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**Wednesday  
 Prayer Group**

Begins at 9:30 a.m.  
 Church Prayer Room  
 Come and Pray  
 With Us!  
*Everyone Welcome!*

Praying Through  
 God's Word

**WEEKLY BULLETIN  
 DEADLINE**  
**Wednesday**  
**10:00 a.m.**



August Compass Deadline  
 is Monday, July 21

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

I am sitting in the Masada lodge at Little Grassy camp as I write these words. I am spending this week providing a morning and evening worship experience for four camps. As I prepared to come out to camp, I was wondering why in the world I agreed to do this week of camp with all the other things that are going on right now. I was here about 10 seconds when I remembered why- because our children and youth are here and this is one of the great opportunities we have to influence them for Christ.

I am constantly reminded of the power of intensive religious experiences in our faith journey and the lasting impact they can have on our lives years afterward. Many of the persons who are active in churches today can tell the stories of weeks spent in camp, trips, or retreats where God became abundantly real to them in new and transformational ways.

If you are a parent then I encourage you to take seriously the role of attempting to provide these experiences for your children. As an adult I would encourage you to seek these experiences for yourself. The church has any number of resources to help you discover what options are available for yourself or your loved ones.

You may remember in the story in Exodus, God drew Moses away from the ordinary routine of his life to experience the burning bush - the same may just be true for you.

To God be the glory,  
 Larry



**JULY 2014 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

1	6:30pm	Praise Team Practice	22	6:30pm	Praise Team Practice
2	6:00pm	Boy Scouts		6:30pm	Church Council
	7:00pm	AA Meeting	23	6:00pm	Boy Scouts
		Al-Anon Meeting		6:30pm	Youth Ministry
3				7:00pm	AA Meeting
4					Al-Anon Meeting
5	10:00am	AA Meeting	24	4:30pm	Girl Scouts
6			25	12:30pm	Office Volunteers
7	6:00pm	Mom's Group		3:00pm	Church Yard Sale
	7:00pm	AA Big Book Meeting	26	8:00am	Church Yard Sale
8	12:00pm	Young at Heart		10:00am	AA Meeting
	6:00pm	Board of Trustees	27	12:00pm	Our Neighbor's Table
	6:30pm	Praise Team Practice		5:00pm	Youth Groups
	7:00pm	Finance Committee	28	7:00pm	AA Big Book Meeting
9	9:00am	Staff Meeting	29	6:30pm	Praise Team Practice
	6:00pm	Boy Scouts	30	6:00pm	Wiseman Study
	6:30pm	P & P Committee			Boy Scouts
	7:00pm	AA Meeting		7:00pm	AA Meeting
		Al-Anon Meeting			Al-Anon Meeting
10	4:30pm	Girl Scouts	31		
11	10:00am	Feeder of the Pack			
12	7:30am	UMM Breakfast			
	10:00am	AA Meeting			
13	11:15am	Staff/Parish			
	4:00pm	Vacation Bible School			
14	1:00pm	Nurture & Care			
	4:00pm	Vacation Bible School			
	7:00pm	AA Big Book Meeting			
15	4:00pm	Vacation Bible School			
	6:30pm	Praise Team Practice			
16	4:00pm	Vacation Bible School			
	7:00pm	Service & Missions			
		AA Meeting			
		Al-Anon Meeting			
17	4:00pm	Vacation Bible School			
18					
19	10:00am	AA Meeting			
	10:30am	Book Club			
20	11:15am	Late/Praise Service			
	3:30pm	Lifted Hands Practice			
		Sr High Mission Trip			
21		Meals on Wheels Week			
	6:00pm	Mom's Group			
	7:00pm	AA Big Book Meeting			



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		



You may have noticed these posters around the church. Worship One Serve One refers to the opportunity we have, as a congregation with two services, to worship at one service and serve at the other. If this is a step on the trail that you would like to take, below is a list of the areas in which you may like to serve and the contact for more information in that area:

