

Welcome to the
**MURPHYSBORO UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**



See You on the Trail!

April 12, 2015

**Second Sunday of Easter—White
Confirmation Sunday**

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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
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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: “Spirit Song” Hymnal #347

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: “Thine Be The Glory” (from “Maccabaeus”) by G. F. Handel, arr Barry Ferguson

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

Light of Christ Enters

++Hymn of Praise: “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” Hymnal #140

++Invocation

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace; where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to love; for it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

++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

Chancel Choir: “Borning Cry” by John Ylvisaker (*In honor of the Confirmation Class*)

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 April will go to **Senior Fest.***

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: “Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated” arr Harold DeCou

++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: Ephesians 3:14-21

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

P: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon: “Why Do We Do Confirmation” Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

Hymn: “Lord, I Want to Be a Christian” (vs 1 & 4) Hymnal #402

Service of Baptism and Confirmation
Reception of New Members } See names below

++Commitment Hymn: “Here I Am, Lord” Hymnal #593

Taking the Light of Christ into the World

Benediction

++Postlude: “Praise The Lord Who Reigns Above” arr Franklin Ritter

++Congregation is invited to stand as you are able

11:15 a.m. Praise Service

Opening Singing

Greeting Each Other

Welcome and Announcements

Giving Our Offerings

Songs of Worship

Recognition of New Confirmands

Children's Time

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 3:14-21

Sermon: “Why Do We Do Confirmation” Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Closing Song

Sending Forth

Names of Those Being Confirmed Today:

Adam Barringer	Aiden McNitt	Olivia Schaldemose
Lucas Bigham	Emma Nehring	Maggie Stewart
Allison Brown	Jacey Nehring	Nick Stokes
Caitlin Doody	Lillie Schaldemose	Keylin Wece

Names of Those Being Baptized Today:

Emma Nehring	Maggie Stewart
Jacey Nehring	Keylin Wece

*Names of Those Being
Received into Membership Today:*

Irma Bigham	Roy Bigham
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TODAY'S WORSHIP	TRADITIONAL SERVICE	PRAISE SERVICE
Greeters	Arlene Bitner and Katherine Twenhafel	Paul and Debbie Chapman
Liturgist	Lou Anne Lough	
Organist/Pianist	Judy Little/Micah Mayes	
Worship Leader	Mike Dreith mikedreith@jalc.edu	Ed O'Donnell eod@edodonnell.com and Brittany Nolan
Choir/Music Leader	Ricardo King	Dennis Goforth
Prayer Request Reader	Earl Renshaw	Ed O'Donnell
Acolytes	Megan McNitt and Cadence Brown	
Welcome Hostesses	Patti Shields and Julie Peterson	
Ushers	Todd Lirely, Scott Ballard, Sandy Herring, Ralph Bastien, Dick Graff and Vanessa Lirely	Rick Pierson, Brant Wingerter and Matt Baughman
Children's Church Volunteers	Jennifer O'Donnell	Rick and Scarlet Pierson
Nursery Attendant	Tania Cruz	Bridget Lewis
The Memory Book is open to the page honoring: Lura Hart		

LITTLE GRASSY SUMMER camps

The last chance to sign up for camp at the reduced cost is **TOMORROW, APRIL 13th**. Please have registration forms and payment to Christine Nolan no later than **TOMORROW**.

**Tuesday, April 14th
12:00 noon
Fellowship Hall**

MENU: Chicken casserole, broccoli with cheese, sunshine salad, rolls and lemon cake: \$5.00

Please check the Young at Heart box on the Registration & Attendance sheet if you plan on attending.



WEAR PASTEL COLORS!!

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS TO THE MAY COMPASS IS: **MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2015**



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 STARTS TODAY: "How Great is Our God" by Louis Giglio
Faithful Friends Women's Sunday School Class
Guest Leader—Nancy Vallino
8:00 a.m. or 10:15 a.m. Weekly Through May 3rd, Room 204
WOMEN OF ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!



IS ANYONE IN YOUR FAMILY GRADUATING?

If a member of your family will be graduating this year, please write the graduate's name and level of graduation (8th grade, high school, college, or grad school) in the body of our *Registration and Attendance Sheet*.

Graduates and their parents, siblings, and grandparents are invited to a celebration breakfast scheduled on Sunday, May 17th, **8:00 a.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. Please phone the church office (687-2317) **NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, MAY 14th** with the number from your family who will be attending the breakfast.

SPRING IS FINALLY HERE! Please join us for a spring church-wide picnic.

WHEN: Sunday, April 26th

TIME: 3:00—6:00 p.m.

WHERE: Murphysboro Lake

Concession Area Shelter

Gather at 3:00 p.m. for games, music and fellowship. We will eat at 4:30 p.m.

Hot dogs, brats, hamburgers, buns, condiments, lemonade and water will be provided. Please bring a salad, side dish or dessert.

Please check the Church Picnic box on the Registration & Attendance sheet if you plan on attending this picnic.



DO YOU LIKE TO KNOW WHEN PEOPLE MISS YOU?

MUMC has started sending "We're missing you" cards when regular attenders miss a few Sundays. How do we know you've not been in worship? The church is too large for everyone to know everyone, so we have to rely on the attendance pads. So if you attend worship, but do not sign the pad for several Sundays, you might receive a "we're missing you" card, even though you've been here. So sign in...let us know you were in worship! And if you notice someone that is missing who you think needs a card, write a note on the bottom of the attendance pad, or call the church office. Let's work together to let people know we miss them and want to share with them in worship.



Prayer List

Joann Schirmer
Sandra Renshaw

Ben Hill

Jim Ritcheson

- ~ 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 April is the Senior Fest.
Please include this in your daily prayers.

The Annual Women's Prayer Breakfast

Women of Character

**Saturday, May 2nd, 9:00 a.m.
in the Fellowship Hall**

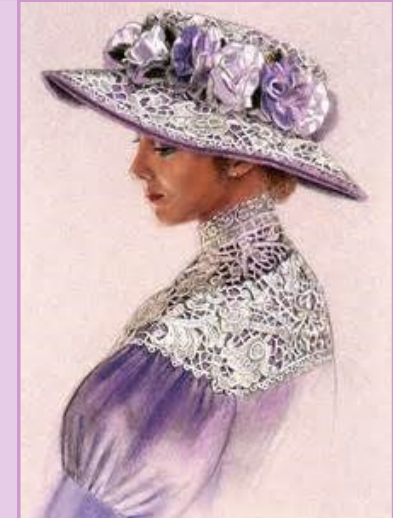
Tickets on sale beginning at 10:15 a.m. TODAY and every Sunday in APRIL in the Fellowship Hall.

Tickets are \$7 each. Tables of 8 may be reserved. Contact Rosie Wece at (618) 559-8167 or wece@wecefarms.com if you need more information.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THIS MORNING OF INSPIRATION, FELLOWSHIP, PRAYER, MUSIC AND LIGHT BREAKFAST.

HISTORICALLY, THIS EVENT SELLS OUT, SO GET YOUR TICKETS EARLY!

CHILD CARE IS PROVIDED DURING THE EVENT.
Sponsored by Adult Spiritual Formation Ministry Team



REMINDER: SATURDAY MORNING BOOK CLUB

April 18th, 10:15 a.m. in the Church Library (Room 110)

The Book Club will be discussing *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd.

YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR

- TODAY** *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