

Welcome to the
**MURPHYSBORO UNITED
 METHODIST CHURCH**



See You on the Trail!

March 29, 2015

Sixth Sunday of Lent

Palm/Passion Sunday - Purple

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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 (suggested 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 (suggested), will be dismissed for CHILDREN'S CHURCH in Room 205, prior to the pastor's message. Also see our "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: "Jesus Loves Me" (all verses) Hymnal #191

Procession of the Palms

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 by Handbell Choir: "King of Kings" arr Robert J. Ward

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

Light of Christ Enters

Hymn of Praise with Combined Choirs, MUMC and Grace United

Methodist, Carbondale: Fanfare and Concertato on "Holy, Holy, Holy" (Heber/Dykes)

++Invocation

Almighty God, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to suffer death on the cross. Grant that we may share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and ever. Amen.

Lenten Reading and Extinguishing the Candle

++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

Children's Moments

*As the children come down, the red **Money for Mission** buckets in the pews are to be passed. The noisy mission offering in March will go to **Little Grassy Camp**.*

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: "What Wondrous Love Is This" arr Gregg Sewell

++Doxology: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" Hymnal #95

Offering of Joys and 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: Matthew 27:32-44 and Philippians 3:7-9

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

P: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon: "It Is Personal"

Angie Baughman

Stripping of the Sanctuary

Special by Combined Choirs: "Abide With Me" arr Moses Hogan

Taking the Light of Christ into the World

Benediction

++Postlude: "Behold the Lamb of God" by G. F. Handel, arr E. J. Lorenz

***** PLEASE DEPART QUIETLY *****

++Congregation is invited to stand as you are able

11:15 a.m. Praise Service

Opening Singing

Greeting Each Other

Handbell Choir: "King of Kings" arr Robert J. Ward

Welcome and Announcements

Giving Our Offerings

Songs of Worship

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Lenten Reading and Extinguishing the Candle

Children's Time

Scripture Reading: Matthew 27:32-44 and Philippians 3:7-9

Sermon: "It Is Personal"

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Stripping of the Sanctuary

Benediction

Sending Forth Song

TODAY'S WORSHIP	TRADITIONAL SERVICE	PRAISE SERVICE
Greeters	Rosie Wece and family	Teresa Gilbert and Candy Watt
Liturgist	Mary Jane Williams	
Organist/Pianist	Judy Little/Micah Mayes	
Worship Leader	Jennifer Watson jwatsonla1982@yahoo.com	Angie Baughman angie_baughman@hotmail.com and Brittany Nolan
Choir/Music Leader	Ricardo King	Brian Vincent
Prayer Request Reader	Nancy Fager	Angie Baughman
Acolytes	Tyler Doody and Ben Barringer	
Welcome Hostesses	Carolyn Ozburn and Barb Giffin	
Ushers	Rick Runge, Kyle Quigley, Jim Hughes, Bob and Trina Eaton and Mark Twenhafel	Allen and Lucas Bigham
Children's Church Volunteers	Diane Schingel	Theresa Mills and Mary Ann Hinchcliff
Nursery Attendant	Tania Cruz	Bridget Lewis
The Memory Book is open to the page honoring: Mrs. Lenore Wells Piggot		

Stewardship and Attendance for March 22, 2015
 Offering (Combined): \$5,629.50
 Traditional Service: 198; Praise Service: 60; Sunday School: 126

AN INVITATION FROM OUR NEIGHBOR'S TABLE MINISTRY TEAM:

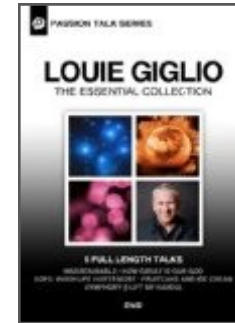
Please join us **TODAY** at noon in Room 104 for a scrumptious Easter holiday dinner and great fellowship.



The church schedule of activities and meetings is available on our website at www.murphysboroumc.com under "About MUMC" and on the weekly calendar sheets hung outside meeting rooms. A limited number of printed copies can be found on the table at the north end of the sanctuary.

