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



FATHER'S DAY FITS THE BILL

Hello, Murphysboro United Methodist Church. We are now in the month of June and the most significant day of this month is June 19<sup>th</sup>, Father's Day. Let's just be honest, Father's Day is not approached with the passion of Mother's Day. The gifts will not be as expensive, and the fanfare will be like a firecracker to the supernova of Mother's Day. Nonetheless, the day holds just as much importance. As Christians we must understand and discern between those things which are ordained by and belong to God. Father's Day fits that criterion; church, it fits the bill.

I can honestly tell you that this pastor does not celebrate in the sanctuary national holidays. The glorification of flag, interest groups and ideologies are not to be commingled with that which is **Holy!** But Father's Day, it fits the bill. The idea of a mother and father are **conceived by God** and included in the only commandment with a promise:

*<sup>12</sup>Honor thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee. Exodus 20:12*

So, when we honor Fathers, we are not joining in with the world to celebrate their rendition of what a father may or may not be. Its definition of a father and even a man, is an ever-moving target. We follow an unchanging and timeless definition of both. We passionately hitch our hearts to the heart of God and celebrate the nature, form and function of a Father as defined in the Holy Bible!

We salute both the promise and expression of a man who would be a father to their children, be they biological or adopted, according to the commandments and direction of our God, and as He has delineated in the Bible. Fathers are important and central to the life of the family, its community, our nation and even the world.

So, this Father's Day, let's celebrate dads with a passion not seen in prior years. Because God saw honor due them, we are honored to deliver honor to them. In doing so we lift up the heart of God.

**Happy Father's Day**  
**Pastor Marty**

1	6:00 pm	Choir	10	9:30 pm	Feeder of the Pack @Food Pantry	19		Father's Day
	7:00 pm	NA Meeting		12:30 pm	Blood Drive	20		Office Closed—Juneteenth Holiday
2	3:00 pm	Grief & Loss Support	11	7:30 am	UMM Breakfast			Meals on Wheels Week
	4:00 pm	Grief & Loss Team		10:00 am	AA Meeting	21	11:00 am	Staff Meeting
	5:00 pm	Jackson County Relay for Life Survivors Dinner		10:30 am	Blood Drive		6:00 pm	SPRC
	6:00 pm	Scouts Round Table	12	3:00 pm	Ice Cream Social		7:00 pm	Service & Mission
	7:00 pm	GA Meeting	13	10:00 am	Bible Journaling	22	9:00 am	Holy Folders
3	9:00 am	Stretching w/Rosie		6:00 pm	SS Team		7:00 pm	N/A Meeting
4	10:00 am	AA	14	11:00 am	Staff Meeting	23	3:00 pm	Grief & Loss Support
5		Communion Sunday		10:45 am	Young at Heart Bus Trip		4:00 pm	Grief & Loss Team
	10:30 am	Camp Sunday Breakfast		6:00 pm	BOT		7:00 pm	GA Meeting
	1:00 pm	Private Event in FH		7:00 pm	Finance	24	9:00 am	Stretching w/Rosie
	3:00 pm	MUMC @ 724 Ministries	15	9:00 am	Nurture & Care	25	10:00 am	AA Meeting
6	9:30 am	Prayers & Squares	6	7:00 pm	N/A Meeting	26	Noon	Our Neighbors Table
	6:00 pm	SS Team	16	3:00 pm	Grief & Loss Support	27	6:00 pm	SS Team
7	11:00 am	Staff Meeting		4:00 pm	Grief & Loss Team	28	11:00 am	Staff Meeting
8	7:00 pm	N/A Meeting		7:00 pm	GA Meeting	29	7:00 pm	N/A Meeting
	3:00 pm	Grief & Loss Support	17	9:00 am	Stretching w/Rosie	30	3:00 pm	Grief & Loss Support
	4:00 pm	Grief & Loss Team	18	10:00 am	AA Meeting		4:00 pm	Grief & Loss Team
	7:00 pm	GA Meeting		10:30 am	Book Club		7:00 pm	GA Meeting
10	9:00 am	Stretching w/Rosie	19	5:00 pm	Youth Fellowship			



The July compass deadline is June 13th





## CHURCH LIBRARY

“Love the Lord your God with all your mind.”

### The Library Corner: Unafraid?

It seems that fears and human nature go together. Fear is as old as humanity, (remember Adam and Eve in the garden as told in Chapter 3 of Genesis) and it still springs new in the human heart.

In his recent book, **Unafraid: Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times**, Adam Hamilton delves into fear and the many things that make us anxious or afraid. Before starting the book, he surveyed members of his church about their level of fear, and found that 80% had either moderate or significant levels of fear.

