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Welcome to Worship

To keep up with what's going on here at MCC, you can visit our website (middleburyucc.org), like us on Facebook, follow us on Instagram (@middleburycongregational), and subscribe to our YouTube Channel.

Restrooms

Restrooms are located down the stairs in the Narthex/entrance of the sanctuary. Accessible, single person restrooms, equipped with changing tables, are located on the Upper Level and may be easily accessed using the elevator. The elevator entrance is located through the exit door in the front of the sanctuary on the left. Please ask an usher for directions/assistance.

Sunday School & Nursery Childcare

Children are always welcome in worship. During the school year, Sunday School is available during worship for PreK-7th grade. School age children will begin Sunday in worship before heading out together with their teachers in the beginning part of worship. The first Sundays of the month are Communion and Family Sunday and Sunday School will not be in session. Staffed childcare for infants through preschoolers is available in the Nursery throughout the year, which is in the upper level Sunday School. If you need assistance, please ask an usher. For more info about Sunday School and childcare, contact the Church Office: office@middeleburyucc.org

For More Info

For more information about the church, to sign up for our newsletter please email: (office@middleburyucc.org)

Communion

Communion is celebrated the 1st Sunday of the month and is open to all, including children, who wish to grow in faith in Jesus Christ. Communion is served in the pews.

This Service is Being Livestreamed

If you do not want to appear in the video please choose a pew downstairs in the back 5 rows.

Hearing Assistance

We have headphones to assist you in hearing the service. Please let an usher know, and they will set you up with a pair.

Winter Mission Projects

GWIM Food Donations

Our monthly food contribution to GWIM Soup Kitchen is canned chicken.

Mitten Line

Our mitten line is now set up in the social room, ready for anyone to hang new or gently used mittens, gloves, hats, or scarves for the homeless.

Annual Blood Drive

The annual Red Cross blood drive will be held Saturday, February 15th from 8:00am-1:30pm in the social hall. If you would like to volunteer, we are looking for people to bake, check people in, or just sit and visit with our donors while they are at the recovery table. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the kitchen. If you would like to donate blood that day, please sign up through the American Red Cross website: http://www.redcross.org

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Souper Bowl Sunday



2/9 Homemade soup \$5 per container



SERVED WITH COLE SLAW, CHIPS AND A
DILL PICKLE.



\$9.00

Don't miss the chance to reserve your favorite celebration sandwich (or sandwiches, now!) We will have them ready for pickup after church on Sunday March 16, 2025!



Call to a Special Meeting of the Congragation: Open & Affirming Vote

A Special Meeting of the Congregation is called for February 23, 2025 in the sanctuary following worship. The purpose of this meeting is to vote on the proposal brought by Church Council for the Middlebury Congregational Church to adopt an Open and Affirming covenant. To participate in the meeting remotely, please email Pastor Katrina for the meeting link (kmanzi@middleburyucc.org).

Erika Carrington, Clerk

Yoga at MCC!

What: Vinyasa Yoga for all fitness levels

Where: Our Social Hall When: Mondays @ 5:30 p.m. Why: Join us and RELAX!

How: Bring a mat and blocks. Bolster, water bottle, strap and blanket are optional. Please dress to move.

Jumpin' Jambalaya is ready to roll!!





When: Fat Tuesday

March 4, 2025

5:00-7:00

Where: MCC Social Hall

(Dine in or pick up)

Tickets: \$9.00 per order

Our menu is straight from Bourbon Street: a steaming bowl of delicious jambalaya, a side of rice, zydeco music and that feel good feeling of eating New Orleans food!

Advance orders are recommended.

Come and share a night of fellowship with friends and neighbors...We will prepare a few extras but don't get left out in the cold! Please call or email the church office to leave a message with your pre-orders at:

office@middleburyucc.orq 203-758-2671

or email Ellen at spirit2000@aol.com