

Welcome to the  
Murphysboro United  
Methodist Church



*See You on the Trail*

**March 3, 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 3, 2013**  
**Third Sunday of Lent**  
**Lent-Purple**

**The Greeting**

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

**Congregational Chorus**

"Thy Word is a Lamp" (verse 1) Hymnal #601

**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**

"Aria Cantabile" by Samuel Wesley  
Please begin a time of quiet centering for worship when the music begins.

**Light of Christ Enters**

++Hymn of Praise  
"To God Be the Glory" Hymnal #98

**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 Lord, you have caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. 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**

"Come Take the Body" music and arrangement by Robert Lau

**Children's Moments**

**Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory**

"Whiter Than Snow" by William Fischer

++Doxology

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

**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** Holy Bible  
Luke 1:18-20 New Testament #56

L: The Word of God for the people of God.  
P: Thanks be to God!

**Sermon**

"Here's Your Sign" Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

**Communion Hymn**

"One Bread, One Body" Hymnal #620

**Rite of Holy Communion**

**Invitation to the Lord's Table**

++Benediction

++Postlude  
"Donna Nobis Pacem" by Mozart

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

**TODAY'S WORSHIP**

**Greeters:** Perry and Susan Patterson

**Liturgist:** Teresa Gilbert

**Organist:** Jani Bryant

**Choir Director:** Ricardo King

**Prayer Request Reader:** Emily Wece

**March Worship Leader:** Troy Brown

**Acolytes:** Lucas Bigham and Allison Brown

**Welcome Hostesses:** Kathy Blackwell and Terri Yates

**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 Anna Wattman*

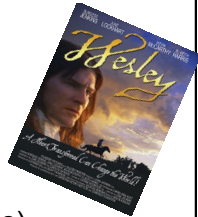
**We Have A Nursery!**

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 February 24, 2013**  
Offering: \$6757 Worship: 188 Sunday School: 139

## COMING EVENTS

- ♦ **Women of Faith** Conference on March 8th and 9th  
Grace Church in Maryland Heights MO  
Registration is \$59 + lodging  
Contact Rosie Wece at [gwece@wecefarms.com](mailto:gwece@wecefarms.com)
- ♦ **John Wesley** Movie and Pizza ~ ALL INVITED!  
Sunday, March 10th at 4:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall
- ♦ **The Light Kids Conference** (1st through 5th grades)  
March 16th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Marion  
Contact Rene' Doody at [doodymom@gmail.com](mailto:doodymom@gmail.com)
- ♦ Saturday Book Club on March 16th at 10:30 in Library  
**The Red Tent** by Anita Diamant  
Contact Emily Wece at [ewece88@gmail.com](mailto:ewece88@gmail.com) or 559-0329
- ♦ **Handbags for Hope** Brunch and Handbag Auction  
*Methodists on a Mission* Relay for Life Team  
Saturday, March 23rd at 9:30 a.m. at the Murphysboro Elks
- ♦ **Meal and Easter Egg Hunt** on March 31st at 12:00 noon
- ♦ **Adult Mission Trip** on April 21st-27th



## CHURCH CALENDAR

### Monday, March 4, 2013

5:00 p.m. Community Relay for Life Meeting in Chapel (202)  
6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts Troop 8189 in Journeys (107)

### Tuesday, March 5, 2013

6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts in Fellowship Hall  
6:00 p.m. *So Long Insecurity* Moms' Book Study in Library (109)  
6:30 p.m. Newcomers Meeting in Chapel (202)

### Wednesday, March 6, 2013

6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice  
6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts in Fellowship Hall  
6:30 p.m. Youth Ministry Team in Passages (108)  
7:00 p.m. Wednesday Night A.A. Meeting in Upper Room (110)

### Thursday, March 7, 2013

6:00 p.m. Scouts Round Table in Fellowship Hall (108)  
6:00 p.m. "Disciple" Book Study in Faithful Friends (204)

### Friday, March 8, 2013

10:00 a.m. Feeder of the Pack "Packers" in Fellowship Hall  
7:00 p.m. Daisy Troop 8225 in Journeys (107)

