

Welcome to the
**MURPHYSBORO UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**



See You on the Trail!

February 23, 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.

Attention Parents:

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.

YOUTH SUNDAY!

February 23, 2014—Seventh Sunday of Epiphany
Epiphany - Green

Call to Worship **Ben Barringer**

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

P: **And also with you.**

Prelude **Youth**

"We Won't Be Shaken" by Building 429

Light of Christ Enters

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.

++Song of Praise

"My God's Not Dead" by News Boys (see insert)

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 **Tim Marston**

Everlasting God, you gave us the faith of Christ for a light to our feet amid the darkness of this world. Have pity on all who, by doubting or denying it, are gone astray from the path of safety. Bring home the truth to their hearts, and grant them to receive it; through the same 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

Lifted Hands **Directed by Angie Baughman**

"How Can I Keep from Singing" by Chris Tomlin

Children's Moments **Allison Brown**

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory - Brianna Bean

"Olympic Ceremony" by Lynn Freeman Olson

Offering of Joys & Concerns

Prayer of Intercession and Blessing **Mason Schingel**

The Lord's Prayer **Led by Lucas Bigham** 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.

Scripture *Holy Bible (in pew)*

Matthew 13:44-45 *New Testament p. 15*

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

P: **Thanks be to God!**

Skit - "I'm Just Such a Fan"

Sermon

"24/7 Christian" **Brittany Nolan**

++Song of Praise

"Our God" by Chris Tomlin (see insert)

Taking the Light of Christ into the World

++Benediction **Alex Baughman**

++Postlude

"Higher Medley" from the movie "Joyful Noise"

++Congregation is invited to stand as you are able

Today's Worship

Greeters: Maddie Bean, Cadence Brown, and Caitlyn Doody

Door Greeters: Lucas Bigham and Tyler Doody

Liturgist: Emma Bigham

Worship Leader: Asia Watson

Prayer Request Reader: Mason Schingel

Acolytes: Adam Barringer and Conner Twenhafel

Welcome Hostesses: Allison Brown and Emily Finke

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

Ushers: Aeion Drain, Caleb George, Cole McNitt, Mason Schingel, Tim Marston, and Jordan Williams

Credentialed Nursery Teacher: Tania Cruz

***The Memory Book is open to the page honoring
Lenore Pigott Wells***

Stewardship & Attendance for February 16, 2014

Offering: \$4,872.50 Worship: 204 Sunday School: 129

Join us for Our Neighbors Table TODAY at noon



Nursery Needs: We need the following items - please help if you can.

- Individual snacks
- Fruit snacks
- "Go Go Squeeze" pouch-type smoothies and applesauce
- Goldfish

What is Ash Wednesday?



Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent in the Western Christian calendar. Its name comes from the practice of placing ashes on the foreheads of adherents as a celebration and reminder of human mortality, and as a sign of mourning and repentance to God.

Please join us next week for our annual Ash Wednesday service, at 7 p.m. on March 7.

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 TODAY at 11:15 in the Chapel.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER AT MUMC?

Our next membership orientation workshop will be held on Sunday afternoon, March 9, at 3:00 pm in Faithful Friends.

The next Sunday we will be receiving members into the church will be March 16th.

If you are considering membership and would like to attend the informational workshop, please sign up on the attendance pad.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Monday, February 24, 2014

- 6:00 p.m. Unglued Study in Library Rm 109
- 7:00 p.m. AA Big Book in Fellowship Hall Rm 104

Tuesday, February 25, 2014

- 6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts in Fellowship Hall Rm 104

Wednesday, February 26, 2014

- 5:45 p.m. Choir Practice
- 6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts in Fellowship Hall Rm 104
- 6:30 p.m. Youth Ministry Team in Chapel Rm 202
- 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting in Passages (open mtg) Rm 108
- 7:00 p.m. Al-Anon in Upper Room 110

Thursday, February 27, 2014

- 6:00 p.m. Disciple II Bible Study in Faithful Friends Rm 204
- 6:30 p.m. Library reserved Rm 109

Saturday, March 1, 2014

- 9:00 a.m. Handbell Choir Practice in Balcony
- 10:00 a.m. AA Meeting in Passages (closed mtg) Rm 108
- 1-5:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall reserved Rm 104

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

The new meeting calendar holders will be installed soon - one outside of each meeting room in the church and annex. The new calendars will include all meetings for the week, posted outside of every room. You will be able to go to any schedule and find out where you need to be. The display will include the time each room is reserved (to allow set-up time) followed by the meeting name, the room name, the room number and the meeting start time.

After the new sign holders are installed, we will no longer put the moveable signs out for each meeting.

We hope this new system will better meet the needs of our growing, active church community.



Lowell and Ada Heller invite their MUMC friends to join them in celebrating their 70th wedding anniversary. You are welcome at their open house, **TODAY** from 2:00- 4:30 p.m. at 2210 Dewey Street.

Prayer List

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| Viola Buchholz | Novella Howard | Myrtle McKinnie |
| Betty Kiel | Josh Nelson | Elene Swafford |
| Rick McLaskey | Ed Lirely | Linda Rozich |
| Dan Watson | Dan Vaughn | Patsy Springs |
| Phyllis Sides | David Hines | Rhonda Guisti |
| Sandra and Keith Flynt | | |

- ♦ Tom Vestal, related to cancer and other health concerns
- ♦ Prayers for the family members of Paula Huppert from our church. Lisa and Brian Bustos, Frank Stewart, Jim and Sheila Stewart, and Shannon and Jamie Green.

~ 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 February is Feeder of the Pack.

Please include this in your daily prayers.

Saturday Morning Book Club:

Saturday, March 15th at 10:30 a.m. in the church library.

In Beatrice Prior's dystopian Chicago world, society is divided into five factions, each dedicated to the cultivation of a particular virtue... On an appointed day of every year, all sixteen-year-olds must select the faction to which they will devote the rest of their lives. For Beatrice, the decision is between staying with her family and being who she really is - she can't have both. So she makes a choice that surprises everyone, including herself!



YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR

TODAY: *Youth Sunday Service
*No Youth Group Meetings

March 9 *Youth Group Meetings 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

March 23 *Youth Group Meetings 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

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