

Welcome to the  
Murphysboro United  
Methodist Church



## See You on the Trail

**March 17, 2013**

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### **New to Murphysboro UMC?**

We want to help you get connected!

#### **Welcome Center:**

Come visit the Welcome Center following the 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!

#### **Tours of the Church:**

Tours of our historic church are held the 2nd Sunday of each month immediately following worship. We meet in the front of the Sanctuary.

#### **First Connection:**

Learn about MUMC & get answers to your questions. The 3rd Sunday of each month, we meet in front of the Sanctuary immediately after Worship Service.

#### **Interested in information about Sunday School Classes, Small Group Studies, Discipleship Groups, and other similar activities:**

A brochure is available at the Welcome Center.

## **CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP**

**March 17, 2013**  
**Fifth Sunday in Lent**  
**Lent-Purple**

#### The Greeting

L: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

#### Congregational Chorus

"Break Thou the Bread of Life" (verse 1) Hymnal #599

#### The Greeting and Sharing of Parish Opportunities

- ♦ Please sign and pass the attendance registration pad to all those in your pew; filling out full address, phone number, and email.
- ♦ Please fill out the prayer request cards, if needed, located in the attendance registration pad and hand them to the ushers after the Time of Fellowship and Greeting.

#### Prelude

"Trumpet Tune" by Tomaso Albinoni

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

#### Light of Christ Enters

#### ++Hymn of Praise

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" (verses 1, 3, 4) Hymnal #139

**Noisy Offering:** During this hymn, the children will pass buckets and collect loose change. The noisy offering for missions in March will go to *Murphysboro Food Pantry*.

#### Invocation

*In Unison*

Blessed Jesus, at thy word we are gathered all to hear. Let our hearts and souls be stirred now to seek, love and serve you. Let the truth, wisdom and knowledge of your holy word transform our hearts and lives till we are formed in your image. This we pray in the name of Jesus the Christ. Amen.

#### ++Time of Christian Fellowship and Greeting

*If due to health concerns, you are unable to stand and share in this time of greeting, please know that our hearts are yours in Christ Jesus.*

#### Collection of Prayer Cards by Ushers

#### Chancel Choir

"Lamb of God" a German Chorale arranged by F. Melius Christiansen

#### Scripture

Luke 18:15-17

#### Holy Bible

New Testament #81

#### Children's Moments

#### Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

#### Offertory

"Bouree" by Johan Helmich Roman

#### ++Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" Hymnal #95

#### Hymn

"Jesus Is All the World to Me" (verses 1, 2, 4)

Hymnal #469

#### Offering of Joys & Concerns

#### Pastoral Prayer of Intercession and Blessing

#### The Lord's Prayer

*In Unison*

Hymnal #895

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

#### Children's Church Procession

#### Scripture

Acts 1:21-26

#### Holy Bible

New Testament #118

L: The Word of God for the people of God.

P: Thanks be to God!

#### Sermon

"What Matters Most"

Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

#### Commitment Hymn

"Seek Ye First"

Hymnal #405

*Taking the Light of Christ Into the World*

#### ++Benediction

#### ++Postlude

"Fanfare" by Jean Joseph Mouret

*++Congregation is invited to stand as you are able*

### **TODAY'S WORSHIP**

**Greeters:** Perry Patterson and Jennifer O'Donnell

**Liturgist:** Susan Patterson

**Organist:** Micah Mayes

**Choir Director:** Ricardo King

**Prayer Request Reader:** Wilma Westerfield

**March Worship Leader:** Troy Brown

**Acolytes:** Tyler Doody and Aiden McNitt

**Welcome Hostesses:** Pam Crews and Carolyn Ozburn

**Sunday Stewards:** Everett Blackwell, Troy Brown, Ron Kiser, Bill McNitt,

Marty McNitt and Gene Schwebel

**Ushers:** Rick Runge, Bob Eaton, Trina Eaton, Erin Mileur and Kyle Quigley

**Credentialed Nursery Teacher:** Tania Cruz

*The Memory Book is open to the page honoring Ruth Schrader Walker*

#### **We Have A Nursery!**

A nursery for children infant through four years old is available during both the worship and Sunday School hours, located in Room 201, just outside the North Sanctuary doors. A pager system is provided for parents.

