

Welcome to the
**MURPHYSBORO UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**



See You on the Trail!

February 28, 2016
Third Sunday of Lent
Lent - 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: "This Is the Day"

Hymnal #657

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: "O God, Our Lord, Thy Holy Word" by Flor Peeters

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

Light of Christ Enters

Lenten Reading

++Hymn of Praise: "Standing on the Promises" (vs 1,2,4) Hymnal #374

++Invocation

O God of every blessing, you invite us into a life of deep meaning and purpose, a life of loving goodness and faithfulness. We hear your invitation, but are often too distracted by other invitations—invitations to things that don't satisfy, things that waste our energy and our purpose. O God, renew your call within us—your call to all who hunger and thirst for ultimate value in their lives; your call to all who yearn for your powerful presence in their lives. Be merciful to us, forgive our sins, and give us resolve to answer your invitation. Amen.

++Time of Christian Fellowship and Greeting

Collection of Prayer Cards by Ushers

Chancel Choir: "Here I Am, Lord" by Dan Schutte

Children's Moments

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

Our Neighbor's Table.

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: "The Swan" by Camille Saint-Saëns

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

Hymn: "What a Friend We Have In Jesus" (all) Hymnal #526

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: Luke 9:51 and Exodus 20:1-13

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

P: **Thanks be to God**

Sermon: "I Can't Because... It's Too Hard"

Angie Baughman

++Commitment Hymn: "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" (vs 1,2,4) Hymnal #402

Taking the Light of Christ into the World

Benediction

++Postlude: "Amen" by Alexandre Guilmant

++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

Lenten Reading

Songs of Worship

Scripture Reading: Luke 9:51 and Exodus 20:1-13

Sermon: "I Can't Because... It's Too Hard"

Angie Baughman

Closing Song

Sending Forth

TODAY'S WORSHIP	TRADITIONAL SERVICE	PRAISE SERVICE
Liturgist	Nancy McNitt	
Organist/Pianist	Jenny Choo	
Worship Leader	Rosie Wece mumcministries@gmail.com	Ed O'Donnell mumcministries@gmail.com
Music Leader	Joseph Ryker	Kim Goforth
Prayer Request Reader	Lou Anne Lough	Ed O'Donnell
Acolytes	Conner Twenhafel and Wesley Graham	
Welcome Hostesses	Kathy Blackwell and Marilyn Perry	
Ushers	Todd Doody, John Erbes, Lowell Heller, Jennifer Watson, Kyle Hargraves, and Shannon Green	Paul Chapman and Allen Bigham
Children's Church Volunteers	Diane Schingel	Katie Schwebel and Julie Wachtel
Nursery Attendant	Caitlyn Boyd	Megan Gale
The Memory Book is open to the page honoring: Mrs. Lenore Wells Piggot		

Stewardship and Attendance for February 21, 2016
 Traditional Service: 170; Praise Service: 64; Sunday School: 110
 Offering: \$5,157.00

AN INVITATION FROM OUR NEIGHBOR'S TABLE MINISTRY TEAM:
 Please join us **TODAY** at noon in the Fellowship Hall-Room 104 for a scrumptious dinner and great fellowship.



ATTENTION MEN - YOU ARE INVITED: CACHE RIVER DISTRICT UMM RALLY!
 * * * **HOSTED BY MUMC** * * *

UNITED METHODIST MEN

FREE FUN FOOD

Men's Rally
 - includes boys grades 5 and up -
 Sunday, March 6, 2016, 6:00 p.m.
 Murphysboro United Methodist Church

TUESDAY, MARCH 8th
 READY FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY
 Wear Green
 12:00 pm NOON, Fellowship Hall

Menu: Meatloaf with mashed potatoes and gravy, peas, rolls, green salad and cupcakes with green icing. **Meals are \$5 a plate.**

Sonja Lallemand will present "Edible Arrangements"

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 that was ordered for you. Thanks.




BREAKFAST
 Saturday, March 12th, 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.



LITTLE GRASSY CAMP MATTERS


On Tues., Mar. 15th, Little Grassy Camp will be hosting a Master Planning Public Input Session. This session will be for the purpose of gathering ideas and dreams for camping and retreat ministries at Little Grassy. Kaleidoscope, the consultants that are putting together the new Master Plan for all of camping in the IGRC, will be at the session to share some of their ideas. This session is open to all interested in the camping and retreat ministries of Little Grassy United Methodist Camp. Refreshments will be served, and there will be opportunities to meet Little Grassy staff.

LITTLE GRASSY REGISTRATION DAYS
 March 20th and April 3rd after each service

Camp brochures and pricing/registration information on table in back of Sanctuary. Questions? Call Christine Nolan, Fin. Sec., 687-2317.


EXPERIENCE A CHRISTIAN SEDER MEAL
 on Thurs., March 24th, 6 p.m., Rm 104.

We will be guided through the process of a Passover Seder meal by United Methodist Pastor Ed Hoke. Seating is limited to the first 60 tickets. Tickets will be sold in the Fellowship Hall after each worship service on March 6th and 13th.



ANNOUNCEMENT

SATURDAY MORNING BOOK CLUB
BOOK TITLE CHANGE FOR MARCH 19th
The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society
 by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows



Attention Ladies:
 Mark your calendars now for the
8TH ANNUAL
WOMEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST
 which will be held on
 Saturday, May 7th, starting at 9:00 a.m.
 in the MUMC Fellowship Hall. Watch for more
 information in the April Bulletins and Compass

MARCH Next Month's Worship Leaders

Traditional Service: Jennifer Watson
Praise Service: Emily Finke

Items for announcement by worship leaders should be emailed to: mumcministries@gmail.com. Those who do not use email but wish to submit an item for announcement by worship leaders during worship services may phone the church office at 687-2317.

Prayer List

Earl & Sandra Renshaw Katherine & Martin Twenhafel
 Sandie Schwebel Carl Stoker Margie Held
 Russell & JoAnn Schirmer Bob Winters


- ◆ Prince Alexander, for health concerns.
- ~ 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 February is Our Neighbor's Table.
Prayer Emphasis for March is Little Grassy Camp.
 Please include these emphases in your daily prayers.

Please Help Us Shower Prince Alexander with Birthday Wishes!


Prince is a long-time member of our MUMC family. He will turn 90 years old on April 1. He is currently in poor health, so we want to lift his spirits! Send cards to:

Prince Alexander, 405 Orchard Dr., Carbondale, IL 62901



Nursery Ministry


The Nursery is in need of donations of juice boxes and snacks. Please remember this is a peanut-free zone. These items may be dropped off to the Nursery attendants on Sundays, or placed in the basket outside the Nursery anytime.



Light Kids Conference

The CYF youth group will attend the Light Kids Conference in Marion, IL on March 12th. The Light Kids Conference is a one day event designed for children. The purpose of the Light Kids Conference is to get kids excited about the faith and the walk with Jesus.

If you are interested, please fill out a registration form and pay your \$2 by Sun., Mar. 6th. A recent youth group permission slip is required to attend. If you have questions please call the church office and speak to Lacey Brown or Jennifer O'Donnell, or you may contact Irma Bigham or Jennifer Watson.



YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR

TODAY *Youth Groups Meet, 5:00 p.m.—6:30 p.m.
Mar. 12 *CYF to The Light Kids Conference in Marion
Mar. 13 *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.