



# From the Pastor's Desk

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**WEEKLY BULLETIN  
 DEADLINE**  
 is

Wednesday at  
 10:00 a.m.



SEPTEMBER *Compass*  
 Deadline is  
 August 22nd  
 (an extra week!)  
 THANKS

**NOISY MISSION OFFERING**



**In August is  
 going to**

**LIBERIA PASTOR'S  
 SALARIES**

Well I have made an important decision today - I am going to become an active Facebook person. Although I've had a Facebook account for years, I never made it part of my life to check my account or post to it. But I have slowly come to realize that information in this format is fundamental to being able to fulfill my role in ministry. Plus I just got tired of everyone around me talking about neat stuff that I never saw because I would not do Facebook.

I know lots of you are saying "Well it is about time" and others are thinking "Oh no, even the pastor is now corrupted," but I guess it just is what it is.

So now I have to learn a whole new world of communication skills and terminology. Please be patient as I get started. But if you would like to be my friend, I think that would great, and I of course will be your friend and then - well I am not really sure what happens after that.

So maybe I will connect with you on Facebook, or post something, or see a photo of you or watch a video or whatever else people do - so should I like post this on my wall - is that right, do I have a wall???

See you in worship.

Larry

Find me on Facebook: Larry Gilbert

## The Pilgrimage



**A Journey on the  
 Trail of Discipleship**

**Module 2: WHO IS JESUS?**

An in-depth look at the life, passion, death and resurrection of Jesus, and how that influences our spiritual journey. Study led by Pastor Larry.

**Three class sessions:**

- Thurs, August 25, 6:30 pm
- Wed, August 31, 7:00 pm
- Thurs, Sept 8, 6:30 pm

**Two sessions during trip:**

- Passion Play, Eureka Springs, Arkansas
- September 19-21

*This trip is optional, but the sessions will not be repeated*

You must attend class sessions to go on trip

You do not have to attend Module 1 before Module 2

More info to come concerning trip costs and registration. Mark your calendars!

<b>1</b> 7:00 pm AA Big Book	<b>11</b> 6:00 pm Mission Spaghetti Supper	<b>23</b> 6:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal
<b>2</b> 9:00 am Precept Study	<b>12</b> 10:00 am Feeder of the Pack	<b>24</b> 6:00 pm Boy Scouts
6:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal	<b>13</b> 7:30 am UMM Breakfast	Choir Practice
<b>3</b> 6:00 pm Boy Scouts	10:00 am AA	6:30 pm Youth Ministry Team
Choir Practice	<b>14</b> 5:00 pm Youth Meetings	7:00 pm AA
6:30 pm CYSF	"The God I Am" study	Al-Anon
7:00 pm AA	<b>15</b> Meals on Wheels Week	<b>25</b> 6:30 pm Pilgrimage Study
Al-Anon	7:00 pm AA Big Book	<b>27</b> 10:00 am AA
<b>4</b> 6:00 pm Scout Roundtable	<b>16</b> 6:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal	
<b>5</b> 8:30 am ASF	<b>17</b> 9:00 am Nurture and Care	<b>28</b> Noon Our Neighbor's Table
<b>6</b> 10:00 am AA	6:00 pm Boy Scouts	<b>29</b> 7:00 pm AA Big Book
	Choir Practice	<b>30</b> 6:00 pm Cub Scouts
<b>7</b> 5:00 pm "The God I Am" study	6:30 pm Staff/Parrish Relations	6:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal
<b>8</b> 7:00 pm AA Big Book	7:00 pm AA	Hospitality Committee
<b>9</b> 9:00 am Precept Study	Al-Anon	<b>31</b> 9:00 am Holy Folders
12:00 pm Young at Heart	<b>20</b> 10:00 am AA	6:00 pm Boy Scouts
6:00 pm Board of Trustees	10:15 am Book Club	Choir Practice
6:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal	<b>21</b> 1:30 pm Leadership Retreat	7:00 pm Pilgrimage Study
7:00 pm Finance Committee	<b>22</b> 7:00 pm AA Big Book	7:00 pm AA
<b>10</b> 6:00 pm Boy Scouts		Al-Anon
Choir Practice		
6:30 pm Publicity & Promotions		
7:00 pm AA		
Al-Anon		



**Thursday, August 11th  
from 6:00 - 8:00 pm  
Spaghetti and a Slide Show**

**Want to hear about the Youth Mission Trips?**

Join us for "Spaghetti and a Slide Show"! Participants in the mission trips (to Peoria and Belize) will share stories, pictures and videos from the July trips. A spaghetti dinner will be provided. All are welcome!



