

WELCOME

CROSS & FLAME MINISTRIES

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES

April 30, 2017 • Third Sunday of Easter
Easter • White



The mission of our church is to make disciples of
Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

9:00AM

Call to Worship

L: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

P: **And also with you.**

Congregational Chorus: "Fill My Cup, Lord"

Hymnal #641

The Greeting

Sharing of Parish Opportunities and Attendance Ritual

Please fill out the prayer request cards, if needed, located in the pew Bibles, and hand them to the ushers after the Time of Christian Fellowship and Greeting.

Prelude: "Prelude" by César Cui, arr. by H. Shelley

Light of Christ Enters

Please begin a quiet time of centering for worship when music begins.

****Hymn of Praise:** "He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought" (vs 1,2,3)

Hymnal #128

****Invocation**

Please See Projection

**Time of Christian Fellowship and Greeting

Collection of Prayer Cards by Ushers

Ritual of Membership: Nicole Steele

Mary Ellen and Richard Tierney

Special Music: Joseph Ryker

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: "Adagio" by Franz Liszt

****Doxology:** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Hymnal #95

Children's Moments

*As the children come down, please pass the red **Money for Missions** buckets in the pews. The noisy mission offering in April will go to **Senior Fest**.*

Children's Church Procession to Room 205

Offering of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer of Intercession and Blessing

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

Hymnal #474

Scripture: Psalm 23 and Matthew 11:28-30

L: The Word of God for the People of God

P: **Thanks be to God**

Sermon: "In Green Pastures"

Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

****Commitment Hymn:** "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" (vs 1,2,3)

Hymnal #420

Taking the Light of Christ into the World

****Benediction**

****Postlude:** "Gloria Patri" by Joseph Barnby

****Congregation is invited to stand as you are able**

PRAISE SERVICE

11:15AM

Opening Singing
Greeting Each Other
Welcome and Announcements
Giving Our Offerings
Children's Time
Sharing Joys and Concerns
Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer
Songs of Worship
Scripture Reading: Psalm 23 and Matthew 11:28-30
Sermon: "In Green Pastures"
Closing Song
Sending Forth

Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

TODAY'S WORSHIP	TRADITIONAL SERVICE	MUMC PRAISE SERVICE
Music Leader	Joseph Ryker	Lacey Brown and Brian Vincent
Organist/Pianist	Jenny Kirby	
Worship Leader	Jon Lough mumcministries@gmail.com	Ed O'Donnell mumcministries@gmail.com
Acolytes	Brandon Otwell and Tiara Bradford	
Prayer Request Reader	Nancy Fager	Ed O'Donnell
Liturgist	Lowell Heller	
Welcome Hostesses	Arlene Bitner and Susan Patterson	
Ushers	Todd Lirely, Scott Ballard, Sandy Herring, Ralph Bastien, Dick Graff and Vanessa Lirely	Rick Pierson and Brant Wingerter
Children's Church Volunteers	Diane Schingel	Patty Thrailkill and Julie Wachtel
Nursery Attendant	Caitlyn Boyd	Megan Gale
The Memory Book is open to the page honoring: Ethel Hanson		

ATTENDANCE AND STEWARDSHIP APRIL 23, 2017

Traditional Service: 189; Praise Service: 102; and DeSoto: 23/ Sunday School: 81
Offering: \$4,622.00

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

The white rose on the altar today celebrates the life of Patricia "Pat" Diane Lawhorn who passed away on Monday, April 17th. Pat was a sister to Rosemary Cornell.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*INDICATES SIGNUP ON ATTENDANCE SHEET

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO THE OUR NEIGHBOR'S TABLE MEAL TODAY at noon in our Fellowship Hall Rm. 104. The luncheon is always delicious, free and offers opportunities for us to share the love of Jesus with our neighbors.

THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR LITTLE GRASSY CAMP IS TOMORROW!

Registration and health forms are available at www.igrc.org/camping, or Christine Nolan can provide additional information, 687-2317 or mumc.financialsec@gmail.com.

TOMORROW IS ALSO THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR THE MEN'S LIFEWAY MAIN EVENT TO TAKE PLACE IN NASHVILLE, TN JULY 28-29. Contacts for this event are: Jay Graff at 618-967-9848 or Rob Williams at 618-713-0843.

***STEPHEN MINISTRY TRAINING CLASSES WILL TAKE PLACE ON THURSDAYS BEGINNING MAY 4TH, 6:30—9:00 P.M. , Rm. 110.** This 20 weeks of training will be provided by Michelle Parker-Clark. *Today is the last chance to sign up* on the attendance sheet.

