#### *Murphysboro United Methodist Church 1500 Pine Street Murphysboro, IL 62966*





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December *Compass* Deadline is November 19th THANKS



From the Pastor's Desk

It is that time of year when we are reminded to be Thankful. The Bible tells us that God loves a thankful heart. You know I think most of us love a thankful heart when it comes to something we have done or offered to another. A sincere word of thankfulness expressed in regard to our efforts to assist someone is one of the most satisfying things for us to hear.

Given this, it is very easy to understand the heart of God and how it pleases God when we open our hearts to express sincere thankfulness over the many ways he has blessed our lives. I have said this many times that even on my worst day it is not that hard to find a multitude of things to give thanks for.

This year we will again be collecting a Thanksgiving offering as one way for you and me to express to God our gratitude for the abundance of blessings that enrich our lives daily. This year we are going to offer a couple of options for you to direct your gift of thankfulness.

First, we have all seen the tremendous devastation of the two most recent hurricanes. The United Methodist Church through local congregations in our area and UMCOR are reaching out to assist those who have lost so much. Hurricane relief is one of the options for this year's Thanksgiving offering and every dime you give will go directly to assist those in need if you choose this option.

Second, we continue to celebrate that this past summer we sent more than 40 youth to camp at a cost of a little over \$15,000. This is a wonderful and life-changing ministry for our young people. You can support this mission directly through your thanksgiving offering this year.

Both are worthy missions to support. You may direct your offering to one or the other or both. All undesignated offerings will be split between the two missions. God has given us so much to be thankful for, let us offer our thanks in return by supporting these two great missions.

> Your servant in Christ, Larry

The Compass

#### November Calendar

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1	8:00 AM	Yoga	12		Office Closed-Veterans Day	20	6:00 PM	Cub Scouts
	6:00 PM	GA		6:00 PM	Charge Conference		6:30 PM	Praise Team
3	9:00 AM	Handbells		7:00 PM	Men's Book Study	21	6:00 PM	Boy Scouts
	10:00 AM	AA		7:00 PM	AA Big Book		7:00 PM	Staff Parrish
4	2:30 PM	Confirmation Class	13	7:00 AM	Yoga		7:00 PM	AA
	4:00 PM	Jr/Sr Youth Fellowship		9:00 AM	Precept Class		7:00 PM	Al Anon
5	6:00 PM	Mom's Group		Noon	Young at Heart	22		Office Closed -Thanksgiving
	7:00 PM	Men's Book Study		6:00 PM	Cub Scouts		6:00 PM	GA
	7:00 PM	AA Big Book		6:30 PM	Praise Team	23		Office Closed
6	7:00 AM	Yoga	14	6:00 PM	Choir	24	9:00 AM	Handbells
	9:00 AM	Precept Class		6:00 PM	Boy Scouts		10:00 AM	AA
	6:00 PM	Cub Scouts		6:30 PM	Publicity & Promotion	25	Noon	Our Neighbors Table
	6:30 PM	Praise Team		7:00 PM	Bible Journaling		4:00 PM	Jr/Sr Youth Fellowship
7	6:00 PM	Choir		7:00 PM	AA	26	7:00 PM	Men's Book Study
	6:00 PM	Boy Scouts		7:00 PM	Al Anon		7:00 PM	AA Big Book
	7:00 PM	Worship Team	15	7:00 AM	Yoga	27	7:00 AM	Yoga
	7:00 PM	AA & Al-Anon		6:00 PM	GA		6:00 PM	Cub Scouts
8	7:00 AM	Yoga	17	9:00 AM	Handbells		6:30 PM	Praise Team
	4:00 PM	Stephen Ministries		10:00 AM	AA	28	9:00 AM	Holy Folders
	6:00 PM	GA		10:15 AM	Book Club		5:30 PM	Choir
9	9:30 AM	Feeder of the Pack	18	2:30 PM	Confirmation Class		6:00 PM	Boy Scouts
10	7:30 AM	UMM Breakfast		5:00 PM	Thanksgiving Potluck		7:00 PM	AA
	9:00 AM	Handbells			Meals On Wheels Week		7:00 PM	Al Anon
	10:00 AM	AA	19	7:00 PM	Men's Book Study	29	7:00 AM	Yoga
11	2:30 PM	Confirmation Class		7:00 PM	AA Big Book		6:00 PM	GA
	4:00 PM	Jr/Sr Youth Fellowship	20	7:00 AM	Yoga		6:00 PM	GA
12		Office Closed -Veterans Day						



