

Millcreek Community UM Church
4570 Lockwood Boulevard
Youngstown, Ohio 44511-3799

The Beat Newsletter

"Love Works Here"

January
2021



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Millcreek Community UMC

OFFICE HOURS

M-W-F 9am - 2pm

(330) 782-0573

info@millcreek.church (e-mail)

www.millcreek.church (website)



"Behold, I make all things new...." That timeless promise of Jesus found in Revelation 21:5 brings tidings of comfort and joy to those of us thankful that 2020 is now behind us. It also brings new hope into a world desperately searching for truth and certainty to an age where little of either may be found. Tidings is an unfashionable word that means news or information, and in an age where "wokeness" is fashionable and chic it is no longer considered appropriate by many to sing the Yuletide carol God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen because of its title and salvational message.

Even so, like Revelation 21:5 and the remainder of the Scriptures, the eternal truths they proclaim must never be forgotten or silenced. Jesus makes all things new, including you and me! He is our Savior, born on Christmas Day, who came to save us all from Satan's power when we were gone astray. Oh, tidings of comfort and joy!

As His disciples, we are new people with new life living in a new year. What will it bring? Will this be the year in which our Lord and King returns for His church? Are we ready? We may not know everything that lies ahead, but each day of 2021 will be a new day, bringing us a new opportunity to love Him, serve Him, and show His love to others. And no matter what the future holds, several things will remain certain. Jesus will continue to love us like nobody else can or will. Satan will continue to offer false hope to a world that is largely unwilling to embrace the truth. Comfort and joy will come to us by our faith in Jesus and our obedience to His word. Jesus will return in glory to earth one more time. We can be better prepared for that glorious day in which His promise to make all things new will be completely and perfectly fulfilled! What certainty can you add to that list?

As we begin 2021 together, let us never forget that today is the day, and this is the year that the Lord has made and shared with us. Let us rejoice, let us find comfort and joy, and let us be glad in Him! Let us never forget to give Jesus thanks for the gift of new life we have in Him and for the truth of the Scriptures. Let us continue to be beacons of light and fountains of hope, reflecting His love and grace. Pastor Greg

Announcements

LEADERSHIP TEAM

Leadership Team meeting will at 6:30pm be on Tuesday, January 12th

NEWSLETTER

All information for next months Newsletter is to be submitted no later than the 15th of each month by emailing to info@millcreek.church. Please state "NEWSLETTER" in the Subject line.

OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed on Monday, January 18th in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Would you like a Sunday Bulletin or Upper Room mailed to you?

Call the church office at 330-782-0573 or e-mail us at info@millcreek.church to add your name to the list

Unable to join us on Sundays?



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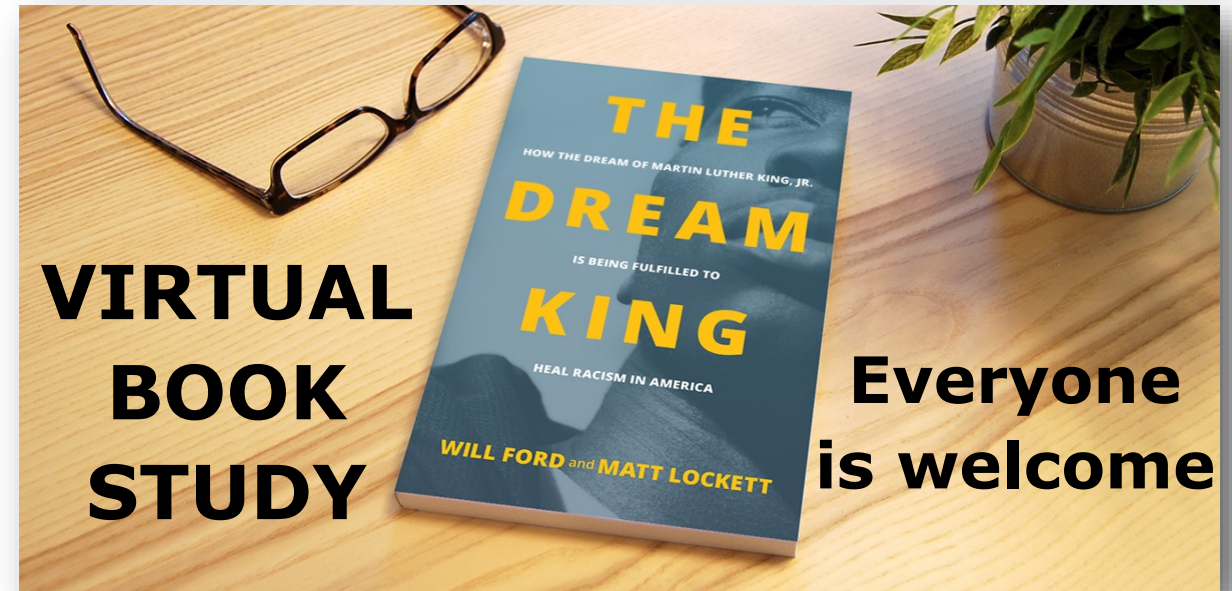


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Join us for live worship
at 10am on our website
www.millcreek.church

WORSHIP SCHEDULE - Boardman Campus **10:00am (Praise, Pray & Proclaim)**

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



Join us for a virtual book study based upon the book "The Dream King". My prayer is that it will lead us into Biblically based discussions and Christ-like actions surrounding issues of racial discrimination and bigotry. A link to the study materials is available on our website, along with a moderated forum for community comment. You can pick up a book at the church or have it mailed to you. Remember that this is also open to those outside of our immediate church family.

