



From the Pastor's Desk

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WEEKLY BULLETIN
DEADLINE
 is
 Wednesday at
 10:00 a.m.



JUNE *Compass*
 Deadline is
 May 16th
 THANKS!

NOISY MISSION OFFERING



**In May is
 going to**

Relay for Life

Summer is just around the corner and introduces what has become the busiest season in the life our church. Everyone thinks it is Christmas and Easter, and while those are busy they do not top summer.

And so as we prepare for this busy season, there are a couple of important worship items I want to mention.

- ◆ We have two really great sermon series coming up this summer. The first will begin in late May and is entitled: *How Sweet the Song*. For six weeks we will be focusing on the great theology taught through popular hymns and praise choruses. We will kick the series off on May 22 with a celebration of two great religious songwriters and artists: Fanny Crosby and Chris Tomlin. Then each week for the rest of the series we will focus on a hymn or praise chorus which has been transformation in the life of the Christian church.
- ◆ The second series is *The God I Am*, and will focus on the "I Am" sayings of Jesus, found throughout the Gospels. This series will also offer the option to participate in an all-church study in sessions taught each week by Angie Baughman and myself. This is our first attempt at this particular sermon series and teaching format, and we hope it is a popular one.

So amidst all your busy summer plans, make sure to include worship in those plans and do not miss: *How Sweet the Sound* followed by *The God I Am*.

See you worship.
 Larry

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1 3:30 pm Confirmation Class	11 6:00 pm Boy Scouts	19 6:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal
5:30 pm Pilgrimage Study	6:30 pm Publicity & Promotions	20 7:00 pm NA
2 7:00 pm AA Big Book	7:00 pm AA	21 10:00 am AA
3 6:00 pm Cub Scouts	12 5:00 pm Daisies & Brownies	10:15 am Book Club
4 9:00 am Worship Team	13 10:00 am Feeder of the Pack	22 2:00 pm Strothman Concert
6:00 pm Boy Scouts	7:00 pm NA	3:30 pm Strothman Reception
6:30 pm Choir Practice	14 7:30 am UMM Breakfast	5:30 pm Pilgrimage Study
7:00 pm AA	10:00 am AA	23 5:30 pm Girl Scouts Jrs & Cadets
5 6:00 pm Scout Roundtable	15 8:00 am Graduate Breakfast	7:00 pm AA Big Book
6:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal	11:00 am Relay For Life Chicken Dinner-KC Hall	24 6:00 pm Cub Scouts
6 7:00 pm NA	2:00 pm My Own Bookcase at Elk's Club	6:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal
7 9:00 am Women's Prayer Breakfast	5:30 pm Pilgrimage Study	25 9:00 am Holy Folders
10:00 am AA	16 Meals on Wheels Week	6:00 pm Boy Scouts
9 5:30 pm Girl Scouts Jrs & Cadets	7:00 pm AA Big Book	6:30 Youth Ministry Team
7:00 pm AA Big Book	17 6:00 pm Cub Scouts	7:00 pm AA
10 12:00 pm Young at Heart	6:30 pm Church Council	26 5:00 pm Daisies & Brownies
6:00 pm Board of Trustees	18 9:00 am Nurture & Care	27 7:00 pm NA
Cub Scouts	6:00 pm Boy Scouts	28 10:00 am AA
6:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal	7:00 pm Staff/Parish Relations	29 Noon Our Neighbor's Table
7:00 pm Finance	AA	30 7:00 pm AA Big Book
		31 6:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal

MEALS ON WHEELS needs a couple (or two individuals) to deliver meals on Thursday of the 3rd full week of each month. **Please call Joan Bastien at 684-6005** for more information or to volunteer.





Yard Sale 2016 will be July 22-23. Save your “stuff” for this huge event! Drop off dates and times will be in the July Compass. Proceeds from this sale benefit mission projects.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

2	Durice & Rick Runge
8	Holly & Chad Fletcher
18	Sid & Frank Boucher
19	Jennifer & Ed O'Donnell
	Thelma & William Pierson
	Nancy & John Vallino
20	Lisa & Brian Bustos
24	Hillary & Ronald Brooks
27	Kathy & Dan Bratton
	Nancy & Andy McNitt
31	Cindy & Curt Presley
	Cheryl & Roger Smith



1	Mary Ellen Tierney	9	Candace Watt	18	Alex Baughman
2	Ali Bradford		Jeff Patterson	21	Beautiful Bradford
	Terri Twenhafel		Madison Runge		Bethany Jenkins
3	Allen Bigham	12	Belinda Nation	23	Carol Wehmeyer
4	Peggy Schuster	13	Landess Mills	24	Dolores McNitt
7	Cheyenne Abbadusky	14	Hallee Ticer	26	Carolyn Sauer
8	Ryan Finke		Vanessa Lirely	27	Roger Medlen
		15	Jordan Williams	29	Richard Pierson
		17	Kristi Miller	31	Debbie Korando

May 10th
HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY
 12:00 pm NOON
 Fellowship Hall



Menu:
 CHICKEN & DUMPLINGS
 MASHED POTATOES
 GREEN BEANS
 LETTUCE SALAD
 ROLLS
 STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE

friends, fellowship, faith.

