

Welcome to the  
**MURPHYSBORO UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH**



*See You on the Trail!*

**February 16, 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!

**Newcomers Reception:**

Approximately once per quarter we will host a Newcomers Reception, at which Pastor Larry will be present to meet and share information with the newcomers. At that same event, we will offer a church tour and brief orientation to the ministries of our church.

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 3, will be dismissed for Children's Church in Room 205, following the Pastoral Prayer.

**Celebration of Worship**

February 16, 2014—Sixth Sunday of Epiphany  
Epiphany - Green

**Call to Worship**

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

**Congregational Chorus**

"His Name Is Wonderful" Hymnal #174

**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**

"Trumpet Sonata" by Henry Purcell

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

**Light of Christ Enters**

**++Hymn of Praise**

"How Great Thou Art" (vs 1,3,4) Hymnal #77

**Noisy Offering:** During this hymn, the children will pass buckets and collect loose change. The noisy offering for missions in February will go to **Feeder of the Pack**.

**Invocation**

**Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace;  
where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
where there is injury, pardon;  
where there is doubt, faith;  
where there is despair, hope;  
where there is darkness, light;  
and where there is sadness, joy.**

**O Divine Master,  
grant that I may not so much seek  
to be consoled as to console;  
to be understood, as to understand;  
to be loved, as to love;  
for it is in giving that we receive,  
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.**

**++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**

"Wade in the Water" by Ricardo King. Soloist is Morgan Isaiah.

**Children's Moments**

**Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory**

"March" (from *Dramma per Musica*) by Johann Sebastian Bach

**++Doxology**

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

**Special Music - Morgan Isaiah**

"Go Down Moses"

**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 to Room 205**

**Scripture** Holy Bible (in pew)

Matthew 22:34-40 New Testament p. 25

Jeremiah 2:11-13 Old Testament p. 699

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

**P: Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon**

"Stay in Love With God" Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

**++Commitment Hymn**

"I Need Thee Every Hour" (vs 1 & 5) Hymnal #397

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

**++Benediction**

**++Postlude**

"More Love to Thee" by Roger C. Wilson

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

**Today's Worship**

**Greeters:** Marlene & Harold Gibbs

**Liturgist:** Gaye Auxier

**Organist:** Micah Mayes

**February Worship Leader:** Rick Runge

**Prayer Request Reader:** Emily Hargraves

**Acolytes:** Cadence Brown and Alex Baughman

**Welcome Hostesses:** Patti Shields and Carolyn Sauer

**Sunday Stewards:** Rob Williams, Rick Runge, Ron Moutardier and Dick Graff

**Ushers:** James Bean, Todd Doody, Jay Graff, Kyle Hargraves, London Watson and Jennifer Watson

**Credentialed Nursery Teacher:** Tania Cruz

*The Memory Book is open to the page honoring  
Mrs. Bessie Wayman*

**Stewardship & Attendance for January 26, 2014**

Offering: 8822.50 Worship: 262 Sunday School: 150

**CURRENT SERMON SERIES:**

“Simple Rules to Simplify Your Life”



Please join the MUMC Youth next Sunday as they participate in "Youth Sunday". They have always had a huge response from their church family so come and support them with your presence.

The Cache River District Training Event originally scheduled for February 9 has been rescheduled. It will be held on Sunday, March 23 at Marion Aldersgate UMC, from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

**Training Sessions include:**

- **Safe Sanctuary** led by Rev. Cindy Jones, for Children and Youth Programs
- **Stewardship** led by Rev. Randy Reese, for Trustees and Finance Committees
- **Local Missions** led by Rev. Jim Peak, regarding backpack and summer food ministries
- **Pastor-Parish Committees** led by Rev. Roger Russell, for pastors and committee members

**Additional training opportunity from Cache River District:**

Basic Lay Servant Course: Saturdays, March 22 and 29 (attendance both days is required for credit). Cost \$30. Please contact the church office if you are interested in more information. (618-687-2317).

**Women’s Ministry:** If you would like to receive information about opportunities for a deeper community with other women and with Jesus, please check the “Women’s Ministry” column on the attendance pad. Please include your e-mail address.

