

Welcome to the  
**MURPHYSBORO UNITED  
 METHODIST CHURCH**



*See You on the Trail!*

**July 13, 2014**  
**Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Pentecost—Red**

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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. Also see our new “Helping Children Experience Worship” cards in front of the pew Bibles.

**9:00 a.m. Traditional Service**

**Call to Worship**

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

**Congregational Chorus**

“There's Something About That Name” Hymnal #171

**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**

“Allegro” by Tomaso Albinoni  
 Please begin a time of quiet centering for worship when the music begins.

**Light of Christ Enters**

**++Hymn of Praise**

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness” Hymnal #140

**Noisy Offering:** During this hymn, the children will pass buckets and collect loose change. The noisy offering for missions in July will go to **School Supplies.**

**Invocation**

**O Lord our God, you are always more ready to bestow your good gifts on us than we are to seek them, and are willing to give more than we desire or deserve. Help us so to seek that we may truly find, so to ask that we may joyfully receive, so to knock that the door of your mercy may be opened to us; through Jesus Christ our Savior. 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**

**Special Music**

“How Great Thou Art” Sung by Lucas Bigham

**Children's Moments**

**Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory**

“The Festive Trumpet” by Dennis Eliot

**++Doxology**

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” Hymnal #95

**Hymn**

“Jesus Loves Me” Hymnal #191

**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**

Luke 15:11-32 Holy Bible (in pew)  
 New Testament p. 78  
 L: The Word of God for the people of God.  
 P: **Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon**

“It Ain't Easy” Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

**++Commitment Hymn**

“I Stand Amazed in the Presence” (vs 1, 2, 4) Hymnal #371

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

**Benediction**

**++Postlude**

“Stand by Me” by Robert J. Hughes

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

TODAY'S WORSHIP	
<b>Greeters</b>	Deena Rendleman and Mary Patterson
<b>Liturgist</b>	Susan Patterson
<b>Organist</b>	Micah Mayes
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Rick Runge (Email: <a href="mailto:rrunge@frontier.com">rrunge@frontier.com</a> )
<b>Prayer Request Reader</b>	Adrienne Will
<b>Acolytes</b>	Drake Rogus and Conner Twenhafel
<b>Welcome Hostesses</b>	Thelma Pierson and Marilyn Perry
<b>Ushers</b>	Todd Lirely, Scott Ballard, Sandy Herring, Ralph Bastien, Dick Graff and Vanessa Lirely
<b>Nursery Attendant</b>	Tania Cruz
<b>The Memory Book is open to the page honoring: Robert Hardy</b>	

**CALENDAR NOTE**

Our next Praise Service (formerly known as 'Late Service') is scheduled for **NEXT WEEK**. Invite friends and neighbors to join you at this service. Nursery and Children's Church are provided.



**Stewardship & Attendance for July 6, 2014**  
 Offering: \$7,620.00; Traditional Service: 181; Sunday School: 96

The white rose on the altar today is in memory of  
Alma Medlen, mother of Roger Medlen.



**LIFTED HANDS REHEARSALS**

Lifted Hands will have rehearsals on Sun., July 20th and Sun., Aug. 3rd from 3:30—5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. We will be learning a new song to offer as special music during Traditional Service on Sun., Aug. 10. All ages are welcome! Contact Angie Baughman at 618-201-0139 with any questions.

**CARING FOR KIDS MONTH**



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." Weekly collection focuses:

- Last Sunday**—Backpacks and new socks
- TODAY**—WalMart gift cards
- July 20**—New or gently used children's books
- July 27**—School supplies

**"LIBRARY" COPIER IS GETTING A NEW HOME**

The copier currently residing in the Library will soon be moved to a new location. Additional details are available from the church office (687-2317 or murphysboroumc@frontier.com).



**"SEE YOU ON THE TRAIL"**

Anticipate order forms to become available on Sunday, July 20th for **OPTIONAL** 2014 MUMC Trail Day t-shirts and sweatshirts. Identical to last trail day, three styles will be available for shirts: short sleeve,

long sleeve, and sweatshirts. Order blanks will also offer a choice between two colors: sand and forest green. So begin thinking about your trail attire for our September 28th Trail Day!

**CHURCH CALENDAR**

**TODAY**

11:15 a.m. Staff Parish in Rm 202  
5:00 p.m. Vacation Bible School

**Monday, July 14, 2014**

1:00 p.m. Nurture and Care in Rm 200C  
5:00 p.m. Vacation Bible School  
7:00 p.m. AA Big Book in Rm 107

**Tuesday, July 15, 2014**

5:00 p.m. Vacation Bible School

**Wednesday, July 16, 2014**

5:00 p.m. Vacation Bible School  
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting in Rm 107  
7:00 p.m. AA/AL in Rm 109

**Thursday, July 17, 2014**

5:00 p.m. Vacation Bible School

**Friday, July 18, 2014**

6:30 p.m. Praise Team in Sanctuary

**Saturday, July 19, 2014**

10:00 a.m. AA Meeting in Rm 107  
10:30 a.m. Saturday Morning Book Club in Rm 110

**Sunday, July 20, 2014**

3:30 p.m. Lifted Hands Rehearsal in Sanctuary

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

**There is still time to support our High School Youth**

**Mission Trip to Gatlinburg, Tennessee July 20 - 26, 2014**

Plenty of Post-its remain 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!

The deadline for submissions to the August Compass is **MONDAY, JULY 21ST.**



Drop off your Yard Sale items in the Fellowship Hall:  
**Friday: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm**  
**Saturday: Call Lynn Pierson to arrange no later that 3:00 pm. 684-3601**

**Prayer List**

Viola Buchholz	Myrtle McKinnie	Josh Nelson
Elene Swafford	Rick McLaskey	Ed Lirely
Patsy Springs	Linda Rozich	Lori Chapman
Betty Ward	Ina Mae Williams	Alberta Sullivan
Jane Mitchell	Tom Vestal	Francis Addison
Lisa Wright	Brad Hinchcliff	Nancy McNitt
Sandra & Keith Flynt	Paula Chapa	JoAnn Schirmer
Leone Ryan		

- ◆ The family of Judy Jo Graff Phillips
- ◆ The family of Alma Medlen
- ◆ Angela Wingo (granddaughter of Olliebelle Ridley) who is battling cancer.
- ◆ The extended family of Nancy McNitt upon the sudden passing of her cousin, Kevin Grace, of Pensacola, FL.

- ~ 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)
- ~ Names will be published in the bulletin for 4 weeks. Please contact the office if you want a name to run longer.
- ~ 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 July is School Supplies**  
Please include this in your daily prayers.



**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Sunday, August 10th YOUTH PICNIC/SWIM AT BIGHAM LAKE**

*Details to follow*

**YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR**

**TODAY JULY 27th**

\*Youth Group Meetings **CANCELLED DUE TO VBS**  
\*Youth Group Meetings 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

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

\*Youth meetings are the 2nd and 4th Sunday every month