### Saturday March 9, 2013

7:30 a.m. UMM Breakfast in Fellowship Hall  
9:00 p.m. Handbell Choir Practice  
10:00 a.m. A.A. Meeting in Upper Room (110)  
10:00 a.m. Somerset Clovers 4-H Club in Fellowship Hall

## YOUTH GROUP CALENDARS

**March 10:** *John Wesley* movie at 4:00 followed by pizza/discussion

**March 24:** CYF/JYF/UMYF Regular Meeting from 5:00-6:30 p.m.

**April 14:** CYF/JYF/UMYF Regular Meeting from 5:00-6:30 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)

## WEEKLY BULLETIN DEADLINE

**Wednesday at 12:00 noon**

## Opportunities for Growth and Service

### SPRING CLEAN THOSE BOOK SHELVES!

Old or unused Bibles Used Sunday School literature Christian Magazines  
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.



### THE BIBLE 10-Part Miniseries Premiers Tonight (March 3rd)

Tune in to the History Channel at 7:00 p.m. tonight to watch the epic 10-part miniseries that retells stories from the Scriptures for a whole new generation from Genesis through Revelation. The Bible comes to life as these unforgettable stories unfold exploring the sacred texts most significant episodes.



### Feeder of the Pack "Packers" Friday, March 8th at 10 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Please come join us for pet food bagging, fun and fellowship! The bagged pet food is distributed through the Murphysboro Food Pantry. Lunch is provided. Contact Trina Eaton at [trina.eaton1@gmail.com](mailto:trina.eaton1@gmail.com).

### 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



### The Art of Marriage Friday & Saturday, April. 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>

MUMC is sponsoring *The Art of Marriage* in the Masada Lodge at Little Grassy Campground. This intensive retreat begins at 7 p.m. on Friday and concludes at 4 p.m. on Saturday. The cost is \$140 per couple for overnight stay (optional) or \$80 without staying the night. To get the full benefits of the intensive, the overnight stay is encouraged. The Art of Marriage equips those with a passion for building Godly marriages and helps couples fully experience God's design for marriage. Contact Jennifer O'Donnell by calling 618-565-4166 or email [jodonnell2@edodonnell.com](mailto:jodonnell2@edodonnell.com)

### SAVE THE DATE "Showers of Blessings"

is the theme for the Women's Prayer Breakfast, sponsored by the Adult Spiritual Formation Team, to be held on **May 4th** in the Fellowship Hall. Plan to attend this inspirational time of fellowship, prayer, music and a light breakfast. Child care will be provided during the event. Contact Rosie Wece at 618-687-3309 or [gwece@wecefarms.com](mailto:gwece@wecefarms.com).



## Prayer List For Sunday, March 3, 2013

Bill Batteau	Gloria Barker	Russ Breathing
Viola Buchholz	Lori Chapman	Patricia Collins
Cheryl Funk	Betty Kiel	Ed Lirely
Myrtle McKinnie	Harold McRoy	Bob Rice
sharon Sanders	Jo Ann Schirmer	Ronnie Seyferth
Elene Swafford	Gaye Thornton	Ruth Tindall
Katherine Twenhafel	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)  
Kim Ellis (Friend of Dan Bratton who is hospitalized)  
Mary Cook (mother of Rosemary Cornell & Barbara Downey)  
Bob Leehy (friend of June Black)



- 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.

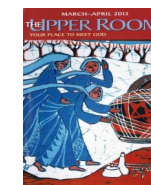
### Pray With Kay

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

Jo Ann Schirmer wishes to thank everyone for all the prayers, cards, food, phone calls and get well wishes. A special thanks to Pastors Larry and Earl for their visits.



### MARCH-APRIL 2013 UPPER ROOM DAILY DEVOTIONALS

NOW AVAILABLE IN THE BACK OF CHURCH.  
JUST PUT YOUR DONATION IN THE SLOT.  
REGULAR AND LARGE PRINT AVAILABLE.

### United Methodist Men (UMM)

LifeWay's Conference for Men  
July 26-27 in Nashville TN  
**Faith + Family + Freedom**  
Contact Jay Graff at [jgraff4@yahoo.com](mailto:jgraff4@yahoo.com)  
or Rob Williams at 618-713-0843



### COMPASS NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline to submit items for the next Compass newsletter is noon on the third Monday of the month prior, so it is Monday, March 18th at noon.