



From the Pastor's Desk

Greetings to all in Christ Jesus!

The New Year is well underway and so is ministry at Murphysboro UMC. There are several new ministries beginning this month. Each offers different ways to grow closer to Jesus, each other and the community. As promised in my last article of 2019, we will be working intentionally to raise our efforts all year long in four categories that arose out of our listening circles last Summer: Children's & Youth Programming, Small Groups, Visitation & Missions.

To do anything for the Kingdom we need to be fully covered in prayer. Therefore, February's sermon series is called, "A House of Prayer," following Jesus' words in Matthew 21:13 as He quotes Isaiah 65:7. As we delve into intentional prayer together for our church, and our denomination we will be starting two new prayer ministries to support this work. Our Stephen Ministers, Michelle Parker-Clark and I will be starting a prayer service on Thursday evenings at 5:30 PM. Also, Roger Smith and the Missions Team will be organizing prayer walks in our community. I am so excited for both of these new prayer opportunities to get up and running!

We have been talking about how the different generations need each other on Sundays during worship in January. In our Children and Family Ministries, there will be a brand-new opportunity for adults of all ages to participate in pouring into our children and their families on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month. This will just be an 8 Wednesday commitment this Feb-May. Please sign up to help and register your kids, grandkids or any kids! We will also be starting a homegroup for young adults (parents of Children & youth) on the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays. Please pray about joining in the discipleship!

God is on the move and great things are in store in 2020 if we can be faithful, patient and ready for the Holy Spirit to move.

Blessings in Jesus' name,
 Pastor Danny



Noisy MISSION OFFERING
In February is going to OUR NEIGHBORS TABLE!

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

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A new fun way for kids to learn the Bible.

B.L.A.S.T.
 —Believing, Learning And Seeking Truth—

Kick-Off will be Wednesday, February 19th 6:00 pm

For all children Pre-K (4yrs) to 5th Grade 1st & 3rd Wednesday at MUMC.



2	6:00 PM	Kung Fu	13	4:00 PM	Stephen Ministries	20	5:30 PM	Prayer Service
4	9:00 AM	Precept Class		5:30 PM	Prayer Service		6:00 PM	GA
	6:00 PM	Cub Scouts		6:00 PM	GA	21	9:00 AM	Stretching
	6:30 PM	Praise Practice	14	9:00 AM	Stretching		10:00 AM	Wesley Walkers
5	9:00 AM	Weekly Staff Meeting		9:30 AM	Feeder of the Pack	22	9:00 AM	Hand Bells
	6:00 PM	Choir		10:00 AM	Wesley Walkers		10:00 AM	AA
	7:00 PM	AA & Al-Anon	15	9:00 AM	Hand Bells	23	Noon	Our Neighbors Table
6	5:30 PM	New Prayer Service		10:00 AM	AA		4:00 PM	Jr/Sr Youth Fellowship
	6:00 PM	GA		10:15 AM	Book Club		6:00 PM	Kung Fu
	6:00 PM	Scouts of the Round Table	16	3:00 PM	Youth Mission Trip Planning Meeting	25	9:00 AM	Precept
7	9:00 AM	New Weekly Stretching		4:00 PM	Jr/Sr Youth Fellowship		6:00 PM	Cubs Scouts
	10:00 AM	Wesley Walkers		6:00 PM	Kung Gu		6:30 PM	Praise Practice
8	9:00 AM	UMM-Bigham Farms	17		Meal's On Wheels Week	26	9:00 AM	Weekly Staff Meeting
	9:00 AM	Hand Bells			President's Day Office Closed		9:00 AM	Holy Folder
	10:00 AM	AA	18	9:00 AM	Precept Class		7:00 PM	Ash Wednesday Service
9	5:00 PM	Chili Cook-Off		6:00 PM	Cub Scouts		7:00 PM	AA/Al-Anon
10	6:30 PM	CYF		6:30 PM	Praise Practice	27	4:00 PM	Stephen Ministries
11	9:00 AM	Precept Class	19	9:00 AM	Nurture & Care		5:30 PM	Prayer Service
	Noon	Young at Heart		9:00 AM	Weekly Staff Meeting		6:00 PM	GA
	6:00 PM	Cub Scouts		6:00 PM	BLAST Kick-Off		6:00 PM	Kung Fu
12	9:00 AM	Weekly Staff Meeting		6:00 PM	Choir	28	9:00 AM	Stretching
	6:00 PM	Choir		7:00 PM	AA & Al-Anon		10:00 AM	Wesley Walkers
	7:00 PM	Bible Journaling		7:00 PM	SPRC	29	9:00 AM	Hand Bells
	7:00 PM	AA & Al-Anon					10:00 AM	AA



