

Welcome to the
**MURPHYSBORO UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**



See You on the Trail!

March 9, 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 ages 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

March 9, 2014—First Sunday of Lent
Lent—Purple

Call to Worship

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

P: **And also with you.**

Congregational Chorus

"Fill My Cup, Lord"

Hymnal #641

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

"Siciliana" by George Frideric Handel

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

Light of Christ Enters

++Hymn of Praise

"Lift High the Cross"

Hymnal #159

Noisy Offering: During this hymn, the children will pass buckets and collect loose change. The noisy offering for missions in March will go to the **Murphysboro Food Pantry**

Invocation

Everlasting God, because of your tender mercy toward all people, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon himself our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all should follow the example of his great humility.

Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of his patience and also be made partakers of his resurrection; 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

Lenten Reflection

Chancel Choir

"Come To The Water" by John Foley

Children's Moments

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"Trumpet Tune" (from Trumpet Sonata in D) by Henry Purcell

++Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Hymnal #95

Bell Choir

Offering of Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer of Intercession and Blessing

The Lord's Prayer

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

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

P: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

"The Two Dimensions of Grace"

Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

++Communion Hymn

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

Hymnal #618

Ritual of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Benediction

++Postlude

"Larghetto" by Willem de Fesch

++Congregation is invited to stand as you are able

Today's Worship

Greeters: Rosie Wece and Family

Liturgist: Bill Slider

Organist: Micah Mayes

Worship Leader: Ed O'Donnell

Prayer Request Reader: Kristi Miller

Acolytes: Cadence Brown and Maddie Bear

Welcome Hostesses: Laurie Nehring and Kathy Blackwell

Sunday Stewards: Gene Schwebel, Troy Brown, Everett Blackwell

Ushers: Rick Runge, Kyle Quigley, Erin Mileur, Bob Eaton, Trina Eaton and Mark Twenhafel

Credentialed Nursery Teacher: Tania Cruz

The Memory Book is open to the page honoring Mrs. A G Werner

Stewardship & Attendance for February 23, 2014 (no service 3/2)

Offering: \$5,266 Worship: 219 Sunday School: 151

February Noisy Offering Total to Feeder of the Pack: \$609.91

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER AT MUMC?

Please attend the membership orientation workshop TODAY 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.

The Seekers Class Starts a New Lenten Study Today! We will be using Adam Hamilton's DVD and book study called "The Way: Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus." Hamilton visits places in the Holy Land where Jesus walked, and offers insights that help us hear "familiar stories with fresh ears." Questions? Talk with Susan Patterson, or just come to the Seekers' class, Room 110 on the lower level of the Education wing.

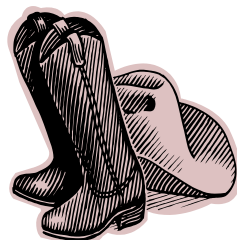


"A Night in Italy"
at
La Bella Luna
April 6, 2014
5:30 pm
Tickets on Sale in
Fellowship Hall March 9th
\$20 per person
Only 60 tickets available
Babysitting too

NURSERY NEEDS:

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

INDIVIDUAL SNACKS
FRUIT SNACKS
"GO GO SQUEEZE"
POUCH-TYPE SMOOTHIES
APPLESAUCE
GOLDFISH



Attention Couples Date Night is BACK!

March 28th 6:00 p.m. Bandanas in Carbondale.

Sign-up on the attendance pad.

Contact Jennifer O'Donnell if you have questions-
jennylee.odonnell@gmail.com (618)565-4166

Prizes for the best western attire!
(contest optional)

CHURCH CALENDAR

Monday, March 10, 2014

1:00 p.m. Nurture and Care in Trailblazers Rm 200D
5:30 p.m. Relay for Life (rescheduled from 3/2) in Chapel Rm 202
6:00 p.m. Unglued Study in Faithful Friends Rm 204
7:00 p.m. AA Big Book in Fellowship Hall Rm 104

Tuesday, March 11, 2014

12:00 p.m. Young At Heart in Fellowship Hall Rm 104
6:00 p.m. Board of Trustees in Annex
6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts in Fellowship Hall Rm 104
6:30 p.m. VBS Planning in Chapel Rm 202
7:00 p.m. Finance Committee in Annex

Wednesday, March 12, 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. AA Meeting in Upper Room (open mtg)
7:00 p.m. AA/AL in Passages
7:00 p.m. Publicity & Promotions in Annex

Thursday, March 13, 2014

4:30 p.m. Girl Scouts in Fellowship Hall Rm 104
6:00 p.m. Disciple II Bible Study in Faithful Friends Rm 204
6:30 p.m. Library Reserved Rm 109

Friday, March 14, 2014

10:00a.m. Feeder of the Pack in Fellowship Hall Rm 104

Saturday, March 15, 2014

9:00 a.m. Handbell Choir Practice in Balcony
10:00 a.m. AA Meeting in Passages (closed mtg) Rm 108
10:30 a.m. Bookclub in Library Rm 109

Sunday, March 16, 2014

11:00 a.m. Adult Mission Info Mtg in Fellowship Hall Rm 104
11:15 a.m. Hospitality Team in Chapel Rm 202
3:30 p.m. Confirmation Class in Chapel Rm 202

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

The new meeting calendar holders have been installed - one outside of each meeting room in the church and annex. The new calendars 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 includes 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. We no longer put out the moveable signs for each meeting.

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

Sunday, March 23 — District Leadership Training Event—CANCELED.

Prayer List

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

- ◆ Linda Rozich, sister-in-law of Gene Schwebel, who is battling cancer.
- ◆ Tom Vestal, related to cancer and other health concerns.
- ◆ Family of Cheryl Wilkerson, friend and co-worker of Gene Schwebel, who passed away.

~ 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 March is the Murphysboro Food Pantry.

Please include this in your daily prayers.



**TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2014
At Noon in Fellowship Hall**

Program: To Be Determined
Menu: Soup and Sandwiches, Soft Roll, Carrot and Raisin Salad, and Cherry Cheesecake
Cost: \$5.00

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

WE WHO ARE 50 ARE MEMBERS OF YOUNG AT HEART!

YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR

March 9 *Youth Group Meetings 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.
March 21-22 Dare to Share Conference—H.S. Youth
March 23 *Youth Group Meetings 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.
March 28 JYF Bowling at SI Bowl 5:30—8:30 p.m.

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

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

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