There will be a Leadership Retreat today, for members of the Church Council and the Discerning Our Direction team. Among the topics the members of Leadership will address will be space utilization at the church and annex, the report from the DOD team, and furthering the growth of our congregation. Please keep Leadership in your prayers as they work to strengthen our church.

**CHURCH CALENDAR**

**Monday, February 17, 2014**

Meals on Wheels - Center Closed for President’s Day  
6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts 8189 in Journeys  
7:00 p.m. AA Big Book in Fellowship Hall

**Tuesday, February 18, 2014**

Meals on Wheels - Loyd and Ruth Ebersohl  
Ralph and Joan Bastien  
6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts in Fellowship Hall

**Wednesday, February 19, 2014**

Meals on Wheels - Candy and David Watt  
Sharon Graff and Peggy Schuster

5:45 p.m. Choir Practice

6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts in Fellowship Hall  
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting in Upper Room (open mtg)  
7:00 p.m. AA/AL in Passages

**Thursday, February 20, 2014**

Meals on Wheels - Lynn Pierson and Thelma Pierson  
Pete and Caroline Pederson

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

**Friday, February 21, 2014**

Meals on Wheels - Jack Herring and Jack Cochran  
Bill Pierson and Thelma Pierson

6:00 p.m. Daisy Troop 8225 in Journeys

7:30 p.m. Brownies in Journeys

**Saturday, February 22, 2014**

9:00 a.m. Handbell Choir Practice in Balcony  
10:00 a.m. AA Meeting in Passages (closed mtg)  
1:00 p.m. Youth Sunday Run-through

**Sunday, February 23, 2014—Youth Sunday**

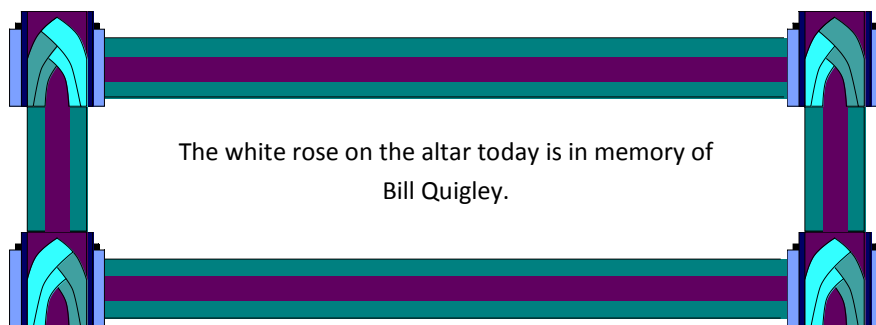
Noon Our Neighbor’s Table  
2:00 p.m. Second Service Launch Team in Annex

**We keep an updated CHURCH CALENDAR on our website at [www.murphysboroumc.com](http://www.murphysboroumc.com)**

**Coming soon: Calendar listings outside every meeting room.**



Please submit all information for the March Compass newsletter to Paula Chapa or the church office, by 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 20. Thanks!



The white rose on the altar today is in memory of Bill Quigley.

**Prayer List**

Viola Buchholz	Novella Howard	Paula Huppert	Myrtle McKinnie
Betty Kiel	Josh Nelson	Elene Swafford	Rick McLaskey
Ed Lirely	Linda Rozich	Ada Heller	Dan Watson
Dan Vaughn	Patsy Springs		

- ◆ Sandra and Keith Flynt (Candy Watt’s sister and brother-in-law) who have health concerns
- ◆ Phyllis Sides of Canton, TX, sister of Lee Sullivan, who is recovering from heart surgery
- ◆ David Hines, nephew of Martin and Katherine Twenhafel, who is having health issues
- ◆ Rhonda Guisti, niece of Martin and Katherine Twenhafel, who has very serious health issues and will be starting new treatment in Chicago

~ 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](mailto: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 February is Feeder of the Pack.**

Please include this in your daily prayers.

**YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR**

**TODAY:** \*Youth Sunday Practice, 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

**Feb. 22:** \*Youth Sunday Run Through, 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

**Feb. 23:** \*Youth Sunday Service  
\*No Youth Group Meetings

- \*CYF: Christian Youth Fellowship (3rd - 5th grade)
- \*JYF: Junior Youth Fellowship (6th - 8th grade)
- \*SYF: Senior High Youth Fellowship (9th - 12th grade)