

Welcome to the  
**MURPHYSBORO UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH**



*See You on the Trail!*

**September 20, 2015**  
**17th 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:** "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:** "Amazing Grace" arr George Sewell

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

**Light of Christ Enters**

**++Hymn of Praise:** "Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know" (vs 1,2,4) Hymnal #163

**++Invocation**

Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart. Here is the citadel of all my desiring, where my hopes are born and all the deep resolutions of my spirit take wings. In this center, my fears are nourished, and all my hates are nurtured. Here my loves are cherished, and all the deep hungers of my spirit are honored without quivering and without shock. In my heart, above all else, let love and integrity envelop me until my love is perfected and the last vestige of my desiring is no longer in conflict with thy Spirit. Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart. Amen.

**++Time of Christian Fellowship and Greeting**

**Collection of Prayer Cards by Ushers**

**Praise Litany—Psalm 100**

**Recognition of the New Banner**

**Chancel Choir:** "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" by M. Teschner arr by Noble Cain

**Reception of New Member:** Leah Patterson

**Children's Moments**

As the children come down, please pass the red **Money for Missions** buckets in the pews. The noisy mission offering in September will go to **Gum Drop Kids**.

**Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory:** Variations on "O Word of God Incarnate" arr Ann Slowins

**++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:** Romans 3:28-31

L: The Word of God for the people of God.  
P: Thanks be to God!

**Sermon:** "You've Got to Be *Kidding Me*: Righteous Through Faith—Not Works" Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

**++Commitment Hymn:** "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" (vs 1,4) Hymnal #402

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

**Benediction**

**++Postlude:** "Trumpet Postlude" by L. N. Clerambault

**++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**

**Praise Litany from Psalm 100**

**Dedication of the New Banner**

**Songs of Worship**

**Reception of New Member:** Judy Williams

**Children's Time**

**Scripture Reading:** Romans 3:28-31

**Sermon:** "You've Got to Be *Kidding Me*: Righteous Through Faith—Not Works" Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

**Sharing Joys and Concerns**

**Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer**

**Closing Song**

**Sending Forth**

| TODAY'S WORSHIP   | TRADITIONAL SERVICE   | PRAISE SERVICE                             |
|---|---|--|
| <b>Greeters</b>   | Terri Yates and Donna Horniacek   | Cadence Brown                              |
| <b>Liturgist</b>  | Willa Addison   |  |
| <b>Organist/Pianist</b>   | Judy Little/Jenny Choo  |  |
| <b>Worship Leader</b>   | Rosie Wece<br>mumcministries@gmail.com  | Angie Baughman<br>mumcministries@gmail.com |
| <b>Music Leader</b>   | Joseph Ryker  | Dennis Goforth                             |
| <b>Prayer Request Reader</b>  | Gene Schwebel   | Angie Baughman                             |
| <b>Acolytes</b>   | Maggie Jenkins and Ben Barringer  |  |
| <b>Welcome Hostesses</b>  | Carolyn Ozburn and Barb Giffin  |  |
| <b>Ushers</b>   | Rick Runge, Kyle Quigley, Jim Hughes, Bob and Trina Eaton, and Mark Twenhafel | Don Abbadusky and Ron Moutarier            |
| <b>Children's Church Volunteers</b>   | Lacey Brown and Rene' Doody   | Jennie and Ben Snyder                      |
| <b>Nursery Attendant</b>  | Caitlyn Boyd  | Megan Gale                                 |
| <b>The Memory Book is open to the page honoring:</b> Lora Vaughn, Lenore Wells, Paul Allen and Elizabeth Brizzell |   |  |

Stewardship and Attendance for September 13, 2015  
 Traditional Service: 205; Praise Service: 76; Sunday School: 127  
 Offering: \$7,767.00



*In connection with the worship focus last week, we invite everyone to be in prayer for our government and the many officials who serve.*



Please join the Our Neighbor's Table Ministry Team NEXT SUNDAY at noon in Room 104 for a delicious meal and fellowship with old and new friends!

**Fourth Annual Blessing of the Animals**

• FREE EVENT  
 • FREE TREATS  
 • FREE BLESSING GIFT

EACH ANIMAL WILL RECEIVE AN INDIVIDUAL BLESSING

Sunday, October 4, 2015  
 4:00 p.m. at Church Pavilion

All animals must be brought in carriers or on leashes.  
 This event is co-hosted by MUMC and St. Francis Community Animal Rescue and Education.  
 Church contact: Trina Eaton, trina.eaton1@gmail.com, 687-3209

Ever wonder if your life has the potential to make a huge difference in the world? Join us in October as we explore the significance of supporting characters in some of the treasured stories in the Old Testament.

**OCTOBER SERMON SERIES:**

**MAJOR MINOR OLD TESTAMENT CHARACTERS**

**THE COMPASS**

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS TO THE OCTOBER COMPASS IS: Monday, September 21!

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.

**MUMC COUPLES DATE NIGHT**

**Couples Date Night**  
**FRIDAY, OCT 2nd, 6:00 PM**  
 BLUE BOAR RESTAURANT, Cobden  
 Please share your interest in attending this event by checking the Couples Date Night box on the Registration and Attendance sheet.

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4 AT 6:00 PM**

**A JOYFUL NOISE**

FEATURING BAREFOOT ON SUNDAY AND THE MUSIC OF MUMC

Join us for an evening of music and fellowship and help raise funds toward the purchase of a new screen at the back of the sanctuary. Enjoy music from the Chancel Choir, the Praise Team and special guests, Barefoot on Sunday—a folk/gospel group. Dessert and fellowship will follow the music.

**HELP US WELCOME NEWCOMERS**

When we have a guest in either service on Sunday morning, they receive a Newcomer Bag that has a "sweet gift," along with brochures and lots of information about our church and how to get connected. Sometimes we miss someone though. If you ever notice someone new in the service, and they have not received a Newcomer Bag, be sure to contact an usher or the Welcome Host that morning. Let's all work together to welcome our guests!

The white rose on the altar today is in memory of Ruth Reiman who passed away on Wed., Sept. 9th

**Prayer List**

Earl Renshaw                      Martin Twenhafel

- ~ 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 September is Gum Drop Kids.**  
 Please include this emphasis in your daily prayers.

**PRAY for our PASTOR**

Each Sunday morning before the 9:00 a.m. service, 2-3 people gather in the Prayer Chapel at the back of the Sanctuary with Pastor Larry to pray for him, for both worship services. We are developing a rotation of people, to avoid experiencing some Sundays with too many people, or some Sundays when no one comes. If you would like to occasionally join this little group to pray for your Pastor prior to the services, please check the box on the Registration and Attendance sheet and someone will be in touch with you.

The red rose and book on the altar welcome Beckett Andrew Dobson, born on August 20th to parents, Lori and Ross Dobson. He joins a brother, Ethan James. Grandparents: Terri and Roger Twenhafel and great grandparents: Katherine and Martin Twenhafel.

**BELIZE OR BUST!**

The youth have placed a sticky note pledge board in the downstairs hallway to help raise funds for their 2016 mission trip to Belize. Check out their bulletin board or ask a senior high youth for details.

**YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR**

**Sept. 27**                      \*Youth Group Meetings, 5:00 p.m.—6:30 p.m.  
**Oct. 11**                      \*Youth Group Meetings, 5:00 p.m.—6:30 p.m.  
**Oct. 25**                      \*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