# The 7th Annual Blessing of the Animals held on Sunday, October 7, had a great turnout! Even though the weather was a little hot, Pastor Larry and Michelle blessed over 40 animals and we had more than 50 owners in attendance as well. This was a year of firsts....a Jackson County Sheriffs Department K9 dog on full of puppies all received blessings this year. A huge thank you to all who ought your pets. We look forward to next year! Image: the image

(Gunner), a duck, and a wagon full of puppies all received blessings this year. A huge thank you to all who helped as well as those who brought your pets. We look forward to next year!













The church will provide meats and drinks. Please bring a side dish of your choice of a vegetable, salad or dessert.

Please come and enjoy this wonderful time of fellowship.

November 13th 12:00 - NOON Fellowship Hall Celebrating Thanksgiving



friends, fellowship, faith.

**MENU:** Turkey & Dressing, Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli w/Cheese, Cranberry Salad, Pumpkin Dessert, & Rolls

**PROGRAM:** Kathy Baumann, Executive Director of START (**Specialized Training for Adult Rehabilitation**) will be our speaker. She will share how this organization works to fulfill their mission "To enhance the quality of life for persons with disabilities or other economic, social, and vocational challenges."

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.



Saturday, November 10th 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.

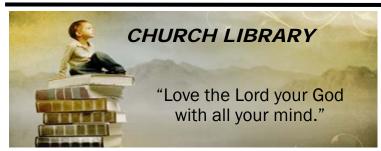


Prayer Request Jar Prayer Chapel



We all need prayer — sometimes more than other times. Have you ever wanted to ask for prayer, but the hurt and the pain was too fresh, or too personal, to share publicly with others? For those times, we now have a Prayer Request Jar in the Prayer Chapel. No need to leave your name (just your need) and someone from the congregation will pray for you. And, while you are there, pick up a blessing card to take with you. take with you.





The Library Corner: Unshakable Hope

Unshakable Hope. Don't we want it? Max Lucado in his new book of that title says we can have it. How? The subtitle of the book gives us the details: by "Building our Lives on the PROMISES OF GOD."

Lucado says "it's a shaky world out there." He points out the shocking statistic that there has been a 24% increase in suicides in America since 1999. How can this be? Well, he says, "among the answers must be. . . that people are dying for lack of hope." (p. 10)

Lucado states that ". . . nothing lifts the weary soul like the promises of God." He shares some of his favorites, and says "We desperately need them . . . our mighty and loving God . . . governs the world according to these great and precious promises." And Lucado adds this question: *"The circumstance of life or the promises of God—upon which are you standing?"* (p. 11 – italics added)

Lucado is Senior Minister at the Oak Hills Church in San Antonio, Texas, and a prolific and popular writer of inspirational books. He has spent 40 years in ministry, and Unshakeable Hope is his fortieth book! If you love his books you will want to read this one. And those who have never read one of his books may just want to give it a try.

Also new in the Library: Jody Hedlund is the author of Newton and Polly: A Novel of Amazing Grace, a fascinating fictionalized story of the real-life John Newton who wrote "Amazing Grace" and the woman whom he loves.

**The Marvelous Mustard Seed** is a new children's book, in which a child plants a tiny seed. It isn't very special – yet! This beautifully illustrated book has echoes of Jesus' parable—and includes suggestions for discussion about the story.

And Don't Forget—Thanksgiving and Christmas Cometh! You will find books related to both holidays in the church library and upstairs on the library table. Of particular interest are study resources related to Advent and the birth of Jesus. These are appropriate for both group study and study on your own. Adam Hamilton, Pastor of the Church of the Resurrection in Leawood, Kansas has several insightful books and accompanying DVDs. One is called **The Journey**, and follows Mary and Joseph through the time that leads to Jesus' birth. **Not a Silent Night** also centers on Mary, but it starts with Mary at Jesus' crucifixion, and traces her memories about Jesus' life and ministry back through time, ending at the stable with his birth. And then there is also the perspective of Joseph, as discussed in **Faithful**. We don't know as much about Joseph as we do Mary, but Hamilton shares some perspectives on this faithful man, who exchanges his doubt for courage.

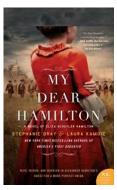
So many books and DVDs of interest! Find some that suit you, and enjoy!