New Study — Faithful Friends Women's Sunday School Class

Guest Leader—Nancy Vallino
"How Great is Our God" by Louis Giglio
 Your life is a miracle, and the Creator of the universe knows you by name. Come experience renewed strength, hope and love from the mighty God you serve.
 April 12—May 3
 8:00 a.m. or 10:15 a.m.; Room 204
 WOMEN OF ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!



Prayer List

Joann Schirmer Ben Hill Jim Ritcheson

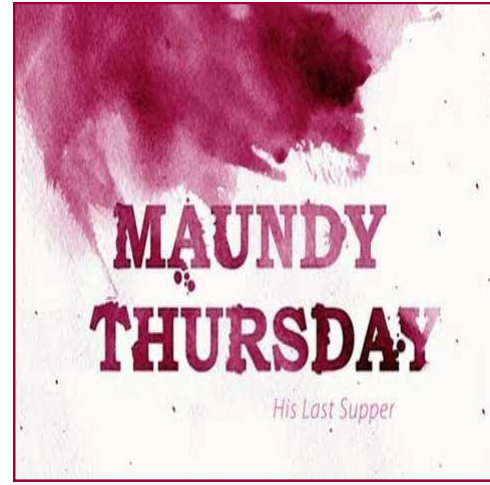
Thank you from Sue Cochran for all the prayers and cards - she is home now!

- ~ 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
- ~ 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.

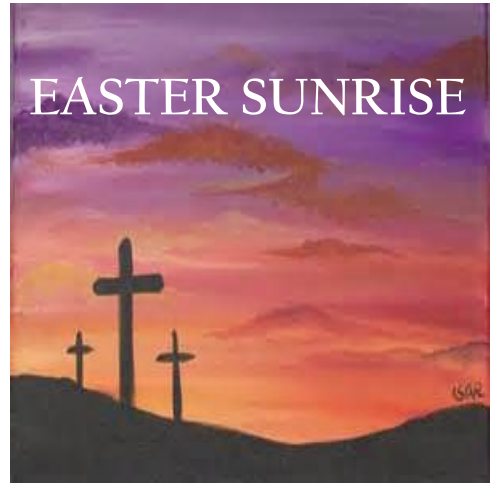
Prayer Emphasis for March is the Little Grassy Camp.
 Please include this in your daily prayers.

UPCOMING EASTER SERVICES

GOOD FRIDAY COMMUNITY SERVICE
 April 3rd, Noon, Murphysboro United Methodist Church



Thursday, April 2nd at 7:00 p.m.



Sunday, April 5th at 7:00 a.m.




EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 5th
DURING SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR
 Children are to go to their Sunday School classes where they will be directed to "the hunt!"

SATURDAY MORNING BOOK CLUB
 Saturday, April 18th, 10:15 a.m.
 Church Library (Room 110)

BOOK CLUB


The Book Club will be discussing *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd. Sue Monk Kidd is the celebrated author of *The Secret Life of Bees*, a *New York Times* bestselling novel previously studied in Book Club.
 The book for May is *Ghost Boy* by Martin Pistorius.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS NEEDED FOR PRE-K, K-2nd, 3rd-5th, JR. HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL!



Indicate your interest in substitute teaching by checking the Sunday School Substitute box on today's *Registration and Attendance Sheet*.

The Mission Trip to Camp Restore is postponed until a better date for more participants can be found. The prospective dates are April 26 or May 3rd. Please check your calendar ASAP and let Gene Schwebel (gene1955@mchsi.com) or Barb Hughes (jdbkhughes@frontier.com) know if you would be able to attend. Cost of the trip is \$300.



Just Walk Across the Room

A four week preaching series and a small group experience.

Coming in the month of June

April 2015

Worship Leaders

Traditional Service: Mike Dreith (mikedreith@jalc.edu)
Praise Service: Ed O'Donnell (eod@edodonnell.com)

YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR

Apr. 12 *Youth Group Meetings, 5:00 p.m.—6:30 p.m.
Apr. 26 *Youth Group Meetings, 5:00 p.m.—6:30 p.m.
May 10 MOTHER'S DAY—NO YOUTH MEETINGS!

- *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 Sundays every month