He says *“We worry about the future, about politics, and about our health. We fear violent crime, racial divisions, and the future of the economy. Deep rifts in our nation leave us with an increasing sense of uncertainty. Fear in the financial markets can wipe out billions of dollars of wealth in a single day. Our fears, in the form of insecurity often wreak havoc on our lives and personal relationships.”* (p.3)

Hamilton points out that fear can be our friend when helping us take action in threatening situations, and discusses the “anatomy” of fear --how our brain works and what happens to our bodies if we perceive a threat—real or not. He focuses on the “unreal,” and the out of proportion fears and paralyzing anxieties in this book.

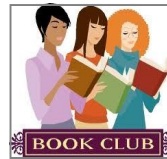
He gives many examples of real-life situations that involve anxieties and fears and how they affect individuals and their quality of life. He also offers strategies that use brain and heart and faith to evaluate and cope with fears.

Hamilton observes that *“Fear, and finding peace in the face of it is one of the major themes of the Bible”* (p. 32) He also points out that the phrase “Do not be afraid” appears more than 100 times in the Bible, but states that *“the phrase that often follows is just as important: for I am with you.”* (p. 32).

He points out that spiritual resources such as prayer and devotional reading can help ease our fearful

minds and hearts. We can bring ourselves closer to God’s presence and love by slowly Bible passages, and meditating on them. In the appendix of the book Hamilton describes that meaningful method of Bible reading and gives a list of 31 reassuring scriptures—one for each day of the month.

This review has only touched upon a very small part of this helpful book. There will be a copy on display on the library bookcase upstairs, and there are also extra copies in the church library that can be borrowed. The Seekers class is currently studying this book—and will probably be discussing it into June! You are welcome to stop by the class and join the class discussions. Don’t be afraid! : )



### The Saturday Book Club

Room 202

June 18, 10:30

#### A Perfect Union: Dolley Madison and the Creation of the American Nation

By Catherine Allgor

When the roar of the Revolution had finally died down, a new generation of politicians was summoned to the Potomac to assemble the nation's capital. Into that unsteady atmosphere—which would soon enough erupt into another conflict with Britain—Dolley Madison arrived, alongside her husband, James. Within a few years, she had mastered both the social and political intricacies of the city, and by her death in 1849 was the most celebrated person in Washington. And yet, to most Americans, she's best known for saving a portrait from the burning White House.

Why did her contemporaries so admire a lady so little-known today? In *A Perfect Union*, acclaimed historian Catherine Allgor reveals how Dolley manipulated the constraints of her gender to construct an American democratic ruling style and to achieve her husband's political goals. By emphasizing cooperation over coercion—building bridges instead of bunkers—she left us with not only an important story about our past but a model for a modern form of politics.

Read ahead book for  
July: **Plainsong** by Kent Haruf

**MUMC**  
**Saturday**  
**Morning**





5	Jerry & Barbara Giffin	22	Paul & Debbie Chapman
10	Bert & Carolyn Ozburn	22	Rob & Jennifer Graeff
10	Greg & Julie Wachtel	24	Todd & Rene Doody
12	Ken & Vern Cline	25	Jason & Michelle Bennett
12	Patrick & Terri Yates	25	Arthur & Pat Porter
14	George & Carolyn Sauer	27	Everett & Kathy Blackwell
15	Troy & Lacey Brown	29	Dennis & Nancy Fager
18	Perry & Susan Patterson	29	Raymond & Bonnie Whiteside
18	John & Amanda Ripley		

3	Mike Johnstone	16	Raymond Whiteside
4	Susan Patterson	17	Todd Doody
4	Mason Thies	18	Jennifer Ellermeyer
8	Tracy Hagston	18	Oliver Imhoff
9	Mason Schingel	21	Novella Howard
10	Evelyn Jackson	21	John Hudgins
10	Kyle Miller	21	Maryjune Rice
10	John Ripley	21	Madison Ripley
11	Emily Finke	21	Makayla Ripley
12	Paula Chapa	22	Ezra Dillow
12	Maggie Jenkins	22	James Pugh
13	Bob Purcell	26	Carla Quigley
13	Sheila Stewart	25	Emmaline Schwoerer
15	Linda Johnson	26	Merrill Thies
15	Joan Reagan	26	Carmen Chapa
16	Cody Ellermeyer	26	Julie Wachtel
16	Olivia Wheatley	28	Elijah Imhoff
16	Bill Pierson	30	Dennis Fager
16	Keylin Wece		

**MUMC Volunteer Day at 724 Ministries at the Walker House**

**June 5th from 3 pm to 6 pm  
We will meet there.**

**Volunteers needed to help serve the meal.  
Sign up on the attendance pad today.**



**Children's STORY TIME**

**Has Returned** ~ Wednesday ~  
**July 6 & 13**  
10:00 am in the Pavilion



Interactive Bible stories, songs, crafts & refreshments for ages Pre-k to 2nd grade.