Join the Discussion on Saturday, November 17th 10:15 a.m., Church Library

My Dear Hamilton: A Novel of Eliza Schuyler Hamilton by Stephanie Dray



From the New York Times bestselling

authors of America's First Daughter comes the epic story of Eliza Schuyler Hamilton—a revolutionary woman who, like her new nation, struggled to define herself in the wake of war, betrayal, and tragedy. Haunting, moving, and beautifully written, Dray and Kamoie used thousands of letters and original sources to tell Eliza's story as it's never been told before—not just as the wronged wife at the center of a political sex scandal—but also as a founding mother who shaped an American legacy in her own right. The Compass



Take a break from the hustle and bustle of the holiday season. Join Liz Curtis Higgs and Anita Renfroe for an evening of laughter and encouragement especially for women. Invite a friend — or better yet, buy her a ticket for Christmas! This event is sure to be a fun girls' night out during the busiest time of the year. Liz will share a hope-filled Bible teaching and Anita will bring her hilarious comedy. Tickets are \$25.00 or \$20.00 for groups of 10

or more. If we have enough interest, we will take the church bus. Please contact Michelle Parker Clark at 618/922-3587 or mpclark@siu.edu.

Thursday, November 29 7PM | DOORS OPEN 6PM CORNERSTONE CHURCH 2705 WALTON WAY, MARION, IL

# Microwave Popcorn Drive for Gumdrop Kids



# November 4, 11, and 18

If you are fan of "A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving" you

will remember that Snoopy served popcorn to the Peanuts Gang for their special Thanksgiving meal. This family classic first aired November 20, 1973, and what better way to celebrate the 45th anniversary than with a Microwave Popcorn Drive to benefit Gumdrops. Microwave popcorn is a favorite of the kids who benefit from the Gumdrops program, and since the food bank no longer supplies this item, we are asking for your help.

Please bring your donations of microwave popcorn on November 4, 11, and 18. Let's see how many boxes we can stack up in the sanctuary — Snoopy will be so proud!



# WHAT ARE THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES UP TO?

**<u>Faithful Friends</u>**, a class for women of all ages with rotating leaders, is finishing up their 12-session video based study, *Twelve Women of the Bible*, featuring life changing stories for women today. Their new study will be announced soon.

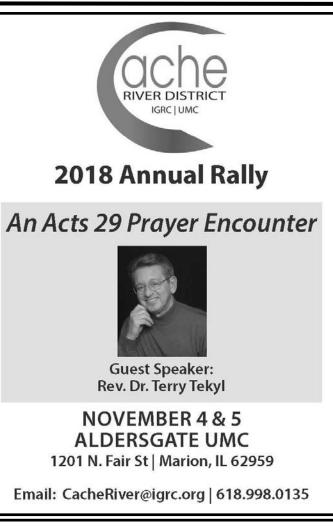
**Helping Hands**, led by Donna Horniacek, is a traditional Bible Study Class for men and women. They will be continuing their Fall 2018 lessons from the Book of Genesis, the book of beginnings. Through its pages, God is revealed as the Creator, Sustainer,

Judge, and Redeemer who brought all things into being. The lessons survey God's creation of the universe, earth, and people through (3) units: God Created the World, God Destroys and Re-Creates, and God Blesses and Re-Creates Regardless.

**Pathfinders.** led by Terri Twenhafel, will be starting the Mayberry Bible Study Volume 4. If you are a fan of the Andy Griffith show, join them for a four week study focusing on the following episodes and discussion themes: 1) Opie and the Spoiled Kid (Values), 2) Aunt Bee's Medicine Man (Temptation), 3) Rafe Hollister Sings (Encouragement), 4) The Rivals (Guidance).

<u>Seekers</u>, led by Susan Patterson, will be continuing their study of J. Ellsworth Kalas' book "I *Bought a House on Gratitude Street*" into November. Toward the end of the month they will start a new study – to be announced!

<u>**Trailblazers**</u>, led by Rick and Scarlett Pierson, are continuing their study of *Christian: It's Not What You Think*. What does it mean to be a Christian? Ask 100 people that question and you are likely to get 100 different answers. In this eight-session study, pastor and bestselling author Andy Stanley explores the message Jesus gave his followers to define and empower them. Sessions include Brand Recognition; Quitters; Insiders, Outsiders; Showing Up; When Gracie Met Truthy; Angry Birds; Loopholes; and Working It Out.



