

# **WELCOME**

## **CROSS & FLAME MINISTRIES**

**MURPHYSBORO • DESOTO**

**UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES**

**December 4, 2016**

**Second Sunday of Advent • Advent—Blue**



**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:** "Emmanuel, Emmanuel"

Hymnal #204

## 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:** "The Advent Prose" by Pietro A. Yon

## Light of Christ Enters

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

**\*\*Hymn of Praise:** "Angels We Have Heard on High" (vs 1,2,3)

Hymnal #238

**\*\*Invocation**

Please See Projection

**Lighting of the Advent Wreath:** Barb and Jerry Giffin

**Congregational Response:** Rejoice, Rejoice, Emmanuel shall come to thee O Israel

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

**Collection of Prayer Cards by Ushers**

**Chancel Choir:** "Come to Us" by Heather Sorenson

## Children's Moments

*As the children come down, please pass the red **Money for Missions** buckets in the pews.*

*The noisy mission offering in December will go to **Community Christmas Dinner**.*

## Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

**Offertory:** "O Come, Emmanuel" by Pietro A. Yon

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

Hymnal #95

## Offering of Joys and Concerns

**Pastoral Prayer of Intercession and Blessing**

**The Lord's Prayer**

Please See Projection

**Children's Church Procession to Room 205**

**Scripture:** Isaiah 61:1-3 and Luke 4:14-21

L: The Word of God for the People of God

P: **Thanks be to God**

**Sermon:** "Waiting to Be Set Free"

Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

## Ritual of Holy Communion

**\*\*Communion Hymn:** "Angels from the Realms of Glory" (vs 1,2,4)

Hymnal #220

**Invitation to the Lord's Table**

**Taking the Light of Christ into the World**

**Benediction**

**\*\*Postlude:** "Christmas Carol of Alsóvisó" by Béla Bartók

**\*\*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: Isaiah 61:1-3 and Luke 4:14-21  
 Sermon: "Waiting to Be Set Free"  
 Communion  
 Sending Forth

Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

\*Lighting of the Advent Wreath: Jill and Marty Rogers

TODAY'S WORSHIP	TRADITIONAL SERVICE	MUMC PRAISE SERVICE	DESOTO PRAISE SERVICE
Music Leader	Joseph Ryker	Dennis Goforth	
Organist/Pianist	Jenny Kirby		
Worship Leader	Jennifer Watson mumcministries@gmail.com	Kristi Miller mumcministries@gmail.com	
Acolytes	Harper Geis and Maggie Jenkins		
Liturgist	Asia Watson		
Prayer Request Reader	Wilma Westerfield	Kristi Miller	
Welcome Hostesses	Marcia Butler and Barb Hughes		
Ushers	Rick Runge, Kyle Quigley, Jim Hughes, Bob Eaton, Trina Eaton and Jay Graff	Matt Baughman and Don Abbadusky	
Children's Church Volunteers	Jennifer O'Donnell	Katie Stewart and Julie Wachtel	
Nursery Attendant	Caitlyn Boyd	Megan Gale	
The Memory Book is open to the page honoring: Mrs. Novella Wehmeyer			

## STEWARDSHIP AND ATTENDANCE NOVEMBER 27, 2016

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Traditional Service: 180; Praise Service: 63; Sunday School: 103  
Offering: 11/20 \$4093.00 11/27 \$6366.00  
November Money for Missions to MHS Key Club: \$233.43

## CELEBRATIONS OF LIFE

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The white rose on the altar is in memory of Sandie Schwebel, who passed away on November 24. Sandie was the wife of Gene Schwebel and the mother of Carrie Schwebel and Katie Schwebel Stewart.

The red rose and book on the altar celebrate the birth of Abram Ati Brown, the grandson of Kathy and Everett Blackwell. Abram was born November 16 to Blake and Megan Blackwell.

Last week we celebrated the November 24 birth of twins Beck Hudson & Rowan Oliva Schuh. Proud grandparents are Trina and Bob Eaton; proud parents are Elizabeth and Gregg Schuh.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*INDICATES SIGNUP ON ATTENDANCE SHEET

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**POINSETTIAS AND CHRISTMAS MEMORIALS:** If you would like to order a poinsettia for our church sanctuary in memory of or to honor your loved one, please fill out a request form (see insert) and return it to the church office or mail it to the church. Orders must be received by noon on Monday, December 12th. The cost of each poinsettia or memorial is \$10.00. Please include payment with your order. Checks should be made payable to MUMC.

