

THE CONTACT

Midway Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

August, 2010

Church Staff:

Rev. Heather McColl
Minister

Stephanie Brown
Music Director

Jessica Hartman
Accompanist

Rhonda Rankin
Secretary

Jestine Johnson
Custodian

2010 Regional Assembly

September 9-11, 2010

Central Christian Church, Lexington

Everyone is invited to attend Regional Assembly at Central Christian Church in September. This year's assembly is a little different. Instead of workshops, the assembly will involve conversation sessions with Alan Roxburgh. Alan has been working with our region through the process of transformation over the last year. He is a pastor, teacher, writer and consultant with more than 30 years of experience in church leadership, consulting and seminary education.

Everyone is also invited to come to worship on Thursday and Friday nights which starts 7:30 p.m. each night. On Thursday night, Amy Gopp will be the preacher. Amy currently serves as the Executive Director for Week of Compassion, the relief, refugee, and development ministry fund of the Disciples church. On Friday night, William L. Lee will be the preacher. Rev. Dr. Lee currently has served for over 30 years as pastor of Loudon Avenue Christian Church in Roanoke, Virginia. "William "Bill" Lee,... and his 800-person congregation have offered a health ministry for Roanoke's medically uninsured and under-insured on the northwest side of the city since 1989, through the New Horizons Health Care, a community-wide clinic that sees 9,000 patients a year. The clinic was started years ago in the basement at Loudon Avenue before moving to its present location...At Loudon Avenue, the church has continued to focus on holistic health care through its Faith Health Ministry. Prostate screenings are held each June and the church hosts a "Pink Tea" to highlight breast cancer each October where refreshments and educational materials are distributed to women. Once a year, the church also conducts diabetes and high blood pressure screenings." (www.disciples.org)



Sunday Worship

9:30 AM: Sunday School

10:55 AM: Worship

123 East Bruen Street
PO Box 4548

Midway, KY 40347

859-846-4102

Fax: 859-846-9542

E-mail:

office@midwaychristian.org

Visit us on the web:

www.midwaychristian.org

Midway College Sunday

Sunday, August 22nd at 10:55 a.m.

Anne Hart Raymond Center

Each year, at the beginning of the school year, Midway Christian Church and Midway College worship together to celebrate our shared stories through L.L. Pinkerton.



Budget Update

Budgeted to date: \$13,416.08

Received to date: \$13,068.00

A Pastoral Word

It's that time! As you know, I have been training for the SMA 5K run in August and now it is here! When I first started out, I thought this is easy, train 3 days a week but as I have learned, life happens. I have tried to get my 3 days a week in but some weeks, it just didn't work out. But I am not giving up. On Saturday, August 14th, I am going to give it my best, which means Mike may have to drag me across the finish line but I am going to finish.

Thank you for all your prayers and encouragement. I loved seeing you drive by as I was running out on Weisenberger Mill Rd. You'd drive by, give me a wave and a smile and in that moment, I could feel your support. Each Sunday, during this journey, someone has stopped me and asked how far I was running yet? I would simply say, "I'm not sure but I am building up my time. I'm not where I need to be yet, but I'll get there."

And each time I would say that, it was a reminder to me that I have to run this race at my pace, not anyone else's. There will be people who will finish probably before I even hit the halfway mark and that is okay.

This discipline of running really has been a wonderful growing experience for me, spiritually and personally. One day, when it all became too much, I had a sit down talk with Mike because I was worried about disappointing him, disappointing Sarah if I didn't run the whole race. And he simply said, "I'm glad you are just doing the race. I'm glad that you are trying. I'm glad that you have said that you are going to finish." And with those few words, the self imposed pressure was off and I remembered why I was doing and preparing for the race after all. I am doing it for my daughter. I am doing it for all the other angels who would never get the chance to sit up, to crawl, or to walk. I am doing it for all the other children who continue to live with SMA and show all of us how to appreciate the beauty and joy that makes up our lives.

Many of you have asked how you can help out or be a part of it. Well, the first way is to come out and join us on Saturday August 14th and be a part of Sarah's Squad. Another way is that Mike and I are selling Sarah Squad t-shirts for \$20 if you would like one. All proceeds go to Families of SMA. Another way is to keep me in your prayers that day and for other days to come.

Heather

PS-Mike and I will be on WLEX 18 on Thursday, August 12th during their noon time show promoting the walk and telling Sarah's story. Tune in!



