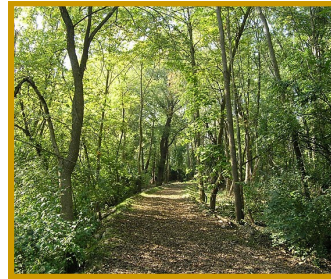


Welcome to the
**MURPHYSBORO UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**



See You on the Trail!

January 5, 2014

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"The mission of the church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world."

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. Meet your tour guide at the 'Tour' sign at the front of the sanctuary.

First Connection:

A brief orientation to the ministries of our church on the 3rd Sunday of each month. Meet your leader immediately following worship at the 'First Connection' sign at the front of the sanctuary.

Children of all ages are welcome in our worship service. If you prefer, a nursery for children 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 4, will be dismissed for Children's Church in Room 203, following the Pastoral Prayer.

Celebration of Worship

January 5, 2014—Epiphany Sunday
Epiphany - White

The Greeting

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

Congregational Chorus

"Seek Ye First" Hymnal #405

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

"Grazioso" by Georg Philipp Telemann

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

Light of Christ Enters

++Hymn of Praise

"We Three Kings" (vs 1 & 2, all; v 3, women; v 4, men; v 5, all) Hymnal #254

Noisy Offering: During this hymn, the children will pass buckets and collect loose change. The noisy offering for missions in January will go to the **Wesley Foundation**

Invocation

O God, you made of one blood all nations, and, by a star in the East, revealed to all peoples him whose name is Emmanuel. Enable us who know your presence with us so to proclaim his unsearchable riches that all may come to his light and bow before the brightness of his rising, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for 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

Special Music—Kateena LeForge

Children's Moments

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"Trumpet Finale" by John Stanley

++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 (in pew)

II Chronicles 34: 29 - 33

Old Testament p. 418

John 15: 4 & 5

New Testament p. 109

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

P: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

"A New Habit for a New Year"

Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

Wesley Covenant Prayer

Hymnal #607

++Communion Hymn

"Take Our Bread"

Hymnal #640

Ritual of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

++Benediction

++Postlude

"More Like the Master" by Charles H. Gabriel

++Congregation is invited to stand as you are able

Today's Worship

Greeters: Jack Cochran and Sharon Graff

Liturgist: Lacey Brown

Organist: Micah Mayes

January Worship Leader: Jennifer Watson

Prayer Request Reader: Mary Jane Williams

Acolytes: Tyler Doody and Ryan Finke

Welcome Hostesses: Rosie Wece and Carolyn Sauer

Sunday Stewards: Todd Lirely, Bob Morefield, Ken Cline,

Frank Boucher and Francis Addison

Ushers: Todd Lirely, Scott Ballard, Sandy Herring, Ralph Bastien and Dick Graff

Credentialed Nursery Teacher: Tania Cruz

***The Memory Book is open to the page honoring
William B. Turner***

Stewardship & Attendance for December 29, 2013

Offering: \$ Worship: 173 Sunday School: 70

UPCOMING SERMON SERIES

January Sermon Series:

“Finding Your Way: Faith Steps That Make a Difference”

February Sermon Series:

“Simple Rules to Simplify Your Life”

Faithful Friends Class begins new study January 19:

Plant a Little Seed; Grow a Big Faith

By Priscilla Shirer

Room 204; Teresa Gilbert, Leader

Two class sessions; 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Women of all ages welcome!

From Our Neighbor's Table ministry team - We served a record-breaking number of guests at our December 29 meal: 53! Thanks to our church family for their prayers and help - both make a difference.

We want to serve cake at our January 26, 2014 meal, and if you'd like to bake and donate one or more, please contact Clara Kiser at pontiac@egyptianpontiac.com or 687-2235 to make arrangements. Thanks and blessings.

Adult mission trip to Henderson Settlement June 8 – 14

Henderson Settlement is a United Methodist missions camp in Frakes, Kentucky with volunteer opportunities too numerous to list. If you are interested in a mission trip please come learn more about MUMC's trip to Henderson Settlement.



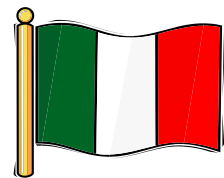
Informational meeting Jan 12th 11:00 a.m.

immediately following Sunday school.

Please check the attendance pad if you plan to attend the informational meeting.

Coming Soon:

“An Evening in Italy”



An elegant dinner hosted by
the Senior High Youth

CHURCH CALENDAR

Monday, January 6, 2014

6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts 8189 in Journeys

7:00 p.m. AA Big Book Study in Passages (open mtg)

Tuesday, January 7, 2014

6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts in Fellowship Hall

6:30 p.m. Second Service Team in Chapel

Wednesday, January 8, 2014

9:00 a.m. Staff meeting in Annex

5:45 p.m. Choir Practice

6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts in Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. Service & Missions in the Chapel

7:00 p.m. Publicity & Promotions in Annex

7:00 p.m. AA meeting in Upper Room classroom (open mtg)

7:00 p.m. AI-Anon meeting in Passages (open mtg)

Thursday, January 9, 2014

4:30 p.m. Girl Scouts in Fellowship Hall

6:00 p.m. Disciple II Bible Study in Faithful Friends

Friday, January 10, 2014

10:00 a.m. Feeder of the Pack in Fellowship Hall

Saturday, January 11, 2014

7:00 a.m. UMM Breakfast with Berean Men - meet in parking lot

9:00 a.m. Handbell Choir practice in Balcony

10:00 a.m. AA Meeting in Passages (closed mtg)

Sunday, January 12, 2014

11:00 a.m. Adult Mission Trip Info meeting in Fellowship Hall

1:00 p.m. Discerning Our Directions in Faithful Friends

5:00 p.m. Youth meetings

**We keep an updated CHURCH CALENDAR
on our website at www.murphysboroumc.com**

Elevator Capital Campaign—Please remember that your Elevator Capital Campaign pledges began January 1, 2014. Please put “Elevator fund” on the memo line of your check or on your offering envelope.

The new member information meeting will be held Wednesday, January 8th at 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel. If you would like to attend, please check the box on the attendance pad.

We have a new face in our church office - Deb Severa became our new Church Secretary effective January 2nd. So next time you call or stop by the office, be sure to introduce yourself and give Deb a warm welcome.

And be sure to give a huge thank you to Mimi Rice for filling the Church Secretary role for the past few months. Thanks so much, Mimi!

Prayer List

Viola Buchholz
Myrtle McKinnie
Elene Swafford
Ed Lirely
Ada Heller

Novella Howard
Betty Kiel
Rick McLaskey
Bill Quigley

Paula Huppert
Josh Nelson
Joan Bastien
Linda Rozich

Sandra and Keith Flynt (Candy Watt's sister and brother-in-law) who have health concerns

The family of Barry Hinson, on the passing of his son-in-law on Christmas morning

~ 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@frontier.com

~ 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.

Wednesday Prayer Group

Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Prayer Room.

Intercessory prayer for the joys and concerns of our church family, community and the world.

Prayer Emphasis for January is the Wesley Foundation.

Please include this in your daily prayers.

YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR

Jan. 12: *Youth Meetings 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Jan. 24 & 25: SYF Lock-In (for Senior High youth only)

Lock-In begins at 5:00 p.m. on 1/24 and ends at 2:00 p.m. on 1/25
(No Youth meetings January 26)

Bring A Friend!

*CYF: Christian Youth Fellowship (3rd - 5th grade)

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

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