

WELCOME

CROSS & FLAME MINISTRIES

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES

January 28, 2018 • Fourth Sunday of Epiphany
Epiphany • Green



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: "Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus"

Hymnal #349

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: "Largo from Xerxes" by F. Handel, arr. S. B. Whitney

Light of Christ Enters

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

****Hymn of Praise:** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Hymnal #140

****Invocation**

Please See Projection

****Time of Christian Fellowship and Greeting**

Collection of Prayer Cards by Ushers

Chancel Choir: "Healed by a Touch" by Danny Thomason arr. Gregg Sewell.

Presentation of Our Titles and Offerings

Offertory: "I Love Thee, My Lord," traditional American tune, arr. George Shearing

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

Hymnal #95

Children's Moments

*As the children come forward, please pass the red **Money for Missions** buckets in the pews. The noisy mission offering in January will go to the **Wesley Foundation**.*

Children's Church Procession to Room 205

Offering of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer of Intercession and Blessing

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: "O For a Heart to Praise My God" (vs 1,4,5)

Hymnal #417

Scripture: Psalm 15

L: The Word of God for the People of God

P: **Thanks be to God**

Sermon: "A Heart That's True"

Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

****Commitment Hymn:** "We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder" (vs 1,3,4)

Hymnal #418

Taking the Light of Christ into the World

****Benediction**

****Postlude:** "Adoration from Sonate Pascale" by J. Lemmens, arr. H. Eddy and F. Gleason

****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 15
Sermon: "A Heart That's True"
Closing Song
Sending Forth

Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

TODAY'S WORSHIP	TRADITIONAL SERVICE	MUMC PRAISE SERVICE
Music Leader	Joel Kirby	Angie Baughman
Organist/Pianist	Jenny Kirby	
Worship Leader	Rick Runge mumcministries@gmail.com	Kristi Miller mumcministries@gmail.com
Acolytes	Caroline Guthman and Eli Guthman	
Prayer Request Reader	Lou Ann Lough	Kristi Miller
Liturgist	Michelle Parker-Clark	
Welcome Hostesses	Terri Yates and Vanessa Lirely	
Ushers	Todd Lirely, Scott Ballard, Sandy Herring, Ralph Bastien, Dick Graff and Vanessa Lirely	Ricky Pierson and Brant Wingerter
Children's Church Volunteers	Diane Schingel	TBN
Nursery Attendant	Caitlyn Boyd	Megan Gale
The Memory Book is open to the page honoring: Leonard Bartnek		

ATTENDANCE AND STEWARDSHIP JANUARY 21, 2018

Traditional Service: 148; Praise Service: 43; and DeSoto: 12 / Sunday School: 71
Offering: \$4,526.83

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

The white rose on the altar today celebrates the life of Violet Fletcher who passed away on Tue., Jan. 2nd. Violet was the sister-in-law of Kay Bozarth.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*INDICATES SIGNUP ON ATTENDANCE SHEET

NOTICE: THE EPIPHANY STUDY WILL TAKE PLACE TODAY IN THE SANCTUARY (DURING THE USUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR).

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO THE OUR NEIGHBOR'S TABLE MEAL TODAY AT NOON IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL. The menu is chicken and dumplings with cobbler for dessert. Come and help the team share the love of Christ with our neighbors!

REMINDER: THE CONGREGATION (AGES 13 AND OLDER) IS EXTENDED A SPECIAL INVITATION TO A FREE EVENT, *CREATING DEFINING MOMENTS WITH CONNOR JAMES*. This afternoon, 4:00—5:00 PM, in our Fellowship Hall, Connor will share three special keys to finding more optimism and positivity in your life. The sudden loss of his father at a young age has inspired him to find brightness in the darkest of days. He's going to share three daily practices that will help you fight pessimism and avoid the trap of negative thinking. Connor believes with all of his heart that you'll never get to the end of your life and wish you had experienced fewer defining moments. This message is designed to help you see more of the positive and create more meaningful moments in your life.