- ◆ **Welcome Host/Hostess** - Carolyn Sauer 684-2060/ 618-303-5548, geosauer1@aol.com or Patti Shields, 618-684-5515, deanshields@aol.com
- ◆ **Video Crew** -Troy Brown, 618-713-3447, laceywasright@gmail.com
- ◆ **Sound Technician** - Bill Quigley, 618-521-1259
- ◆ **Children's Church** - Emily Hargraves, 618-559-0329, ehargraves88@gmail.com
- ◆ **Nursery** - Scarlett Pierson, 573-587-9106, piersonscarlett@yahoo.com
- ◆ **Usher** - Ron Moutardier, 618-893-4059/ 618-303-0697, gronnmg@gmail.com
- ◆ **Technology** -Troy Brown, 618-713-3447, laceywasright@gmail.com



*Holy Lands Trip  
February 24th to  
March 5th, 2015*

**Why not experience the season of Lent as never before with a trip to the Holy Lands?**

We'll travel to Israel to see where Jesus was born, where His ministry took place, and to celebrate His resurrection.

For more information, please contact:

Kathy Blackwell at kathyb@siu.edu

or

Trina Eaton at trina.eaton1@gmail.com.



**Saturday Morning Book Club**  
**July 19th at 10:30 a.m. Church Library**  
Contact 559-0329 or ehargraves88@gmail.com

We will be discussing:

**""The Fault in Our Stars" by John Green**

*Despite the tumor-shrinking medical miracle that has bought her a few years, Hazel has never been anything but terminal, her final chapter inscribed upon diagnosis. But when a gorgeous plot twist named Augustus Waters suddenly appears at Cancer Kid Support Group, Hazel's story is about to be completely rewritten.*

Get a head start on the book for August:

**"A Walk in the Woods" by Bill Bryson.**

**MUMC Mom's Group**

6-8pm every other Monday starting July 7th  
Studying **The Search for Significance**

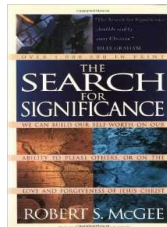
by Robert S. McGee

Room 204 (Faithful Friends)

Child

Care

Provided



**Invite a friend to worship on July 20th  
at 11:15 am.**

**Informal service, praise/worship music,  
Pastor Larry preaching, nursery and  
children's church provided. Lots of  
sanctuary seating & casual attire. It's  
a great time to invite someone new to  
join you in worship & introduce them  
to our family of faith.**

**Don't Miss the Experience!**

# CHURCH LIBRARY

"Love the Lord your God with all your mind."



## The Library Corner: Summer Fun

July. What a good time for a cold glass of lemonade, and a chance to sit in the shade and read a book and enjoy the summer world. Sounds wonderful, doesn't it? We all need a little time to relax in the midst of our busy lives. The library has some books to help with this relaxation scenario. To give you just a little taste of some of the fiction books we have, here are the first few lines from several of them:

*"Harriet Beamer never lost a bet in her life. Not that she did much gambling, and she never bet more than a few dollars, but still, she could honestly say she'd never lost a bet. Not until her daughter-in-law, Prudence, enticed her to wager not just a few dollars, but her entire house."*

**From Harriet Beamer Takes the Bus, by Joyce Magnin.**

*"He left the coffee-scented warmth of the Main Street Grill and stood for a moment under the green awning. The honest cold of an early mountain spring stung him sharply. He often noted the minor miracle of passing through a door into a completely different world, with different smells and attractions. It helped to be aware of the little things in life, he told himself, and he often exhorted his congregation to do the same."* **From At Home in Mitford, by Jan Karon.**

*"Elmwood Springs, Missouri, June 1, 1948 ~~~ Everyone in Elmwood Springs and thereabouts remembers the day*

*they put the radio tower in Neighbor Dorothy's backyard, and how excited they were that night when they first saw the bright red bulb on top of the tower, glowing like a cherry-red Christmas light way up in the black Missouri sky."* **From Welcome to the World, Baby Girl, by Fannie Flagg.**

*"Lehigh Valley, Pennsylvania, Spring 1891 ~~~ Kelly McGregor trudged wearily along the towpath, kicking up a cloud of dust with the tops of her worn work boots. A size too small and pinching her toes, they were still preferable to walking barefoot. Besides the fact that the path was dirty, water moccasins from the canal sometimes slithered across the road."* **From Kelly's Chance, Brides of Lehigh Canal trilogy, by Wanda Brunstetter**