Meals are \$5 a plate.

Guest Speaker: Marie McCormick

Marie, now a Murphysboro resident, is a World War II, German concentration camp survivor.

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.

Young at Heart is a group of senior adults, that meet monthly, on the second Tuesday, for food, fellowship and a program.



You are cordially invited to attend the Presentation Ceremony for the "My Own Bookcase" Project

When: Sunday, May 15, 2016

Where: Murphysboro Elks Lodge

1809 Shomaker Drive

Murphysboro, IL 62966

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Prayer Breakfast at Tiffany's

8th Annual MUMC

Saturday, May 7, 2015

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Women's Prayer Breakfast

Murphysboro UMC Fellowship Hall

For women of all ages, 13 and over

Day Care provided

Sponsored by Adult Spiritual Formation Ministry

Darlings, please join us for a light breakfast, music, and a time of heartwarming fellowship with other women!

2016 Children's Story Time coming soon!

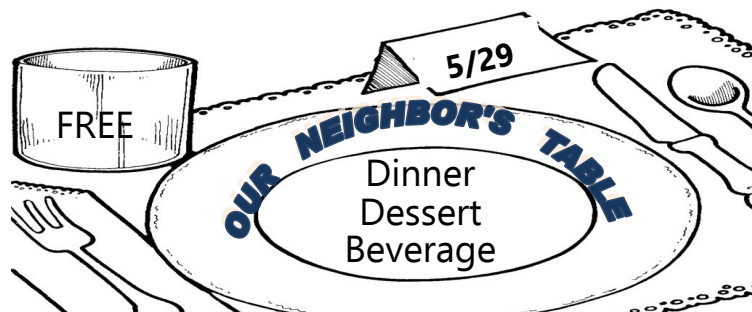


Plans are being made for the 6th annual

Children's Story Time.

If you are interested in helping with this community outreach to children, please

contact Jennifer O'Donnell at 618-687-2317.



Last Sunday of the Month

Don't Forget To Attend This Event.



We can either put our lives on hold until we find somewhere like Tiffany's—or we can partner with Jesus and dedicate our lives to the cause of building the Real Life Tiffany's, the Kingdom of Heaven.

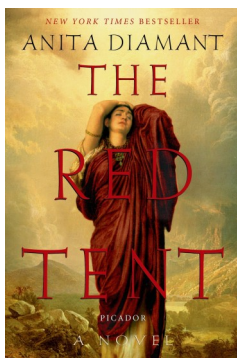
If you have questions, please contact Rosie Wece at 618-559-8167 rwece50@gmail.com, Patti Shields at 618-534-1475 deanshield@aol.com or Kathy Bratton at 618-559-3087 kathybratton@yahoo.com



The Library Corner: Celebrating Women

Featuring Candace Watt's review of *The Red Tent*

It's the month of May, and a good time to celebrate the many roles that women play in families, churches, communities, work places and—well, you get the idea—everywhere! This month we are featuring books of interest to women, starting with a reader review by Candace Watt of the novel *The Red Tent*, by Anita Diamant.



"The Red Tent is one of my favorite books! A friend urged me to read it and I am so glad I did. The author, Anita Diamant, takes a very small reference from Genesis in the Bible and builds it into an epic story. She takes us into the world of one young child (Dinah) through her entire life.

The red tent is where the women in this Biblically related story went for a period of days during their menstrual cycle. Here they gave birth, grew old, and passed on knowledge to each other. It is a gripping story of community, family, tradition, and perseverance. Diamant's prose is descriptive and enticing and her story is thought provoking.

This novel tells a wonderful story—it gave me a sense of the time and the life of women in that time. Every woman should read this book. It is beautiful. The sisterhood and intense bonds of the women in the red tent is inspiring."

The library has other imaginative Bible related novels including a series of three books by Jill Eileen Smith featuring three of the wives of King David, **Michal**, **Abigail**, and **Bathsheba**.

Women who are in the midst of child-rearing may like one of a number of books in the library about parenting, including **Momology: A Mom's Guide to Shaping Great Kids**, by Shelley Radic of MOPS, (Mothers of Preschoolers).

