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Daylight Savings, November 7th,!



# WEEKLY BULLETIN DEADLINE

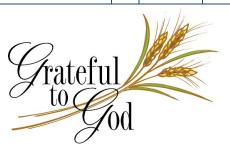
is Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. Hello church! I hope this correspondence finds you in the best of health and spirit. It is my most sincere desire that you grow in your faith and relationship with Jesus Christ. It's the best thing you can do for yourself, your family and community. There are a few things on my mind. If you will allow me to share, I will attend to them in this letter.

First, I know October has been a particularly difficult month for the Winters, Herring and Flowers families. All have lost a loved one and I had the great honor to officiate their home-going services. It is imperative that we as a worshipping and faith-filled community continue to pray for these families. For our faith in this way affirms that the "...Effectual fervent prayer of the righteous avails much". Our prayers must be formed in accordance with the Word of God; not just words of intercession when speaking to God on their behalf alone, but also being the interceder. Church we must call, send cards, and connect with these families that they may know for sure the love which is in your hearts for them. James 2:26 says: "For just as the body without the spirit is dead, so also faith without works is dead". So, let us be the answer to our prayers for them and their prayers to God.

Second, I want to ask you to be fully present with the next sermon series "The Christian Wallet", which is taken from a popular book on Christian Stewardship called "The Christian Wallet". I know some of us take offence at the church speaking about our money and how it ought to be used. But consider this, does the Bible discuss these matters and give directions to you, the elect of God? The answer is yes. Does God have authority in your life? The answer is yes, but you have to surrender it. I ask that you be fully present in body and spirit during this 4-week sermon series. Honor God with your obedience and evaluate my presentation of God's Word on this subject that you might confirm you heard Him alone. Finally, please get a copy of the book. Some copies are available at the church, one per family please. Or order your own off of Amazon.

Finally, my brothers and sisters; "...whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things". (Philippians 4:8)

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	6:30 PM	Charge Conference	18	5:30 PM	Pound
3	6:00 PM	Choir		6:00 PM	GA
4	5:30 PM	Pound	19	9:00 AM	Stretching w/Rosie
	6:00 PM	Scouts of the Round Table		11:00 AM	Red Cross Blood Drive
	7:00 PM	GA	20	10:30 AM	Book Club
5	9:00 AM	Stretching w/Rosie	21	12:30 PM	Leadership Retreat
6			22		Meals On Wheels Week
7		All Saints Day  Day Light Savings	23	9:00 AM	Holy Folder
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10	6:00 PM	Choir	27	3:30 PM	Graff/Wheatley Wedding
11		Veterans Day	28	Noon	Our Neighbors Table
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	5:30 PM	Pound	28		1st Sunday of Advent
	6:00 PM	GA	29		
12	9:00 AM	Stretching w/Rosie	30	6:00 PM	Cub Scouts
13	10:00 AM	UMM Bus Trip			
14	5:00 PM	Thanksgiving Potluck			
15	9:30 AM	Prayers & Squares			
16	6:00 PM	Cubs			





Saturday, November

13th at 10:00 AM Bus Trip See Page #9 for more information.

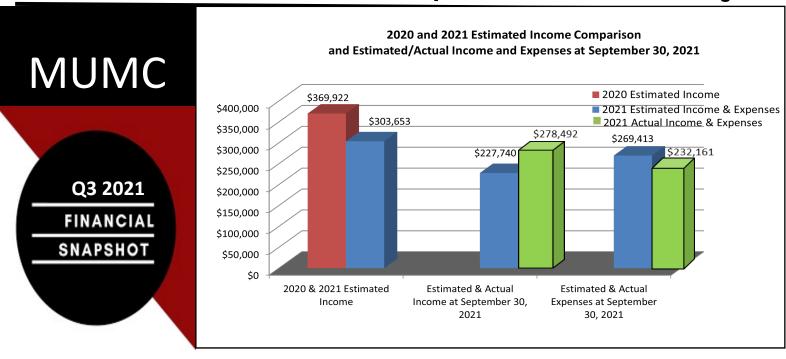


Reminder the November compass deadline is November 14th!





On October 31 the Adult Sunday School Class began a new study of the movie "It's a Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood." This study will break the movie into different topics of discussion and will continue through the month of November. In this movie, Tom Hanks portrays Mister Rogers in a timely story of kindness triumphing over cynicism, based on the true story of a real-life friendship between Fred Rogers and journalist Tom Junod. After a jaded magazine writer is assigned a profile of Fred Rogers, he overcomes his skepticism, learning about kindness, love, and forgiveness from America's most beloved neighbor. Please join us for a time of fellowship and sharing.