*"Blue Island, Illinois, 1936 ~~~ If my life were a book, no one would read it. People would say it was too boring, too predictable. A story told a million times. But I was perfectly content with my life—that is until the pages of my story were ripped out before I had a chance to live happily ever after. The end came, appropriately enough, at a funeral. Not my own funeral—I'm only twenty-two years old—but Elmer Watson's funeral."* **From Wonderland Creek, by Lynn Austin.**

Well there you are--here's your chance. These interesting books plus more are downstairs in the church library, or upstairs on the library table. Pick one up. Relax and read. Enjoy. Repeat!



## Disciple Builders

This new service ministry is up and running. Applications are available in the church office for members of our church family to have small home repair projects completed. Projects will be selected based on the skills of the available volunteers, and may be prioritized depending on the urgency of need. Contact Dan Bratton at 687-2460 if you have any questions.

What a blessing to have this worthwhile ministry made available to us.



Annual Church Yard Sale  
 Friday, July 25 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
 Saturday, July 26 8:00 am - 12:00 Noon

Donated items can be brought to the church Fellowship Hall (south section):

Friday, July 18, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm (you will need to have the office let you in)

Saturday, July 19 (Call Lynn Pierson @ 684-3601 for the time you wish to drop off items and she will be available but no later than 3:00 pm)

Sunday, July 20 after Sunday School

Item drop off times* and work schedule			
Monday, July 21	9:00 am - 12:00 Noon	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Tuesday, July 22	9:00 am - 12:00 Noon	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Wednesday, July 23	9:00 am - 12:00 Noon	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Thursday, July 24	9:00 am - 12:00 Noon	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	
Friday, July 25	9:00 am - 12:00 Noon	2:00 pm - 5:00 pm	5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Saturday, July 26	8:00 am - 12:00 Noon	12:00 Noon -put tables into classrooms & clear space for dinner on Sunday	
Monday, July 28	9:00 am - 12:00 Noon - to remove and distribute items not sold		

*\*For placement and pricing - please bring items no later than noon on Thursday*

Please do not bring: cell phones, fax machines or computers unless hard drives are cleared of personal information, console TVs or large/heavy TVs with huge picture tubes on the back, items that are broken or do not work. Please offer suggested price for golf clubs, motors, computers or other unique items.

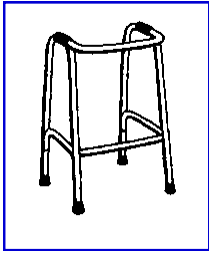
Disbursements of over \$3,000 2013 Yard Sale funds by the Missions and Service Committee:

- Freezer used by Our Neighbor's Table, Youth Groups and Funeral Dinner group
- Little Grassy Camperships for children
- Henderson Settlement Mission Trip (funding of on-site work project)

The items you donate fill the needs of many in our community. We offer affordable prices on clothing, shoes, coats, infant necessities, bedding/towels/linens, kitchen items, books, home decor, toys, furniture, etc. On Sunday, July 27, after the Our Neighbor's Table dinner the guests are offered items without cost.

The mission continues after the sale in many ways. On Monday July 28 we distribute items to: a local nursing home accepts age/laundry appropriate clothing and shoes, SPIN chooses items they have need of, a facility in Energy accepts items for those who have lost their homes to fire/flooding, and miscellaneous items are taken to the Salvation Army in Marion.

Donations of items and volunteered time are needed to make this sale a success. Please clean out your closets, cabinets, and storage rooms and all the excess stuff you are stumbling over and find time in your busy schedule to help with the sale. The fun and fellowship we share during this time is a wonderful blessing!



Your Health Ministries Team now has limited medical/mobility supplies available to borrow. Please call the church office at 687-2317 for information.

We could use more such equipment if you have an item you'd be willing to make available. You don't need to donate it to the church - just let us know what you have that you're willing to lend, and we'll call you if someone needs it. Donations of items in good condition also gladly accepted!