Intentional, heart felt prayer is transformative. It can enrich your personal spiritual life, revitalize and refocus your congregation and remake your community. We invite you to join us as we explore the power of Bible based prayer.

#### CLERGY & LAITY Sunday, November 4 @ 6 pm PRAYING WITH SHAMELESS AUDACITY

Based on the parables Jesus told in Luke 11 and 18, we'll examine how we can pray boldly without shame and how we can pray "bigger" prayers without ceasing. The focus of this teaching will be prayer, crafting the scriptural promises for truthfilled hope and faith.

#### CLERGY & LAITY Monday, November 5 @ 6:30 pm BUILDING THE HOUSE OF PRAYER

If we build the House of Prayer, He will come and move in. We'll look at how we can adjust to being a more Presence Based, as compared to Consumer Based, congregation.

**About Our Speaker:** Rev. Dr. Terry Tekyl thrives on offering creative ways to make God real to a hurting world. He is the author of 15 practical books on prayer. As a recognized prayer expert, he is a sought after speaker, noted for his warmth and the relatable humor and real life stories he weaves into his workshops and presentations. He is currently a prayer pastor for Faithbridge UMC in Spring, Texas. He also serves as Chaplain for a Christian radio station, KSBJ. In his spare time, he teaches on the staff of the Bible Seminary in Houston.

Cards for a Gure

Do you ever dine out at Panera's, Steak & Shake, or Applet Do you ever buy a book at Barnes & Noble? Do you ever buy gifts for a friend at Bath & Body?



Do you shop for your kids at Old Navy?

Do you purchase home repair items at Lowe's or Home Der Do you ever put gift certificates in a Christmas or birthday card?

If you answered "YES" to any of the questions, you can help raise money for the American Cancer Society. The Methodists on a Mission Relay For Life team is selling gift cards this fall in time for Christmas gift-giving. For every gift card that we sell, the companies will give us a percentage of the sale. For example, if you give us \$10, we will give you a gift card for \$10. Then the business will donate a percentage back to our team. The purchase of gift cards is an easy way to get a jump-start on your Christmas shopping and at the same time help raise money for the battle against cancer. You may contact any Relay team member (Nancy Fager, Lela Sternberg, Kathy Ripley, Jennifer Watson, Tena Bigham, Sharon Graff, Wilma Westerfield, or Sharon Jones) for information or mail your order to Wilma Westerfield at 303 South Pecan, DeSoto, IL, 62924. Gift cards will arrive before Thanksgiving.

<u>Order forms will be inserted in the Sunday bulletin on October 28<sup>th</sup> and <u>November 4<sup>th</sup>.</u> Order deadline is November 13<sup>th</sup>. <u>Make checks payable to Methodists on a Mission.</u></u>

### Bishop Beard will be @ Marion $1^{st}$ UMC on Thursday, November $15^{th}$ from 7 – 9 pm.

The Bishop will be hosting five meetings throughout the Conference, one of which is the Marion meeting, to discuss the three plans which have been offered as plans for A Way Forward with regard to the issues of human sexuality and unity.

Persons planning to attend the session in Marion, or at any of the other sites, must register in advance online in order to ensure adequate accommodations for those wanting to attend and the seating capacities of the venues. To register, people can go to <u>www.igrc.org</u>. Once on the website, click on Register for GC2019 Briefings (with the picture of Bishop Beard). You can then choose the location you wish to attend. The Compass

Announcements & Opportunities for Growth



All funds raised will benefit the mission-centered programs at Spero Family Services

Here is your chance to get your Christmas decorations without doing all the work. Plus you will be helping support the missions of the Spero Family Services .

Our Youth Group will also be decorating an item(s) to be auctioned off in support of the Spero Home. Please show your support and take time to stop by and see how creative they are and place your bids.

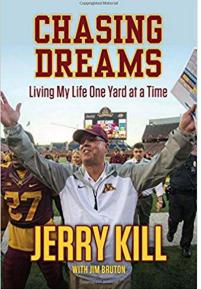
If you are interested in donating an item you may contact the church office for more information or Ranee Kujawa at 618-242-1070 or ranee.kujawa@sperofs.org

# An evening with Coach Kill

On October 21<sup>st</sup> a gathering of 33 men enjoyed an evening with Coach Jerry Kill who talked about his life and what has worked for him from a young man on his father's Kansas farm to becoming the Big 10 coach of the year at Minnesota. He made his points about facing adversity and the importance of relationships with people. How one treats others and works through what seems like overwhelming odds is what makes the difference. He emphasized that while he could have accepted millions in salary by continuing at Minnesota University as their football coach, he chose not to because he couldn't give his 100% because of health issues...namely grand mal seizures.

