

THE CONTACT

Midway Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

January , 2011

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Epiphany Feast 2011

Thursday, January 6, 2011 @ 6:30 pm

Midway Christian Church is celebrating the Feast of the Epiphany with a medieval menu prepared by Chef Ouita Michel and her staff. The feast will be served at the Midway College Piper Dining Hall. The feast will begin with the traditional parade of the boar's head. The festive buffet will feature the roast hog stuffed with sausages; roasted onions with balsamic vinegar and honey; honey-roasted chicken; saffron rice pilaf; carrot pudding with currants and dates; sweet-and-sour cabbage and lentils; salad of lettuces, fennel, mint, parsley, flowers and egg; king cake; poached pears; and candied pine nuts. Appetizers include ancient Turkish flatbread, cheese and walnut dip, spiced toasted almonds, spelt bread and olives. Entertainment will be provided by Muzik, a medieval music group that plays authentic replicas of ancient instruments and St. Leo's choir.

Reservations are required. Please call the church office to RSVP. The cost is \$30 for adults, \$15 for children ages 11-18, and children under age 10 eat free. Reservations are not confirmed until payment is received by the church office. **We are accepting reservations until Thursday, December 30th, 2010.**

Due to the popularity of this event, we are instating a no refund policy so that we can better serve our guests. However, we are aware that bad weather may happen so we are working on a plan regarding rescheduling this event if bad weather happens.

We have added a way so that our guests can purchase tickets on-line. **We have added a "button" for PayPal to our website, www.midwaychristian.org.** This way, our guests can use their credit cards to purchase tickets. PayPal accepts all major credit cards: Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover.

Sunday Worship

9:30 AM: Sunday School

10:55 AM: Worship

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Thank You

On behalf of all the church staff, we thank you so much for the generous Christmas love offering. Blessings to all!

Budget Update as of 12/21/2010

Budgeted to date: \$80,496.48

Received to date: \$74,884.19

Community News & Notes

Elders' Meeting

Sunday, January 30

Elders will meet Sunday, January 30, following the worship service.

Board Meeting

There will be **no** Board meeting for the month of January. If you have any questions, please contact the church leadership.



Hannah Grace McColl

Born 12/13/2010

6 lbs, 8oz.

Dear Disciples Women,

What a wonderful group you are for preparing a lovely reception for family and friends following Mayme's funeral. You made the ending of a day of celebrating Mayme's life a gracious and memorable event.

In her memory, please accept this monetary gift as a thank you as you use it to the Glory of God.

Sincerely,

Burnie Wall and Family

Dear Family & Friends at Midway Christian Church

We wish to sincerely thank all of you for the overwhelming kindness, sympathy, and other ways of support you have shown us throughout these trying weeks in the loss of Mayme. She was a member of Midway Christian Church almost all her life, and it stood in the center of her life. Sharing your love with us is a definite help in our recovery process.

Sincerely,

The Family of Mayme Mitchell Wall

Laity Sunday

Sunday, January 23

On Sunday, January 23, 2011, 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, Jordan Batts, Phil Dare, and Dan Roller 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)



Tell It!

Repete yo! • ¡Dilo! • 들려 주어라!

Worship News and Notes

Worship Themes

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



January 2

Second Sunday after Christmas
Epiphany Service

January 9

First Sunday after Epiphany
Baptism Sunday

Rev. Tanya Tyler, preaching

Scripture: Matthew 3:13-17

Sermon: Remembering Our Baptism

January 16

Second Sunday after Epiphany

Rachele Snellgrove, preaching

Scripture:

Sermon

January 23

Third Sunday after Epiphany

Laity Sunday

January 30

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Rev. Bill McDonald, preaching

Scripture: Micah 6:1-8

Sermon: Resolutions: The Short List

Serving This Month

Elders: Karen Murphy

Jan Nance

Deacons: Tom Arehart, Scott Congleton, Margaret Easton, Ouita Michel, Jim Nance, Jim McDaniel, Carole Munson, Dottie Pollard, Gretchen Portwood, Charlann Wombles

Junior Deacon: Jordan Batts, Nate Hill, Franklin Watson

Worship Leaders:

January 2—TBA

January 9—TBA

January 16—TBA

January 23—TBA

January 30—TBA

Sunday School

"If music is the language of the soul made audible, then human voices, raised in concert in human gatherings, are primary instruments of the soul."— Don Saliers

Beginning on Sunday, January 9th, Amy Perry will lead our Sunday School on the Spiritual Practice of Singing our Faith. We will take a look at our we express our faith through song and how our faith is shaped by music.



Baptism Sunday



Sunday, January 9

On Sunday, January 9, 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.

