

WELCOME

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES

February 18, 2018 • First Sunday of Lent

Lent • Purple

Scouts Sunday

FINAL WORDS

LENT SERMON SERIES



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 Video: "I Have Overcome the World"

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: "Humbly I Adore Thee," traditional French plainsong, arr. Robert Lau

Light of Christ Enters

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

****Hymn of Praise:** "The Old Rugged Cross" (vs 1,2,3)

Hymnal #504

****Invocation**

Please See Projection

Recognition of Scouts Sunday

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

Collection of Prayer Cards by Ushers

Chancel Choir: "Blessed Assurance" by Fanny J. Crosby/Phoebe P. Knapp

Presentation of Our Titles and Offerings

Offertory: "Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy" 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 February will go to **Our Neighbor's Table**.*

Children's Church Procession to Room 205

Offering of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer of Intercession and Blessing

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: "It's Me, It's Me, O Lord"

Hymnal #352

Scripture: Luke 23:32-34

L: The Word of God for the People of God

P: **Thanks be to God**

Sermon: "How Can He Forgive"

Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

****Commitment Hymn:** "Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior" (vs 1,3)

Hymnal #351

Taking the Light of Christ into the World

****Benediction**

****Postlude:** "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" by James Ellor, arr. A. L. Page

****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: Luke 23:32-34
Sermon: "How Can He Forgive"
Closing Song
Sending Forth

Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

TODAY'S WORSHIP	TRADITIONAL SERVICE	MUMC PRAISE SERVICE
Music Leader	Joel Kirby	Lacey Brown
Organist/Pianist	Jenny Kirby	
Worship Leader	Vanessa Lirely mumcministries@gmail.com	Roger Smith mumcministries@gmail.com
Acolytes	Maya Jenkins and Brianna Carnes	
Prayer Request Reader	Lou Ann Lough	Roger Smith
Liturgist	Gaye Auxier	
Welcome Hostesses	Sharon Graff and Marilyn Perry	
Ushers	Todd Doody, Jennifer Watson, Kyle Hargraves, John Erbes, Lowell Heller and Dave Auxier	Paul Chapman and Allen Bigham
Children's Church Volunteers	Lacey Brown and Rene' Doody	Patti Thrailkill
Nursery Attendant	Caitlyn Boyd	Megan Gale
The Memory Book is open to the page honoring: David Ray		

ATTENDANCE AND STEWARDSHIP FEBRUARY 4, 2018

Traditional Service: 129; Praise Service: 46; and Sunday School: 60
Offering: \$9,302.57

CELEBRATIONS OF LIFE

The red rose and child's book on the altar today celebrate the birth of John Michael Eaton on Fri., Feb. 9th. John Michael is the son of Michael and Carolyn Eaton and little brother to sister, Maggie. Trina and Bob Eaton are the proud grandparents!

One white rose on the altar today celebrates the life of Elizabeth "Betty" Heape who passed away on Thurs., Feb. 1st.

The second white rose on the altar celebrates the life of Eva Alberta Sullivan who passed away on Wed., Feb. 7th. Alberta was the wife of Lee Sullivan.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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FEBRUARY 4TH SOUPER BOWL OF CARING "SCORES" ARE IN: Dollars contributed—\$454.15 and cans of soup—82. Congrats, congregation, on a super souper response!

"FINAL WORDS" LENT SERMON SERIES: Through the season of Lent, our worship will focus around the words of Jesus from the cross. Each week we will examine one of Jesus' remarks and the importance of these final words to his followers.

TODAY—"Father Forgive Them"

Feb. 25—"Today You Will Be With Me in Paradise"

Mar. 4—"Behold Your Son/Behold Your Mother"

Mar. 11—"My God, My God, Why Have You Forsaken Me?"

Mar. 18—"I Thirst"

Mar. 25—"It Is Finished/Into Your Hands I Commit My Spirit"

THERE WILL BE A FAITHFUL FRIENDS SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS WINTER STUDY PREVIEW TODAY IN RM 200C. This study will be based on *Seamless* by Angie Smith. Discussion will focus on "everything you need to piece together the people, places and promises of the Bible." Women of all ages are invited to attend! Mary Ann Hinchcliff is leading this study.

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MON., FEB. 19th IN HONOR OF PRESIDENTS' DAY.

BIBLE JOURNALING YOUR FAITH will be meeting next on Wed., **Feb. 21st**, 7:00—8:30 pm in Rm. 108. This is a recurring class that typically meets on the second Wednesday of each month. Please join us in this exciting and creative process of

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making art in your Bible. Questions about this class can be directed to either Patti Shields (534-1475) or Rosie Wece (559-8167).

INVITATION TO BAKERS: Please stir up some Valentine's cupcakes for our Feb. 25th Our Neighbor's Table meal. Please let Clara Kiser know of your plan to donate: 618-687-2235 or pontiac@egyptianpontiac.com. The Our Neighbor's Table team thanks you ahead of time for your gifts of time and yummys!

OUR NEIGHBOR'S TABLE TEAM WILL BE SERVING UP THEIR END-OF-THE-MONTH MEAL NEXT SUNDAY AT NOON IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL. Come, enjoy, and extend a warm welcome to guests from our community.

CHILDREN 1st-5th GRADES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND A ONE-DAY LIGHT KIDS CONFERENCE SCHEDULED FOR MAR. 10th, 9 AM—2 PM AT THE ALDERSGATE UMC, MARION. 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. TODAY is the deadline for signup! The contact for this conference is Sage Lintner, 618-889-7320, mumcchildrenyouth@gmail.com.

***BIRTHDAYS ARE WANTED FOR OUR NEWSLETTER CALENDAR!** If you think we may not have your special date, please note same on the Attendance Sheet, and we'll be sure to add it to the COMPASS newsletter calendar!

THE HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE FOR POSTING TO YOUR CALENDARS IS:

Mar. 25th—Palm Sunday (9 am and 11:15 am)

Mar. 29th—Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service (7 pm)

Mar. 30th—Good Friday Community Service (noon) hosted by MUMC. The speaker will be Father Gary Gummersheimer.

Apr. 1st—Easter (9 am & 11:15 am)

***4th–5th GRADE TEACHING OPPORTUNITY AVAILABLE**

We are currently looking for a new Sunday School teacher to lead the 4th and 5th grade class. Please indicate your interest in learning more about this opportunity by checking the box on our Registration and Attendance Sheet.

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

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES DURING LENTEN SEASON



Lent Prayer Ministry

Lent is a time of repentance, fasting and preparation for the coming of Easter. During your time of self-examination and reflection, we are offering extra prayer opportunities each Sunday in Lent. Following both services, prayer volunteers will be available in our Sanctuary Prayer Chapel to pray with anyone who desires to receive personal prayer or to offer up prayer for others.

*February 18 and 25
March 4, 11, 18 and 25*

PRAYER LIST

Lee Sullivan and family

Earl and Sandra Renshaw

Katherine and Martin Twenhafel

Pam Graham and family

Gary Wece

Carol Russell

Frank Stewart

JoAnn Schirmer

Jill Stoker

Betty Heape family

- ◆ Patricia Varner family following her passing on Feb. 12th.
- ~ 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 February is *Our Neighbor's Table*.

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.