WE JUST WANT TO SAY...
THANK YOU!

Thank You!!!!!! Tami and I are so very grateful for all of your prayers, cards, and love during our recovery from Covid-19 and at Christmas. It is a blessing and an honor to be part of your church family! Pastor Greg

MULTI-MEDIA AND AUDIO-VISUAL \$\$\$ CAMPAIGN

One positive outcome of Covid-19 is that we began new ways to reach those who are unable to be in our sanctuary for worship on Sunday mornings. We are now live streaming our worship service and publishing it on our website for viewing 24/7. It was necessary to purchase a video camera and upgrade the church internet service for that to happen. An audio/visual room is also needed at the rear of the sanctuary so that all of the necessary electronics and related equipment for local and streamed worship can be centrally located and secured when not in use. Thankfully, we received a \$500.00 Covid-19 grant from the Mahoning Valley United Methodist District Union to help with some of those expenses. However, it is not nearly enough. The additional cost for internet alone is over \$700.00 per year! Please consider making a special donation so that we can effectively reach new people for Jesus Christ. Please mark your offering "AV Outreach". Thank you for your faithfulness!

Prayer Requests

Barry Ervin
Carol Rinehart
Donna Howell (Sean Roberts Aunt)
Elaine Williams
Georgia Witt
Gordon & Rose Milliken
Harriet Case
Louise Easter
Marge Whitacre
Marilyn Makar (HOSPICE)
Mark Boston
P. Mae White

Pat Charity & Clara Charity
Penny Hiller & family
Rachel Haynie (Susie's niece)
Ray Mercado & Family
Rev. Mike & Sue McHale
Rita Wolfe
Ron Miller
Ruth Mattern (Penny's Sister-in-Law)
Verna Wylie
Vicky LaCivita (Pam Boston's Sister)
Woody Anderson



Gloria Finkley

Harriet Case

1040 South Perry Street, Unit 12
Napoleon, OH 43545

Juanita Pasley

Margaret Whitacre

Briarfield Manor

461 S. Canfield-Niles Rd., Rm 301
Austintown, OH 44515 (330) 270-3468



Condolences to the
family of

Esther McClain,

a member of the former
Richard Brown UMC,
who passed away on
Christmas day.

Millcreek Community UM Church
invites you our **FREE**
"Chili Bowl" drive-thru dinner.



SATURDAY
January 16th
4-5:30pm
(or until dinners run out)

(Hearty chili, cornbread,
celery & carrots sticks,
dessert)



Everyone's having a "Bowl Game"
so join us for ours!

Donations thankfully accepted

Millcreek Community Mission Team of 2020

It was January 2020 and the small group of church women gathered one evening and were excited about starting a Millcreek Community Mission Team. In wanting to follow the footsteps of Jesus and His Disciples our goals were to provide to those whose needs were food, clothing, blankets, healthcare items and “yes” even Christmas food and gifts for families with children. January and February started the year 2020 to a wonderful beginning. We were on, until Covid-19 struck and shut many places down, even CHURCH! March, April, May and even the start of June Covid-19 had canceled many of our activities. With many praying and believing that God would open doors for us to continue with our missions, we ventured forward helping:

***Warren Family Mission, The Rescue Mission,
Protestant Family Service, Salvation Army-Red Kettle Fund,
Sojourner House ,and 4 families were supported
for Christmas through Protestant Family Service.***

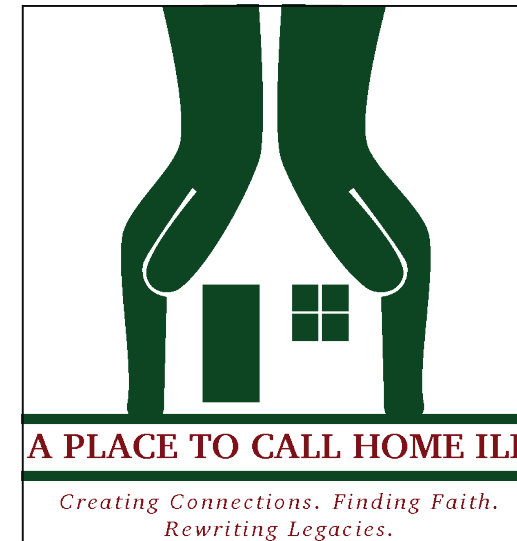
Our church is truly blessed with a congregation that has a mission “heart”. I pray we continue to follow Jesus’ path! Donations for the year 2020: \$6,137.86 came from *YOU*, devoted church family, devoted to God and devoted to following Jesus, joining with family and friends to help our Millcreek Community Mission Team carry on it’s job of reaching out to our community in need.

With much appreciation and love,
Susie J. - Mission Team Member

JANUARY 2021 MISSIONS

**The Salvation Army has
deeply expressed a need for
help this winter.**

YOU CAN GIVE
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WHERE IT'S NEEDED THE MOST



**“A PLACE TO CALL HOME”
805 Robbins Avenue
Niles, OH 44446
330-652-HOME (4663)**

**Helping young men
(18-24yrs old) get
settled in life once
foster care has ended.**



**CELEBRATE!!
JANUARY
BIRTHDAYS**

**1st - Nancy Stark
4th - Jean Armstrong
6th - Emma Myers
17th - Michael Williams
22nd - Penny Wells
24th - MaryLue Shaw**

