



# From the Pastor's Desk

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



JULY *Compass*  
 Deadline is  
 June 20th  
 THANKS!

**NOISY MISSION OFFERING**



**In June is  
 going to  
 LITTLE FREE LIBRARY**

The General Conference of the United Methodist church has ended and our church is still together, which I must admit is somewhat of a surprise to me. The conference delegates asked the Council of Bishops to provide leadership to our fractured church and they brought back a proposal for serious study and dialogue, and this seemed to appease the majority in a very tight vote. For over 40 years (my entire ministry), our church has debated issues of human sexuality and most specifically in later years the issues of our lesbian and gay brothers and sisters and how the church should relate to them.


The action of the conference in no way unites our church; we are still deeply divided on these issues. Over the years I have developed a great appreciation for both this debate and many of those who debate it with grace and love. What I observe are people on both sides of this debate who are deeply committed followers of Jesus Christ, who love the church and the Gospel, but who understand how to live it out in the world in very different ways.

My prayer for our church is that somehow we can find the path to allow individuals to live out the Gospel of Jesus and act upon the convictions that message inspires in them. We will never convince everyone of one opinion and we should not by legislative degree force one side into the mold of the other. There is not a day that goes by that I do not pray to God for wisdom for our Church and myself as we struggle with these and other important issues.

I do not know what the future will bring, but I know God is still God. Jesus tells us in Matthew not to worry about [tomorrow](#) and I for one will attempt as best I can to follow this advice, but I do not believe that means we should not pray for it. Therefore I invite you join me in continuing to pray for our church and its faithful response to the call of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

See you worship.  
 Larry

**UNITED METHODIST** The next monthly Breakfast Meeting will be held June 11th, in the Fellowship Hall at 7:30am. Please contact Jay Graff at 618-967-9848 if you have any questions. All men of the church are invited to attend.



- 1 9:00 am Announcements Meeting
- 6:00 pm Boy Scouts
- 6:30 pm Children/Youth Spiritual Formation
- 7:00 pm AA
- 2 6:00 pm Scout Roundtable
- 3 8:30 am Adult Spiritual Formation
- 7:00 pm NA
- 4 10:00 am AA
- 5 11:00 am Youth Mission Fundraiser
- 1:00 pm New Member Orientation
- 6 7:00 pm AA Big Book
- 7 9:00 am Precept Study
- 6:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal
- 8 6:00 pm Boy Scouts
- 6:30 pm Publicity & Promotions
- 7:00 pm AA
- 10 10:00 am Feeder of the Pack
- 7:00 pm NA
- 11 7:30 am UMM Breakfast
- 10:00 am AA

- 12 9:00 am Youth Fundraiser Car Wash
- 5:00 pm Youth Meetings
- 13 7:00 pm AA Big Book
- 14 9:00 am Precept Study
- 12:00 pm Young at Heart
- 6:00 pm Board of Trustees
- 6:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm Finance Committee
- 15 9:00 am Nurture & Care
- 6:00 pm Boy Scouts
- 6:00 pm Service & Missions
- 6:30 pm Staff/Parish Relations Committee
- 7:00 pm AA
- 16 10:00 am Children's Story Time
- 17 7:00 pm NA
- 18 10:00 am AA
- 20 Meals on Wheels Week
- 7:00 pm AA Big Book

- 21 9:00 am Precept Study
- 6:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal
- 22 6:00 pm Boy Scouts
- 7:00 pm AA
- 23 10:00 am Children's Story Tme
- 24 7:30 pm Friday Night at the Movies
- 7:00 pm NA
- 25 10:00 am AA
- 10:15 am Book Club
- 26 Noon Our Neighbor's Table
- 27 7:00 pm AA Big Book
- 28 9:00 am Precept Study
- 6:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal
- Hospitality Team
- 29 9:00 am Holy Folders
- 6:00 pm Boy Scouts
- 6:30pm Youth Ministry Team
- 7:00 pm AA
- 30 10:00 am Children's Story Time



**SUNDAY, JUNE 26TH** at both worship services couples who have reached anniversary milestones will be recognized.

Come help us celebrate the example they set for all of us to stay committed through the ups and downs, and to love each other as Christ loves us.