**Stewardship & Attendance for March 10, 2013**

Offering: \$7081 Worship: 179 Sunday School: 114

## COMING EVENTS

- ♦ **Handbags for Hope** Brunch and Handbag Auction  
*Methodists on a Mission* Relay for Life Team  
Contact any team member or church office for tickets  
Saturday, March 23rd at 9:30 a.m. at the Murphysboro Elks
- ♦ **Meal and Easter Egg Hunt** on March 31st at 12:00 noon
- ♦ **The Art of Marriage** on April 5th (evening) and April 6th (all day)  
at Masada Lodge at Little Grassy Campground—Contact Jennifer  
O'Donnell at 618-565-4166 or [jodonnell2@edodonnell.com](mailto:jodonnell2@edodonnell.com)
- ♦ **Adult Mission Trip** on April 21st-27th in New Orleans LA
- ♦ **Showers of Blessing** Women's Prayer Breakfast on May 4th  
Child care provided during event. Contact Rosie Wece at  
618-687-3309 or [gwece@wecefarms.com](mailto:gwece@wecefarms.com)
- ♦ 2nd Annual **Blessing of the Animals** on May 19th at 2:00 p.m.
- ♦ **UMM Lifeway's Conference for Men** July 26-27 in Nashville TN  
Register with Jay at [jgraff4@yahoo.com](mailto:jgraff4@yahoo.com) or Rob at 713-0843

## CHURCH CALENDAR

### Sunday, March 17, 2013

11:15 a.m. Hospitality Ministry in Chapel (202)  
1:00 p.m. D.O.D. in Faithful Friends (204)

### Monday, March 18, 2013

Meals on Wheels: Kathy Blackwell and Betty King  
Sharon Jones and Nancy Fager  
6:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 8189 in Journeys (107)

### Tuesday, March 19, 2013

Meals on Wheels: Lee Rendleman and Lela Sternberg  
Ralph and Joan Bastien  
6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts in Fellowship Hall  
6:00 p.m. Moms' Book Study in Library (109)

### Wednesday, March 20, 2013

Meals on Wheels: Sharon Graff and Peggy Schuster  
Candy and David Watt  
5:00 p.m. Pastor/Parish Staff Relations Meeting in Chapel (202)  
6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice  
6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts in Fellowship Hall  
7:00 p.m. Wednesday Night A.A. Meeting in Upper Room (110)

### Thursday, March 21, 2013

Meals on Wheels: Pete and Caroline Pederson  
Thelma Pierson and Gloria Likins  
7:00 p.m. New Worship Service Team Meeting in Annex

### Friday March 22, 2013

Meals on Wheels: Jack Cochran and Jack Herring  
Bill Pierson and Dave Auxier  
6:00 p.m. Scrapbook and Scripture in Fellowship Hall  
7:00 p.m. Daisy Troop 8225 in Journeys (107)

### Saturday March 23, 2013

9:00 p.m. Handbell Choir Practice  
10:00 a.m. A.A. Meeting in Upper Room (110)

### Sunday, March 24, 2013

9:00 a.m. Palm Sunday Worship Service

## Opportunities for Growth and Service

### Lily, Tulip, and Easter Memorial

Order your lily or tulip for Easter or make a memorial contribution (no plant). Please complete order form insert in this bulletin and drop in offering or turn in to church office no later than March 18th.  
Cost of each plant is \$10.00.



### SPRING CLEAN THOSE BOOK SHELVES!



Old or unused Bibles Christian Magazines  
Used Sunday School literature  
Devotional Booklets (Upper Room, Daily Bread)  
Used VBS materials  
Any other Christian printed materials

The Cache River District is asking us to collect the above items to send to third world nations. There is a box in the Chapel for your donations. The condition of the Bibles/books is not important. All donations are greatly appreciated. Monetary donations are also encouraged to help with shipping costs.

