

Welcome to the  
**MURPHYSBORO UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH**



*See You on the Trail!*

August 23, 2015

13th Sunday after Pentecost  
Ordinary Time—Green

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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:** “My Tribute”

Hymnal #99

**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:** “Variations on ‘Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing’” by John Shannon

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

**Light of Christ Enters**

**++Hymn of Praise:** “Fairest Lord Jesus” (vs 1,2,3) Hymnal #189

**++Invocation**

**O God, our Guide and Guardian, you have led us apart from the busy world into the quiet of your house. Grant us grace to worship you in Spirit and in truth, to the comfort of our souls and the upbuilding of every good purpose and holy desire. Enable us to do more perfectly the work to which you have called us, that we may not fear the coming of night, when we shall resign into your hands the tasks which you have committed to us. So may we worship you not with our lips at this hour, but in word and deed all the days of our lives; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

**Time of Christian Fellowship and Greeting**

**Collection of Prayer Cards by Ushers**

**Special Music by Alex Baughman:** “Minuet in G Major” Anonymous

**Children's Moments**

*As the children come down, please pass the red **Money for Mission** buckets in the pews. The noisy mission offering in August will go to **Liberia Pastors' Salaries (3rd yr.)**.*

**Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory:** “Sarabande” (a renaissance dance) by J. S. Bach

**++Doxology:** “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” Hymnal #95

**Hymn:** “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” Hymnal #400

**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:** Ecclesiastes 5:10; I Timothy 6:10; Proverbs 22:7; and Philippians 4:11-13

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

P: **Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon:** “You've Got to Be *Kidding Me: Handling Debt*”

Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

**++Commitment Hymn:** “God Will Take Care of You” (vs 1,2) Hymnal #130

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

**Benediction**

**++Postlude:** “Hornpipe” from “Water Music” by G. F. Handel

**++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**

**Children's Time**

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**Sharing Joys and Concerns**

**Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer**

**Closing Song**

**Sending Forth**

TODAY'S WORSHIP	TRADITIONAL SERVICE	PRAISE SERVICE
<b>Greeters</b>	Wilma Westerfield and Lee Rendleman	Don Abbadusky
<b>Liturgist</b>	Gaye Auxier	
<b>Organist/Pianist</b>	Judy Little	
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Mike Dreith mumcministries@gmail.com	Kristi Miller mumcministries@gmail.com
<b>Music Leader</b>	Joseph Ryker	Angie Baughman
<b>Prayer Request Reader</b>	Lou Ann Lough	Kristi Miller
<b>Acolytes</b>	Ethan Finke and Wesley Graham	
<b>Welcome Hostesses</b>	Laurie Nehring and Kathy Blackwell	
<b>Ushers</b>	Todd Doody, Kyle Hargraves, Jennifer Watson, Lowell Heller, John Erbes and Shannon Green	Matt Baughman, Allen Bigham and Paul Chapman
<b>Children's Church Volunteers</b>	Diane Schingel	Jennie and Ben Snyder and Katrina Carnes
<b>Nursery Attendant</b>	Megan Gale	Megan Gale
<b>The Memory Book is open to the page honoring: Theron and Alta Lollar</b>		

Stewardship and Attendance for August 16, 2015  
 Traditional Service: 161; Praise Service: 64; Sunday School: 114  
 Offering: \$5,813.00

**AN INVITATION FROM OUR NEIGHBOR'S TABLE MINISTRY TEAM:**

Please join us **NEXT SUNDAY** at noon in Room 104 for a scrumptious meal and great fellowship.




**2015 MURPHYSBORO APPLE FESTIVAL:**  
*The Magic of Appletime*

MUMC will be walking in the Apple Festival parade on Saturday, September 19th. Parade walkers are needed to walk alongside our church van to represent our church and help hand out candy. Please mark your interest on the attendance pad. Candy donations are also needed and can be dropped off starting next Sunday in the bins near both main church entrances.

**HOST FAMILY NEEDED**

Youth for Understanding, a non-profit that arranges for foreign exchange students to be hosted by American families, is reaching out to our community on behalf of a blind girl named Vera. Vera is from Hungary and was scheduled to begin school at Murphysboro High School, but unfortunately her host family had to back out at the last minute. With school having started already, the non-profit staff is urgently trying to find a family to host Vera. If becoming a host family for Vera is something you might prayerfully consider, additional information is available on both the downstairs and upstairs bulletin boards (look for pink paper). Or, you can find additional information about both the exchange program and Vera under Current Happenings on our church website ([www.murphysboroumc.com](http://www.murphysboroumc.com)).

The church schedule of activities and meetings is available on our website at [www.murphysboroumc.com](http://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.



**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR MUMC RECYCLING TEAM**

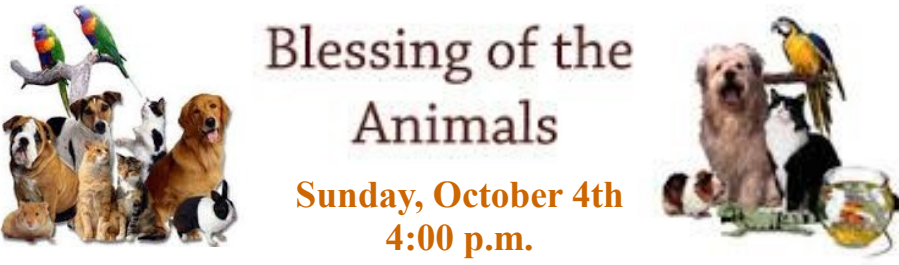
Involves both collection and delivery of church recyclables to a recycling facility. *Please indicate your interest in this important stewardship ministry by checking the MUMC Recycling Team box on the Attendance and Registration sheet.*

**Green Christian**  
 Stewards of God & the Earth

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Blessing of the Animals**

**Sunday, October 4th**  
**4:00 p.m.**



**KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS ENROLLMENT FOR 2015-2016!!**

Re-enrollment will be August 1—August 31. If you have previously enrolled in the Community Rewards program, you will need to re-enroll during the month of August for the MUMC to continue to receive the benefits. We will be having a Re-enrollment Sunday **TODAY** after both services. Christine will be on hand to help you with the process. If you would like to re-enroll or enroll for the first time before the 23rd, please feel free to call Christine at the church office (687-2317) any time in August. Remember, this is **FREE** money we receive from just shopping at Kroger. The more people we have signed up, the more money we can receive.



There is a member of our congregation whose children would appreciate twin beds and mattresses. Please call the church office at 687-2317 if you have either or both of these items to donate.

**Prayer List**

Earl Renshaw      Peggy Schuster      Gerald Ripley

- ~ 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.

**Prayer Emphasis for August is Liberia Pastors' Salaries (3rd yr.)**  
 Please include this emphasis in your daily prayers.



**TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY**

**DRIVERS NEEDED**

**FOR PICK UP AND RETURN OF THOSE WHO NEED TRANSPORTATION TO WORSHIP SERVICES**

If interested in this ministry, please check the Transportation Ministry box on the Registration and Attendance Sheet or contact the church office at 687-2317.

Jesus, with all that I am and all that I have, I thank and praise you for your amazing grace.

**YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR**

**Sept. 13**      \*Youth Group Meetings, 5:00 p.m.—6:30 p.m.  
**Sept. 27**      \*Youth Group Meetings, 5:00 p.m.—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 Sundays every month