**August is Candy Drive month!**  
Fall parades and Trunk or Treats are coming soon and this year we will participate in events at both the Murphysboro and DeSoto sites. Please bring your donations of candy during the Sundays in August. Candy can be placed in the bin located in the Welcome Center. Thank you for continuing to support these outreach events!



<b>3</b>	Willa & Francis Addison
<b>6</b>	Cecela & Bill Crawshaw
<b>7</b>	Evelyn & Mickey Jackson
<b>11</b>	Jamie & Shannon Green
<b>12</b>	Sally & Ron Moutardier
<b>13</b>	Joan & Ralph Bastien
<b>15</b>	Angie & Matthew Baughman
<b>16</b>	Kathy & Gerald Ripley
<b>25</b>	Imogene & Jim Tedrow

<b>1</b>	Sally Moutardier	<b>14</b>	Gary Likins	<b>22</b>	Erin Niesporek
<b>2</b>	Gaye Auxier		Ruth Verbal		Tonia Purcell
	Logan Wingerter	<b>16</b>	Kim Goforth	<b>25</b>	Joshua Boyle
<b>3</b>	Bob Eaton		Wade Poole		Lance Carnes
<b>5</b>	Elias Guthman	<b>17</b>	Carmilee Donahue	<b>28</b>	Brooke Guthman
	Ricky Pierson		Grant Ticer	<b>29</b>	Jacey Nehring
<b>7</b>	Randy Auxier	<b>18</b>	Allison Brown		Maggie Stewart
<b>8</b>	Preston Fletcher		Marty McNitt	<b>30</b>	Hillary Brooks
<b>10</b>	Matthew Baughman	<b>20</b>	Abigail Wingerter		Wes Will
<b>11</b>	John Wachtel		Emily Allen		Wesley Graham
	Katrina Carnes	<b>21</b>	Charles Crews	<b>31</b>	Deana Twenhafel
			Jerry Miller		

ARE YOU  
LOOKING FOR  
A NEXT STEP  
ON YOUR  
FAITH  
JOURNEY?



An adult mission trip to Camp

Restore is planned for September 25th to October 1st. Cost is \$300 per person with \$150 due by August 15th. The balance is due on September 15th. Deadline for signup is August 14th. Contact Gene Schwebel, Erin Mileur, or the church office for more information

Camp Restore is the only remaining organization in New Orleans still working on restoration. They have had over 45,000 volunteers in the 11 years since Katrina. There remains a lot in New Orleans still needing restoration. Last year seven from MUMC stepped up to repair a collapsing dining room ceiling for a mother and her three daughters. Our missionaries also removed foliage and debris to permit entrance to the family's beloved green house. A second project completed involved concrete removal and replacement in front of a small grocery store.

August 9th  
Summer Picnic  
12:00 pm NOON  
Fellowship Hall

Menu:  
Sloppy Joes or hot dogs  
Chips  
Baked beans  
Ice cream with toppings

Meals are \$5 a plate.  
**MUMC Youth will report on their recent mission trip to Belize.**

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.*

## New Sermon Series

### Aug 21 - Sept 25

# *The Life Of*

## KING DAVID

= A Special Study =

Aug 21st  
The Anointing

Aug 28th The Battle with Goliath

Sept 4th The Trouble with Saul

Sept 11th The Friendship with Jonathan

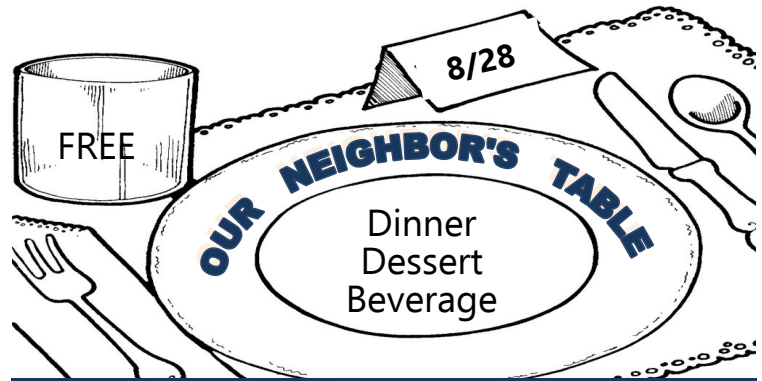
Sept 18th The Conversation with Nathan

Sept 25th The Turmoil with Absalom

The next monthly breakfast meeting will be held Saturday, August 13th, 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.**



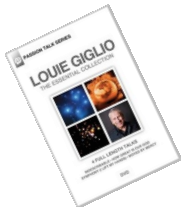
**Last Sunday of the Month**





## The Library Corner

The following review is from Nancy Vallino, who presented this DVD study to the Faithful Friends class. Take a look at these fascinating and awe inspiring videos. You will find this study upstairs on the library table in August. Look for it!