**\*UNITED METHODIST MEN** will have their next monthly breakfast meeting on Saturday, December 10th in the Fellowship Hall at 7:30 am. They will elect new officers and collect dues for 2017. Following the meeting, they will set up the nativity scene on the front lawn of the annex. Please contact Jay Graff at 618-967-9848 if you have any questions. **All men of the church are invited to attend.**

**"PARENT'S DAY OFF" CHRISTMAS PAJAMA PARTY:** Time is running out to register your kids for the MUMC Youth Group Pajama Party on Saturday, December 10, from 10 am to 3 pm. This is the perfect opportunity for parents to finish Christmas shopping, Christmas cards and wrapping, or simply to take a breath. Cost is only \$25 for a day of fun; lunch is provided. Check out the youth bulletin board for registration forms and details. PJs are allowed, and proceeds go to the youth mission fund.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS** (cont) \*INDICATES SIGNUP ON ATTENDANCE SHEET

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**CHRISTMAS CANTATA DECEMBER 11 at 2pm:** See the inside back cover of today's bulletin for details on this presentation by the combined choirs of MUMC and Carbondale First Presbyterian Church.

**THE RICE CHRISTMAS NATIVITY ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE** is scheduled for Sunday, December 11th, 1—4 pm at Mimi Rice's home, 501 Pump House Road, Murphysboro. Cookies and punch will be served. Mimi hopes you can come!

**\*YOUNG AT HEART** will enjoy Christmas music by Donnie Rush Falknor at their luncheon on Tuesday, December 13 at noon in the Fellowship Hall. The menu includes ham with pineapple, sweet potatoes, peas, ambrosia salad, and bread. Everyone is asked to bring a dessert to share. Meals are \$5 a plate.

**\*FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY** classes are scheduled for Thursday evenings, January 5, 2017 - March 9, 2017, 6:30-8:30 pm, Room 204. Class is recommended for mature teens and adults. Dave Ramsey and his teaching team will walk you through the basics of budgeting, dumping debt, planning for the future, and much more. One Financial Peace University membership per family is all you need to get started in a class. Cost of a membership kit is \$110.00. \*Child care will be provided upon request. Our church contact is Troy Brown, 618-713-3447 or laceywasright@gmail.com. The deadline for signing up and paying the fee is December 11th.

**\*PRECEPT BIBLE STUDY - EXODUS:** Tuesday mornings Jan 10 through Apr 11 (except Feb 28 and Mar 14), 9 - 10:30 am. Will offer on Sunday evenings Jan 8 - Apr 9 (except Feb 26 and Mar 12), from 5 - 6:30 pm if at least 8 students register. Watch Moses develop as a leader. See God deliver His people by judging their enemies. Learn powerful truths about His ways. A remarkably practical study of deliverance, redemption, the Law and the Tabernacle. Taught by Angie Baughman. The cost of the book is \$26 payable at the first session. Child care available upon request.

### **YOUTH GROUP EVENTS**

Dec 11 Youth Group Meetings 5:00—6:30 pm

Dec 25 No Youth Meetings

CYF: Children's Youth Fellowship (3rd - 5th grade)

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

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

## HOW DO I CONNECT?

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### 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

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

- Chancel Choir/Joseph Ryker, 618-925-4393, 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 2016 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 SPECIAL SERVICE

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# *A Night for Rejoicing*

*December 11 at 2pm*

“Christmas night – what a glorious night of rejoicing it was! What a glorious time of rejoicing the Christmas season continues to be all around the world!” The Murphysboro United Methodist Chancel Choir is thrilled to present Lee Dengler and Susan Naus Dengler’s Christmas cantata *A Night for Rejoicing*. The cantata follows the age-old tale of when God’s people rejoiced in hope as they heard the prophets foretell the coming Messiah, to a day when a young Mary of Nazareth was brought news by an angel, and finally, to that fateful night in Bethlehem when shepherds and angels proclaimed the news that has been cause for rejoicing around the world throughout time.

The Chancel Choir will be joined by the Carbondale First Presbyterian Church Choir, under the direction of Carlyn Zimmerman. *A Night for Rejoicing* will be performed at the Murphysboro United Methodist Church on Sunday, December 11 at 2:00 p.m.

Come join us for this church collaboration and musical-telling of the Christmas story.

## PRAYER LIST

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Lee and Alberta Sullivan  
Bill Quigley  
Olliebelle Ridley

Jacob Heilig  
Mike Snyder  
Etta Mae Imhoff

Marie Quigley  
Russell Schirmer

- ~ 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](mailto: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 December is Community Christmas Dinner.**

Please include this emphasis in your daily prayers.

## NEW HERE?

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**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.
- 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

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**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](mailto: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](http://www.murphysboroumc.com)  [facebook.com/murphysboroumc](https://facebook.com/murphysboroumc)

**SERMON BROADCAST** on  or find link at [www.murphysboroumc.com](http://www.murphysboroumc.com)

**CHURCH LIBRARY:** Room 110

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