



THE CONTACT

Midway Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

October 2015

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10:55 AM: Worship

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Presentation at Midway Christian:

**7 p.m.
October 19th**

Fr. Jim Flynn and
Kentucky Interfaith Power and Light
present...

Walking the Encyclical
Reading Then Living *Laudato Si'*



Father Jim Flynn and Kentucky Interfaith Power and Light have partnered together to bring an informative presentation on the Pope's Encyclical to faith communities in Kentucky. Fr. Flynn offers a down-to-earth approach to learning and understanding the teachings of Pope Francis' most recent work, while Kentucky IPL provides meaningful action ideas for faith communities to become better stewards of the planet.

In addition to having a deeper understanding of *Laudato Si'*, churches that participate in **Walking the Encyclical** will get the information they need to care for God's creation through energy friendly actions such as energy audits, efficient lighting, reduced water use, campus-wide recycling, and more. Church members will also learn how they can reduce their impact on the planet in their own homes. **All are welcome!**

Burnie Bow-Tie Day Sunday, October 4th



Burnie Wall
10/3/1913 to 2/20/2013

In honor of what would have been long-time Midway Christian Church member and benefactor Burnie Wall's 102nd birthday, you are asked to wear a bow tie to worship on Sunday, October 4th for "Burnie Bow-Tie Day!"

Admin Team Fundraiser Luncheon



**Sunday,
October 25th
12:30 p.m.**

Please consider donating what you would have spent at a restaurant, and enjoy lunch with us!



**Joni will be on vacation
October 19th-22nd.**



Office volunteers are appreciated!

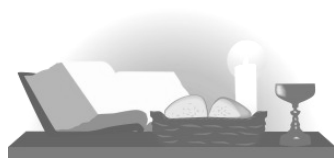
Budget Update

**Budgeted to date: \$36,125.01
Received to date: \$28,258.99**

Worship News and Notes

Worship Themes

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



October 4

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Guest Preacher: Sharon Fields

Scripture: Luke 14: 1, 7-14

Title: "The Bad Dinner Guest"

October 11

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Iron Horse Race Day

Simple Communion Service

Scripture: John 13: 3-17

October 18

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

Children's Sabbath

Scripture: Habakkuk 1: 1-4; 2: 1-5

Title: "How Long Must I Cry for Help?"

October 25

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture: Mark 10: 46-52

Title: "Recovered Sight"



Serving This Month

Elders: Etta Manor & Sandy Gruzesky

Deacons: Cindy Batts, Phil Dare, Bobbie Dare, Teresa Hoppin, Sue Roberts, Mary Sayre, Bob Settlemire, Pat Wilson, James Batts, Hannah Campbell, Mary Jo Campbell, Bailey Spicer, Alex Woodruff

Worship Leaders:

October 4 **Bobbie Dare**
October 11 (Iron Horse Breakfast)
October 18 **Blake Adkins**
October 25 **Louise Hatfield**



SUNDAY SCHOOL

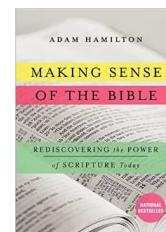
ALL
ARE
WELCOME!

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

In October, we will finish up with Making Sense of the Bible - Rediscovering the Power of Scripture Today, by Adam Hamilton.

There will be NO Sunday School on October 11th, due to the Iron Horse Breakfast.

Please let Cindy Batts know if you can help with bringing breakfast foods or with leading a Sunday School class.



Children's Sabbath

Sunday, October 18th

October 18th's Sunday worship service will be led by the MCC Youth. You won't want to miss this very special service!



Acolyte Schedule

October 4 Joe Campbell & Luke Hill
October 11 Jack Hill & Alex Adkins
October 18 Willa Michel & Bailey Spicer
October 25 Alex Woodruff & Joe Campbell

More Worship News

Food for the Soul (Dinner Church)

Sunday, October 4th, 6:30 p.m.

Topic: "What is Free Will? (Criminal Behavior and Our Response)"

Sunday, October 18th, 6:30 p.m.

Topic: "What is God's Will? (How Far Should We Go with Genetic Modification?)"

Join us for open discussion, a light dinner, and a simple communion service, usually on the first and third Sunday of each month, in the MCC Fellowship Hall. **ALL are welcome!**

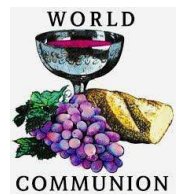


Reconciliation Sunday - Sunday, October 4th

This year's Reconciliation theme is "Move Together, Heal Together, Bound Together," as God created us to live harmonious lives with each other! Your special gift to the Reconciliation Ministry of the Disciples of Christ will help develop young leaders and promote programs for conversation and healing.