### THE ESSENTIAL COLLECTION

Dr. Louie Giglio, Presenter

The Essential Collection of four talks by Passion City Church (Atlanta, GA) visionary and founder, Dr. Louie Giglio, paints a picture of man in contrast to the vast cosmos. Spectacular images from the Hubble telescope and correlating data scale us down to invisible specks in a galaxy among billions of galaxies. Yet, each of us is a miracle of creation. We are known and prized by majesty.

Dr. Giglio's talks are enhanced through music by contemporary Christian artist, Chris Tomlin. Just a glimpse into the individual DVDs:

Psalm 19:1 reads: The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. The *Indescribable* DVD will take you on an image-rich journey through the cosmos, allowing you to discover the enormity of God's creation.

The *How Great is Our God* DVD mixes scriptures with the sciences of astronomy and anatomy to beautifully illustrate that the God who created ginormous stars in the universe also wondrously created us.

In the *Symphony* DVD Dr. Giglio quotes scriptures and "mashes up" audio from the heavens and earth to illustrate that we are a part of an entire universe created to bring praise to God.

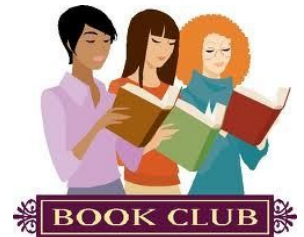
The final DVD, *I Lift My Hands*, speaks to God's love for us. Stars in the heavens, whales in the sea, and a legion of angels may at this very moment be singing His praises. God doesn't NEED us to worship Him. What is stunning is that our voices matter to Him.

The power and might of our Creator are more than our minds can grasp. Yet, the creator of the universe loves us

so much that He chose to come to our little dot in the Milky Way Galaxy. After watching these DVDs, you should feel incredibly small, but loved beyond comprehension. A starry night will forever hold special meaning for you. **DO NOT** miss this DVD collection, and share it with family and friends!!

~ Nancy Vallino

MUMC  
Saturday  
Morning

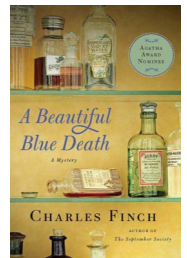


Please come and join in the discussion  
**August 20th at 10:15 in the  
Church Library Room 110**  
as we talk about:

### *A Beautiful Blue Death*

By Charles Finch

On any given day in London, all Charles Lenox, Victorian gentleman and armchair explorer, wants to do is relax in his private study with a cup of tea, a roaring fire and a good book. But when his lifelong friend Lady Jane asks for his help, Lenox cannot resist another chance to unravel a mystery, even if it means trudging through the snow to her townhouse next door.



One of Jane's former servants, Prudence Smith, is dead -- an apparent suicide. But Lenox suspects something far more sinister: murder, by a rare and deadly poison. The house where the girl worked is full of suspects, and though Prudence dabbled with the hearts of more than a few men, Lenox is baffled by an elusive lack of motive in the girl's death.

When another body turns up during the London season's most fashionable ball, Lenox must untangle a web of loyalties and animosities. Was it jealousy that killed Prudence? Or was it something else entirely, something that Lenox alone can uncover before the killer strikes again -- disturbingly close to home?

Read Ahead -  
the book for SEPTEMBER is:  
*The Great Gatsby*  
by F. Scott Fitzgerald



PLEASE MEET OUR SUPER NURSERY SUBS!!

KATIE STEWART

JAMIE GREEN

**Katie Schwebel Stewart** has been serving as a Substitute Nursery Attendant for some time. A graduate of SIU Carbondale in May, 2014, Katie currently works at the SIU Student Center business office as an Account Technician. Katie has attended MUMC her entire life. She is thankful to have such a wonderful church family! Katie is a newlywed (September 2015) to Lee Stewart.

**Jamie Stewart Green** only recently joined the Nursery substitute roster. She also graduated from SIU Carbondale and is a certified Radiologic Technologist. She currently works at St. Joseph Memorial Hospital as the Volunteer Services Coordinator. Jamie has been attending MUMC for about four years. She loves that MUMC has a special heart for children's ministries. Jamie resides in Murphysboro with husband, Shannon, and three children.

~Staff Parish Relations Committee

### YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR

**Aug. 14th:** Youth Outing at Bigham Lake.  
 Registration required by August 7  
 You will need your \$2 to register - see details on the Youth Bulletin Board.  
 Bus transportation available.  
 meet at the church at 1 pm.  
 Bus returns by 7 pm.

FOOD, FUN, SWIMMING and GAMES!!  
BRING A FRIEND!!