BE SURE TO JOIN US FOR YOUTH SUNDAY 2018 AT EITHER TRADITIONAL OR PRAISE SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY. This year's special services will take on a Super Bowl theme, and we will be participating in the "Souper Bowl of Caring" by collecting canned soup or dollars for the Murphysboro Food Pantry. So remember to bring your donations next Sunday!

***UNITED METHODIST MEN** will enjoy their monthly breakfast on Sat., Feb. 10th, 7:30 am, in our Fellowship Hall. **All men of the church are welcome to join in the fun and fellowship!**

THE ADULT/TEEN CHALLENGE CHOIR WILL PERFORM AT ALL CROSS & FLAME MINISTRIES SERVICES ON FEBRUARY 11th! These special guest performers will provide music and share their personal testimonies during regular church services: Murphysboro—9:00 and 11:15 am and DeSoto—5:30 pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (cont) *INDICATES SIGNUP ON ATTENDANCE SHEET

CHILDREN 1st-5th GRADE ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE LIGHT KID'S CONFERENCE SCHEDULED FOR MAR. 10th, 9 AM—2 PM. Full details can be found in today's bulletin feature box.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

***FOOD VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR SUNDAY YOUTH GROUP.** Every Sunday evening, the Jr and Sr High have youth group in the Fellowship Hall from 4:00—6:00 pm. We are trying to fill the schedule with individuals who are willing to prepare a simple meal. Sage Lintner is the contact for this opportunity (618-889-7320 or mumcchildrenyouth@gmail.com).

LOCAL SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

THE CACHE RIVER DISTRICT HAS SHARED A SERVICE OPPORTUNITY THAT IS CLOSE TO HOME. The Wesley Foundation at SIU Carbondale is looking for churches (groups) to provide a home cooked meal for their Sunday Night Meal. Students gather at 5:30 for a meal and Bible study. This is an opportunity to be in ministry with young adults and learn more about the ministry of the Wesley Foundation. If you are interested or would like more information, email Sherry Smedshammer at umwesley@siu.edu.

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/Jamie Green, 201-3355, jaybegirlo2@yahoo.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 Sage Lintner, 687-2317, mumcchildrenyouth@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/Sharon Jones, 303-2489, sharonjones1948@gmail.com; or Joel Kirby, 816-225-9020, jpktp@gmail.com
- Hand Bell Choir/Randy Auxier, 565-1238
- Praise Team/Lacey Brown, 525-5106, mumcministries@gmail.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

Do you want to add a prayer request to the MUMC Email Prayer Chain?

- Contact Mary Ellen Tierney at 684-8847 or send an email to mumcprayerchain@yahoo.com.

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

UPCOMING KIDS CONFERENCE

The Great ADVENTURE

The Light Kids Conference 2018
kidsconference.org



MARCH 10
9 AM—2 PM
ALDERSGATE UMC

Children 1st—5th grade are invited to attend this one-day kids conference. Children 1st or 2nd grade must be accompanied by an adult and will pay full cost. The cost for children 3rd—5th grade and CYF leaders will be covered by the CYF Fund. All children must have a parent sign a Liability and Medical Release form located on the Youth Bulletin Board. Additional information about costs and a sheet for signing up can also be found on the Youth Bulletin Board. The contact for this conference is Sage Lintner, 618-889-7320, mumcchildrenyouth@gmail.com.

PRAYER LIST

Lee and Alberta Sullivan
Earl and Sandra Renshaw
Katherine and Martin Twenhafel
Frank Stewart

Gary Wece
Carol Russell
Ruth Tindall

JoAnn Schirmer
Roger Twenhafel
Donna Horniacek

- ◆ Prayers for Pam Graham and family. Pam's mother-in-law, June Graham, of Ontario, Canada, passed away on Jan. 23.
- ~ 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 January is Wesley Foundation.
Please include this emphasis 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.crossandflameministries.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

WEEKLY ROOM CALENDAR: Outside every meeting room and inside west doors.

Please contact church office to reserve a room.