*COME, JOIN THE CELEBRATION*



**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.

3	Terri & Patrick Yates
5	Barbara & Jerry Giffin
	Carolyn & George Sauer
10	Carolyn & Bert Ozburn
	Julie & Greg Wachtel
12	Vern & Ken Cline
15	Lacey & Troy Brown
17	JoAnn & Russell Schirmer
18	Amanda & John Ripley
	Susan & Perry Patterson
22	Debbie & Paul Chapman
	Jennifer & Rob Graeff
23	Rosalie & Bob Winters
24	Rene' & Todd Doody
25	Pat & Arthur Porter
27	Betty & Robert Morefield
	Kathy & Everett Blackwell
29	Bonnie & Raymond Whiteside
	Nancy & Dennis Fager



3	Briana Bean	15	Clara Kiser	21	John Hudgins
4	Susan Patterson		Joan Reagan		Madison Ripley
7	Sandy Lanzi		Linda Johnson		Mae Neely
9	Mason Schingel	16	Cody Ellermeyer		Makayla Ripley
10	Evelyn Jackson		Keylin Wece		Mimi Rice
	John Ripley		Olivia Graff		Novella Howard
	Kyle Miller		Raymond Whiteside	25	Carla Quigley
11	Emily Finke		William Pierson	26	Carmen Chapa
12	Maggie Jenkins	17	Don Abbadusky		Julie Wachtel
	Paula Chapa		Todd Doody	28	Carl Stoker
13	Bob Purcell	18	Jennifer Ellermeyer	30	Dennis Fager
	Sheila Stewart	20	Bonnie Pinkerton		
			Emma Bigham		

June 14th  
BRIDES  
12:00 pm NOON  
Fellowship Hall



Menu:  
Chef salad w/crackers friends, fellowship, faith.  
Mac and cheese  
Bread pudding w/lemon sauce

Meals are \$5 a plate.

Guest Speaker:  
Andy McNitt with McNitt Growers

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.*



**FRIDAY NIGHT at the MOVIES**  
**June 24th at 7:30 pm**  
**Under the Pavilion**  
**Fellowship Hall**  
**rain location**

Come out for this summer fellowship ministry event for the entire church family. Enjoy a family-oriented movie and a concession stand with popcorn, candy, soft drinks, and water. Please bring lawn chairs. We will sit in the pavilion area and the movie will begin at 8pm. Sign-up on the attendance pad. Come enjoy a night just like the old drive-in movies!

**CAR WASH**      **JUNE 12th**  
                         **BY DONATION**

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO PURCHASE AND LAY BRICK FOR THE CHURCH IN BELIZE. YOU ARE INVITED TO DONATE BIBLES, NEW OR GENTLY USED THAT THE YOUTH CAN PROVIDE TO THOSE IN NEED IN BELIZE.



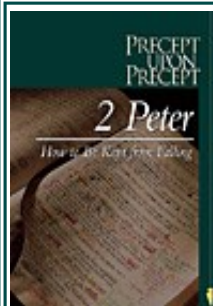
CAR WASH FUNDRAISER

### 2016 Children's Story Time



It's the 6th annual Children's Story Time Thursdays, June 16th, 23rd and 30th.

From 10 - 10:45 am under the Pavilion. Children ages 3 to 10 and their parent or caregivers are invited to enjoy Interactive Bible stories, songs, activities and a snack. Come and join the fun and invite your neighbor! Interested in helping? Call 618-687-2317 and ask for Lacey or Jennifer.



### Precept Bible Study on 2 Peter

Tuesdays, June 7—Aug 9  
In Room 202  
9-10:30 a.m. discussion  
10:30-11:30 a.m. optional video

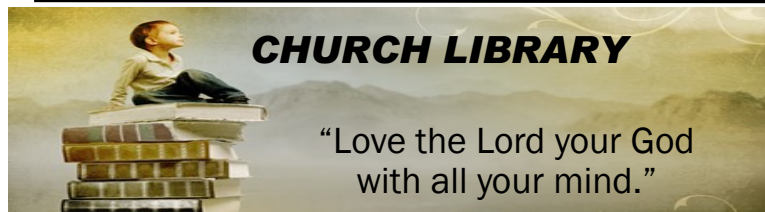
*"How to be Kept from Falling"* - In a day when false teachers are leading countless people astray, to live effectively for Christ we need to know the truth. Learn to live effectively and grow in spiritual discernment.

Sign-up on the attendance pad by May 29th.  
Class cost \$20 due at first class meeting.



