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The Seat Newsletter

"Love Works Here"

July 2024



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A few months from now the voters of the USA will decide which men and women will lead our nation until the next election cycle. As those elections draw near, politicians, their campaign staff and news pundits alike will inundate us with sound bites, talking points, truths, half -truths and at times outright lies, leaving us in the perilous predicament of determining which candidates are most worthy of our vote. As we filter through the seemingly endless stream of polling results, statistical data, and political advertising one thing becomes increasingly clear- our nation is deeply divided, perhaps more so than at any time in our history.

We are divided politically, socially and demographically. That is a disturbing observation, for several wars and countless lives were lost previously as our ancestors fought for our independence from the tyranny of England and overcame threats from abroad. The sacrifice was great, but so were the rewards. Today, we continue to enjoy the God given rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Even so, we remain divided spiritually. Division and conflict are no strangers to God's people. The Old Testament is filled with examples, some of the most notable being the family feuds between Isaac and Ishmael and Jacob and Esau that are still being fought today among their descendants in the Middle East. The New Testament records conflict between the Apostle Paul, Barnabas and Mark. Eventually Barnabas and Mark went in one direction and Paul met up with Silas and went in another. It seems that conflict and division are nothing new, and even the people called Methodists, those who claim Scriptural holiness to be the root of our doctrine and beliefs, experience it.

One year ago, Millcreek Community United Methodist Church officially became the Millcreek Community Methodist Church. Though our name had to change for more reasons than one, our mission of spreading Scriptural holiness has not. The good news is that we are more united now than ever before! The Global Methodist Church is not only a denomination, but a holy movement of God's people. I am thankful that we are a part of that movement. My prayer is that we will continue to grow in faith and love. May God give us the grace and willingness to continue to be agents of change and truly live as His chosen people. Pastor Greg

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY

9am Holy Grounds Café 10:30am Worship



WEDNESDAY

11am Pastor's **Bible Study**

THURSDAY EVENINGS Music Team Practice @ 6:30pm

This summer there will only be practice on Thursdays prior to Communion Sunday.

LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING

Tuesday, July 9th @ 5:30pm



Call any prayer requests to Barb Childs (330-360-6796) or Mary Lois Floyd (330-782-7683)



Join us for *live* worship at 10:30am on our website www.millcreek.church

Pastor Calko is available for visits. He can be reached at pastorgreg@millcreek.church or by phone at 330-782-0573.





Millcreek Community Church



Millcreek Community **Methodist Church**

Millcreek Community Methodist Church Leadership Team Meeting June 18, 2024 @ 5:30pm

Present: Pastor Greg, Barb Hubler, Susie Justice, Diane Redfern, Hope Sabanick, Bill Stilson and Elaine Williams

Pastor Greg opened with readings from Acts 18: 12-17 and Seedbed. The power of the micro-church: Small numbers of Christians can make a difference. Minutes of last meeting were approved and there was no old business.

Treasurer/Finance:

- Investment fund and endowment are up \$10,000
- Collections and donations are up
- Net income loss is the lowest it has been
- All bills are paid

Missions/Outreach & Vision:

- \$1,653 in mission fund this month
- Rescue Mission and will continue to support our Sister Church in Cuba
- Oak Street Health is going to contribute to our July food giveaway and might also contribute to our Neighborhood Block Party
- for party

Worship:

Summer break for worship team

Administrative:

- GMC is changing Pastor's benefits (401k) from Wespath to Guidestone
- We may advertise to sell Forest Lawn cemetery plots

Building & Grounds/Maintenance:

- New camera is working well it even tracks!
- Concrete repair in entry and blacktop sealing still need to be done
- Fire alarm and smoke detectors were tested

Meeting closed with prayer. Next Leadership Meeting July 9th at 5:30pm.

Millcreek Community Methodist Church

This year we have contributed to 12 missions and have had 3 free community dinners We will give \$100/month to Warren Family Mission in June, July and August, \$200 to

Neighborhood Block Party will be August 10th – Barnyard Petting Zoo is confirmed from 1-4pm; Will serve pulled pork; Gideon's and AA group will set up tables. Considering a calendar for our goodie bag. Dean to sing; will also have D.J. Discussing cardboard Jesus



Elaine Williams Cheryl Viola Marilynn Makar P. Mae White



Barb Zautner Morningside House of Ellicott City 5330 Dorsey Hall Drive, Rm 312 Ellicott City, Maryland 21042

> **Shirley Stauffer** Humility House 755 Ohltown Rd, Rm 37B Austintown, OH 44515



HAPPY IRTHD

2nd - Michael Grace 5th - Sue Kirkland & William Stilson 9th - Rev. Lester Wilson 10th - Jennifer Ferone 13th - Linda Williams 18th - Dawn Crosby 19th - Shirley Stauffer & Cheryl Viola 29th - Kari Hubler



Sidney Wylie Barb Childs

Lloyd Sloger Joann Vitto

Lou Stark

Dawn Crosby

Shirley Stauffer

Gloria Finkley Caprice Health Center 9184 Market St, Rm 604

North Lima, OH 44452

Marilynn Makar

Humility House

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What a blessing to our church when those who are called upon say, "Yes, Lord, yes!". Kevin and Kari Hubler offered to be the acolytes on Sunday, June 23rd. Bless their hearts!

The Mission Bells of Millcreek Community



The Bells of Millcreek Community have made a 11/2 tremendous sound throughout our community. We are halfway through this year and we have much to be



thankful for. Together we have been able to support thirteen missions plus a soup sale in January and three free community drive-thru dinners.

We must have surely felt God's presence in our own lives as we have fulfilled promises to those in need.

I continuously thank God for my church family: those that are in our pews on Sunday and those who listen from afar. Thank you for the blessings of donations that we receive through the mail and on Sunday mornings. Thank you, Jesus, for showing us how to be Your Presence to others.

Susie J, Mission Team Member



July Missions

- Mission Team's Free Community Drive-Thru July Picnic a meal you won't want to miss! See you at the drive-thru!
- We will continue our support to our sister church Monte Feria in Cuba.
- The Rescue Mission: "Love Your Neighbor" A .5k Run/Walk at White House Fruit Farm in Canfield with the mission of transforming lives this summer. We know Jesus will be waiting at the finish line.
- Warren Family Mission: Millcreek will help them feed the hungry this summer. We will send \$100/month in June, July and August to help the souls of those who are in need.

Susie's Fun Corner Let nothing dim the light that shines from within.	Dear Lord, Help us to see how great your love is for us. Teach us to depend on you, to trust in you, and to treasure and proclaim your faithfulness. We praise you, Lord, for our church whose members have a "Mission Heart". Psalm 107: 9 The Lord satisfies the thirsty and fills
Proofread carefully to see if you any words out.	the hungry with good things. Susie J, Mission Control







MENU

- Angus Beef Burgers w/Cheese Slice
- Dee-licious Baked Beans • Chips
- Chocolate Chunk Cookies
- Special Treat Inside Each

3:30 - 5:00 pm

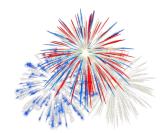




Enjoy our FREE Community Drive-thru July Picnic



Dinner Box





SATURDAY July 20th (or until dinners run out)