**July 8th**

**12:00 noon**

**Fellowship Hall**

**Independence Day**

**Wear red, white and blue!**

**Menu - \$5.00 charge**

**Chef Salad with Crackers**

**Mac and Cheese**

**Red, White & Blue Cake with Blueberries**

**Please don't forget to sign-up on the attendance pad!**

**We will see you all on the 2nd Tuesday of every month for a delicious meal and fun conversation.**



**July is "Caring for Kids" month at Murphysboro UMC.**



We are asking the church family to come together and donate items that will support and encourage the children of our community. Each Sunday will have a special collection focus, but all items can be dropped off throughout the entire month. If you prefer to donate money, please put it in the offering plate and label it "Caring for Kids".

- July 6 - Backpacks and new socks
- July 13 - Wal-Mart gift cards
- July 20 - New or gently used children's books
- July 27 - School supplies

**MUMC TRAIL DAY 2014**

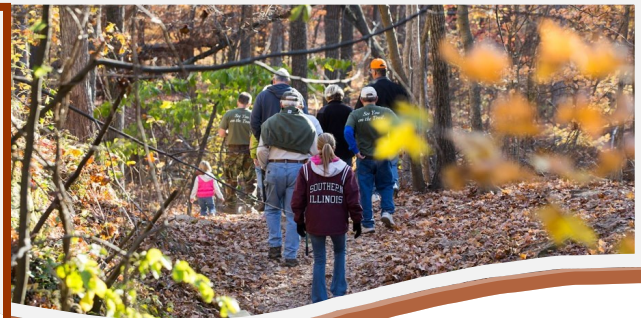
**SEPTEMBER 28TH**

**2:00PM**

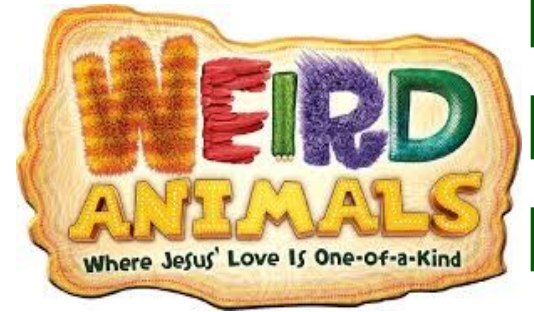
**GIANT CITY PARK**

**T-SHIRT ORDER FORMS AVAILABLE SOON!**

**- SAVE THE DATE -**



**It's not too late to help with Vacation Bible School!** We usually feed about 50 youth and volunteers each night. To help with the cost of this, please put cash or check in the offering plate with the notation of VBS. If you are interested in helping, contact: **Emily Hargraves at ehargraves88@gmail.com 618-559-0329**



July 13th—17th

**Please help support our High School Youth Mission Trip to Gatlinburg, Tennessee July 20 - 26, 2014**

There are still Post-its available on the "Post-It-Board" in the lower level hallway. Please select an amount and put the Post-It, along with your donation, in the offering plate - or send it to the church office.

Thanks!

**July 13th** - NO YOUTH MEETINGS — VBS Begins!  
**July 27th** - Youth Group - 5-6:30 Guest Speaker  
 \*CYF: Christian Youth Fellowship (3rd - 5th grade)  
 Leaders: Irma Bigham & Jennifer Watson  
 \*JYF: Junior Youth Fellowship (6th - 8th grade)  
 Leaders: Laurie Nehring & Shannon Vincent  
 \*SYF: Senior Youth Fellowship (9th - 12th grade)  
 Leaders: Paula Chapa & Stephanie Finke  
 Meetings are every 2nd & 4th Sunday 5-6:30pm

**OUR NEIGHBOR'S TABLE**



**LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH**



We need new people to volunteer to recycle for our church. It would entail picking up the recycling 1-2 months a year, once a week and take it to the recycling receptacle of your choice. Please contact the church office if you would like to be a part of this worthwhile ministry.

**Please be reminded that the deadline for the August Compass is the 21st of July.**

**Save the Date!**

The United Methodist Men will be taking a group again this year to the Lifeway Men's Conference in Nashville, Tennessee, called The Main Event. Former President George W. Bush will be the guest speaker. Contact **Jay Graff at 967-9848 (jgraff4@yahoo.com) or Perry Patterson at 519-0916 (perry0441@aol.com)** if you would like to attend.