The Staff/ Pastor Parish Relations Committee have recognized Christine Nolan, Financial Secretary, with their appreciation on behalf of the congregation for her extra effort in coordinating the finding of a parsonage and having it all ready for Pastor Danny and family to move in meeting a very tight schedule!. She was presented with a monetary gift for her extra efforts. Again Christine Thank You!

February Sermon Series



February
26th
7:00 PM



We are getting excited about and ready for our new Children's Ministry program BLAST to begin this month!

Will you say "YES!" to helping with BLAST?

We are still in need of Small Group Leaders and Small Group Assistants. BLAST Small groups will be a place where children connect, are discipled and cared for and where they experience community with other kids and a trusted adult leader. Small-Group leaders will encourage kids to pursue a deeper relationship with Jesus by teaching and modeling what it means to be a Christ-follower.

The commitment for Small Group Leaders and Assistants is every 1st and 3rd Wednesday for a four-month period (Feb-May & Aug-Nov). Did you do the math? That's just 8 Wednesdays in the Spring and 8 Wednesdays in the Fall! That's all!

So are you still wondering what exactly you are saying "Yes!" to when you volunteer for BLAST? Here are just a few things you're saying yes to:



- *Passing along your faith and discipling the next generation
- *Learning catchy songs that will be too irresistible not to sing
- *Praying with and for young people and their families
- *The blessing of a cross-generational friendship
- *Just 1.5 hours every 1st and 3rd Wednesday
- *Lots of smiles, hugs, and laughter
- *Impacting the next generation and their Families for Jesus Christ

Say "YES!" to BLAST and discipling the next generation of Christ-followers.

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Karen Motta at karenmotta80@gmail.com.



The Library Corner: New and Various

It's a new year, so the church library should have some new books, right? And it does! Some are donated, some are new, but there are definitely a variety of items—and we hope something among them will suit your needs and tastes. Here is a sample:

Bible Studies for those who want to dig deeper into Scripture:

The Trailblazer's class recently studied the book of Revelation, and has donated the book, leader's guide, and DVD to the library. Is Revelation a "closed book" to you? Bruce Metzger, the author of *Breaking the Code: Understanding the Book of Revelation*, says that readers of this study will "be surprised to find out how much of the book makes sense." If Revelations has always interested you, try out this book and DVD.

All Things New: A Study on 2 Corinthians by Kelly Minter. Minter says that 2 Corinthians, which is the source of many beloved Scripture passages, may be the apostle Paul's most personal letter. This study for women goes through 2 Corinthians chapter by chapter. And for good measure Minter throws in several recipes!

The library has other Bible Studies, including some that have accompanying DVDS—so come in and browse for other possibilities.

Christian Living / Inspirational:

Keri Wyatt Kent wants the readers of her book *Deeply Loved: 40 Ways in 40 Days to Experience the Heart of Jesus* to understand that each one of us is indeed deeply loved by God—whether we feel it or not. Kent offers specific ways to draw closer to Jesus, and to realize that "God loves each of us like an only child." (quote from St. Augustine, p. 2)

Fiction:

Long Way Gone by Charles Martin. The description on the book jacket says: "A radical retelling of the prodigal son story, Long Way Gone takes us from tent revivals to the Ryman auditorium to the tender relationship between a broken man and the father who never stopped calling him home."

Popular Christian author Colleen Coble brings us *The Lightkeeper's Daughter* – both a romance and a mystery - suspense story that will keep you guessing.