Your Finance Committee is pleased to provide a 3rd Quarter 2021 Financial Snapshot. Consistent with prior quarters, we include in our snapshot the 2020 and 2021 estimated income comparison.

Actual income through September at \$278,492 exceeded estimates of \$227,740 due in large part to the second Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) "loan" of \$43,630 received across 1st and 2nd quarters. Congregational giving is tracking close to estimates. Pledges toward operations are logged in at \$132,778 or 71.66%, just shy of a 75% (three quarters) giving benchmark. Non-pledged gifts actually exceeded 3rd quarter estimate at \$88,683, or 77.2%. Our plate offerings also exceeded estimate—running slightly behind non-pledged gifts—at \$2,313, or 77.09%. So another great job of living out your commitments to Christ's church!

Moving to expenses, you can see from the far right bar graphs that actual expenses through September at \$232,161 came in lower than estimated expenses at \$269,413, due in part to our not paying a Youth Director's salary the majority of the year.

We can forecast congregational giving through the end of 2021 using the average monthly rate of giving over the past nine months. Using this method, we can estimate receiving an additional \$74,591 in the remaining quarter, bringing estimated congregational giving to \$298,365. We can forecast expenses through the end of 2021 using the same method. Accordingly, we can estimate spending another \$77,387 in the remaining quarter, bringing estimated expenses to \$309,548. We can weather this estimated giving vs. expenses deficit (-\$11,183) (or a similar deficit figure) thanks to PPP dollars which covered numerous weeks of payrolls across both this and last years. The PPP payrolls coverage permitted us to preserve cash. Next year it is highly, highly unlikely we will have the PPP revenue stream. Our nation's inflation impacts the church, and we have staffing holes to fill. With our annual stewardship program having commenced with Pastor McMichael's sermon series entitled "The Christian Wallet," let us each one approach the stewardship season with open hearts and open minds.



**Caring for Kids Donations** 

We conclude our Q3 Financial Snapshot with a report on your generosity <u>beyond</u> tithes and offerings in support of Christ's church. Numerous bins of school supplies, cash in the amount of \$692.33 and gift cards in the amount of \$235 were donated to the *Caring for Kids Program*. The supplies, gift cards and cash were divided between Carruthers and General John A. Logan schools. Your donations bridge the gap to meet children's basic needs. Obviously, MUMC CARES FOR KIDS. Our focus upon missions makes a difference in our spiritual lives and in the lives of others (children and school staff in this case). Let's continue to help others see Jesus through our actions.

Congratulations to Brooke Guthman on being selected as the 2021 Citizen of the Year by the Murphysboro Chamber of Commerce.





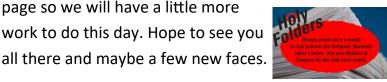
### Methodists on a Mission Relay for Life GIFT CARDS

The Methodists on a Mission Relay For Life team is once again offering Gift Card sales for all of your holiday needs.

Please fill out the form found in the November Newsletter and the November 7th & 14th Bulletin and return it to any team member, mail to address on form, or to the church office.

Deadline to order gift cards is November 18th.

Holy Folders—Will meet on <u>Tuesday</u>, November the 23rd due to the Thanksgiving Holiday. We will be stapling the Christmas Offering envelope to the first page so we will have a little more work to do this day. Hope to see you



Sharon Jones and her Granddaughter delivering Meals on Wheels in October on behalf of Murphysboro

UMC.







If you would like to help out with this ministry contact Richard Tierney for more information.

618-684-8847

# Our Neighbor's Table

Future Dates:
October 31st
November 28th
& December 26th

FREE community meal

the last Sunday of every month starting at 12:00 noon in the Murphysboro United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. Dinner is served with dessert and beverage.

### **Everyone welcome!**

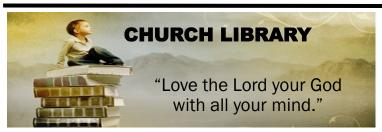




# All Saints' Sunday

# November 7th

We will honor our loved ones who have passed on between November 2020 and now. If you would like to have your loved one added to the list please contact Melba in the Church Office no later than November 1st.



#### The Library Corner: Now Thank We All Our God

We are all familiar with the hymn we often sing at Thanksgiving "Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices". We can hear the melody in our minds. To give thanks to God is a good and right thing to do, but has humankind always known that? Perhaps—or at least for a very long time, as witnessed by the Bible.

One of the best ways to find out where a topic of interest is mentioned in the Bible is to use **Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible.** Using the key words "thank," thanks," and "thanksgiving", we can find a variety of specific Bible passages that contain those words, listed by book, chapter, and verse.

For instance, the very first mention of any of those words is in *Leviticus: 7:12* in the Old Testament, certainly one of the older books in the Bible. This verse is a description of how to make a sacrificial Thanksgiving offering to God.