- \*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.



### Snapshots from Vacation Bible school:



The children say, "Thank you!" to all of those that helped make it a fun success!



AUGUST WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS		
TRADITIONAL		PRAISE
<b>Worship Leaders</b> mumcministries@gmail.com		
Mike Dreith		Ed O'Donnell
<b>AUG</b>	<b>Welcome Hostesses</b>	
7	Julie Peterson and Marilyn Perry	
14	Julie Peterson and Marilyn Perry	
21	Laurie Nehring and Barb Giffin	
28	Laurie Nehring and Barb Giffin	
<b>AUG</b>	<b>Acolytes</b>	
7	Maggie Jenkins and Caroline Guthman	
14	Conner Twenhafel and Brandon Ottwell	
21	Briana Carnes and Wesley Graham	
28	Ben Barringer and Tiara Bradford	
<b>AUG</b>	<b>Prayer Request Reader</b>	
7	Gene Schwebel	Kristi Miller
14	Gaye Auxier	Kristi Miller
21	Lou Anne Lough	Kristi Miller
28	Stephanie Finke	Kristi Miller
<b>AUG</b>	<b>Children's Church Leaders</b>	
7	Tonya Walker	Scarlett & Rick Pierson
14	Jennifer O'Donnell	Katie Stewart & Julie Wachtel
21	Lacey Brown & Rene' Doody	Jennie & Ben Snyder
28	Diane Schingel	Scarlett & Rick Pierson
<b>AUG</b>	<b>Liturgists</b>	<b>Music Leaders</b>
7	Michelle Parker-Clark	Kim Goforth
14	Asia Watson	Dennis Goforth
21	Kathy Blackwell	Brian Vincent
28	Mary Ellen Brown	Angie Baughman
<b>Ushers</b>		
Todd Doody, Jennifer Watson, Kyle Hargraves, John Erbes, Lowell Heller and Shannon Green		Paul Chapman and Allen Bigham
<b>Stewards</b>		
Francis Addison, Everett Blackwell, Jerry Giffin		

# Welcome!



New members Morgan Krummrich and Nikki Bitner, with newly-baptized Isabella Krummrich.

## FALL WALK TO EMMAUS

Men's Walk—October 13-16  
Women's Walk—October 20-23  
Camp Jericho between Marion and Goreville



Are you interested in learning more about the three-day spiritual retreat called Walk to Emmaus?

Please check the 'Emmaus' box on the Registration and Attendance pad or call the church office at 687-2317. You will be contacted with more information.

## 2016 YARD SALE



was a huge success, raising almost \$4000 due to wonderful donated items and a very hard-working group of women and men. The remains were donated to a local nursing/rehab facility (clothing) and the rest to a Salvation Army center. Thanks to all for a great week. Time to plan mission projects!



The family of Theresa Mills is so grateful for all the cards, phone calls and kind words during our loss. A special thank you to the kitchen crew and the Hospitality team who provided such loving care to all who came for the services and meal. We are truly blessed to have such a wonderful church

## DeSoto UMC Updates

- 39 people attended our Information Meeting on June 26. It was a great time of worship and discussion. The DeSoto team continues to welcome your questions and suggestions.
- 18 people attended a Movie Night on July 8. We continue to meet more people in DeSoto who may possibly become a part of our new congregation.
- 26 children and 15 adults attended the July 22 Food and Face Painting event at the DeSoto Dollar General parking lot. Below are a few photos from that event.



### What are we working on right now?

#### Building:

- We would still love to sell our pews. If they are not sold by the end of summer, we will likely donate them.

#### Youth & Children:

- We have decided to offer "Family Nights" on Wednesdays - probably from 5:30-7:30 p.m. We will begin the week of Sep 5.
- A Trunk-or-Treat will be held on Sat, Oct 29

#### Worship:

- We have talked a lot this month about how best to present worship. Both options we are discussing have significant challenges. Pre-recorded messages bring technical issues

as well as lacking a feeling of a pastoral connection. Live services mean someone new comes on board to preach or Pastor Larry preaches three times each week. This is a critical decision with much to consider. Prayer is still needed around this decision, so please join us as we pray for His guidance.

#### Question of Name:

- We are still talking about an appropriate family name. We are hoping to be settled on something that can be shared at the August 21 church leadership retreat.



### Upcoming Events

- Sun, Aug 7 from 2:00-4:00 pm  
- Back-to-School Bash
- Sep 29 - Oct 2 are DeSoto Daze
- Sat, Oct 29 - Trunk-or-Treat
- Launch Team Meetings begin Oct 2016
- Preview Services begin Jan 2017
- Weekly worship launches April 2017

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

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*Return Service Requested*

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