Youth News and Notes

All Children and Youth:

Epiphany Dinner:

All youth and children need to be at the college at 4:30 p.m. on **Thursday, January 6th** to help out with the Epiphany Dinner. The youth and children will be servers that night.

Kids in the Kitchen:

On **Sunday, January 23rd**, all children, youth and parents are invited to a special Kids in the Kitchen. We will not do a meal but we will have a knife skills class. All participants are asked to bring a cutting board a chef's knife and a vegetable peeler. We will practice our knife skills that night by practicing cutting, chopping and peeling. We'll also practice sharpening and safety. We will meet at 4:00 p.m. and will order pizza for dinner that night.



Weekly Youth Groups:

Our JYF (1st-5th grade) continue to meet on Wednesday nights at 6 p.m. There is a snack served as part of our group time together. We will start back on **Wednesday, January 12th** for our JYF program

Our Chi Rho (6th grade through 12th grade) continues to meet on Sunday night at 6 p.m. in the youth room upstairs in the sanctuary building. It is a time of fellowship, games, conversations about faith.

Sunday, January 9th: Guys'/Girls' Night out: Board Games in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday, January 16th: Middle/High School Youth will travel to Central Christian in Lexington for Disciples for the Dream Service

Sunday, January 30th: Regular Youth Group for Chi Rho

Acolyte Schedule

January 2—Sam Hatfield & Marcus Watson

January 9—Luke Hill & Betsy Schein

January 16—J.T. Batts & Will Schein

January 23—Jack Hill & Willa Michel

January 30—Jordan Batts & Marcus Watson

Summer Camp Dates!

Camp Dates for our 2011 Regional Summer Camps are available for both Camp Wakon Da Ho and Camp Kum Ba Ya. For more information, please go to <http://www.ccinky.net/outdoor/dates.htm>

Camp 101: June 5 and 6

Mini Camp: June 11-13

Junior Camp: June 14-18 or July 19-23

Chi Rho Camp: July 5-10 or July 12-17

CYF Camp: June 21-26 or June 28-July 3

Fellowship News and Notes

Chili Cook-Off

The Youth will be hosting their annual Chili Cook-Off Fund-raiser on **Thursday, January 27** at 6:30 p.m. There will be fun, food and fellowship. In addition there will be prizes for the winning Chili, including best over all! The church will provide crackers and drinks. The youth will be taking donations to support their camp and mission trips. Please contact the church office by Monday, January 24th if you would like to enter your chili.



Keenagers

Friday, January 21

The Keenagers will stay in Midway for our lunch meeting in January and try out the Grey Goose for lunch on Friday, January 21 at 11:30. Please RSVP to the church office by Monday, January 17th.



Disciples Women

Disciples Women will meet Sunday, January 16, 2011 in Fellowship Hall at 12:30 pm. Our speaker will be Carl Rollins, State Representative for the 56th District of Kentucky. Carl will speak about the education of women in Kentucky. Everyone is invited and asked to bring a dish to share. Drinks and rolls will be provided. Hope to see you there!

New Year's Day Brunch

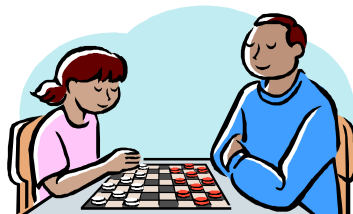
Ring in the new year with your church family by attending our New Year's Day Brunch at Midway Christian Church's fellowship hall at 11:30 a.m. Donations will be accepted for our youth group. Please RSVP to the church office by Thursday, December 30th. If no one answers, please leave a message on the machine.



Guys' Night/Girls' Night:

Sunday, January 9th

On Sunday, January 9th, everyone is invited to gather for a night of soup and board games. We will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Bring your favorite board game or card game. This invitation is for everyone and is not just for our youth!



MLK Community Service

Monday, January 17

Please join the Midway Community and the Midway Ministerial Association for our annual MLK, Jr. Service on Monday, January 17th, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Matthew's A.M.E. Church.

We will also be taking up an offering for the Midway Ministerial Association that goes to support the needs in our community.

Mission News and Notes

Meals on Wheels

Many thanks to the Meals on Wheels team that served the week of December 6: Buddy & Gertrude Johnson, Pat Settlemire, Pat Wilson, Phillip & Nancy Dare, Jim Wombles. Our next delivery will be January 3, 2011.

January Mission Payment

Christian Care Communities: Christian Care Communities is Kentucky's largest faith-based not-for-profit provider of senior retirement living and long-term care for Older Adults. Founded in Louisville in 1884 to care for widows and orphans, Christian Care serves Older Adults through an extensive network of retirement communities, including independent living apartments and patio and garden homes, assisted living, adult day care and skilled nursing care.