**Last Sunday of the Month**



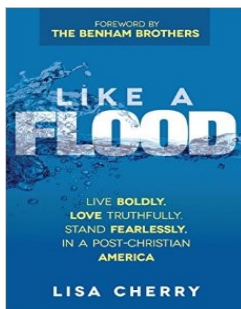


## The Library Corner: Glory Days

Glory Days sounds like something we all want! According to Max Lucado, in his new book **Glory Days: Living Your Promised Land Life Now**, our best days really are ahead of us in our Christian life. To illustrate his point, Lucado uses the story of Joshua and the Israelites crossing the Jordan and entering the Promised Land after 40 years of wilderness wandering. He also adds quotes from the New Testament to explain that, like the Israelites who inherited Canaan from God, Christians too have an inheritance—if they will claim it. As he explains, the Christian's inheritance is not a physical one, like the land in Canaan, but is instead a spiritual one. And what an inheritance it is! Lucado says our "Canaan" is a life *"defined by grace, refined by challenge, and aligned with a heavenly call. In God's plan . . . we win more often than we lose, forgive as quickly as we are offended, and give as abundantly as we receive"* (p. 6). If this is true, why don't more Christians feel and claim the "Glory Days"? Lucado says that first, we don't know about our inheritance and second we don't really believe it (pp. 21- 22). Among the many quotes he gives from the New Testament, he quotes from Paul's letter to the Romans, 8:16-17: *"The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God and if children then heirs—heirs of God, and joint heirs with Christ."* Sound intriguing? Check it out! **Glory Days** will be on the library table in the upstairs hall in early June.

### Other Books of Interest:

The church library also has the latest book from Lisa (Renshaw) Cherry: **Like a Flood: Live Boldly, Love Truthfully, Stand Fiercely in a Post Christian America**. In her book, Cherry examines the secular cultural life of America, and compares it to a tidal wave, a flood sweeping away the Christian foundations of the country. She also says there is another tidal wave, one born of the Holy Spirit, and that one is full of hope and power. She asks readers which wave they will catch, and she adds a whole section called "Prepare" which gives many resources for readers to consider. Cherry is also planning a conference at John A. Logan College on June 18<sup>th</sup>.



And especially for men, the library has two books by Derek Maul which speak directly to men about leading an authentic and meaningful Christian life. They are **Get Real: a Spiritual Journey for Men** and **10 Life-Charged Words: Real Faith for Men**. In **Get Real**, Maul describes the life of a Christian man:

It is about Jesus.

About being his disciple.

About falling in love with God.

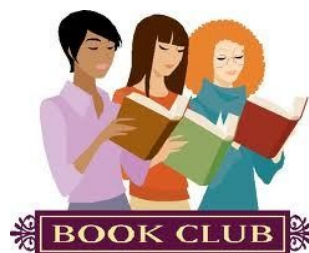
And about having the courage to let that kind of devotion actually change your life. (p. 15)

You will see these and other books during the month of June on the library table upstairs, or on display downstairs in the library.

MUMC

Saturday

Morning



Please come and join in the discussion  
**June 25th at 10:15 in the Church Library  
Room 110**

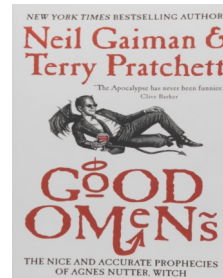
as we talk about:

**Good Omens**

By Terry Pratchett & Neil Gaiman

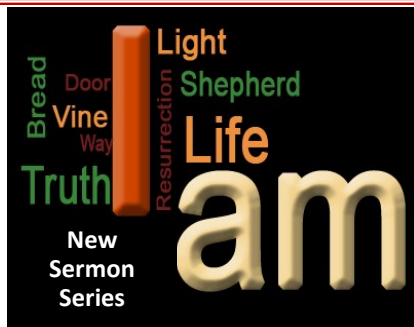
According to *The Nice and Accurate Prophecies of Agnes Nutter, Witch* (the world's only completely accurate book of prophecies, written in 1655, before she exploded), the world will end on a Saturday. Next Saturday, in fact. Just before dinner.

Everything appears to be going according to Divine Plan. Except a somewhat fussy angel and a fast-living demon—both of whom have lived amongst Earth's mortals since The Beginning and have grown rather fond of the lifestyle—are not actually looking forward to the coming Rapture.



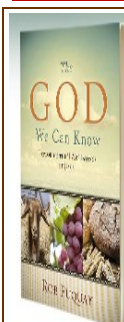
Read Ahead -  
the book for July is:  
**All the Light We Cannot See**  
By Anthony Doerr

# THE GOD I AM



- July 10th I AM the Bread of Life
- July 17th I AM the Light of the World
- July 24th I AM the Good Shepherd
- July 31st I AM the True Vine
- Aug 7th I AM the Way, Truth and Life
- Aug 14th I AM the Resurrection and the Life

This Sermon Series pairs well with the Bible Study described below:



## THE GOD I AM EXPLORING THE "I AM" SAYINGS OF JESUS

Pastor Larry and Angie Baughman will lead a **church wide study** **July 3rd—Aug 14 at 5pm at the DeSoto Campus.** We will take a closer look at the "I AM" sayings of Jesus.