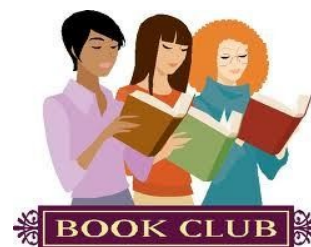
We also have books featuring true stories of women's lives and experiences. One of the most dramatic is in audio-book format, **Unlikely Angel**, by Ashley Smith. She tells the true story of being taken hostage in her Atlanta apartment,

and how her faith helped her bring this ordeal to a peaceful end.

Finally, enjoy some humor along with faith—even when life deals some serious blows. Try Barbara Johnson's **Stick a Geranium in Your Hat and Be Happy** or Chonda Pierce's **Roadkill on the Highway to Heaven**.

So take a pause and see what the library has that speaks to you where you are right now. It could be a devotional, a book for moms, a book about women's Christian walk, a novel with interesting female characters, or maybe just something humorous to make you laugh!

MUMC
Saturday
Morning

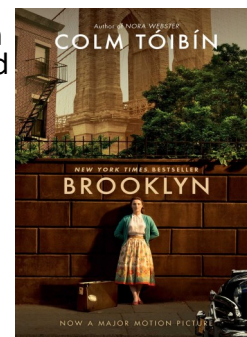


Please come and join in the discussion
**May 21st at 10:15 in the Church Library
Room 110**

as we talk about:

Brooklyn By Colm Tóibín

Eilis Lacey has come of age in small-town Ireland in the hard years following World War Two. When an Irish priest from Brooklyn offers to sponsor Eilis in America -- to live and work in a Brooklyn neighborhood "just like Ireland" -- she decides she must go, leaving her fragile mother and her charismatic sister behind.



Eilis finds work in a department store on Fulton Street, and when she least expects it, finds love. Tony, who loves the Dodgers and his big Italian family, slowly wins her over with patient charm. But just as Eilis begins to fall in love with Tony, devastating news from Ireland threatens the promise of her future.

Read Ahead -
the book for June is:

Good Omens
by Terry Pratchett, Neil Gaiman

Due to scheduling conflicts, our June meeting will be 6/25 instead of 6/18.

Substitute Teachers are needed for the Senior High Sunday School Class.

If you think you can help, please contact Emily Hargraves 618-559-0329, or Diane Schingel 618-303-3757. Thanks!



FRIED CHICKEN DINNER
The Methodists on a Mission Relay For Life Team is hosting their second annual Fried Chicken Dinner at the K of C Hall next to St. Andrew's Church on **Sunday, May 15th** from **11 am – 1 pm.**

Fried Chicken with all of the fixings will be prepared by the Knights of Columbus and the desserts will be prepared by the Relay For Life team.

Cost of the dinner is \$15 and tickets may be purchased in advance from Relay team members. We will be selling tickets in the Fellowship Hall between services on April 24th and May 1st.



This is our major fundraiser for the year, so we hope that our church family will continue to support us as they have in the past. Our team members work hard to raise money for the fight against cancer. With your help, we can be one step closer to beating this disease.



An Afternoon with the Classics

For the last eight years, this mother/daughters trio has performed benefit concerts around the Lake of the Ozarks area, raising thousands for charities and food banks in the community. At the concert at MUMC they will perform some of the world's most well known classics, from classical music to Broadway to beloved pop favorites.

Sunday, May 22nd 2 pm

Reception to Follow in the Fellowship Hall.

Three Murphysboro natives, Lyn Strothmann, Tracy (Strothmann) Garrett, and Vanessa (Strothmann) Hebrank will present a concert of "classics"—every type of music—there's something for everyone. Many of you know Lyn, Tracy and Vanessa—some of you grew up with them, some of you have been lifelong friend, and some of you are even related! A freewill offering for the Murphysboro Food Pantry will be collected.



YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR

May

*No Youth Groups

MAY 15th is Promotion Sunday. All students will be promoted to their next grade level as of this date.

June 12th is the Youth Welcome Picnic. under the MUMC Pavilion. All youth who will be 3rd grade and up in the fall are invited to attend.

FOOD FUN and GAMES!!

- *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 September through April with monthly events in the summer months.

BRING A FRIEND!!

Mother's Day Dessert & Flower Sale/Auction

Whole cakes, pies, small packages of cookies, brownies, and MORE can be found at this sale and auction... plus flowers from McNitt's Nursery. Items will be available after both services in the Fellowship Hall. Proceeds will support Mission Belize.



2016 Graduation Breakfast is May 15th

Each year the MUMC United Methodist Men have a breakfast to honor the graduates from our church family and their immediate family (parents, siblings and grandparents). The deadline to report the names of graduates for the 2016 breakfast is May 10th. If you or someone in your family is graduating from Middle School, High School, Jr. College, College, Prep School, Tech School, Grad School or any type of vocational school, please contact the office by the 10th and come celebrate with the other graduates. Don't let this milestone go by without experiencing this tradition of your church family. Please call the church office at 618-687-2317 to turn in names.