Bible Stories for Children:

Do you want the children in your life to be more familiar with Bible stories? The library contains a variety of books at different reading levels that can help with that, from Children and Youth Bibles to small books that

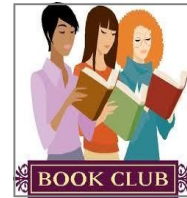
contain just one story. One of our recently donated books for young children is *Jesus Heals the Centurion's Servant*. This is one of the Arch Book Bible Story Series. The stories are illustrated on every page, and are told in verse. Other books in this series are *Jesus Blesses the Children*, *The Parable of the Lost Sheep*, and *Jesus and the Family Trip*.

P.S. During the month of February books will be on display on the topic of love, and also books related to the African-American experience. Look for them!

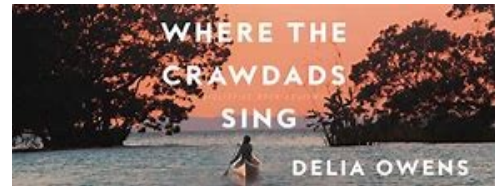
MUMC

Saturday

Morning



**Join the Saturday Book Club
In the church library
Saturday, February 15th 10:15**



Where the Crawdads Sing by [Delia Owens](#)

For years, rumors of the "Marsh Girl" have haunted Barkley Cove, a quiet town on the North Carolina coast. So in late 1969, when handsome Chase Andrews is found dead, the locals immediately suspect Kya Clark, the so-called Marsh Girl. But Kya is not what they say. Sensitive and intelligent, she has survived for years alone in the marsh that she calls home, finding friends in the gulls and lessons in the sand. Then the time comes when she yearns to be touched and loved. When two young men from town become intrigued by her wild beauty, Kya opens herself to a new life—until the unthinkable happens.

Perfect for fans of Barbara Kingsolver and Karen Russell, *Where the Crawdads Sing* is at once an exquisite ode to the natural world, a heartbreaking coming-of-age story, and a surprising tale of possible murder. Owens reminds us that we are forever shaped by the children we once were, and that we are all subject to the beautiful and violent secrets that nature keeps.

A read ahead book for March has not yet been selected.

VOLUNTEERS
A Work of Heart!



Mary Ellen Tierney, like many other volunteers at UMC, is a face you cannot forget. She's everywhere; serving our Lord in as many ways as she possible can. She's a Holy Folder, works with Our Neighbors Table, Meals on Wheels, Feeder of the Pack, funeral meals, is part of the quilting ministry and is one of the smiling faces you see greeting you as you enter the sanctuary on Sunday mornings.

Mary Ellen first became involved with volunteering in the church because of the need she saw in each of these activities. She was new to the church and taking part gave her opportunity for fellowship. She stays involved because the need just never goes away and because she has enjoyed making and working with friends who share in these common goals. The Stephen ministry is a caregiver program that helps those who need assistance with something happening in their lives. Being a caregiver, being with an individual in need as they sort out their concern for themselves is a most rewarding spiritual and human experience.

In what free time she might have, Mary Ellen likes to read (a lot) and enjoys her cats, Buster and Lily. Once in a while, she and Richard take a day to do some good old fashioned antiquing, something they both enjoy. Mary Ellen also shares she takes every one of Angie Baughman's precept studies that she is able to. She finds this method of bible study very enjoyable and gains so much from it.

For a person who hasn't yet taken the leap to get involved, Mary Ellen's advice is to step out in faith and just do it. You will be most glad that you did. Mary Ellen, we cannot thank you enough for volunteering your time and talent with such loving devotion. You are truly a "good and faithful servant".

February 11th at Noon
Happy Valentines Day

The MENU: Tossed Salad, Spaghetti w/Meatsauce, Garlic Bread & Cherry Cheese Cake. Please note price increase to \$7.00 per person

Program: Have you ever wanted to travel to the Middle East? Have you imagined walking where Jesus and His disciples walked? Join us as Gaye Auxier shares a power point presentation on her trip to Israel last summer.



friends, fellowship, faith.