Next Sunday we will hear another (#4) of eight sermons from the **GOOD NEWS SUNDAY** series. The character trait of God that Pastor will address is: God Leads. Music to be featured will be "Make A Way" by I Am They.

Also next Sunday, a **SPECIAL \$1 FOR THE CROSS OFFERING WILL BE TAKEN FOR BALD KNOB CROSS.** We request every person to donate \$1 for the ongoing ministries at Bald Knob. Special offering envelopes will be available in both services, or you can send a designated offering to the church office.

NEW STUDY IN FAITHFUL FRIENDS CLASS BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY. This six-weeks study by Rick Warren titled "God's Answers to Life's Difficult Questions" is being facilitated by Teresa Gilbert in Rm. 204. For women of all ages.

***YOUNG AT HEART** will share friendships, fellowship and faith on May 9th at noon in our Fellowship Hall (Rm 104). The menu is chicken and dumplings, mashed potatoes, green beans, lettuce salad, rolls and strawberry shortcake. Meals are \$6 a plate. Teresa Gilbert, Executive Director, Bald Knob Cross Association, will provide updates and information on future activities at the cross.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (cont) *INDICATES SIGNUP ON ATTENDANCE SHEET

***UNITED METHODIST MEN** will conduct their regular monthly breakfast meeting on Saturday, May 13th at 7:30 a.m. in our Fellowship Hall Rm. 104. **All men of the church are invited to attend.** Please contact Jay Graff at 618-967-9848 if you have any questions.

A **MOTHER'S DAY FLOWER & BAKE SALE** is scheduled for Sunday, May 14th, 8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. Of course you didn't forget a gift for mom—you just wanted to wait and support the youth, right? Once again, the MUMC youth groups will be offering beautiful McNitt flowers and tasty homemade baked items for sale. Flowers will be set out and available outside the main parking lot canopy before and after Traditional and Praise services. Proceeds will go toward a future youth mission trip.

***IF A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY WILL BE GRADUATING THIS YEAR**, please write the graduate's name and level of graduation (8th grade, high school, college, or grad school) in the body of our Registration and Attendance Sheet or phone the church office at 687-2317 no later than Monday, May 15th.

ANNUAL GRADUATE BREAKFAST: Graduates and their parents, siblings, and grandparents are invited to a celebration breakfast Sunday, May 21st at 8:00 a.m. Please phone the church office with the number from your family who will attend no later than Monday, May 15th.

MISSION PEORIA 2017 WILL TAKE PLACE JULY 24-29. All current 8th graders through high school seniors are invited to be a part of this important mission work. Attendees' costs are covered; however, a commitment to attend is required before registration. Registration forms can be found on the youth bulletin board. Deadline = May 7th.

It's time to begin thinking about joining the **NEXT MISSION TRIP TO CAMP RESTORE, SEPTEMBER 24-30.** This is an adult mission trip to New Orleans. The contact for this trip is Gene Schwebel, 521-0879, gene1955@mchsi.com.

COMPUTER VOLUNTEER NEEDED: After years of dedicated service, Sandy Lanzi is giving up her volunteer role of doing worship attendance entry and signup entry in the church database. Sandy usually did this work following the services on Sunday, but it can be done anytime between the end of worship services on Sunday through Monday evening. With her years of experience, Sandy was usually able to complete the data entry and run the reports in two hours or less, but we expect someone starting new would need at least 3 hours to get everything done. Training will be provided by our church secretary, who is willing to be pretty flexible in arranging hours for training. This is a great opportunity for someone who would like to gain experience working with a computer database, or we can adjust the role to be just the data entry. Please contact Deb at the church office for more information. The phone number is (618) 687-2317, or email murphysboroumc@gmail.com.

HOW DO I CONNECT?

Would you like to connect with other adults?

- Saturday Morning Book Club/Emily Hargraves, 559-0329, ehargraves88@gmail.com
- United Methodist Men/Jay Graff, 967-9848, jgraff4@yahoo.com
- Women's Ministry/Rosie Wece, 559-8167, rwece50@gmail.com
- Young at Heart/Michelle Parker-Clark, 922-3587, mpclark@siu.edu

Do you have young children?

- Children's Church/Emily Hargraves, 559-0329, ehargraves88@gmail.com
- Nursery/Brooke Guthman, 534-1615, bguthman28@gmail.com
- Children's Youth Fellowship: 3rd-5th grades; Junior Youth Fellowship: 6th—8th grades; and Senior High Youth Fellowship: 9th-12th grades/Lacey Brown, 687-2317, mumcministries@gmail.com or Jennifer O'Donnell, 687-2317, mumchildrenyouth@gmail.com
- Acolytes: children ages 8-11 (3rd—6th grades), Mary Jane Williams, 412-0008, mjwilliams1121@gmail.com

Do you enjoy music and like to be involved in music ministry?