### Are You Called to be a Liturgist? Greeter?

Would you be interested in reading scripture in church (liturgist)? How about a greeter handing out bulletins just prior to worship service? For more information, call Caroline Pederson at 684-2631 or [pcpederson@gmail.com](mailto:pcpederson@gmail.com).



### Methodist Flame Magnets

The *Service and Missions Team* will sell **Methodist Flame** magnets (\$5 each) in the Fellowship Hall today after church and after Sunday School.  
All proceeds go to *Camp Restore*, where the Adult Mission Trip is going in April.

### Meal and a Movie Easter Meal Served Buffet Style March 31st



The March meal falls on Easter Sunday. If you know you could help serve on that day or provide a yellow cake, please contact Jennifer O'Donnell at 618-534-3822 or email [jodonnell2@edodonnell.com](mailto:jodonnell2@edodonnell.com).  
Since there will be an Easter Egg Hunt for the children, a movie will not be shown so we should be finished by about 1:30 p.m.

Menu is: Ham, Cheesy Potatoes, Salad and Yellow Cake



### Good Friday Interfaith Service

March 29th, 12:00 noon, at Pate Chapel  
Reflection by Rev. John Pitchford

### MARCH-APRIL 2013 UPPER ROOM DAILY DEVOTIONALS

Available in the back of church. Regular and large print.  
Just put your donation in the slot.



## Prayer List For Sunday, March 17, 2013

Gloria Barker	Russ Breathing	Viola Buchholz
Lori Chapman	Patricia Collins	Sue Congardio
Cheryl Funk	Betty Kiel	Ed Lirely
Myrtle McKinnie	Harold McRoy	Bob Rice
Sharon Sanders	Ronnie Seyferth	Elene Swafford
Gaye Thornton	Ruth Tindall	Barbara Zimmerman

Lisa Parrish Wright (Daughter of Paul and Viola Parrish)  
Cheryl Wilkerson (Co-Worker of Gene Schwebel)  
John Myers (Linda Craig's brother-in-law)  
Bob Leehy (friend of June Black)  
Kim Ellis (Friend of Dan Bratton who is hospitalized)  
Mary Cook (mother of Rosemary Cornell & Barbara Downey)



### CARD MINISTRY

Paul Bitner (Get Well)	Bob Rice (Get Well)
10228 Highway 127	501 Pump House Road
Murphysboro IL 62966	Murphysboro IL 62966

- If you would like to place or remove someone on the prayer list, please call the church office at 687-2317.
- Copies of the long-term and ongoing prayer list are on the bulletin table for those who wish a copy for their prayer time at home.

### Pray With Kay

Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Prayer Room  
Come and pray with Kay Lirely and anyone who would like to join her.

Due to security concerns, the church will be locked unless there is an event that requires the doors be unlocked.  
The Prayer Room is open when the church is open for an event or you can go to the church office during regular business hours to be let into the church to use the Prayer Room. Or join us for *Pray with Kay* on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.

### Prayer Emphasis for March

*Murphysboro Food Pantry*

## TODAY!!!

### Library Clearance Book Give-Away

Open for browsing all morning in Fellowship Hall. Some are duplicates of books we already have, some were given to us by generous friends, some are old, some are newer, and all need new homes! Come and browse, sign up for our drawings, and take home some books!



### Saturday Book Club

April 20th at 10:30 a.m. in Library  
*The Blue Bottle Club* by Penelope Stokes.  
Contact Emily Wece at [ewece88@gmail.com](mailto:ewece88@gmail.com)

## COMPASS NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Monday, March 18th at noon

## WEEKLY BULLETIN DEADLINE

Wednesday at 12:00 noon





### TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE TODAY!

Handbags for Hope  
Saturday, March 23rd  
Brunch at 9:30 a.m.