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

Sunday, February 9th
5 -7pm

Chili Cookoff

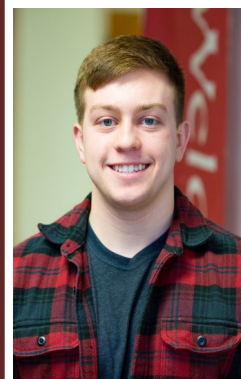
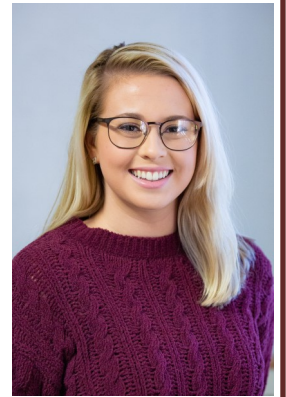
\$5.00 entry fee for each pot of chili. Winner will be determined by the amount of money each chili raises.

1st Place recieves a Prize.

Sign-up to participate or attend on the attendance pad today.

New Faces!

If you have passed by the church nursery lately, you have most likely seen Leah Wachtel, our newest nursery attendant. Leah officially started in November, but is no stranger to the church. Leah is a 2017 graduate of Murphysboro High School and usually attends the Praise Service here at MUMC with her parents, Greg and Julie Wachtel, and brother Johnny Wachtel.



Speaking of Johnny... in January, John Wachtel took over the position of Technology Coordinator for both services here at MUMC. Johnny is currently a senior at Murphysboro High School and was a member of the church's 2017 Confirmation class.

We are blessed to have both Leah and Johnny on staff here at Murphysboro United Methodist Church.

United Methodist Men's Feb 8th Breakfast

will be held at the Bigham Farm Complex



- * 8:15 am Bus will leave the Church
- * 9:00 am Breakfast will be served
- * Cost is a donation of your choice

All MUMC Men & their Sons & Daughters are invited to attend



FEBRUARY WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

TRADITIONAL		PRAISE	
<u>Worship Leader</u>			
<u>2</u>	Vanessa Lirely	Roger Smith	
<u>9</u>	Barb Hughes	Mary Louise Cashel	
<u>16</u>	Barb Hughes	Kristi Miller	
<u>23</u>	Vanessa Lirely	Kristi Miller	
<u>Choir/Music Leader</u>			
	Brianna Sitton	Praise Band	
<u>Prayer Request Reader & Liturgist</u>			
<u>2</u>	Lou Ann Lough	Roger Smith	
<u>9</u>	Gene Schwebel	Mary Louise Cashel	
<u>16</u>	Wilma Westerfield	Kristi Miller	
<u>23</u>	Nancy Fager	Kristi Miller	
<u>Ushers</u>			
	Todd Doody, Jennifer Watson, Kyle Hargraves, John Erbes, Scott Heller, & Dave Auxier	Paul Chapman & Allen Bigham	

FEBRUARY TRADITIONAL SERVICE

	<u>Welcome Hostesses & Greeter</u>	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Children's Church Leaders</u>
<u>2</u>	Thelma Pierson Kathy Blackwell	Andrew Graham Maya Jenkins	Sage Lintner
<u>9</u>	Thelma Pierson Kathy Blackwell	Jayla Maynor Harper Geis	Cheryl Smith
<u>16</u>	Marlene Gibbs Mary Ellen Tierney	Mara Motta Landrie Green	Lacey Brown Rene Doody
<u>23</u>	Marlene Gibbs Mary Ellen Tierney	Eli Guthman Liam Guthman	Diane Schingel

STEWARDS:
Everett Blackwell



LAST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH



1	Roger Twenhafel	14	Betty Morefield
2	Morgan Krummrich	15	Lynn Pierson
3	Tyler Doody	16	Leah Patterson
4	Joan Bastien	16	Julie Schaldemose
5	Ed Thraikill	18	Ralph Bastien
6	Rhonda Shands	19	Maddie Bean
6	Michelle Thies	22	Paul Parrish
7	Lola Pierson	22	Mila Thies
8	Kyle Hargraves	23	Donna Lynn Horniacek
10	Harold Gibbs	24	Judy Little
11	Doug Bitner	24	Adrienne Will
12	Patti Mills	26	Andrew Gordon
14	Casey Johnstone	29	Joshua Barringer



Reminder the March compass deadline is February 17th!

