

Welcome to the
**MURPHYSBORO UNITED
 METHODIST CHURCH**



See You on the Trail!

January 3, 2016
 Epiphany Sunday
 Epiphany - White

1500 Pine Street, Murphysboro IL 62966
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 Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
 Friday 9:00 a.m.-12:00 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: "Seek Ye First" Hymnal #405

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: "Prelude" by I. V. Flagler

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

Light of Christ Enters

++Hymn of Praise: "We Three Kings" (All vs 1,2,5; Women vs 3; Men vs 4) Hymnal #254

++Invocation

O God, you made of one blood all nations, and, by a star in the East, revealed to all peoples him whose name is Emmanuel. Enable us who know your presence with us so to proclaim his unsearchable riches that all may come to his light and bow before the brightness of his rising, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

++Time of Christian Fellowship and Greeting

Collection of Prayer Cards by Ushers

Children's Moments

*As the children come down, please pass the red **Money for Missions** buckets in the pews. The noisy mission offering in January will go to the **Wesley Foundation.***

Bell Choir: "I Saw Three Ships" arr. Jason W. Krug

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: "Fragment from the 'Emperor' Concerto" transcribed by M. Moszkowski

++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: Philippians 1:3-11

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

P: **Thanks be to God**

Sermon: "Complete the Work" Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

Wesley Covenant Prayer Hymnal #607

Communion Hymn: "Take Our Bread" Hymnal #640

Ritual of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Taking the Light of Christ into the World

Benediction

++Postlude: "March" by 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

Children's Time

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Songs of Worship

Scripture Reading: Philippians 1:3-11

Sermon: "Complete the Work"

Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

Wesley Prayer

Hymnal #607

Communion

Sending Forth

TODAY'S WORSHIP	TRADITIONAL SERVICE	PRAISE SERVICE
Liturgist	Trina Eaton	
Organist/Pianist	Jenny Choo	
Worship Leader	Rick Runge mumcministries@gmail.com	Kristi Miller mumcministries@gmail.com
Music Leader	Joseph Ryker	Dennis Goforth
Prayer Request Reader	Nancy Fager	Kristi Miller
Acolytes	Tiara Bradford and Wesley Graham	
Welcome Hostesses	Patti Shields and Barb Hughes	
Ushers	Todd Lirely, Scott Ballard, Sandy Herring, Ralph Bastien, Dick Graff and Vanessa Lirely	Ricky Pierson and Brant Wingerter
Children's Church Volunteers	Tonya Walker	Katie Schwebel and Katrina Carnes
Nursery Attendant	Caitlyn Boyd	Megan Gale
The Memory Book is open to the page honoring: Mrs. Novella Wehmeyer		

Stewardship and Attendance for December 27, 2015
 Traditional Service: 168; Praise Service: 58; Sunday School: 94
 Offering: \$7,047.28
 December Money for Missions Designated to
 Community Christmas Dinner: \$382.35

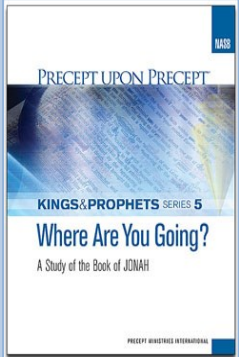
New Faithful Friends Study STARTS TODAY!
POWERHOUSE: THE WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
 Sermon series by Francis Chan
 Women of all ages are welcome. Rm 204 at 10:10 a.m.




BREAKFAST
 Next Saturday, January 9th, 7:30 a.m.
 Fellowship Hall Rm 104N

ALL MEN ARE WELCOME!
 Please check the UMM Breakfast box on the
 Registration & Attendance Sheet if you plan on attending.

Where Are You Going?
 A Precept Study of the Book of Jonah
 Sundays, January 10, 17 and 24
 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. in Room 107
 Angie Baughman, leader



Have you ever tried to run away from God? Can a mere man hide from the presence of an all-knowing, all-powerful God? God used a reluctant prophet to tell an evil city of his compassion for them. Those individuals who desire to learn a more significant way to study the Bible will not want to miss this series! Books cost \$4.50, and child care will be provided. Please express your interest in participating in this study by checking the 'Where Are You Going?' box on the Registration and Attendance sheet. **The deadline for signup is TODAY.**



JANUARY 12th
HAPPY NEW YEAR
 12:00 pm NOON
 Fellowship Hall - Room 104

friends, fellowship, faith.