**JULY**

**Worship Leader**

**Early Service** - Rick Runge- rrunge@frontier.com

**Praise Service** - Angie Baughman -  
angie\_baughman@hotmail.com

**Acolytes**

**July 6** - Maggie Jenkins & Megan McNitt  
**July 13** - Drake Rogus & Conner Twenhafel  
**July 20** - Cadence Brown & Aiden McNitt  
**July 27** - Ben Barringer & Ryan Finke

**Sunday Stewards**

Gene Schwebel, Troy Brown,  
Everett Blackwell

**Welcome Hostesses**

**July 6** - Julie Peterson & Marilyn Perry  
**July 13** - Julie Peterson & Marilyn Perry  
**July 20** - Jennifer O'Donnell & Patti Shields  
**July 27** - Jennifer O'Donnell & Patti Shields

**Prayer Request Readers**

**July 6** - Emily Hargraves  
**July 13** - Adrienne Will  
**July 20** - Wilma Westerfield  
**July 27** - Kristi Miller

**Greeters**

**July 6** - Pam Crews & Kay Bozarth  
**July 13** - Pam Crews & Kay Bozarth  
**July 20** - 9:00: Jim & Imogene Tedrow  
11:15: Gene Schwebel &  
Katie Schwebel  
**July 27** - Jim & Imogene Tedrow

**Liturgists**

**July 6** - Sharon Jones  
**July 13** - Susan Patterson  
**July 20** - Trina Eagon  
**July 27** - Bob Hall

**Ushers**

Todd Lirely, Scott Ballard, Sandy Herring, Ralph Bastien, Dick Graff, & Vanessa Lirely



1	Katie Chambers	16	Olliebelle Ridley
3	William Martin	17	Rhiannon Gally
	Tassie Lirely	18	Jacob Stewart
	Loyd Ebersohl		Olivia Schaldemose
4	Ruth Ebersohl	19	Bert Ozburn
6	Viola Parrish	20	Willa Addison
7	Bill McGuire	21	Barbara Giffin
	Mickey Jackson	22	Lillie Schaldemose
8	Richard Graff	24	Jennifer O'Donnell
	Asia Watson	25	Lee Rendleman
11	Geraldine Horner		Ron Moutardier
12	Gene Schwebel	28	Paul Chapman
	June Black	29	Dacoda Twenhafel
13	Sharon Jones	30	Francis Addison
14	JT Jenkins	31	Debbie Chapman
15	Pam Crews		Alberta Sullivan
	Brittni Heilig		Tage Green

**If your anniversary or birthday does not appear in the Compass, please contact the Church Office at 687-2317.**



1	Chris & Stephanie Finke
3	Ron & Clara Kiser
8	Brant & Amanda Wingerter
11	Michael & Carol Dreith
12	Randy & Gaye Auxier
14	Richard & Sharon Graff
17	Loyd & Ruth Ebersohl
21	Gary & Rosie Wece
25	Jim & Lee Rendleman
26	Mark & Deana Twenhafel
27	Carl & Gloria Stoker
30	Dave & Eileen Auxier

**JULY Noisy Offering**  
is going to the purchase of **SCHOOL SUPPLIES**



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Murphysboro, IL 62966

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***Return Service Requested***

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**1500 Pine Street**  
**Murphysboro, IL 62966**

**MUMC OFFICE HOURS**

Monday-Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.  
Phone: 618-687-2317 Fax: 618-687-2604  
E-Mail: [murphysboroumc@frontier.com](mailto:murphysboroumc@frontier.com)

**We're On The Web!**  
**[www.MurphysboroUMC.com](http://www.MurphysboroUMC.com)**



**SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Traditional Service: 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School: 10:10 a.m.  
Praise Service every 3rd Sunday: 11:15 a.m.

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Ministers.....The Congregation  
Pastor.....Larry A. Gilbert  
Coordinator of Ministries.....Earl R. Renshaw  
Discipleship Coordinator.....Teresa Gilbert  
Financial Secretary.....Christine Nolan  
Church Secretary.....Deb Severa  
Custodian.....Pat Sullivan  
Organist.....Micah Mayes  
Choir Director.....Ricardo King