscosfarm.org](http://www.franciscosfarm.org) and click on "Become a Volunteer."

### Woodford County Farmer's Markets

MIDWAY:

Mondays 3 to 6 p.m.\*  
Near Darlin' Jean's

VERSAILLES:

Saturdays 8 a.m. to noon at the courthouse  
Wednesdays 3 to 6 p.m. at Versailles Presbyterian



### Midway Children's Choir Performances



- **Sunday, May 3rd, 10:55 a.m.**  
**Midway Christian Church Service**
- **Saturday, May 16th, 6:30 p.m.**  
**Josephine Sculpture Park, Frankfort**
- **Sunday, May 17th, 3:00 p.m.**  
**Francisco's Farm Art Festival**
- **Thursday, May 21st, 6:30 p.m.**  
**Location to be announced**
- **Monday, May 25th, TBA**  
**Midway Memorial Day Service**



Donations to the Midway Children's Choir are always appreciated!

### Free Community Dinner

**Monday, May 25th, 6:30 p.m.**

Our monthly dinner, held on the last Monday of each month (except October), is free and open to the public!

Helpers are needed before and after the dinner.

*Donations to this ongoing mission are appreciated!*



### Help for Horsey Hundred

**Saturday, May 23,**

**8 a.m. to noon**

**Midway United Methodist**



Help is needed to hand out drinks and snacks to the riders!

### Community Clothes Closet

The Clothes Closet is **OPEN** on **Saturday mornings** from **9 to 11**, & during the monthly Community Dinners. *Enter through the Gratz Street basement door.*



### Kitchen Reminder

In order to pass Health Department inspections and keep our certified kitchen, everyone **MUST** put dates on ALL food left in the fridge or on the counters, and keep the kitchen **CLEAN!** Thank You! 😊

## Endowment Fund News

In April, the church received another installment from Betty Ann's estate for the Endowment Fund of Midway Christian Church. The Trustees decided to invest the majority of these funds in our Vanguard account while using some of the funds for various projects around the church and parsonage. The projects include replacing the ceiling tiles in the fellowship hall and replacing the carpet in the parsonage basement due to flooding issues.

The Trustees also decided to increase the principle of the Mission Outreach Endowment Fund by 2%, raising it from \$103,722 to \$105,796.

The Trustees will meet in May to review the requests for grants from the Mission Outreach Endowment Fund. The Trustees will share their decisions at the June Board meeting.



## Assemblies, Workshops, Seminars

### Christmount Week of Wonder

**May 24-29** (Adult Work Camp)



This is a mission opportunity for adults to come and help spruce up the buildings and grounds for another season of worshippers and campers. Cost is \$165 per person. Register at [www.christmount.org](http://www.christmount.org) or call 828-669-8977.

### Christmount Discovery Weekend for Women - June 5-7

Discovery Weekend Women's Retreat is a time of spiritual renewal, relaxation, fellowship, worship and recreation. The weekend includes keynotes, discussion, lively music and meaningful worship.

The theme will address how we live *whole lives* in the midst of breaking news and broken times, places, communities, and words. And how can we live our lives *whole*?

**Register by May 12th** (or pay \$20 extra) at [www.christmount.org](http://www.christmount.org) or call 828-669-8977.

### "Grow It, Cook It, Eat It" Series

**Woodford County Extension Office**  
**184 Beasley Drive, Versailles**  
**4th Wednesday of Each Month**  
**5:00 - 6:30 p.m.**



**Wednesday, May 27th: "Beans"**

There is no cost, but you must register by calling 873-4601 or emailing [elizabeth.creed@uky.edu](mailto:elizabeth.creed@uky.edu)

### General Assembly - July 2015 - Columbus, Ohio

These five "learning communities" will be available to you:

- Social Justice,
- Global & Ecumenical,
- Faith Formation,
- Innovate, and
- Administration.



**Register by April 1, 2015 to receive a 20% discount. Visit [www.disciples.org](http://www.disciples.org)**

## Mission News and Notes



**Many thanks** to the Meals on Wheels teams that were ready to serve the week of April 20th (*Deliveries were cancelled, due to lack of need that week*)

**Our next scheduled delivery is the week of May 18th - if needed!**

### May Mission Payment

#### Transylvania University

Mission  
Outreach



Transylvania University is a distinguished liberal arts college, affiliated with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), of approximately 1,100 students that is consistently ranked and praised in the leading national college guides. Transylvania offers 34 majors plus the option of designing an individual major. Students gain a strong grounding in liberal education, however, the University also emphasizes career planning. (*from Transylvania website*)

### May Mission Project:

For May's Mission Project, we will be collecting these items for a Summer Backpack Project for kids at Northside:

- Peanut butter
- Jelly
- Sandwich bread
- Snack bags of chips
- Snack bags of cookies
- Juice boxes
- Brown paper bags
- Zip-lock bags.



### Beaten Biscuit Workshop Results

The Beaten Biscuit Workshop, held on April 11th, was a big success once again. Thanks so much to Charles Logan, Ouita Michel, Sharon Turner, Helen Rentch, and all who were involved in helping to raise over \$1,120 for the Homeplace at Midway!



### Pentecost Offering

**Sundays, May 17 & 14**



Since 2001, the Disciples have created The Pentecost Offering will help the Disciples of Christ start 1,000 new congregations by the year 2020. Each year, this offering supports the New Church Movement by making it possible to recruit, assess, train, and coach new church leaders. *Thank you for your support of this mission.*

### Woodford Co. Food Pantry

(at the Woodford County Park)

**New hours of operation:**

**Mondays 5-7 pm**

**Thursdays 9-11 am & 2-4 pm**



Midway Christian is asked to keep donating these items:

**Dried Spaghetti, Crackers,  
& Pork-n-Beans**

(Drop box in the narthex)

### Fundraiser Results

THANK YOU to Rick and Wilda Caudle, for the Burgoo Fundraiser in March, which raised \$170, and THANK YOU to Green Chalice for the KY Proud Luncheon in April which raised \$350 for the General Fund.

### Senior Center Thanks

The Woodford County Senior Center sent a note in appreciation of our donation: "We are truly blessed to have caring people like you in our community - Thank you!"

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*Return Service Requested*



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