

Welcome to Martins Creek Mennonite Church November 12, 2023

Please place your offering in the plates provided at the back of the sanctuary. Prayer requests may be turned in at the Welcome Center before the service.

Prelude	Peggy Miller
Opening Hymn	Fran Mast
Welcome and Prayer	
Congregational Singing	Praise Team
Children's Church Dismissal (preschool-grade 3)	
Scripture Mark 4, Matthew 13, Luke 8	
Sermon "Foundational Understanding"	Pat Miller
Closing Hymn	
Benediction	

Sermon Notes:

Foundational Understanding

The Parable of the Sower (Mark 4, Matthew 13, Luke 8)

➤ Highlight on Mark 4:13

What is so important about this teaching that it determines ones ability to understand parables?

Three Possibilities

1. Understanding the _____.
The _____ and _____ of the _____ never changes.
2. Understanding the _____ or _____ condition matters.
Examine yourself!
3. _____ + _____ = Multiplication
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The purpose of understanding.

Mark 4:21-25

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK:

MONDAY

- 5:30 p.m. – Faith & Finances
- 6:00 p.m. – MCMC Fellowship Night at East of Chicago in Berlin
- 7:00 p.m. – Fresh Start

TUESDAY

- 7:00 p.m. – Church Council

WEDNESDAY

- 7:00 p.m. – OCC Shoebox Assembly in the FLC
- 7:00 p.m. – SPARK
- 7:00 p.m. – IGNITE

NEXT SUNDAY: November 19, 2023

A.M.

- 9:00 – Fellowship Time w/coffee & donuts
- 9:30 – Sunday School
- 10:30 – Worship Service
 - Jay Conn preaching
 - Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Dedication

P.M.

- 6:00 – Worship with 4:12 at MCMC

Save
the
Date

Soup... For You &

"White Elephants" too!



Sunday, December 10th ▪ 12:00 noon

The Fellowship Committee would like to invite you to stay for a delicious lunch after our service and also bring a white elephant gift, preferably something from your house, but if not, \$10 minimum.

No need to sign up...just stay for a good time
of food & fellowship!

PRAYER REQUESTS:

We would like to stand with you in prayer, but recognize some prayer concerns are difficult to share with the whole church. Use the space below to share your prayer concerns.

Given by: _____

I would like this kept confidential and shared only with the pastor.

I would like this shared with the Elders so that they can prayer about it in the Prayer Room after church.

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

CHANGE FOR A DOLLAR

Request Form

Date: _____

Proposed Recipients Name: _____

Your Name: _____

Phone: _____

Summary of Need: _____

Please tear off and return this form to Jay Conn or place in the offering plate.

Guidelines

1. Each give one dollar.
2. Spot a need.
3. Submit a request form.
4. Deliver the gift.
5. Tell the story.

SHARING AND PRAYER:

- Hannah Kandel as she recovers from her surgical biopsy last Friday.
- Jacquelyn Oswald who continues in the Cardiac Care Unit, #15 at Mercy Medical.
- Molly Starner as she recovers from back surgery on Wednesday.
- Vivian Hershberger as she continues to recover from her recent stroke.

Please continue to pray for the ongoing prayer requests listed in “...from the Creek”.

Childcare is provided in the Nursery during our worship service for children 3 years old or younger.
Nursery Attendant Today: Katelyn Shoup
Next Sunday: Laura Weaver

Check out our website at: mcmc.org

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The Sower

³ Then he told them many things in parables, saying: “A farmer went out to sow his seed. ⁴ As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. ⁵ Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. ⁶ But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root. ⁷ Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants. ⁸ Still other seed fell on good soil, where it produced a crop—a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown. ⁹ Whoever has ears, let them hear.”

Matthew 13:3-9