We also have an extensive outreach program to more than 230 Disciples of Christ/Churches of Christ, Independent Christian Churches, as well as other denominations, who are valuable partners in helping Christian Care Communities with funding initiatives and volunteerism efforts.

Fellowship News & Notes

Kentucky Regional Men's Chorus Annual Retreat

The 2011 Kentucky Regional Men's Chorus Annual Retreat will be held February 18-20, 2011 at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park in Prestonsburg. On Saturday evening the KRMC will be entertained by the Backroom Bluegrass Band. On Sunday morning they'll worship/perform at Pikeville College with First Christian Church, Pikeville and on Sunday afternoon they will perform at the Mountain Arts Center. All men are welcome!

There is a \$45 registration fee. Registration forms are available in the church office or on-line at ccinky.net. Registration deadline is January 28, 2011.

You can make your hotel reservations at: Jenny Wiley State Resort Park (800) 325-0142 or <http://parks.ky.gov/findparks/resortparks/jw/>



Kentucky Regional Women's Chorus Annual Retreat

The Kentucky Regional Women's Chorus Annual Retreat will be held February 25-27, 2011 at First Christian Church, Frankfort. The retreat will begin Friday night with registration at 7:00 p.m. (EST). All rehearsals will take place at First Christian Church in Frankfort. The retreat will conclude Sunday morning with a choral performance during morning worship at the church. Dr. Carl Smith, Director of Kentucky State University Chorus and Choir Director of the First Christian Church, Frankfort, will serve as our music director. Hollis Rosenstein of Bridgeport Christian Church, Frankfort will serve as our accompanist. Women are asked to

wear all black for performance Sunday morning.

Registration forms are available in the church office or on line at ccinky.net. Deadline is January 28, 2011

There is a \$45.00 registration fee. Checks should be made payable to CCK.

Send check and registration form to: CCK, 1125 Red Mile Road, Lexington, Kentucky 40504.



Community News and Notes

Dear Friends at Midway Christian Church,

Thank you so much for your generous donation of \$100 to Kentucky Refugee Ministries. As you may know, refugees come to this country with little more than the clothes on their backs. Your donation has come at the busiest time in the history of KRM. It will be used to assist with rent or utilities.

Many of the refugees arriving now are from Bhutan, Democratic Republic of Congo, and Iraq. Some have a great deal of education; some have little, and a range in between. ALL are starting over.

Advent is a season of hopeful waiting and our refugees certainly know much about hopeful waiting. May this season be one of blessings for you and yours.

Thank you again for your donation as we continue to “welcome the stranger”. (Matthew 25)

With gratitude,

Dabney E. Parker, Resource Coordinator

Dear Friends,

The Girl Scouts of Troop 1038 send their deepest thanks for the \$100 check. This generous gift will allow the girls to continue with their special programs that they enjoy most. We very much appreciate your kind support!

Sincerely,

Elaine Hagain

& Girl Scouts of Troop 1038

Dear Friends,

We thank you for your October Fifth Sunday gift of \$374. Your gift is a wonderful blessing to those Older Adults we serve together!

We thank God for you and your ministry!

Sincerely,

Ralph Allen, Vice President

Mission Advancement

Dear Members of Midway Christian Church,

Thank you so much for supporting the stocking project for children of incarcerated relatives. The Christmas stockings will be given out the week before Christmas. Little can you imagine the excitement of the children who receive the stocking as they leave the jail after visiting their parent or relative! The holiday is an especially difficult time to be separated from family.

Blessings to all of you!

Grace Parrish, Volunteer Coordinator

Gerard Howell, Chaplain, Fayette Co. Detention Center

Dear Friends in Christ,

Thank you for your generous donation of \$200 to Luther Luckett Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), a ministry inside the walls at Luther Luckett Correctional Complex. More than 140 men have placed their membership with the church and even more benefit from your donation through Life Skills Training, Worship, Christian Education, Fellowship, and Resettlement assistance.

Thank you for your support and your prayers for this exciting church. Without you, this prison ministry would not be possible.

Sincerely,

Doug Beare, Secretary

Luther Luckett Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Dear Members of Midway Christian Church,

On behalf of Boy Scout Troop 40, I thank you for your generous donation of \$200. Your gift will help us make troop trips and summer camp available to all our scouts—particularly those whose family means make it difficult for them to participate otherwise.

“Whatsoever you do to the least of my people”

Thank you!

Yours in scouting,

Mike Hagan

Scoutmaster

Midway Christian Church

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Return Service Requested