*Volunteers needed, along with donations of fruit juice boxes, and small bottles of water for both days.*



This year's **campers and their families** are invited to our service to be prayed for by our congregation and then a **Camp**

**Families Meal in the Fellowship Hall** after service on Sun., June 5th. Call the Church office to sign up.

Story time will be July 6th & 13th this year. It will be appropriate for Children Pre-K—2nd grade, and last approximately 1 hour. Activities will include coloring time, story time, singing, craft and snack time. Adults please attend with small children. Contact Vanessa Lirely or Barb Hughes for more information.





On May 11, 2022, the population of Equality, IL, increased by 40 plus one dog (Hershey Twenhafel) as YAH on the Road traveled to the Red Onion for lunch. This was our largest group yet and we were absolutely thrilled to have so many guests join us. It was a beautiful day for a scenic drive down to Gallatin County and the smiles seem to confirm that everyone truly enjoy the food and the fellowship



On Tuesday, June 14, YAH on the Road will travel to St. Nicholas Brewing Company located in the historic St. Nicholas Hotel - a landmark in DuQuoin, IL since the 1800's. The St. Nicholas Brewing Company opened its doors in August 2014 as a microbrewery and restaurant, and since then the owners have been committed to creating a fun and unique dining experience while honoring the history of the St. Nicholas. We will leave the church parking lot at 10:45 am for 11:30 am reservations. Please join us for great food, fun, and fellowship, and don't forget to invite a friend!





# YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Jr. High & Sr. High meet the 1st & 3rd Sunday of every month in Fellowship Hall from 5-7 pm.


A meal is provided, invite your friends and come fellowship with us!

Saturday, June 11th at 7:30 AM. UMM Breakfast. Come help us start planning for our annual Apple Pancake Breakfast.

During the month of June, the Adult Sunday School Class will be continuing their DVD study of Unafraid. In this study, led by Vern Cline, Pastor Adam Hamilton, explores the most common worries and fears experienced by Americans today. He considers these fears, and reflects upon fear in the light of Scripture and a faith that promises again and again that we don't need to live in fear. We can live with courage and hope. Adults of all ages are welcome and encouraged to participate. Please join us in Room **202** for a time of thoughtful discussion and fellowship.

Mon., June. 13th at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. Please let Rosie know if you will be attending to ensure there is adequate spacing available.



*Bible journaling*



**Volunteers are needed for VBS, July 17th-21st.** Make a point to sign up for this fun ministry!

As we take this opportunity to learn about Jesus to our local community ask yourself how you can help. Volunteers come in all forms from physical work, prep work, organizational skills, to monetary donations. All are invited and accepted. For more information contact Caitlin Doody in the office, Brooke Guthman, or Lacey Brown.

## Murphysboro United Methodist Church Community Vacation Bible School

Join me, "DJ Skillet" ,for fun, games, crafts, food & fellowship each night




Everyone Pre-K—4th Grade is invited. Bring your friends, neighbors, and your family. We are going to have a rolling good time.

**Sunday, July 17th—21st**  
**Dinner start at 5:00 pm**  
**program runs until 8:00 pm each night**  
**Murphysboro Youth & Rec Center**  
**1818 Walnut Street**



Scan to sign up

For more information scan the QR code or contact the church office at 687-2317



*In Loving Memory . . .*

Since the last newsletter we celebrated the lives of three loved ones:

*Betty Hand*

Betty Hand passed away on Tu., April 19th. Betty was the sister of Shirley Carruthers-Watson, Teddy (deceased) (Marilyn) Perry, Ruth (Loyd) Ebersohl, and Pam (Charles) Crews.

*Rhonda (Twenhafel) Guisti*

Rhonda (Twenhafel) Guisti passed away on Sat.. Apr. 30th. Rhonda was a cousin of Roger (Terri) Twenhafel.

*Rose Oliver*

Rose Oliver passed away on Tu., May 10th. Rose was the sister of Paul (Deb) Chapman.

**Our Neighbor's Table**

FREE community meal  
the last Sunday of every month starting at 12:00 noon  
in the Murphysboro United Methodist Church  
Fellowship Hall.

