



From the Pastor's Desk

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As I prepare to write this note. I experienced the odd reality that a year from now I will be packing up my office not to move to another one in another church but to move my stuff home. This is the beginning of a rather long list of last times and I find myself both excited and maybe a little sad.

July will once again kick off our Caring for Kids local mission campaign. Where each week we will be focusing on the collection of items suggested by the Murphysboro school social workers. The items will be used to assist them in supporting the children and youth of our community.

This year the collection list will again include backpacks, hygiene items, Wal-Mart gift cards and cash donations. It will also include a request for writing journals, highlighters, and drawing pads.

Each year your generous donations touch the lives of countless young people as we give our social workers the tools to nurture those students in need. As we watch the pile grow bigger each week it becomes the cooperative expression of our caring for the least among us.

Most of the students will never know the backpack they wear or the journal they write in was given by you, but God will, and truthfully that is all that should matter.

Your Servant in Christ,
 Larry

**WEEKLY BULLETIN
 DEADLINE**
 is Wednesday
 at
 10:00 a.m.




August *Compass*
 Deadline is July 16th
 THANKS

NOISY MISSION OFFERING



**In July is
 going to
 Caring for
 Kids**



CHURCH GREETERS ARE NEEDED FOR BOTH SERVICES.
 If you are considering ways to begin or expand your service to the Lord and hospitality is one of your gifts, this may be the place for YOU! Check the box on the attendance sheet and someone will contact you with more information.

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|----|----------|--------------------|----|----------|---------------------------|----|----------|----------------------------------|
| 1 | 2:30 PM | Confirmation Class | 11 | 7:00 PM | AL Anon | 21 | 8:00 AM | Yard Sale |
| 2 | 7:00 PM | Men's Book Study | | 7:00 PM | Bible Journaling | | 10:00 AM | AA |
| | | AA Big Book | 12 | 6:00 PM | GA | | 10:15 AM | Book Club |
| 3 | 9:00 AM | Precept Class | 13 | 9:30 AM | Feeder of the Pack | 22 | 2:30 PM | Confirmation Class & Parent Info |
| | 11:30 AM | A Team | 14 | 7:30 AM | UMM Breakfast | 23 | 7:00 PM | Men's Book Study |
| | 6:30 PM | Praise Team | | 10:00 AM | AA | | 7:00 PM | AA Big Book |
| | 6:30 PM | Precept Class | 15 | 6:30 PM | Youth Ministry Team | 24 | 9:00 AM | Precept |
| 4 | | Office Closed | 16 | | Meals On Wheels Week | | 6:30 PM | Praise Team |
| | 6:00 PM | Boy Scouts | | | Yard Sale Collection Week | | 6:30 PM | Hospitality |
| | 7:00 PM | AA | | 7:00 PM | Men's Book Study | 25 | 9:00 AM | Holy Folders |
| | | Al Anon | | 7:00 PM | AA Big Book | | 6:00 PM | Boy Scouts |
| 5 | 4:00 PM | Stephen Ministries | 17 | 9:00 AM | Precept Class | | 7:00 PM | AA |
| | 6:00 PM | GA | | 5:30 PM | Service & Missions | | 7:00 PM | AL Anon |
| 7 | 10:00 AM | AA | | 6:30 PM | Praise Team | 26 | 4:00 PM | Stephen Ministries |
| 8 | | VBS WEEK | | 6:30 PM | Precept Class | | 6:00 PM | GA |
| 9 | 7:00 PM | Men's Book Study | 18 | 9:00 AM | Nurture & Care | 28 | 10:00 AM | AA |
| | | AA Big Book | | 6:00 PM | Boy Scouts | 29 | Noon | Our Neighbors Table |
| 10 | 9:00 AM | Precept Class | | 7:00 PM | Staff Parish | 30 | 7:00 PM | Men's Book Study |
| | 12:00 PM | Young at Heart | | 7:00 PM | AA | | 7:00 PM | AA Big Book |
| | 6:30 PM | Precept Class | | 7:00 PM | AL Anon | 31 | 9:00 AM | Precept Class |
| 11 | 6:00 PM | Boy Scouts | 19 | 6:00 PM | GA | | 6:30 PM | Praise Team |
| | 7:00 PM | AA | 20 | 3:00 PM | Yard Sale | | | |