A number of Psalms proclaim praises to God with thanksgiving. Psalm 100 is one of the most beautiful and well known. It's short—read it in its entirety for the joy of it! Here are two of the verses:

Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture Enter his gates with thanksgiving, And his courts with praise; Give thanks to him, bless his name. Psalm 100: 3-4

Examples in the New Testament include passages from Paul, in his pastoral letters to young churches.

Paul urges these people of faith to be thankful. He wrote to the Philippians: Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. Phil: 4:6

Similarly, Paul's letter to the Thessalonians urges them:

pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. I Thess 5:17-18

Read the verses before and after around both of the passages quoted above to see how Paul also urges his readers to rejoice always. Rejoicing, thankfulness in all circumstances, prayer, supplication—there is a spiritual connection among them that is both inspiring and challenging—something to think about.

Happy Thanksgiving to all!

P.S. The **Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible** can be found in the church library in the
Reference section. The Concordance is based on
the wording used in the King James Bible, but is
useful even when reading other translations of the
Bible. Some Bibles also have short concordances
in the reference section.

The Saturday Book Club

MUNC

Room 202

Saturday

November 20th, 10:30





#### **Afterlife**

By Julia Alvarez

The first adult novel in almost fifteen years by the internationally bestselling author of In the Time of the Butterflies and How the García Girls Lost Their Accents

Antonia Vega, the immigrant writer at the center of Afterlife, has had the rug pulled out from under her. She has just retired from the college where she taught English when her beloved husband, Sam, suddenly dies. And then more jolts: her bighearted but unstable sister disappears, and Antonia returns home one evening to find a pregnant,

undocumented teenager on her doorstep. Antonia has always sought direction in the literature she loves—lines from her favorite authors play in her head like a soundtrack—but now she finds that the world demands more of her than words.

Afterlife is a compact, nimble, and sharply droll novel. Set in this political moment of tribalism and distrust, it asks: What do we owe those in crisis in our families, including—maybe especially—members of our human family? How do we live in a broken world without losing faith in one another or ourselves? And how do we stay true to those glorious souls we have lost?

There will be no Book Club meeting in December. Check out this space next month for January's book!



4	Roger & Terri Twenhafel	17	Paul & Arlene Bitner
7	Bill & Glenda Martin	25	Adrienne & Wes Will
15	Harry & Susan Wirth	27	Gary & Gloria Likins
16	Terrin & Michelle Thies		







Stretching
With
Rosie
each Friday
9:00 AM

Congregational Prayer over items that were donated before they are sent to integrity Health Care in Cobden. To bless those receiving items, those who donated, and those who participated



2	Kathy Blackwell	15	Brant Wingerter
2	Cole Fletcher	16	Arlene Bitner
4	Lucas Bigham	16	Cecelia Crawshaw
4	Ethan Finke	16	Sharon Graff
4	Kay Lirely	16	Landrie Green
4	Caroline Pederson	17	Michelle Clark
4	Clifton Swafford	18	Katie Stewart
5	Robert Frank	19	Greg Schuh
6	Alayna Krummrich	22	Pam Graham
10	Arthur Porter	22	Pat Porter
11	Liam Guthman	25	James Nimmo
11	Rob Williams	26	Tabitha Lirely
12	Dave Auxier	29	Beverley Jarrett
12	Julie Erbes	30	Ben Barringer
12	Bill Quigley	30	Jerry Giffin
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## **Prayers & Squares Quilting**

1st & 3rd Monday of each month 9:30 am in the fellowship Hall

Expert quilters and novice are all encouraged to come. We will make projects for family, friends, those in need in our local communities.



Our 2021 Charge
Conference has
been set for
November 2nd at

6:30 at Carbondale Grace UMC. Everyone in the church is invited to attend.



Eight YAH travelers ventured to Perryville, MO on Tuesday, October 12. We were blessed with a beautiful Fall day and a delicious lunch at Mary Jane Burgers & Brew, which included burgers with unique toppings such as peanut butter, guacamole, and loaded baked potato salad. And, at lunch we found out that one of our couples was celebrating their 20th wedding anniversary, which made it even more special. After lunch we visited the Missouri National Veterans Memorial. It was a wonderful tribute to our nation's veterans and a very meaningful experience, especially for those who had served and those who found names of friends on the wall. We concluded the day with a stop at the local DQ for some sweet treats - a perfect way to end a perfect day!

Next month we look forward to traveling to The Land Between the Lakes to Patti's 1880's Settlement in Grand Rivers, KY. We will depart the church parking lot at 10:00 am on Tuesday, November 9 for a noon lunch. Patti's was rebuilt after a kitchen fire in 2018, with some new features added, but still retaining its original charm. Patti's is known for its two inch pork chops, flower pot bread, and delicious desserts. In addition to the restaurant

there are several gift shops and boutiques to explore to help walk off dessert. Please join us for another fun outing filled with good food and even better fellowship.