World Communion Sunday - Sunday, October 4th

On Sunday, October 4th, we will gather with millions of Christians around the world during our Sunday worship time, remembering that we are united in the Body of Christ, and to remember that we are called to share the grace of God's table with all of God's children.



"Day for Midway"

Midway Christian to be Honored at Midway University's "Day for Midway"

Thursday, October 1, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Anne Hart Raymond Center

Day for Midway: Thursday, October 1 at Midway University

Midway Christian Church will be honored at Midway University's 2nd Annual "Day for Midway" with the inaugural "Community Spirit Award," and all members and friends of Midway Christian Church are invited to be a part of the award presentation.

The event will take place on Thursday, October 1 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the Anne Hart Raymond Center lobby. Day for Midway celebrates the longstanding relationship between Midway University and the Woodford County community. This year the theme will be the transition to Midway University.

There will be food, fellowship and a fantastic silent auction (with more than 70 items). Food and drink will be provided by Midway University, Midway Bakery, Sweet Lilu's, and Equus Run Vineyards. Everyone in attendance will receive a Midway University promotional item courtesy of E-Campus.

Proceeds from the silent auction will benefit Woodford County students attending Midway University.

Please RSVP to sronniger@midway.edu or cedwards@midway.edu or call 846-5326.



Community News & Notes

Free Community Dinner

Monday, October 26th, 6:30 p.m.

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

Helpers are needed before and after the dinner.

Donations to this ongoing mission are appreciated!

Due to Halloween falling on Saturday this year, the dinner will NOT move from its Monday slot, and there will be NO Trunk or Treat!



Community Clothes Closet



Saturday mornings

9:00 - 11:00

& during monthly Community Dinners.

Enter through the Gratz Street basement door.

Most items are 25 cents!

Iron Horse Breakfast

**Sunday, October 11th
MCC Fellowship Hall**

The Iron Horse Race will be Sunday, October 11th, which means things will be a little different that day for Midway Christian Church.

We will be hosting a breakfast for the families of the runners that morning. **We need helpers to be in the kitchen at 6 a.m. to help make and serve breakfast.**

The menu for that morning will be: breakfast casseroles, hash brown casseroles, pancakes, fruit salad, juices and coffee. Proceeds will go toward the General Fund.

Following the Breakfast, Midway Christian Church will have a simple communion service at 10:55 a.m.



Midway Children's Choir Update

By Melissa Askew



The Midway Children's Choir has had a great start to it's 4th year (7th season) beginning the end of August! There are 13 members of the choir, and they have already performed for the Community Service of Peace and Hope (September 13th), as well as Midway's Fall Festival.



Stay tuned for more performance dates as we get closer to the Christmas season!

Historic Midway Ghost Walk

Saturday, October 17th, 8 p.m.

Saturday, October 24th, 8 p.m.

GHOST WALK



Back by popular demand from two years ago, Midway Christian Church will lead two Ghost Walks this Halloween season. Join us on either Saturday, October 17th or Saturday, October 24th. Both start at 8:00 p.m. The cost is \$10 and each tour is limited to 25 people. The tours will begin at Midway Christian Church, led by John Batts. It will last about an hour and thirty minutes. All proceeds will go to the MCC General Fund. On the tour, people will hear stories about hatchet murders, distilleries, prostitutes and more! This tour is interesting, educational, and all in good fun!

For more information, or to make a reservation, please call 859-846-4102. Reservations can also be made using the PayPal link on the church website at www.midwaychristian.org.

Fellowship News

Keenagers Luncheon

**Thursday,
October 22nd,
11:30 a.m.**



SHAKER VILLAGE
OF PLEASANT HILL

On Thursday, October 22nd, Keenagers will travel to Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill for lunch at 11:30 a.m. Please RSVP to the church office by Monday, October 19th if you can go. Meet at church by 10:30 a.m. to carpool.

Midway Green Chalice



GLEANNING TRIP

**Friday, October 9th
8:30 a.m. carpool to
Reed Valley Orchards**

Meet at church at 8:30 if you would like to help glean for the hungry!

& Meetings

**Board Meeting:
Sunday, October 4th
12:00 p.m.**

**Admin Team:
Sunday, October 25th
12:00 p.m.**

**Worship Team:
Monday, October 12th
6:30 p.m.**

**Elders Meeting:
Monday, October 19th
6:30 p.m.**

**Cabinet Meeting:
Wednesday, October 21st
6:30 p.m.**

Disciples Women Luncheon

**Sunday, October 18th
12:30 p.m.**



Please **bring a dish to share** for this regularly-scheduled (third Sunday of each month) Disciples Women's meeting.