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|----|-----------------------|----|------------------------|
| 3 | Clara & Ron Kiser | 17 | Ruth & Loyd Ebersohl |
| 8 | Amanda & Wingerter | 21 | Rosie & Gary Wece |
| 12 | Gaye & Randy Auxier | 24 | Casey & Mike Johnstone |
| 14 | Sharon & Richard | 26 | Deana & Mark Twenhafel |
| 16 | Donna & Dan Horniacek | | |

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|---|------------------------|----|-------------------|----|--------------------|----|--------------------|
| 1 | Katie Chambers | 8 | Jacob Heilig | 17 | Rhiannon Gally | 22 | Judith Williams |
| 2 | Kendra Rushing | | Asia Watson | 18 | Brody Geis | 24 | Jennifer O'Donnell |
| 3 | Loyd Ebersohl | 9 | Harper Geis | | Nikki Krummrich | 25 | Ron Moutardier |
| | Tassie Doellman | 11 | Geraldine Horner | | Olivia Schaldemose | 27 | Irma Bigham |
| | Bill Martin | 12 | Gene Schwebel | | Jacob Stewart | 28 | Paul Chapman |
| | Martell Wright-Brown | 13 | Sharon Jones | 19 | Bert Ozburn | 29 | Brianna Carnes |
| 4 | Ruth Ebersohl | 14 | JT Jenkins | 20 | Willa Addison | | Kendal Ellermeyer |
| 6 | Viola Parrish | 15 | Ashlyn Buck | 21 | Barbara Giffin | | Dacoda Twenhafal |
| | Marqueece Wright-Brown | | Pam Crews | | Jim Hughes | 30 | Francis Addison |
| 7 | Mickey Jackson | | Brittni Heilig | | Harry Wirth | 31 | Debbie Chapman |
| | Isabella Krummrich | 16 | Olliebelle Ridley | 22 | Lillie Schaldemose | | Tage Green |
| 8 | Richard Graff | | | | | | |



Are you ready to hit the trail?
Save the Date!
for Trail Day 2018

Sunday, September 9, 3-6 pm at

Murphysboro Lake Main Concession Area.

Food, fellowship, games, and music are coming your way!
Hope to see you there.



July 10th 12:00 - NOON
Fellowship Hall

Celebrating
Independence Day



friends, fellowship, faith.

MENU:

Barbeque Sandwiches, Chips, Cole Slaw, Red, White and Blue Cake w/Blueberries

PROGRAM: Mike Jones, Director of the John A. Logan Museum, will discuss the facts and fallacies of the origin of Memorial Day as we celebrate the 150th Anniversary of this important holiday for our nation and for the City of Murphysboro.

Please sign up on the attendance pad. If plans change & you cannot attend, please contact the church office by the Monday before. Otherwise YAH members must pay for the meal that was ordered for you. Thanks.

Young at Heart is a group of senior adults, that meet monthly, on the second Tuesday, for food, fellowship and a program.



**Stephen Ministry
Pew Cards**

**Stephen Ministers
Care!**

Are you going through a difficult time or do you know someone who is?

To learn how to receive care from - or become - a Stephen Minister, pick up a new Stephen Ministry God's Love in Action pew card.

Give the gift of hope to someone today!



Drivers Needed!

Transportation Team
Is driving a race car on your bucket list? We can help!

Fine tune your driving skills by joining the

Transportation Team today. You will be helping an important ministry develop and grow and, down the road, we just might see you on the NASCAR circuit!

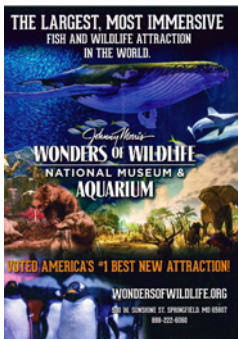


Saturday, July 14th at 7:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall,

men of the church will gather for breakfast,

devotional, and maybe a work project.

All men of the church are invited to attend.



Men's Trip October 15-17

To Branson with a stop at Bass Pro in Springfield, MO to tour the Johnny Morris-Wonders of Wildlife National Museum & Aquarium then on to the College of the Ozarks in Branson.

For more information, contact Rob Williams at 618-713-0843 or duckhookwille@gmail.com.



LAST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH



WHAT ARE THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES UP TO?

Faithful Friends, a class for women of all ages with rotating leaders, is continuing their 12-session video based study, Twelve Women of the Bible. It features life changing stories for women today by Lisa TerKeurst, Elisa Morgan, Amena Brown, Jonalyn Grace Fincher, Jeanne Stevens, and Naomi Zacharias.