Fortunately for southern Illinois and SIU-C In particular, he has returned to "turn around" the direction of not only the athletic program but also do whatever he can to return the enrollment to what it has been and should be in the future. Yes, he sees adversity on several fronts at this time. But one gets the sense that he will do all within his power to restore SIU-C to a high level of national importance by graduating young men and women with an excellent education as the top goal and persons with a work ethic to face adversities in their lives.

During questions and answers, he made a reference on the college sports scene and that it will face some changes in how money continues to influence college athletics.



He closed out the evening by autographing his book "Chasing Dreams" and giving them to the gathered men. A donation of \$160 plus was collected for the Coach Kill Cancer Fund.

A big thank you goes to Sharon Graff, Sandy Herring, Bev Jarrett, and Nicci Steele for the preparation and serving of the evening meal catered by Pat's BBQ. The UMM



# MUMC Worship Schedule, Participants, Birthdays & Anniversaries!

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	TRADITIONAL	PRAISE			
	Worship Leader				
	Rick Runge	Roger Smith			
	<u>Choir/Mu</u>	sic Leader			
	Brianna Sitton	Lacey Brown			
NOV	Prayer Request	Reader & Liturgist			
4	Lou Anne Lough	Roger Smith			
11	Nancy Fager	Roger Smith			
18	Gene Schwebel	Roger Smith			
25	Wilma Westerfield	Roger Smith			
<u>NOV</u>	<u>Children's C</u>	hurch Leaders			
4	Sage Lintner	Julie Wachtel			
11	Cheryl Smith	Scarlette Pierson			
18	Lacey Brown/ Rene Doody	Ben Snyder			
25	Diane Schingel	Patti Thrailkill			
	Ushers	<u> </u>			
	Jennifer Watson, Kyle Hargraves, John Erbes, Lowell Heller and Dave Auxier	Paul Chapman and Allen Bigham			



2	Josh Baughman	12	Jill Rogers
	Kathy Blackwell	13	Jonas Schaldemose
	Cole Fletcher	15	Brant Wingerter
	Julian Valliant	16	Arlene Bitner
4	Lucas Bigham		Cecela Crawshaw
	Ethan Finke		Sharon Graff
	Kay Lirely		Landrie Green
	Caroline Pederson	17	Michelle Clark
	Clifton Swafford	18	Katie Stewart
5	Robert Frank	19	Greg Schuh
6	Alayna Krummrich	22	Pam Graham
8	Jude Siulua		Pat Porter
10	Arthur Porter	25	James Nimmo
11	Liam Guthman		Earl Renshaw
	Rob Williams	26	Tabitha Harris
12	Dave Auxier	29	Beverley Jarrett
	Julie Erbes	30	Ben Barringer
	Bill Quigley		Jerry Giffin

### TRADITIONAL SERVICE

<u>NOV</u>	Welcome Hostesses & Greeter	<u>Acolytes</u>		
4	Kay Bozarth Marcia Butler	Maya Jenkins Harper Geis		
11	Michelle Parker-Clark Terrie Yates	Phoebe Heller Jaylah Maynor		
18	Michelle Parker-Clark Terrie Yates	Martell Brown Eli Guthman		
25 Sally Moutardier Pattie Shields		Charlie Pierson Justin Maynor		
Stewards				
Everett Blackwell and Jerry Giffin				



# happy anniversary

1	Teresa & Larry Gilbert	17	Arlene & Paul Bitner
4	Terri & Roger Twenhafel		Kristi & Jerry Miller
7	Glenda & Bill Martin	18	Barbara & Hal Zimmerman
15	Susan & Harry Wirth	25	Adrienne & Wes Will
16	Michelle & Terrin Thies	27	Gloria & Gary Likins

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#### **OFFICE HOURS at MUMC**

Monday-Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Phone: 618-687-2317 Fax: 618-687-2604 Traditional Service: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School:10:10 a.m. Praise Service: 11:15 a.m.

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE: MUMC:

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