Followed by Handbag Auction  
Murphysboro Elks

Get your Mom, Daughters, Sisters, and Besties  
Together for a Fun-Filled Girls Day Out!



Sponsored by **Methodists on a Mission** Relay For Life Team. Admission is only \$15 and one purse. The handbags can be gently-used or brand new. All of the proceeds will go the Murphysboro Relay For Life event to help in the **fight against cancer**. Tables for eight (8) may be purchased for \$100 *plus* purses. Get your tickets TODAY from any member of the **Methodists on a Mission** team or in the church office. Team members are Wilma Westerfield, Nancy Fager, Sharon Jones, Jennifer & Asia Watson, Kathy Ripley, Sharon Graff, Tena Bigham and Cathy Lilley.



### SUMMER CAMPS

Camp registration packets are available in the back of church and the Church Office until April 5th. A registration opportunity will be held on April 7th in the Fellowship Hall. There are 12 summer camps to choose from at Little Grassy.



# HOLY WEEK

3/24: *Palm Sunday Service* at 9:00 a.m.  
3/28: *Maundy Thursday Service* at 7:00 p.m.  
3/29: *Good Friday Interfaith Service* at noon, Pate Chapel  
3/31: *Easter Sunrise Service* at 6:30 a.m. under Pavillion  
*Boy Scouts Breakfast* at 7:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall  
*Traditional Easter Worship* at 9:00 a.m.  
*Sunday School Easter Egg Hunt* at 10:10 a.m.  
*Meal and a Movie Easter Meal and Egg Hunt*  
(no movie this month) at 12:00 noon in Fellowship Hall

### **YOUTH GROUP CALENDARS**

#### March 24:

- \* **Cosmic Bowling** at 3:00 p.m.
- \* Sign up and pay \$2.00 to Paula Chapa or Diane Schingel no later than March 17th deadline **TODAY**
- \* Bring money for video games

#### April 13:

- \* **Beautiful U Conference**  
Middle School-High School Girls  
See Paula Chapa to register

#### April 14:

- \* Regular Meeting at 5:00 p.m.
- \*CYF: Christian Youth Fellowship (3rd - 5th grade)
- \*JYF: Junior Youth Fellowship (6th - 8th grade)
- \*Sr. UMYF: United Methodist Youth Fellowship (9th - 12th grade)

### **College Student Ministry Donations**

Pre-packaged items for care packages (cookies, crackers, popcorn, candy, gum, hot chocolate, etc.) is requested. There is a box in the kitchen for donations. Contact Paula Chapa at 967-2689 for more information. *Thanks so much!*



### Confirmation Information Meeting

A meeting for all youth and parents interested in participating in the next Confirmation Class will be held Sunday, April 7th, at 3:00. Confirmation age youth are those who are now in the 5th grade through High School. Depending on how many and the ages of the youth, Pastor Larry will determine if we will need one or two classes divided by age. At the meeting, we will discuss the schedule for Confirmation sessions and the two trips which will be a part of the overall Confirmation experience.

### **Help Us Prepare for Easter Egg Hunt**

If you have bags of candy or toys for filling plastic eggs, you may bring them in at anytime. There is also a bin of empty eggs in the Welcome Center just outside the Sanctuary; please feel free to grab a bag of eggs and bring them back (to the Welcome Center) filled with candy or small toys by March 31st for the Sunday School Easter egg hunt.



**BEAUTIFUL U** is a one day, special event for high school and middle school girls and their female ministry leaders and/or moms! A day at **BEAUTIFUL U** will include inspiring music, authentic worship, real life speakers, seminars for students and adults, and stations for a fun experience. Great refreshments, a delightful lunch and an opportunity to get away will make this day memorable! **Don't miss the BEAUTIFUL U Conference in Troy, IL on Saturday, April 13, 2013 from 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM.** Youth registration fees will be covered (Moms: \$20). Contact