Helping Hands, led by Donna Horniacek, is a traditional Bible Study Class for men and women. The Summer 2018 theme is Justice in the New Testament covering three (3) units: God is Just and Merciful, Jesus Calls for Justice and Mercy, and Paul Teaches About New Life in Christ.

Pathfinders, led by Terri Twenhafel, will begin a six-session DVD study, The Case for Christ. Lee Strobel investigates the evidence for Jesus. Sessions: 1) The investigation of a lifetime; 2) Eyewitness evidence; 3) Evidence outside the Bible; 4) Analyzing Jesus; 5) Evidence for the resurrection; 6) Reaching your verdict.

Seekers, led by Susan Patterson, is beginning a new study on July 8th. The title of the study is A Grace-Full Life: God's All-Reaching, Soul-Saving, Character-Shaping, Never-Ending Love by Jorge Acevedo and Wes Olds.

Trailblazers, Ignorance is bliss--except in self-awareness. What you don't know about yourself can hurt you and your relationships--and even keep you in the shallows with God. Do you want help figuring out who you are and why you're stuck in the same ruts? Join the Trailblazers, led by Rick and Scarlett Pierson, as they continue their study of the book, The Road Back to You: An Enneagram Journey to Self-Discovery by Ian Morgan Cron and Suzanne Stabile.



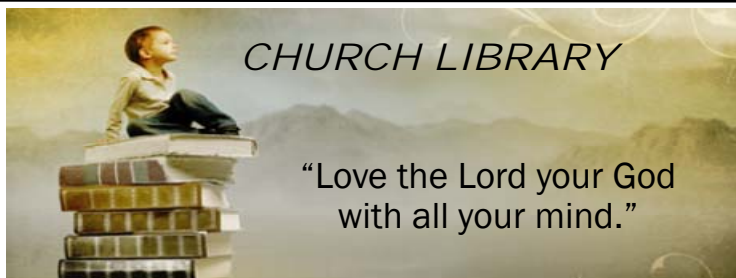
The annual YARD SALE for MISSIONS July 20, 3-6pm & July 21, 8am-12 noon WE WANT YOUR STUFF!!

Bring donations the Fellowship Hall on Saturday morning, July 14 (Call Lynn Pierson @ 684-3601 to schedule a time), after church services on Sunday, July 15, or during work hours on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday. PLEASE have your items at the church no later than Wednesday night in order for them to be sorted and priced. All items should be clean and in good working order. Please do not bring cell phones and large tv's. Computer equipment should be cleared of personal data. If your item is valuable please provide a suggested price. Furniture items may be brought in on Friday morning. PLEASE WAIT UNTIL OUR FALL SALE TO BRING WINTER ITEMS.

Work hours will be: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 9 am to Noon, 1 pm to 4 pm, and 6 pm to 8 pm. Thursday 9 am to Noon and 1 pm to 4 pm. Friday work hours will be 9 am to Noon and 1 pm to 6 pm.

In the past, unsold items have been taken to: a local nursing center; Salvation Army Store; SPIN; Sallie Logan Library; Pregnancy Matters; The Lighthouse , etc. If you know of a location that you would want us to consider this year, please let Lynn Pierson know!

Your generous donations of items and your volunteer hours make this annual sale a huge success. We welcome your participation in preparing for this sale and during the sale, too. Our community looks forward to this sale, and in turn, it benefits our community in many ways. (AND, we have lots of good fellowship while we work together!)



The Library Corner: The Book and the Movie

It's July, and if July runs true to form, it will bring us some long hot days, and a lot of humid nights. At some point you may decide that indoor occupations are in order! That would be an opportune time to check out an interesting book or a good movie from the church library to provide some indoor entertainment for you or the youngsters in your life. In some cases we have "paired" books and movies—the book, and the movie that was made from it. Here are some of those:

Wonder. This best selling book for youngsters written by R.J. Palacio is about a 10 year old with a conspicuous facial deformity who has to learn to cope with the reactions of others. The popular movie stars Owen Wilson, Julia Roberts, and Jacob Tremblay.

The Voyage of the Dawn Treader. The book is part of the long time favorite series by C.S. Lewis, the **Chronicles of Narnia**. In this adventure Lucy, Edmund, and their very disagreeable cousin Eustace join Narnians on a voyage to the very ends of the world. We also have **The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe**.

Ferdinand. This one is for the younger kiddos—all about the peace loving bull, Ferdinand and his desire NOT to be in the bullring. The book is small, with classic black and white drawings, and begins with the young Ferdinand. The movie is new, in color, bursting with action, and considerably embellished. But it's fun!

