

Welcome to the
**MURPHYSBORO UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**



See You on the Trail!

March 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.

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 16, 2014—Second 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

"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

"Wondrous Love" Arranged by Gregg Sewell

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

Light of Christ Enters

++Hymn of Praise

"To God Be the Glory"

Hymnal #98

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

O God, just as we look into a mirror to see any soiled spots on our face, so let us look to you in order to understand the things that we have done amiss. We are like a reed shaken in the wind; we are inexpressibly weak. Leave us not to ourselves, but dwell in our hearts and guide our thoughts and actions. 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

Reception of New Members

Arlene and Paul Bitner

Chancel Choir

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus" by Clephane & Maker

Children's Moments

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"Jesus, Word of God" by W. A. Mozart

++Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Hymnal #95

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)

Mark 14:1-9

New Testament p.51

Mark 10:17-22

New Testament p.46

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

P: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

"Serving Those in Need"

Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

++Commitment Hymn

"Jesu, Jesu"

Hymnal #432

Taking the Light of Christ into the World

Benediction

++Postlude

"Great is Thy Faithfulness" Arranged by Jack Schrader

++Congregation is invited to stand as you are able

Today's Worship

Greeters: Rosie Wece and Family

Liturgist: Paula Chapa

Organist: Judy Little

Worship Leader: Ed O'Donnell

Prayer Request Reader: Mary Jane Williams

Acolytes: Ben Barringer and Ethan Finke

Welcome Hostesses: Adrienne Will and Sandy Herring

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
Walter King**



THE WHITE ROSE ON THE ALTAR TODAY IS IN MEMORY OF:

Sue Congiardo

Stewardship & Attendance for March 9, 2014

Offering: \$12,758.50 Worship: 192 Sunday School: 117

SAVE THE DATE—Sunday, March 30, 3:00—6:30 p.m.

Workshop: **“Becoming Invitational,” It’s Easier Than You Think**

Did you know:

- 89% of all new people who attend our church, and return, come with a friend
- 82% of people not connected to a church are somewhat likely to attend if invited
- 2% of a typical congregation say they have invited someone in the past year

How can we be part of helping our church grow?

Learn how easy it is to become more invitational.

Workshop Leader: Rev. Mike Crawford, Coordinator of Congregational Development

Date/Location: Sunday, March 30, 3:00—6:30 p.m., MUMC Fellowship Hall

For Whom: Anyone willing to learn how to invite others to church

Sign up on the attendance pad no later than March 23rd, and let’s become a more invitational congregation!



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 or (618)565-4166.

Prizes for the best western attire! (contest optional)

ARE YOU A FAN OR ADMIRER OF JESUS CHRIST?

Find out in this video book study by Kyle Idleman if you are a fan or follower.

NOT A FAN study led by Troy Brown & Jennifer O’Donnell on Thursdays beginning March 20th through May 1st (no meeting Maundy Thursday), 6:00-7:30 p.m. Sign-up on the attendance pad in worship or contact Jennifer (618)565-4166 or jennylee.odonnell@gmail.com. Books are \$9. (Please let us know if you already own them.)

Greetings Bakers!



Our dessert for the March 30th Neighbor’s Table includes cookies. We’d like to have 10 to 12 dozen available. Please let Clara Kiser know if you want to provide some by writing to pontiac@egyptianpontiac.com or calling 687-2235. Please let us know if the cookies you bake include nuts. And if one or two of you want to make sugar-free varieties, that’s even better. Thanks for all you do! ~Our Neighbor’s Table Team



At bulletin publication time, VERY FEW tickets remained for April 6th “An Evening in Italy”

CHURCH CALENDAR

Monday, March 17, 2014

Meals on Wheels - Sharon Jones and Nancy Fager
Betty King and Kathy Blackwell

1:30 p.m. Young at Heart in Fellowship Hall Rm 104

6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts #8189 in Journeys Rm 107

7:00 p.m. AA Big Book in Fellowship Hall Rm 104

Tuesday, March 18, 2014

Meals on Wheels - Ralph and Joan Bastien

Lee Rendleman and Lela Sternberg

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

6:30 p.m. Late Service Launch Team in Annex

Wednesday, March 19, 2014

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

9:30 a.m. Worship Planning in Annex

5:45 p.m. Choir Practice

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

6:45 p.m. Newcomers in Chapel Rm 202

7:00 p.m. Service & Missions in Faithful Friends Rm 204

7:00 p.m. AA Meeting in Upper Room (open mtg) Rm 110

7:00 p.m. AA/AL in Passages Rm 108

Thursday, March 20, 2014

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

6:00 p.m. *Not a Fan* Study in Faithful Friends Rm 204

Friday, March 21, 2014

Meals on Wheels - Lynn and Richard Pierson
Jack Cochran and Jack Herring

6:00 p.m. Daisy #8225 in Journeys Rm 107

7:30 p.m. Brownies in Journeys Rm 107

Saturday, March 22, 2014

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

10:00 a.m. AA Meeting in Passages (closed mtg) Rm 108

Sunday, March 23, 2014

Noon Discerning Our Direction in Faithful Friends Rm 204

3:30 p.m. Confirmation Class in Chapel Rm 202

5:00 p.m. Youth Groups

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

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 11:00 a.m. in the Chapel.



Prayer List

Viola Buchholz	Myrtle McKinnie	Josh Nelson
Elene Swafford	Rick McLaskey	Ed Lirely
Dan Watson	Patsy Springs	Phyllis Sides
David Hines	Rhonda Guisti	

- ◆ Linda Rozich, sister-in-law of Gene Schwebel, who is battling cancer
- ◆ Tom Vestal, related to cancer and other health concerns.
- ◆ Judy Jo Graff Phillips and David Hallman, cousins of Dick and Sharon Graff, who are having health concerns
- ◆ Family of Sue Congiardo who passed away
- ◆ Family of Charles C. Hines who passed away, including wife, Gloria Corder

~ 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.



ATTENTION: FAITH TRAVELERS!

Be on the lookout next week for opportunities to suggest new ministries at MUMC and connect with the **74 ROUTES** (ministries) already mapped out for our faith journeys.

JUNIOR YOUTH FELLOWSHIP BOWLING AT SI BOWL

Friday, March 28th, 5:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

Bus departs church at 5:30 p.m.

and returns at 8:30 p.m.

Sign up with Laurie Nehring by paying \$2 by Sunday, March 23rd. BRING A FRIEND!



YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR

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)

DEADLINE FOR COMPASS SUBMISSIONS = Monday, Mar. 17th!