Menu: Ham & beans with onions, cole slaw, spinach with vinegar, corn bread, and brownies. **Meals are \$5 a plate.**

Dr. Juliane Wallace, SIUC Assoc. Prof. of Kinesiology, who teaches Physical Activity and Exercise for Older Adults, and serves as the chairperson for the Graduate Certificate in Gerontology Advisory Board, will speak about Senior Health & Wellness in the New Year.

Please sign up on the attendance pad. If plans change and you cannot attend, please contact the church office by the Monday before. Otherwise YAH members must pay for the meal ordered for you. Thanks.


A Christian is always in the process of becoming, never in the state of having become . . .
 ~Martin Luther

HELPING HANDS!!



Several of the youth (and adults too!) went down to the "bottoms" to help with the evacuations. One group had the opportunity to help Ruth Vogel pack up and move the rest of her belongings (photo to right). Another group assisted Katherine and Martin Twenhafel. Please pray for our neighbors in the flood areas who are dealing with the personal pain involved with leaving their homes so quickly. Thanks to everyone who helped! We are so proud of you!

More pics available on the MUMC facebook page.



Do you have a birthday or anniversary coming up in the next months? Do you remember seeing your date/s listed in the *Compass* newsletter in the past? If you think we may not have your special dates on file, please write them on the Attendance Sheet, and we'll get them on the newsletter calendars!!!

Palette Party and Luncheon
 Sat., Jan. 23rd, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
 MUMC Fellowship Hall



The senior high youth group Belize Planning Committee is hosting this activity. Participants will choose from painting a lighthouse landscape or a hummingbird in a garden. Additional information on the youth bulletin board. \$45 covers the cost of the canvas, supplies, instructor and lunch. Please contact Laurie Nehring in person or by email at nehringfarm@hotmail.com to register by January 16th (maximum of 25 participants). All proceeds go to the youth mission trip to Belize.

POSITION OPENINGS
Murphysboro United Methodist Church

Children/Youth Ministry Coordinator—10 hours per week
 Responsibilities: Coordinate and assist with discipleship ministries for children and youth of all ages.

Technology Coordinator—8 hours per week
 Responsibilities: Coordinate and provide assistance and support in the areas of technology ministries for worship services, small group activities and special events.

For complete position descriptions and qualifications, visit www.murphysboroumc.com or call the church office at 618-687-2317. To apply, send a resume to Staff Parish Relations Committee, 1500 Pine Street, Murphysboro, IL 62966.

Prayer List

Earl & Sandra Renshaw Prince Alexander
 Jim Peterson Katherine & Martin Twenhafel

- ♦ Marcia Waschenbach, mother of Christine Nolan/grandmother of Brittany Nolan, for health concerns.
- ♦ Bob Clark, father of Mike Clark, for health concerns.
- ♦ Paul and Viola Parrish following the December 9th passing of their daughter, Lisa Wright of Normal, IL. Cards may be sent to Paul and Viola at 12175 119th St., Largo, FL 33778.

~ 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 January is the Wesley Foundation
 Please include the Foundation in your daily prayers.

OPENINGS AVAILABLE IN TWO CLASSROOMS:
2ND & 3RD GRADE AND SENIOR HIGH

Please consider becoming a part of this vital ministry. Mark your interest on the attendance pad to receive more information.

Sunday School Teachers Needed!

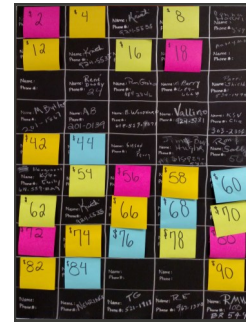



Worship Through Service

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE
 Would you be willing to be a greeter on Sunday morning? Job duties include: smile, say welcome and good morning, and give a bulletin. Qualifications needed: willing heart and a desire to help people feel welcome. Please check the 'Greeter' box on the attendance pad if you would like to serve in this way!

BELIZE STICKY BOARD
OPPORTUNITIES AWAIT YOU!

Please consider supporting the senior high youth group's first international mission trip to Belize by visiting the Belize Sticky Board located at the second floor youth bulletin board. Choose a sticky note with the amount you would like to donate, write a check to MUMC and give the check to Stephanie Finke, Laurie Nehring or submit to the church office.



YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR

Jan. 10 *Youth Groups Meet, 5:00 p.m.—6:30 p.m.
Jan. 24 *Youth Groups Meet, 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.