Worship News and Notes

Worship Themes

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



August 1

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture: Luke 12: 13-21

Sermon: "The Parable of the Rich Fool"

August 8

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture: Luke 12: 32-40

Sermon: "An Unexpected Hour"

August 15

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture: Luke 12: 49-56

Sermon: "A House Divided"

August 22

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Midway College Sunday

Scripture: Luke 13: 10-17

Sermon: "Freed on the Sabbath Day"

August 29

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture: Luke 14: 1, 7-14

Sermon: "Wedding Banquet"

Serving This Month

Elders: Anne Burford

Buddy Johnson

Deacons: Virginia Ballenger, Bobbie Dare, Phil Dare, Ella Drake, Jim Hoppin, Teresa Hoppin, Mary Beth Rouse, Mary Sayre, Bob Settlemire, Kit Walden

Junior Deacon: Steele Rouse, Betsy Schein, Will Schein

Worship Leaders:

August 1 —Carole Munson

August 8— Nate Hill

August 15—Jeanne Clark

August 22—Dick Murphy

August 29—Nancy Dare

Acolyte Schedule

August 2—J.T. Batts & Will Schein

August 8—Faith Gruzesky & Willa Michel

August 15—Jordan Batts & Jack Hill

August 22—Sam Hatfield & Marcus Watson

August 29—Luke Hill & Betsy Schein

Pictures from Quadrennial 2010 Greensboro, NC

Attended: Pat Wilson, Shirley Eckels, Etta Manor, and Heather McColl



Youth News and Notes

For 1st-5th Graders:

We have been invited on **Sunday, August 8th** for Game Day at Crestwood Christian Church from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Dinner is included.

For 6th-12th Graders:

We have been invited to go to King's Island by Crestwood Christian Church on **Tuesday, August 3rd**. The cost is \$30. You will need your own spending money for lunch and dinner that day. Please let Heather know if you are interested in going.



For All Youth and Children:

Girls, keep **Monday, August 2nd** open because we are having a "Girls' Night" at the Church. We are inviting girls of all ages to come to the church for food, fellowship, and fun. Please meet at the church at 6:30 p.m.

And Guys, keep **Monday, August 2nd** open as well because we are planning a Guy's Night. We will gather for food, fishing, and fellowship. Please meet at the church at 6:30 p.m.

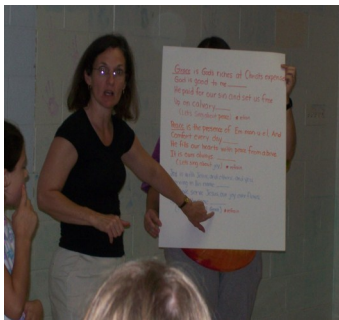
We will travel out to the Perry's farm.



Here's what happened at our Summer Series:

The youth got together for Kids in the Kitchen each night along with some singing and games.

Wilda Caudle talked to our adults about canning.



The Christian Church in Ohio & First Christian Church (DOC)

Cordially invite your presence & prayers

For the Ordination to Christian Ministry of

Jody Heil

Sunday, August 22nd

2:000 pm

First Christian Church

Cuyahoga Falls, OH



Mission News and Notes

Meals on Wheels

Many thanks to the Meals on Wheels team that served the week of July 19: Phil & Sharon Burchell, Pat Wilson, Phil & Nancy Dare, Buddy & Gertrude Johnson, & Gretchen Portwood .

The next delivery will be the week of August 16.

August Mission Payment

Midway Ministerial Association—During the month of August, Midway Christian Church supports the Midway Ministerial Association as our missions of the month. The MMA is a local organization supported by the area churches and offers the opportunity for our local congregations to give back to our community. The MMA supports a fund that is made available to those in our community who are in need of rent assistance, help with utilities, and other types of assistance. The MMA also supports the local food pantry that is housed at Midway Baptist Church.

Heifer Ark Project

Last year, Midway Christian, as part of our Advent celebration, raised money for a gift ark through the Heifer Project and now we have been challenged to do it again! This time, we will be collecting money throughout our church year for our ark. This way if you want to give the ark as part of birthday presents, anniversary presents, or simply just because, you can do so by making your checks out to Midway Christian Church with Heifer Ark in the memo line.

We recently received our plaque for our first ark which will be displayed in the Fellowship Hall. The hope is that over the years, we will be able to fill up our wall space in the Fellowship Hall with these plaques.



Run, Walk N Roll for a Cure for SMA

Saturday, August 14th at 8:30 a.m.

On Saturday, August 14th, the Kentucky Chapter of Families of SMA is hosting a 5K run and a 1 mile fun run/walk at Keeneland. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Come join us and be a part of Sarah's Squad. Runners are \$25 and Walkers are \$15. You can register by going to www.kyfsma.org.



Ten Thousand Villages Returns for Fall Festival

We will once again be hosting items from Ten Thousand Villages during Fall Festival. If you are able to help out with this project, please see Phill Burchel.