14	Paul & Viola Parrish	15	Kevin & Barbara Howard
18	Bill & Mary Slider	22	Charles & Pam Crews





Children's Christmas Program that was held on December 8th.

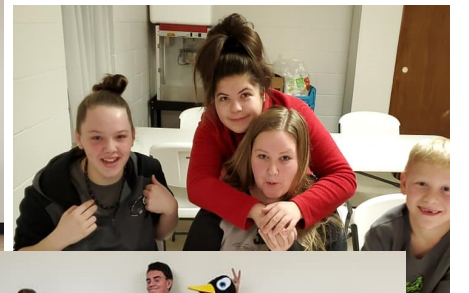


Thank you Diane Schingel & Children we were blessed!

Youth Sunday, January 26th



MOMC Children & Youth, and Agape House Christmas Party!



Youth Mission Trip
Mandatory Prep Meetings
All meetings will be from 3:00 – 4:00 pm
February 16th March 8th
April 19th May 3rd

Please see all of the Thank you cards below that we have received over the last month and half for all the love and care that our congregation spreads!



Thank you for the excellent meal that was prepared for the family after the services for Sid Boucher. We appreciate all your hard work.



Thank you for feeding our football team this past season. Also, thank you for all of your support,

Coach Carter

The kindness you have shown will always be remembered.

The Boucher family

November 19, 2019

Dear Church Family - Thank you so much for your cards, visits and prayers. I enjoy receiving the bulletins and news letters.

My Dialysis is going well, three times a week in Carbondale.

Again, thank you all for your concern.

Sincerely Carmela M. Boucher 11 No. Shawnee Dr. M'Leans, Ill. 62966 apt. 2

for the "Church Ladies" that prepare text

Thanks so much for preparing + serving the dinner for our mother Ruth Verbal, it meant alot.

Rhonda Shands + family Rick Verbal + family Brenda Hamman + family

Your care and concern are greatly appreciated and will always be remembered.

Thank you so much for the donation of the wreath for our Festival of Life fundraiser!

Wishing you and your family a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Julie Lorence Spero Family Services

Jan. 2, 2020

Thank you for the cards & the care pkg. sent at Christmas. It is all very much appreciated.

Gloria Barker

Christmas Cantata, March to the Manger, & Christmas Eve Candle Light Services



WHAT ARE THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES UP TO?

Faithful Friends and Pathfinders have merged into one class and are now the Faithful Pathfinders. We invite you to join us as we continue *Revival* – Adam Hamilton’s six-week journey as he travels to England, following the life of John Wesley and exploring his defining characteristics of a Wesleyan Christian. Wesley’s story is our story. It defines our faith and it challenges us to rediscover our spiritual passion.

Helping Hands, led by Donna Horniacek, is a traditional Bible Study Class for men and women. For Winter 2019-2020 the lessons support the theme of “Promise.” The five lessons in the first unit (Hope) center on one of the things promise gives us: hope. Hope -- the expectation that, regardless of what is happening in the present, God has a future for us. The four lessons in the second unit (Covenants: The Basis for Committed Relationships) focus on covenants and the promises they include. In the third unit (Holiness Expressed) the four lessons call us to live into the promise God gives us to be holy people.

Passages, led by Randy Auxier, will be continuing with the book/study *Stop Asking for Stones and Serpents: How the Way We Pray Can Block God’s Blessings*, by Janice Staab, PhD. Dr. Staab shines a light on some ways of praying that block God’s blessings and love from being fully active in our lives. She examines in detail how the things we pray for (stones) and the methods we pray with (serpents) can distract us from God’s will for our lives and keep us from receiving all God wants to share. Jan is a write, teacher, philosophical counselor, and life coach. After 15+ years as an academic philosopher and an elder in her church, she’s committed to having the conversations that matter with ourselves, others, and God.

Seekers, led by Susan Patterson, is continuing their study of *The Jesus Challenge: 21 Days of Loving God and Neighbor*. “Following Jesus is hard. If anyone tells you that it isn’t, then they are misinformed or just plain lying.” Author Justin LaRosa learned this truth through a journey to Christ filled with more than the average person’s (and certainly more than the average pastor’s) roadblocks and potholes. He discovered spiritual practices that helped him navigate the way, changing his life and his understanding of love. Through this study he guides readers as they follow Jesus and live out His commandment to love. Join Justin, and the Seekers, as they take the Jesus challenge, and be transformed.

