

A Walk of Faith in a Time of Uncertainty by Pastor Doug

It has been a crazy time in my life as I prepare for hip replacement surgery, working through the transition process with our potential pastor next, and cleaning out the office after 38 years of accumulating “stuff”. I can see the end of the tunnel when it comes to the boxes at the office. Soon it will all be moved out and the office will be ready for pastor next.

Recently I went through all the preop procedures for my surgery that will take place November 17th. Lord knows I am more than ready for this operation which I trust will give me more stability and strength. But I also know the results are all in the good Lord’s hands. So please pray that my surgery goes well and for Bev as she helps me at home afterwards. I’m a lot when it comes to recovering from surgery.

As for the transition with pastor next, there is still a process we are going through with the transition team, the elders and all our members and regular attendees. By now you should have received a survey from our transition team which we hope you will fill out and get back to us. There are extra copies at the information table and a place to return them. After going through the surveys, the team will then work on a pastor profile. This helps the team know the type of pastor we are looking for. With the profile the team will then interview the potential candidate and bring all the information gathered back to the elders.

Lord willing by December the transition team will meet with the elders and the elders will decide if the candidate is the right person for our church family. If the person is a good fit for our church, an announcement will be made and information about the candidate will be sent out to everyone. A church potluck with the pastor followed by a time for him to preach will then take place. A vote of the membership is the final part of the process.

So ... please pray that the Lord will show us clearly what decision is best for the church moving forward. We do not know at this point how all the interviews will go or whether if asked, the candidate will accept the invite. This is all part of the process that all churches experience when a pastor leaves and a new one comes on board. So, it is different from the way businesses hire, or how you might think it should go. That is why we need your prayers and full trust in the Lord who knows what is best for our MCC family.

I know the plans I have for you, plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope. Jeremiah 29:11

Worship Schedule

Sundays • 9:30 & 11:00 am

Medina Community Church exists to help people begin and grow in their relationship with God. Our relaxed, contemporary style provides an enjoyable atmosphere where you can investigate the claims of Christ, deepen your faith and meet some great friends along the way.

- November 2—Paul’s Arrest in Jerusalem (Acts 21:15-23:10)
- November 9—Boldness in the Midst of Persecution (Acts 23:11 –26:32) Guest Speaker-Justin Boughter
- November 16—Paul’s Journey to Rome (Acts 27:1-28:31)
- November 23—Guest Speaker-Mike Wilson with Fellowship Baptist Church
- November 30 — Christmas Series begins-First Sunday of Advent

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We are pleased to announce that MCC will be hosting drive-thru Community meals on **Saturday, November 15th** from 6-7 pm for those in need. Meals will be handed out in a drive-thru lane. Volunteers will help guide guests to the meal pickup area. (All guests will be asked to remain in their vehicles.) We can always use drivers for meal deliveries at 5:00 pm and others to help with the drive through. Please consider how you could serve in this ministry. For more information or to sign up please call or text Emily Winans at (240)405-4003.



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all the way

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A
**GINGERBREAD HOUSE
DECORATING PARTY**

**Saturday, November 15th
at 10:00 am**

**Medina Community Church
416 South Broadway
Medina, Ohio 44256**

Bring your kids for lots of fun and sugar. It's a great time! Please sign up at the information table so we know how many to plan for.

Any questions, contact Kathy Summers at kathyksummers@gmail.com.



Ladies Ministry—It is a busy time for the ladies at MCC.

Holiday Craft Day—November 8th at 12pm. This is a time when we just enjoy being together. We'll be making a holiday craft to take home. If it works for you bring a light snack to share. Even if you're not crafty, just come and hang out with us. That's what it's really about. There is a signup sheet at the information table.

Ladies Christmas Lunch and Gift Exchange—December 7th at 12:30pm (after second service). Lunch will be provided. Please bring your favorite holiday dessert to share. The theme for the gift exchange this year is "White Elephant" - anything goes. Use your imagination.

Bible Study— We will finish up in the next two weeks and then break until Spring. With the holidays and the shorter days this has become our pattern. I'll be finding some video studies on Right Now Media that we can do during those dark winter months.

First Saturday Breakfast— Starting in December we'll be gathering at different restaurants on the first Saturday of the month (weather permitting). You should get an email reminder each month.

Random Saturday Mornings—The last couple of Winters we've done this just to keep in touch. These are last minute and we gather at the church for a couple of hours on a Saturday morning. No agenda, just looking to spend time together. So watch your email.

If you have ideas, suggestions, or comments for our Ladies Ministry, please let Kathy know. Also if you're not getting her regular emails, please send her your email address so she can get you on the list. You can contact Kathy at kathyksummers@gmail.com or (330) 461-1081.

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Join us at IHOP in Seville for a time of
faith, food, and fellowship.

Saturday • November 8th • 8:30 a.m.



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**NOV.
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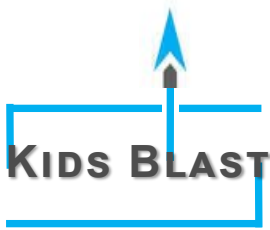
Join us in supporting Operation Christmas Child through Samaritan's Purse. Shoe boxes are available for pick up in the church foyer, along with the labels, instructions, and information about the program. Please drop off your filled shoe box at the church no later than November 23rd. Please be sure to include a check or cash for the shipping of your box. Thank you!



The Transition Team has formed a church profile (Who and What the MCC congregation is). We have developed some questions to help us see our demographics, values, and heart as a church. You should have received an email on October 29th with the Transition Team Questionnaire attached. If you don't receive the emails, you should get a paper survey in the mail. Please take some time to thoughtfully respond to our questionnaire. It is set to save your progress automatically so you can come back to edit or finish no matter where you have left off. We are planning on reviewing results on Sunday (11/9/2025). We would love to have your results by Saturday, November 8th. If you cannot submit the form by then, we still would appreciate your feedback in the coming weeks. Your answers will help guide church leadership to find our best pastoral fit.

If you would like to complete a paper copy of the questionnaire, please check the information table at church. There is a box there to drop your survey in once completed.

With our transition team moving forward with the succession plan, please pray for God to direct and lead the congregation and elders. Pray that the Lord will clearly guide us to who our next pastor will be. We are confident in the Lord that by the beginning of 2026 we can install pastor next. Look for details about prayer times as a church in the future.



Kids Blast from 6:00-7:30 p.m. Join us on Wednesday evenings at the church. We have dinner at 6:00 followed by Bible Club at 6:30 p.m. **November dates: 11/5, 11/12, 11/19, off 11/26.**



→ **Sundays**
5:00 to 6:30 pm



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6:00 to 8:00 pm



November dates:

11/2, 11/9,
11/16, 11/23, off
11/30