Trail Day 2021





Did you know that Sunday School for all ages has returned! Not Sure where to go? See Diane Schingel outside the Children and Youth Area on each Sunday immediately following service. We are also looking for Sunday School Volunteers If you are interested call the Church Office or let Diane know.

We would love to have you all.





Mon., Nov 8th at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. Please let Rosie know if you will be

attending to ensure there is adequate spacing available.



The Memory Café at Prairie Living at Chautaugua is available to anyone in our community living with or taking care of loved ones with dementia. It is every Thursday from 2—3pm. Caregivers can get a break and have coffee and support from peer. Persons with dementia can participate in calming activities and enjoy some vintage music and refreshments. This group can be for support and education about caring for person with dementia.

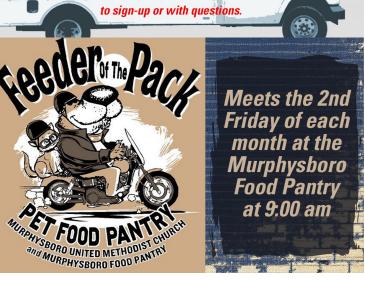
**MUMC United Methodist Men Bus Trip** to Mary Janes Burgers & Brew in Perryville Mo. on Sat, Nov 13th after lunch they will tour the Missouri's National Veterans Memorial.

All church members, wives and children are invited to join. The Bus will leave MUMC at 10:00am you may be asked to drive your own vehicle depending on number of individuals who choose to attend.





There is no age requirement nor a fee to join. Rehearsals are Wednesday nights from 6-7 pm. Contact Cameron Taylor at cambtay2012@gmail.com or 309-224-1676 for any questions





### In Loving Memory . . .

Since the September newsletter we celebrated the lives of four loved ones:

#### David Flowers

David Flowers passed away on Sun., Sept. 19th. David was the son of the late Ronald and Charlotte Flowers, the brother of the late Daniel Flowers and Sarah Flowers, the husband of Emily Flowers, the father of Brian Brown and Nick Flowers, and the grandfather of Micheal (Rylie) Brown and Aurora Flowers.

#### Robert "Bob" Winters

Robert "Bob" Winters passed away on Tu., Sept. 21. Bob was the husband of Rosalie, the father of Shari (David) Biggs and Brian Winters, Sr., the brother of Jim Winters, and the grandfather of Kristen Biggs, Morgan Winters, Brian Winters, Jr., and Patrick Winters.

#### Scott Hancock

Scott passed away on Sat., Oct. 2nd. Scott was a friend of Mike and Michelle Clark.

#### Jack Herring

Jack Herring passed away on Thurs., Oct. 7th. Jack was the husband of Sandy, the father of Todd (Lena) Herring and Tim Herring (deceased), the father-in-law of Amy Herring-Hoppenstedt, and the grandfather of Grant, Garrett, Olivia and Sam Herring.



5:00 pm MUMC Fellowship Hall



t is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you.

Special
Thankgsving Offering

### **Local Missions of MUMC**



MUMC Fellowship Hall Friday, November 19th from 11-4 pm

> For more information contact Gene Schwebel 618-521-0879

Our 2nd Red Cross Blood Drive is set for November 19th from 11—pm in our fellowship hall.

To make this event a success, we need people to sign up to donate blood. You can do that online with the American Red Cross they do also take walk-ins.

We also need people to help on the day of the event, as well as donations of snacks. Contact the Church office or Gene Schwebel for more information.

#### Methodists on a Mission Relay for Life Team

Mail form & payment to: Wilma Westerfield, 303 S. Pecan St, Desoto, IL 62924, or give to a team member: Michelle Clark, Tena Bigham, Sharon Graff, Sharon Jones, Nancy Fager, Kathy Ripley, Nicci Graff, Gene Schwebel, Jennifer Watson, by 11/18/2021

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#### 1500 Pine Street Murphysboro, IL 62966

#### **OFFICE HOURS at MUMC**

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 Website: www.crossandflameministries.com

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#### **WORSHIP SCHEDULE:**

Sunday Service: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.

#### Staff

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Pastor	Marty McMichael
Minister of Visitation	
Financial Secretary	Christine Nolan
Custodian	Pat Sullivan

Ministry Director ....... Michelle Parker-Clark
Church Secretary....... Melba Ziegler
Pianist/Organist ....... Cameron Taylor
Interim Music Director ..... Cameron Taylor
Nursery Attendant ..... Ashlee Sanders

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