

Welcome to the
**MURPHYSBORO UNITED
 METHODIST CHURCH**



See You on the Trail!

April 24, 2016—Fifth Sunday of Easter
 Easter - White

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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!

Interested in Membership?

Approximately once per quarter, Pastor Larry offers an informational meeting for those interested in learning more about the ministries of our church, and about the process to become a member of MUMC. Watch the bulletin for dates and times.



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: "O Jesus, Thou Art Standing" by Walter Reynolds

Light of Christ Enters

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

++Hymn of Praise: "How Great Thou Art" (vs 1,2,3)

Hymnal #77

++Invocation

O God, just as we look into a mirror to see any soiled spots on our face, so let us look to you in order to understand the things that we have done amiss. We are like a reed shaken in the wind; we are inexpressibly weak. Leave us not to ourselves, but dwell in our hearts and guide our thoughts and actions. Amen.

++Time of Christian Fellowship and Greeting

Collection of Prayer Cards by Ushers

Chancel Choir: "Down in the River to Pray" by David L. Mennicke with Katrina Walczyk, Guest Conductor

Children's Moments

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

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: "Prelude in C major from WTC #1" by J. S. Bach

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

Hymn: "It Is Well with My Soul" (vs 1,2,3)

Hymnal #377

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: Jeremiah 29:10-14

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

P: Thanks be to God

Sermon: "The Plans I Have for You"

Pastor Larry A. Gilbert

++Commitment Hymn: "Blessed Assurance" (vs 1&3)

Hymnal #369

Taking the Light of Christ into the World

Benediction

++Postlude: "Prelude in E flat major from WTC #1" by J. S. Bach

++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

New Members Reception

Cheryl & Roger Smith, Carolyn Verble, Levi Wampler

Children's Time

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Songs of Worship

Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 29:10-14

Sermon: "The Plans I Have for You"

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Closing Song

Sending Forth

TODAY'S WORSHIP	TRADITIONAL SERVICE	PRAISE SERVICE
Liturgist	Wilma Westerfield	
Organist/Pianist	Jenny Choo	
Worship Leader	Mike Dreith mumcministries@gmail.com	Kristi Miller mumcministries@gmail.com
Music Leader	Joseph Ryker	Brian Vincent
Prayer Request Reader	Gene Schwebel	Kristi Miller
Acolytes	Maggie Jenkins and Ali Bradford	
Welcome Hostesses	Arlene Bitner and Susan Patterson	
Ushers	Todd Lirely, Scott Ballard, Sandy Herring, Ralph Bastien, Dick Graff and Vanessa Lirely	Ricky Pierson and Brant Wingerter
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: Erna V. Harsha		

Stewardship and Attendance for April 17, 2016
 Traditional Service: 171; Praise Service: 90; Sunday School: 122
 Offering: \$8,439.00

AN INVITATION FROM OUR NEIGHBOR'S TABLE MINISTRY

TEAM: Please join us **TODAY** at noon in Rm 104 for a scrumptious meal and great fellowship.



Ladies, you won't want to miss the 8th Annual Women's Prayer Breakfast

to be held in the Fellowship Hall on May 7th. There will be great food, music, child care, an inspirational speaker, and fellowship for all! Tickets are \$7 each and may be obtained from Kathy Bratton at 618-559-3087.



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* or phone the church office at 687-2317 **NO LATER THAN TUESDAY, MAY 10th.**

2016 GRADUATE CELEBRATION BREAKFAST

Graduates and their parents, siblings, and grandparents are invited to a celebration breakfast scheduled on Sunday, May 15th, 8:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please phone the church office at 687-2317 **NO LATER THAN TUESDAY, MAY 10th** with the number from your family who will be attending the breakfast.

Next Month's Worship Leaders

Traditional Service: Rick Runge
Praise Service: Ed O'Donnell
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.



INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER OF MURPHYSBORO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH?

Please mark the attendance pad if you'd like to be contacted, and include your phone number.

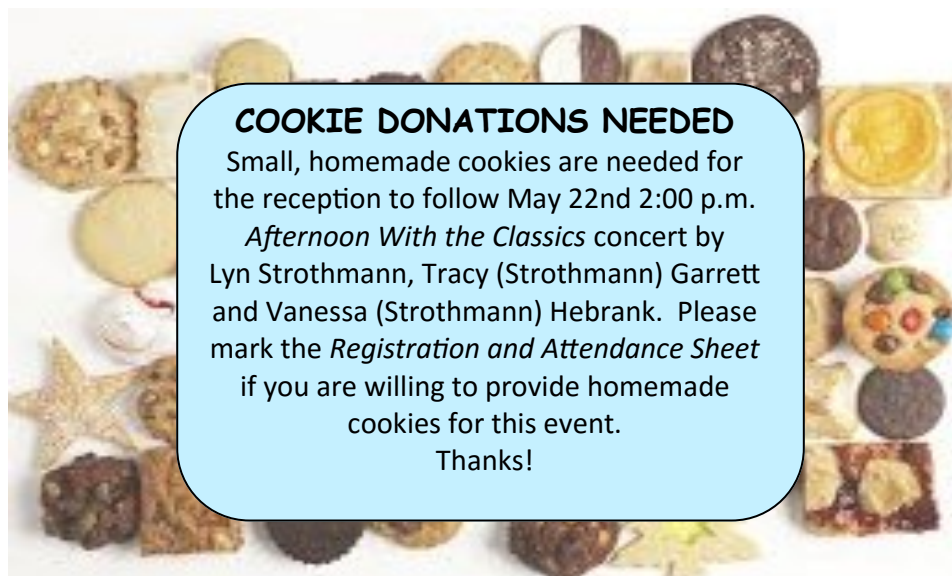


NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER LUNCHEON

Thursday, May 5, Noon, Davis McCann Center

Cost: None

Please record your intent to attend this luncheon by either noting the number who will be attending in the 'National Day of Prayer Luncheon' box on today's *Registration and Attendance Sheet* or phoning the church office at 687-2317 **no later than Wednesday, April 27th.**



COOKIE DONATIONS NEEDED

Small, homemade cookies are needed for the reception to follow May 22nd 2:00 p.m. *Afternoon With the Classics* concert by Lyn Strothmann, Tracy (Strothmann) Garrett and Vanessa (Strothmann) Hebrank. Please mark the *Registration and Attendance Sheet* if you are willing to provide homemade cookies for this event.
Thanks!

Prayer List

Earl & Sandra Renshaw
Sandie Schwebel

Katherine & Martin Twenhafel
Lee and Alberta Sullivan

- ◆ Paul Cochran, for success of last week's knee surgery.
- ~ 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 Senior Fest.
Please include this emphasis in your daily prayers.



The Annex was re-keyed due to a broken doorknob. Anyone who has a key to either door of the Annex will need to come to the church office to pick up a new key.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Meals on Wheels needs either a couple or two individuals willing to deliver meals on Thursday of the third full week each month. Please call Joan Bastien at 684-6005 for more information or to volunteer.



Mother's Day is quickly approaching. The Senior High Youth will have homemade treats, as well as McNitt flowers and plants, available for sale and auction. More details in next week's bulletin.

YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR

TODAY

- *Youth Groups 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 Groups will not meet in May.
Summer meetings are June 12 and July 17.