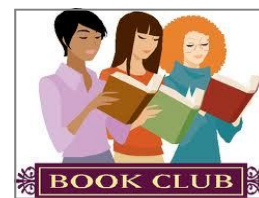
The Fellowship of the Ring. This is the first book in the **Lord of the Rings** series by J.R.R. Tolkien, and is a favorite of a multitude of readers. It is a classic tale of good and evil, in which the outcome seems far from assured. The well-done movie stars Elijah Wood, Viggo Mortensen, and Ian McKellen, among others.

The Secret Life of Bees. This first book by Sue

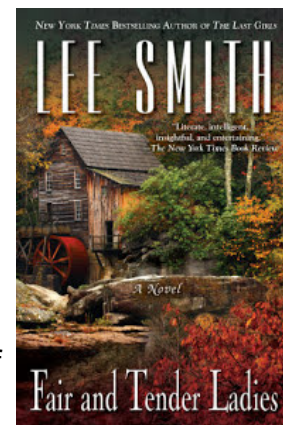
Monk Kidd was a bestseller. The story is about Lily, a young girl whose life has been shaped by a blurred memory of the day her mother was killed. Propelled by events, she leaves home in search for answers about her mother. It is a journey with a very unexpected consequences. The movie stars Dakota Fanning, Jennifer Hudson, Queen Latifah, and others.

Fireproof: Never Leave Your Partner. This is an "other way around" adaptation. It started with a screenplay and a movie starring Kirk Cameron and Erin Bethea. A disenchanted wife, a firefighter husband, and a failing marriage headed for divorce all have a second chance thanks to the firefighters father, who issues a challenge to his son. Which is better—the book or the movie? You can decide!

MUMC
Saturday
Morning



Join the Discussion on
Fair and Tender Ladies
by Lee Smith
Saturday, July 21st
10:15 a.m.



From Ivy Rowe's birth on Blue Star Mountain, her life is full of passion and longing as she writes letters to family and friends. Ivy's talent as a budding writer is recognized early on, but just as she is about to realize her dream of going north to school, she is betrayed by her passionate nature. Facing an unwed pregnancy and publicly admonished for her sins, Ivy marries a childhood friend who takes her back to the family homestead, where she bears several children and endures the endless toil of a farmer's wife. Through her trials Ivy holds firm, knowing that her life will hold happiness one day.

YOUTH GROUPS

Questions? Contact a leader for your group:

JYF: Junior Youth Fellowship (6th - 8th grade)

Leaders: Diane Schingel 618-303-3757

Meets every Sunday from 4-6pm in Room 100.

SYF: Senior High Youth Fellowship (9th - 12th grade)

Leaders: Stephanie Finke 618-713-4059

Meets every Sunday from 4-6pm in Room 100.

**Vacation Bible School
Ship Wrecked!**

July 8-12, 5-8pm(Meal 5-5:30)

Ages-Kindergarten-4th grade

Sign up online, using forms on the Youth bulletin board or at the door.

If you are interested in being a VBS volunteer, please sign up on the attendance pad.



**Co-Teacher Needed!
4th/5th Grade Class**

The 4th/5th grade Sunday School Classroom is looking for a co-teacher. It will follow a monthly rotation & covering of that classroom when needed. If interested, contact Diane Schingel, 618-303-3757, dianeschingel@yahoo.com.



**Carbondale Splash Park! July 21st, 1pm
CYF (3rd-5th grade)**

We will leave at 1pm and return to the church around 5:45pm. Sign-up sheet will be on the youth bulletin board June24-July 8.

Agape House welcomes youth for fellowship, study, and a light meal every Wednesday from 5:30 - 7:30 pm.

Agape House is a ministry of DeSoto United Methodist Church.



Caring for Kids!



During the month of July, the church will be collecting items to benefit the children and youth of the Murphysboro schools. Each week will feature a different need; items can be brought to church each Sunday. We thank the school social workers for helping us determine the needs and how we can best serve the children and youth in our community.

July 1 – Backpacks* & general school supplies

July 8 – Money/Wal-Mart gift cards

July 15 – Hygiene products**

July 22 – Writing Journals/Drawing Pads/ highlighters (multi-color)

July 29 – General Collection (bring any of the above items)

*For all ages, but especially for older children & youth. **Can be full size or travel size body wash, shampoo/conditioner, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, lotion, body spray.

Congratulations!