Sign-up on the attendance pad in June. Child care available upon request.

## YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR

**June 12th:** 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!!**



**Youth Belize Mission Trip Fundraiser Brunch**  
June 5 following both Worship Services

Proceeds will enable our youth to purchase and lay brick for their Belize church partner's building. You are also invited to donate bibles, new or used, that the youth can provide to those in need.

## MY OWN BOOKCASE PROJECT PRESENTATION CEREMONY

The My Own Bookcase Project Presentation Ceremony was held on Sunday, May 15 with over 90 people in attendance. In addition to the Head Start children who were receiving books and a bookcase and their families, there were several members of our church family as well as others from the community in attendance.

The children were so excited and getting to see those smiles as they received their book bags was priceless.

Thank you to all who participated in this ministry and helped us to provide these children with the opportunity to have books in their homes.





JUNE WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS		
TRADITIONAL		PRAISE
<u>Worship Leaders</u> mumcministries@gmail.com		
To Be Announced		Emily Finke
<b>JUNE</b>	<u>Welcome Hostesses</u>	
5	Kay Bozarth and Kathy Bratton	
12	Marcia Butler and Barb Hughes	
19	Marcia Butler and Barb Hughes	
26	Janice Crews and Sally Moutardier	
<b>JUNE</b>	<u>Acolytes</u>	
5	Conner Twenhafel and Briana Carnes	
12	Wesley Graham and Brandon Ottwell	
19	Caroline Guthman and Maggie Jenkins	
26	Tiara Bradford and Megan McNitt	
<b>JUNE</b>	<u>Prayer Request Reader</u>	
5	Gaye Auxier	Emily Finke
12	Lou Anne Lough	Emily Finke
19	Stephanie Finke	Emily Finke
26	Nancy Fager	Emily Finke
<b>JUNE</b>	<u>Children's Church Leaders</u>	
5	Tonya Walker	Rick & Scarlett Pierson
12	Jennifer O'Donnell	Patty Thraikill & Theresa Mills
19	Lacey Brown & Rene' Doody	Katie Stewart & Julie Wachtel
26	Diane Schingel	Ben & Jennie Snyder
<b>JUNE</b>	<u>Liturgists</u>	<u>Music Leaders</u>
5	Jennifer Ellermeyer	Kim Goforth
12	Jon Lough	Dennis Goforth
19	Lou Anne Lough	Lacey Brown
26	John Erbes	Angie Baughman
<u>Ushers</u>		
Rick Runge, Kyle Quigley, Jim Hughes, Bob Eaton, Trina Eaton and Jay Graff		Matt Baughman and Don Abbadusky
<u>Stewards</u>		
Bob Eaton, Jay Graff, Ron Moutardier		

LET'S WELCOME NEW STAFF MEMBER

**Anne Miller Johnson**  
Technology Coordinator



PowerPoint, soundboard, video camera, oh my! Just the sound of these technologies makes most of us dizzy. Our new **Technology Coordinator**, Anne Miller Johnson, is acquainting herself with the equipment and volunteers that make our worship services and special events so special.

In addition to serving in our part-time coordinator position, Anne is employed full-time as Registrar at Carbondale High School (since 2007). Anne sold real estate in Plainfield, IL (2005-2007) before relocating to Carbondale.

Anne earned a Bachelor's in Consumer Economics and Family Management at SIU, Carbondale, in December, 1990. Then in 2014 Anne began work on a degree in Information Systems and Technology. That Bachelor's degree will be conferred this December. Anne keeps in-the-know in the tech industry through her membership in the Association of Information Technology Professionals (AITP).

Anne resides in Carbondale with her two daughters Madeline (a freshman at SIU) and Emily (a junior at CCHS), while her son Zach lives and works in Chicago.

~ Staff Parish Relations Committee



WELCOME  
NEW  
MEMBERS to MUMC!



Roger and Cheryl Smith



Levi Wampler and his son Elijah,  
and Carolyn Verble

A few snapshots from the April All Church  
FIESTA, hosted by Jesus el Senor from  
Cobden. Fun was had by all!



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**MUMC OFFICE HOURS**

Monday-Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.  
Phone: 618-687-2317 Fax: 618-687-2604  
E-Mail: murphysboroumc@gmail.com

**SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

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

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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 Kirby
Financial Secretary .....	Christine Nolan	Choir Director .....	Joseph Ryker
Church Secretary .....	Deb Severa	Technology Coord.....	Anne Miller Johnson
Custodian .....	Pat Sullivan	Nursery Attendants.....	Caitlyn Boyd & Megan Gale

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*Return Service Requested*

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