- Chancel Choir/Joseph Ryker, 925-4393, jrykerbsn.77@gmail.com
- Hand Bell Choir/Randy Auxier, 565-1238
- Praise Team/Angie Baughman, 201-0139, angie_baughman@hotmail.com

Do you like to help those in need?

- Our Neighbor's Table, free meal to the community, last Sunday of every month/Jennifer O'Donnell, 534-3822 or Rindy Eisenhauer, 967-1380

The above ministries are just a sampling of the scores of ministries offered at MUMC. For a complete listing of ministries and ways to connect with those ministries, please pick up a 2017 Ministry Guide from the Welcome Center, the foyer at 15th and Pine, wall racks throughout the church, or the church office.

"... like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received."

1 Peter 4:10

MUMC EMAIL PRAYER CHAIN CONTACT CHANGE

If you wish to put a prayer request on the email prayer chain, please contact Mary Ellen Tierney at 684-8847 or send an email to mumcprayerchain@yahoo.com. Mary Ellen is now coordinating the prayer chain. Be sure to say a huge *Thank You* to Candy Watt for her terrific service to us all during the past few years in keeping the prayer requests in front of our congregation.

UPCOMING SERMON SERIES



DATE	SERMON THEME	TELEVISION THEME SONG	SCRIPTURE
Mother's Day, May 14	Do Life Together	<i>Family Ties</i>	Ephesians 4:1-6
Promotion Sun., May 21	Put Others First	<i>Family Matters</i>	Ephesians 5:21
May 28	Support Your Husband	<i>The Brady Bunch</i>	Ephesians 6:22-24
June 4	Love Your Wife	<i>Who's the Boss</i>	Ephesians 5:25-33
June 11	Listen to Your Parents	<i>Everybody Loves Raymond</i>	Ephesians 6:1-3
June 18	Lead Your Children	<i>The Jetsons</i>	Ephesians 6:4

PRAYER LIST

Lee and Alberta Sullivan
 Katherine & Martin Twenhafel
 Gary Wece

Marie Quigley
 Jim Massey
 Ruth Verbal

Earl Renshaw
 Kevin Cooley

- ◆ Barbara Woodward, for health concerns.
- ◆ Cliff Buchholz would like to share his new address: 2950 W Westridge Pl Apt 236, Carbondale IL 62901
- ~ If you would like to place or remove someone on the prayer list, please call the church office at 687-2317 or send an email to murphysboroumc@gmail.com
- ~ Names will be published in the bulletin for 4 weeks. Please contact the office if you want a name to run longer.

Prayer Emphasis for April is Senior Fest.

Prayer Emphasis for May is Relay for Life.

Please include these emphases in your daily prayers.

NEW HERE?

WELCOME to Murphysboro United Methodist Church! We're so glad you came to worship with us and want to do all we can to help you feel at home.

VISITING FOR THE FIRST TIME? Help us get to know you!

- Please fill out the visitor card located in the card holder in the pew in front of you, and place it in the offering plate.
- Stop by the Welcome Center following service today. The Welcome Center is located just outside the north sanctuary doors. We have a "sweet" gift for you, and we would love to meet you!

ATTENTION PARENTS

Children of all ages are welcome in our worship service. If you prefer, a nursery for children (suggested ages infant through three years old) is available during both the worship and Sunday School hours. The Nursery is located in Room 201, just outside the north sanctuary doors. Children who desire, ages 3 through grade 3 (suggested), will be dismissed for Children's Church in Room 205 prior to the pastor's message. Also see our "Helping Children Experience Worship" cards in front of the pew Bibles.

LOOKING TO BECOME A MEMBER? Approximately once per quarter, Pastor Larry offers an informational meeting for those interested in learning more about the process to become a member of MUMC. Watch the bulletin for dates and times.

CONTACT INFO, MEDIA & OTHER RESOURCES

CONTACT US: 618-687-2317 **ADDRESS:** 1500 Pine Street, Murphysboro, IL 62966

OFFICE HOURS: M-Th 9:-00 am—2:00 pm; F 9:00 am—noon

EMAIL: murphysboroumc@gmail.com

PASTOR GILBERT'S CELL PHONE: 618-201-2658

PASTOR & TERESA GILBERT'S MAILING ADDRESS: 2575 Edgewood Lane
Carbondale, IL 62901

WEBSITE: www.murphysboroumc.com  facebook.com/murphysboroumc

SERMON BROADCAST on  or find link at www.murphysboroumc.com

CHURCH LIBRARY: Room 110

LITTLE FREE LIBRARY: 16th St. N of parking lot exit