Landrie Green

Baptized June 10th

Parents - Shannon & Jamie Green.

Grandparents - Jim & Sheila Stewart

Landrie chose to be baptized by immersion. Thank you to the First Christian Church for their use of the baptismal font.



| JULY WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS | | |
|---|--|---------------|
| TRADITIONAL | | PRAISE |
| Worship Leaders mumcministries@gmail.com | | |
| | Jennifer Watson | Kristi Miller |
| JULY | Welcome Hostesses & Greeter | |
| 1 | Patti Shields Barb Hughes | |
| 8 | Janice Crews Vanessa Lirely | |
| 15 | Janice Crews Vanessa Lirely | |
| 22 | Thelma Pierson Julie Peterson | |
| 29 | Thelma Pierson Julie Peterson | |
| JULY | Acolytes | |
| 1 | Jaylah Maynor Nathan Ashworth | |
| 8 | Caroline Guthman Eli Guthman | |
| 15 | Landrie Green Briana Carnes | |
| 22 | Charlie Pierson Justin Maynor | |
| 29 | Maya Jenkins Harper Geis | |
| Stewards | | |
| Dick Graff, Todd Lirely, Richard Pierson, Gene Schwebel | | |

| JULY WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS | | |
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| TRADITIONAL | | PRAISE |
| JULY | Prayer Request Reader & Liturgist | |
| 1 | Nancy Fager | Kristi Miller |
| 8 | Lou Anne Lough | Kristi Miller |
| 15 | Gaye Auxier | Kristi Miller |
| 22 | Wilma Westerfield | Kristi Miller |
| 29 | Nancy Fager | Kristi Miller |
| JULY | Children's Church Leaders | |
| 1 | Sage Litner | Ben Snyder |
| 8 | Cheryl Smith | Patti Thrailkill |
| 15 | Lacey Brown/Rene' Doody | Julie Wachtel |
| 22 | Diane Schingel | Scarlett Pierson |
| 29 | Diane Schingel/Sage Lintner | Ben Snyder |
| JULY | Music Leaders | |
| 1 | | Lacey Brown |
| 8 | | Lacey Brown |
| 15 | | Lacey Brown |
| 22 | | Lacey Brown |
| 29 | | Lacey Brown |
| Ushers | | |
| Todd Lirely, Scott Ballard, Sandy Herring, Ralph Bastien, Dick Graff and Vanessa Lirely | | Rick Pierson and Brant Wingerter |



FALL 2018 BUS TRIP TO P. ALLEN SMITH'S MOSS MOUNTAIN FARM ROLAND, AR (NEAR LITTLE ROCK)

P. Allen Smith is the host of three national, award-winning television shows: Garden Home (which has enjoyed 15 seasons on PBS), Garden to Table, available on Create TV, and Garden Style, now in its 17th season of syndication. **Fall Tours are offered at his Moss Mountain Farm on September 20, 21, 27, and 28, and October 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19, 25, and 26.** During the tour you will visit Allen's vegetable garden, the rose garden, the terraced gardens, Poultryville and the animals, the Garden Home, and the eHow Cottage. Lunch prepared by the resident chef, featuring the famous buttermilk pecan pie, is included in the tour. **Cost per person is \$96.75.**

If we have enough interest we will schedule a bus trip for one of the dates noted. We would leave the day prior to the tour date & return home the day after the tour. Please contact Michelle Parker-Clark at pclark@siu.edu or 618/922-3587 or Rosie Wece at rwece50@gmail.com, or 618/559-8167 for more information.



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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

MUMC:

Traditional Service: 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:10 a.m.
Praise Service: 11:15 a.m.

DeUMC:

Agape House: 5:30 p.m. Each Wednesday

Cross and Flame Staff

Ministers..... The Congregations
Pastor..... Larry A. Gilbert
Minister of Visitation Michelle Parker-Clark
Financial Secretary Christine Nolan
Technology Coord Anne Johnson
Webmaster..... Amanda Wingerter
Custodian..... Pat Sullivan

MUMC Site Staff

Ministry Director Michelle Parker-Clark
Church Secretary Melba Ziegler
Ministry Support Asst Lacey Brown
Children/Youth Coord Sage Lintner
Pianist/Organist..... Jenny Kirby
Choir Director..... Joel Kirby
Nursery Attendant..... Caitlyn Boyd

DeSoto Site Staff:

Children/Youth Ministry Jennifer O'Donnell
Nursery Attendant Tara Taborn
Mike & Casey Johnstone Caretakers

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