MAY WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS		
TRADITIONAL		PRAISE
<u>Worship Leaders</u> mumcministries@gmail.com		
Rick Runge		Ed O'Donnell
MAY	<u>Welcome Hostesses</u>	
1	Caroline Pederson and Mimi Rice	
8	Susan Patterson and Arlene Bitner	
15	Pam Crews and Adrienne Will	
22	Pam Crews and Adrienne Will	
29	Kay Bozarth and Kathy Bratton	
MAY	<u>Acolytes</u>	
1	Brianna Carnes & Wesley Graham	
8	Brandon Ottwell & Conner Twenhafel	
15	Ben Barringer & Maggie Jenkins	
22	Caroline Guthman & Megan McNitt	
29	Tiara Bradford and Ethan Finke	
MAY	<u>Prayer Request Reader</u>	
1	Gaye Auxier	Ed O'Donnell
8	Lou Anne Lough	Ed O'Donnell
15	Stephanie Finke	Ed O'Donnell
22	Nancy Fager	Ed O'Donnell
29	Gene Schwebel	Ed O'Donnell
MAY	<u>Children's Church Leaders</u>	
1	Tonya Walker	Ben & Jennie Snyder
8	Jennifer O'Donnell	Rick & Scarlett Pierson
15	Lacey Brown & Rene' Doody	Patty Thrailkill & Theresa Mills
22	Diane Schingel	Katie Stewart & Julie Wachtel
29	Diane Schingel	Ben & Jennie Snyder
MAY	<u>Liturgists</u>	<u>Music Leaders</u>
1	Susan Patterson	Kim Goforth
8	Pam Graham	Dennis Goforth
15	Barb Hughes	Lacey Brown
22	Nancy Vallino	Angie Baughman
29	Ron Kiser	Brian Vincent
<u>Ushers</u>		
Todd Doody, Jennifer Watson, Kyle Hargraves, John Erbes, Lowell Heller and Shannon Green		Paul Chapman and Allen Bigham
<u>Stewards</u>		
Francis Addison, Everett Blackwell, and Jerry Giffin		

LET'S WELCOME NEW STAFF MEMBER ANGIE BAUGHMAN

DeSoto Merger Project Coordinator

In his best-selling book, *Good to Great*, about highly successful organizations, author Jim Collins' research bears out that it's all about getting the right people in the right seat on the bus. Our church is embarking on a journey we've never taken before. None of us can say what the 'trip' to merge with DeSoto United Methodist Church will involve. Will we encounter road blocks? Will there be detours? Will it be a bumpy ride? The answers are undoubtedly, "Yes, yes, and yes." We're going to need a proven navigator!



Angie Baughman's education has prepared her to navigate the DeSoto merger bus. She earned her Bachelor's in Business Management and Master's in

Business Administration, both at SIU Carbondale. She later pursued studies through the Garret Evangelical Theological Seminary and the School for License as a Local Pastor, Illinois Great Rivers Conference. Volunteer experience at MUMC as Worship Coordinator and at Trinity Christian School, and employment as pastor at the small Faith Evangelical UMC in Vergennes (nine years) and as Registrar for the Illinois Great Rivers School for Licensing as a Local Pastor attest to self-motivation. Angie's references unanimously speak to her perseverance when it comes to completing projects.

Although all very important and a powerful combination, it is not education, experience, self-motivation or even perseverance that hold the greatest promise for our reaching the merger destination successfully. It is the spiritual compass Angie follows in her personal faith journey that will make her a great Project Coordinator. She lives out Luke 10:27 daily and will lead others to: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind"; and, "Love your neighbor as yourself." We should place every confidence in Angie being the right person in the right seat on the DeSoto merger bus. Pray for Pastor as he leads, for Angie as she navigates and for the merger project, in general, as we prepare to depart the station!

Angie resides in Carbondale with her husband Matthew, and sons Alex and Josh.

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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Traditional Service: 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:10 a.m.
Praise Service: 11:15 a.m.

Ministers	The Congregation	Ministry Support Assistant	Lacey Brown
Pastor	Larry A. Gilbert	Merger Project Coordinator	Angie Baughman
Minister of Visitation.....	Michelle Parker-Clark	Child/Youth Ministry Coord	Jennifer O'Donnell
Discipleship Coordinator	Teresa Gilbert	Pianist/Organist	Jenny Choo
Financial Secretary	Christine Nolan	Choir Director	Joseph Ryker
Church Secretary	Deb Severa	Nursery Attendant.....	Caitlyn Boyd
Custodian	Pat Sullivan	Nursery Attendant.....	Megan Gale

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