Fellowship News and Notes

Keenagers

Thursday, August 19th

Join us on Thursday, August 19th as we travel to the Colonel's Lady in Shelbyville for lunch. Please RSVP to the church office by Monday, August 16th.

Board Meeting

The Board will meet Sunday, August 1, 2010 immediately following the worship service. Lunch will be provided.

All board members, elders and deacons are invited to attend.

Elders' Meeting

Elders will meet Sunday, August 29 at 6 pm.

Disciples Women

Sunday, August 15, 2010

Disciples Women will meet in Fellowship Hall on Sunday, August 15 at 12:30pm. We're getting ready to make plans for the year and the Rummage Sale. We need your help and input. **All** women of the church are members and welcome to attend.

We will be drawing names for new Prayer Partners and revealing the past years partners. Please come and join us and bring a "sack lunch" and drink. See you there!



Disciples Women Prepare for Rummage Sale

The annual Rummage Sale, sponsored by Disciples Women, will take place during this year's Fall Festival, September 17-19.

Now is the time to clean out those closets, attics, basements, and garages. Items may be dropped off in the main room in the basement of fellowship hall after Labor Day. If you have any questions, contact Etta Manor or Bobbie Dare.

Taylor Manor Worship Service Lunch at the College

Sunday, August 8 @ 2 pm

Midway Christian Church will host the Taylor Manor Worship Service on Sunday, August 8 at 2 pm. Volunteers are needed to assist the residents and join in singing.

If you would like to carpool, please meet at the church by 1:30 pm.

Sunday, August 22nd

Following the church service at Midway College, our members have been invited to stay for lunch with the young women in the college's dining hall. Everyone is invited to attend.

Green Chalice Ministry Team

Good News! We have officially received our Green Chalice designation from the region of KY. We are one of three congregations to receive this designation. The others are Central Christian in Lexington and FCC in Paris.

Our Rain Garden is really coming along and we have added a composter that will help us go green. Our next project is Rain Barrels. We received several barrels from the Pepsi Corporation in Lexington and the next steps is making these rain barrels for our congregation.

If you would like to be a part of this Green Ministry, please see Adele Dickerson.



Community News and Notes

District Assembly

The District 5 Assembly will be held Sunday, October 3 at 6 pm at Midway College. Dinner will be provided. The District will be collecting items to make health kits, backpack kits and/or making blankets for Linus' project.

Here is a list of things needed for Health Kits and Backpack Kits.

Health Kits:

- One hand towel measuring approximately 16" x 28" (no fingertip or bath towels)
- One washcloth
- One wide-tooth comb
- One nail clipper
- One bar of soap (bath size in wrapper)
- One toothbrush (in original packaging)
- Six standard size Band-Aids®

Place all items in a one-gallon plastic bag with a zipper closure, remove excess air from bag, and seal. Please do not add toothpaste to the Hygiene Kit.

Backpack/School Kits:

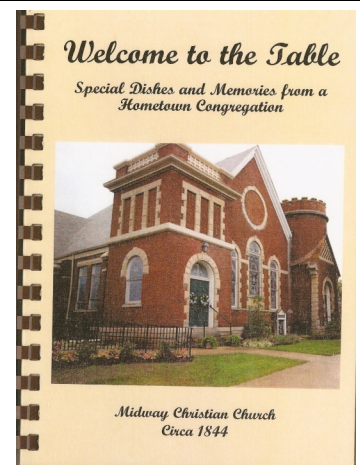
- One pair of blunt metal scissors (rounded tip)
- Three 70-count spiral notebooks or notebooks totaling 200-210 pages (**no loose-leaf or filler paper**)
- One 30-centimeter ruler (12")
- One hand-held pencil sharpener
- One large eraser
- Six new pencils with erasers
- One box of 24 crayons (only 24)
- One 12" x 14" to 14" x 17" finished size cotton or lightweight canvas bag with cloth handles.

Cookbooks for Sale

The Cookbooks are on sale now. And they are not just any cookbook. The committee included pictures from the past and present. The cookbook also tells our history as Midway Christian such as the story behind the Thanksgiving Market and the Epiphany Dinner as well as how Midway Christian got its start.

Recipes include Ruth Roach's Sugar Cookies, MCC's famous Oyster Stew, Sharon Burchell's prize winning chili, most of the Epiphany Dinner recipes as well as special recipes from our members past and present.

The cost is \$20. Checks can be made out to Midway Christian Church with "Cookbook" in the memo line.



Midway Christian Church

PO Box 4548

Midway, KY 40347

Return Service Requested

