

Welcome to the
**MURPHYSBORO UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**



See You on the Trail!

January 12, 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 12, 2014—Baptism of Our Lord
Epiphany - White

The Greeting

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

Congregational Chorus

"Majesty, Worship His Majesty" Hymnal #176

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

"Be Thou My Vision" arr. by Hal Hopson

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

Light of Christ Enters

++Hymn of Praise

"Come, Thou Almighty King" Hymnal #61

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

Teach us, good Lord,
to serve you as you deserve;
to give and not to count the cost;
to fight and not to heed the wounds;
to toil and not to seek for rest;
to labor and not to ask for any reward,
except that of knowing that we do your will;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 Thou Fount of Every Blessing" arr. by Hal H. Hopson

Children's Moments

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"Winter" from "The Four Seasons" by Antonio Vivaldi

++Doxology

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

Mission Moment - Gene Schwebel

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)
Matthew 28: 16-20 New Testament p. 34
L: The Word of God for the people of God.
P: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

"What Is The Trail" Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

++Commitment Hymn

"This Little Light of Mine" Hymnal #585

++Benediction

++Postlude

From Partita on "O God Our Help In Ages Past" by Charles Callahan

++Congregation is invited to stand as you are able

Today's Worship

Greeters: Jack Cochran and Sharon Graff
Liturgist: Sally Moutardier
Organist: Judy Little
January Worship Leader: Jennifer Watson
Prayer Request Reader: Emily Hargraves
Acolytes: Cadence Brown and Aiden McNitt
Welcome Hostesses: Carolyn Sauer and Patti Shields
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

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Lloyd Teas*

Stewardship & Attendance for January 5, 2014

Offering: \$9552 Worship: 151 Sunday School: (cancelled)

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 a 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 - **Let us do the cooking!**

We would like to invite our entire church family to join us for the January 26 noon meal. Come and enjoy the fellowship.

We want to serve cake at this 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.

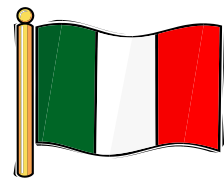


The Informational meeting is TODAY

immediately following Sunday School, in the Fellowship Hall. Anyone who is interested is welcome to attend.

Coming Soon:

“An Evening in Italy”



An elegant dinner hosted by the Senior High Youth

CHURCH CALENDAR

Monday, January 13, 2014

1:00 p.m. Nurture & Care meeting in Trailblazers

Tuesday, January 14, 2014

12:00 p.m. Young At Heart in Fellowship Hall

6:00 p.m. Board of Trustees in Annex

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

7:00 p.m. Finance Committee in Annex

Wednesday, January 15, 2014

5:45 p.m. Choir Practice

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

7:00 p.m. Children/Youth Spiritual Formation

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

Thursday, January 16, 2014

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

Saturday, January 18, 2014

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

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

10:30 a.m. Saturday Book Club in Library

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.

Elevator Project Update: The elevator project fell a bit behind schedule due to issues with an old sewer pipe, not to mention the 5” of rain and the *cold snap* we just endured. We are back on track and keeping our eyes fixed firmly on the benefits the elevator will bring.

We appreciate your patience and ability to adapt as we move through this project. Please let the Board of Trustees know if you have any problems with classrooms or other issues related to the elevator project.

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.

Dan Vaughn, a friend of Jerry and Janice Crews, who is having health issues.

~ 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)



Tuesday, January 14, 2014

At noon in the Fellowship Hall

Program to be announced.

Menu: Ham & beans with onion, slaw, spinach with vinegar, cornbread, brownies (no nuts).

Please check the box on the Registration & Attendance Sheet if you plan to attend.