Trailblazers, a class for young adults, has some exciting changes coming in the near future. Stay tuned for more information!

Eugene (Euan) Anthony Stewart – Son of Lee & Katie Stewart (Schwebel) was Baptized on Sunday, December 29th along his Dad whom became a New Member of MUMC.



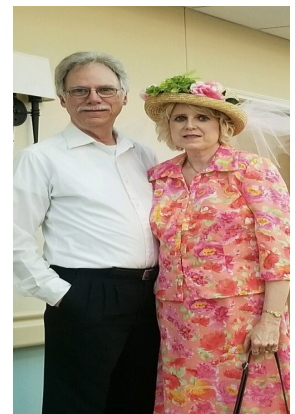
Surrounded by Family and Friends!

An Invitation

The library has something new for you—a communal devotional! Never heard of that? Neither have we! But here it is: in the library on a table beside a comfy chair you will find a Bible, a daily devotional book, and some markers. Read the Bible passage listed in the daily devotional, read the entry for that day in the devotional, and, if so led, use a marker to mark a passage in the devotional book that speaks to you. What makes this communal? Well, everyone is invited to do the same. We can see what moves someone else, as we make our own mark. Perhaps there will be days that there will be nothing marked—and perhaps some days we will see a rainbow of colors-- and you, friend, are invited to be part of the rainbow.

**More New Members!
On Sunday January, 5th**

**Mike &
Michelle Clark
became
members of
MUMC!**



**THE WESLEY WALKERS
are now STRETCHING**
Starting Feb., 7th at 9:00am

Rosie Wece will be leading a stretching class each Friday at 9:00am before the Wesley Walkers start at 10:00am. Come join us for one or both classes!

The Wesley Walkers finished out 2019 with a total of 393,380 steps (the equivalent of 197 miles) during our Friday morning meetings. The top three walkers were Michelle Parker-Clark with 126,091 steps, Sharon Graff with 115,971 steps, and Janet Porter with 72,526 steps.

The Wesley Walkers are continuing to meet Fridays mornings at 10:00 am, but we are adding another workout option for 2020. Rosie Wece will be leading a stretching class beginning on Friday, February 7 at 9:00 am.

Come join us for one or both classes and let's focus on being more active in 2020. Wishing you a Happy and Healthy New Year!

Kung Fu Update

A big **congratulations** to all of our new white sashes: Vanessa Lirely, Gene Schwebel, Katrina Carnes, Todd Lirely, Scott Heller, Logan Heller, Tyler Doody, Lance Carnes, and also our new black sash, Josiah Motta! I'm so proud of and thankful for you all! She she nie (thank you) also to my teacher, Mark Kimzey, for being present for all and helping test!

God is good! ~ Pastor Danny



Live Well/Be Well

February is national Heart Health Month. Happy Valentines Day! We all know how important heart health is to our lives. If our heart doesn't work we die...plain and simple. Sometimes we have to have hard conversations with a loved one about life styles and habits that are increasing the risk of heart attacks and/or strokes. And sometimes we have to have those conversations with ourselves. Below are some conversation starters that the Department of Health and Human Services say may be helpful.

Begin by saying you care. You can say:

- I want you to live a long and healthy life.
- I hope you'll be around a long time.
- I want to help you make healthy changes so you keep enjoying life.

Let your loved know how serious heart disease can be:
 Heart disease is the leading cause of death for men and women in the U.S.
 Heart disease causes more deaths in the U.S. than all cancers combined.

Encourage your loved one to take steps to improve heart health. Examples are:

- Eating lots of fruits, vegeables, whole grains and low-fat foods is important. Why don't we go shopping together and cook healthy meals together?
- Getting active is good for your heart. Let's go for a walk after dinner.
- Quitting smoking can lower your risk of heart disease greatly. You can get help at 1-800-Quit-Now.