All women of the church are welcome!

HANDBELL RINGERS NEEDED!



Practice is 6 p.m. on
Wednesdays

Cub Scout Fundraisers

Popcorn



COMING SOON...



See Mary Sayre
for more
information



Christmas Wreaths

Youth News

MCC Youth Group

Mondays at 5:30 p.m.

- October 5** Dinner & Life Conversations
- October 12** Team-building Games
- October 19** Symbol Search
- October 26** COMMUNITY DINNER



Bi-Water Farm

Saturday, October 17th

Youth will visit
Bi-Water Farm
on Saturday,
October 17th.



See Cindy for details!

Friday, October 9 - Gleaning Trip to Reed Valley

Seminars, Retreats, Workshops...

LTS Fall 2015 Lay School – Dr. Emily Askew – Oct. 10, 17 and 24

Saturday mornings, 8:30 a.m. (breakfast included) to 12 p.m.

Lexington Theological Seminary, 230 Lexington Green Circle, Suite 510

Registration Fee: \$60 (register online at www.lextheo.edu)



In this three-week course we will think together about the power of biblical language for God to shape our dreams for the future as well as our actions in the present. We will learn about the abundance of metaphors for God in the Hebrew Bible and New Testament to see what we can learn from them about the nature of God, and how they offer us new ways to speak the power of God in our lives. We will also explore the circumstances under which religious language might become idolatrous. We will see how the language of Jesus' parables has the power to shake up our status quo and show us where God's Kingdom is breaking into our lives. Finally, we will look at how theological models for God, such as God as Shepherd and God as King, both help and hinder our faith. Throughout the course we will practice praying with Biblical metaphors that open new dimensions in our

KY Disciples Women Fall Retreats

Retreat #1

October 24-25

Barren River State Resort Park

Registration Fee: \$30

Registration Deadline: October 2

Call to make your own lodging arrangements

(one month prior recommended): 270-646-2151



Retreat #2 (Silent Retreat)

November 13-15

Knobs Haven Retreat House

Registration Fee: \$90

Registration Deadline: October 30

Limited to 15 women

Contact Christian Church in KY at 859-233-1391 or www.kydisciples.net or see Joni.

Christmount Events: (Black Mountain, NC)

Post-College Retreat: October 2-4

College Retreat: October 16-18

Christmount Week: October 20-23

Marriage Enrichment Retreat Nov 6-8

Appalachian Advent: December 1-4



The beauty of the mountains in the fall is refreshing and restful. Use your free time to tour the area, play a round of golf, and visit local shops.

For more information about registration, fees, lodging, etc., visit www.christmount.org

You are invited to wear RED for Disciples Unity Day on Wednesday, October 21st.

Mission News and Notes

October Mission Payment:

The Homeplace at Midway Benevolent Fund

The Homeplace at Midway is a continuing-care community of small cottages nestled on 31 acres across from Midway College. It opened in 2015 as Kentucky's first Green House® senior living community. The Homeplace at Midway is part of Christian Care Communities, which is the state's largest faith-based not-for-profit provider of affordable housing and long-term care for Older Adults.

(from Christian Care Communities website)



Sock It to Homelessness

Socks are some of the most needed yet least donated items for the homeless. Through October 25th, Pilgrim Baptist Church will be collecting socks for the homeless. Please bring new socks to the box in the narthex and we will get them to Pilgrim Baptist!



Thank You from Second Christian

"Brothers and Sisters in Faith, we thank you for not only your prayers, but your generous donation towards our basement recovery. As of now, we are still chipping away at clean-up, throughout the weeks. Keep us in prayer as we keep you. Blessings, Pastor Rick Smith"



Woodford Co. Food Pantry Needs

(20 Field of Dreams, Woodford Co. Park)

Hours: Mondays 5-7 pm

Thursdays 1-4 pm



Please bring these items to the box in the Narthex:

Dried Pasta, Crackers, Bags of Dried Beans, Pork-n-Beans, Canned Potatoes, Canned Tomatoes, Pasta Sauce, Canned Fruit, and Chicken Noodle Soup.

Street Party Fundraiser

The Street Party Fundraiser on August 30th raised over \$4,000 toward the Campbell/Spicer family medical bills. Thanks so much to everyone who participated! A great time was had by all.



STREET PARTY FUN!!!

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Return Service Requested



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