Ask how you can help:
 What changes are the hardest?
 How can we get healthy together?
 You don't have to do this alone. How can I help?
 Most importantly, ask God for help. He is always there. We know that eventually all our hearts will stop beating and we will go to our heavenly home. But until that time we can care for the temples God gave us as well as we can.

NewAll Church Family

PRAYER Service

Every Thursday

1st Prayer Service will be Feb, 6th at 5:30 pm

Please join us as we start a new service here at MUMC.

This will be a weekly Prayer Service that everyone is invited to attend.

We will be praying for Our

Church, Church Family, Family, Friends, Community, Government and any Special needs. Come help us lift these up to the Lord.



There is so very much to celebrate as we wrap up 2019 and look forward to the coming year. First and foremost, **we continue to**

celebrate the birth and saving grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Psalm 24:1 proclaims that our Lord owns every last thing on the earth: “The earth is the Lord’s, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.” (NIV) It’s all His. If He’s the owner, we’re not—even of ourselves. He trusts us to steward His resources and

manage our lives in order to make disciples among all the nations. How amazing that God Almighty views we can be worthy of His trust!

We are given the freedom to commit our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness toward furthering the Kingdom. **We celebrate the dozens among us who through our stewardship campaign made commitments to dedicate their lives and resources to the cause of Christ.** Not to be overlooked are those members who for one reason or another did not pledge but who continue to support the church through your personal and monetary gifts. **We celebrate each and every member of our church family!** Stewardship campaign results you may like to know:

Three (3) households stepped forward to become 1st-time pledgers

Nineteen (19) households transitioned from non-pledge to pledge

A total of sixty (60) households pledged \$247,732

We celebrate the dozens of ministries and missions carried out by the ministers of this congregation using our pledged and non-pledged dollars. It is only through the dedication and generosity of the church family that we can grow our ministries to better serve those who so desperately need a relationship with their Creator.

The 2020 MUMC Operating Budget appears on the reverse of this insert. Please know that your Finance Com-

This Information was submitted by the Finance Committee to the Congregation on Sunday, December 29th.

INCOME:	
Offering (includes pledges & non-pledged estimate)	\$ 367,442.00
Fundraising	\$ 500.00
Outside Income	\$ 500.00
Missions	\$ 1,000.00
TOTAL INCOME:	\$ 369,442.00
EXPENSE:	
Salaries	\$ 184,708.00
Benefits	\$ 50,845.00
Contractual Staff	\$ 32,518.00
Congregation Nurture & Care - Ministry Team	\$ 1,000.00
Worship - Ministry Team	\$ 4,025.00
Adult Spiritual Formation - Ministry Team	\$ 4,050.00
Children & Youth Spiritual Formation - Ministry Team	\$ 17,525.00
Hospitality - Ministry Team	\$ 2,250.00
Promotions & Publicity - Ministry Team	\$ 1,450.00
Utilities & Upkeep	\$ 40,770.00
Finance	\$ 29,551.00
(Apportionments - \$20,000)	
(Mortgage - \$8,901, Stewardship - \$650)	
Church Administration	\$ 26,515.00
(Off. Exp. \$15,515, Trustee Inc. \$9,600, Misc. \$1,400)	
TOTAL EXPENSE:	\$ 395,207.00
* (6.50%)	\$ (25,765.00)

*Historically we’ve stayed within a 4-5% deficit.

Past/present Finance

leadership and committee as a whole are comfortable with 6.5% for 2020 since a) we project \$10K carry-over from 2019 [this reduces the deficit to 3.9%] and

b) efforts are currently in process to reduce expenses further.

Love

Love is patient and kind.
1 Corinthians 13:4

PRESIDENTS' DAY WORD SEARCH

K G B T Y K E C H E R R Y T R E E
 T E H C T A N E V H O N E S T Y S
 N O T G N I H S A M E G R O E G X
 R F P L M D E R E B A T S E N O H
 R P E H I R P Q D F E B R U A R Y
 L O G C A B I N O P Y X K B Y Z X
 R I J D R S T K R T U J I H M A S
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Abraham Lincoln
Cherry Tree
February
George Washington
Hatchet



Honest Abe
Honesty
Log Cabin
Presidents Day
Washington

Presidents Day

John 3:16

for God so lo **V**ed the world
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