**Volunteers Needed!**



Signup on Attendance Pad or Contact Michelle Parker-Clark



*Meets the 2nd  
Friday of each  
month at the  
Murphysboro  
Food Pantry  
at 9:00 am*

**Feeder of the Pack** needs your help to stay alive. Costs of supplies have doubled. Please consider donating today.

**Prayer Request Policy from the Church Office:**



Sharing the needs of our church family is extremely important so that we may care for each other in Christian love. In an effort to keep everyone informed concerning hospitalizations, illnesses, and deaths reported to us by the members of our church family, we will be sending those prayer concerns out on the prayer chain, and we will be placing them on the prayer list in the church bulletin, unless otherwise instructed by the individual making the request. We hope this will enhance communication and provide more opportunities for each of us to show love and concern for one another.

Blessings!

Michelle Parker-Clark Interim Pastor of Congregational Care

To submit a prayer request you may fill out a prayer card each Sunday and place in the offering plate, or email it to:  
[mumprayerchain@yahoo.com](mailto:mumprayerchain@yahoo.com)



## Hooray Children & Youth Sunday School Is Back!!

Starting Sunday August 7th at 10:15 am in the education wing.

We are excited and proud to present the Grow Curriculum that has something for EVERYONE!!

We will have classes for pre-k to first grade, 2nd and 3rd, 4th and 5th, Jr High and High school. We invite you to join us for our open house on July 31st following promotion Sunday in the church service. We will also have food and fellowship in the pavilion to celebrate the start of the school year.



*We are still looking for volunteers please  
contact*

*Diane Schingel for more information 618-303-3757*



*Our Sunday School mission is to grow our church through our youth. AND we want to "train our children in the way they should go; and when they are old, they will not depart from it" (Proverbs 22:6).*

# THANK YOU!

The April 2022 Yard Sale was a HUGE success! Thanks and praise to all who donated wonderful items to sell. Thanks also to those who came to help prepare for the sale and worked during the actual sale days. It was a wonderful time of fellowship and the team worked very hard to get it all done. We appreciated the men who often came to help us before and during the sale.

A special thanks to the Youth Group of our church who helped set up for the sale and packed out the remains on Sunday after the sale. Several of our youth worked during most of the Friday sale time and they were so helpful.

Funds from this sale are for various Mission Projects. If you missed this sale then plan for the next one -- October 28-29, 2022. We would love to have you join us!

Blessings to all,  
Lynn Pierson

**WHAT IS THE CHURCH?**

Next Sermon Series




ALTAR → TENT OF MEETING → TEMPLE → CHURCH

**Noisy Offering**

The months of **June & July** offering collected will be used in supporting our **Community Wide VBS program**

*Make a joyful noise unto the Lord ~ Psalm 100:1*

**AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**

Signup now at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org)

Friday, June 10th 12:30 - 5:30 & Saturday, June 11th 10:30 - 3:30

Volunteers needed both days, as well as snacks and donors  
Contact Gene Schwebel 618-521-0879

We are hosting the **WSIL TV3 American Red Cross Blood Drive** in our Fellowship Hall on Fri., June 10th, 12:30 pm—5:30 pm and Sat., June 11, 10:30 am—3:30 pm. Volunteers, snack donations and **DONORS** are needed. You may volunteer to help or to donate snacks by signing up on the Attendance Sheet, contacting the church office or Gene. Appointments can be made to donate blood by phoning 800-733-2767 or by visiting [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and entering: WSIL.

Methodist on a Mission have been busy this last month. They sold 185 tickets to their fried chicken dinner which is the most they have ever sold. We can't wait to see how much they raised this year. Check out your July compass for more pictures from the 2022 relay and events.





Eighty-One beautiful ladies were in attendance for the 12th Annual Women's Prayer Breakfast held on Saturday, May 7th, at the Murphysboro United Methodist Church. The Women's Prayer Breakfast committee was excited to plan and organize the event because it had been cancelled in 2020 and 2021 due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Tables were beautifully decorated to welcome the ladies to the event, and each lady received a hand-made heart box filled with five chocolates as a reminder of the event. The theme for the event was, "A Heart Like His" - Reflections on the life of David, a man who slayed a giant and saved a kingdom.

Dr. Jeannie Killian was our guest speaker. She is a content-rich presenter who specializes in keynote addresses, customized workshops and seminars, in-service training, and after dinner speaking. Her enthusiasm, emphasis on the Word of God content along with her entertaining humorous style touched the hearts and spirits of every woman who attended. The committee had contacted Jeannie two years ago about being the guest speaker, and she was excited to be able to speak at our 2022 Women's Prayer Breakfast.

Joyce Hesketh blessed us with beautiful harp music. She entertained us by playing during the seating time and later in the program. Listening to her play was a relaxing and reflective experience. Joyce has been playing her harp for 30 years.

We are so thankful for others who helped make this morning so special. Patty Stokes, of Heartland Catering, prepared a delicious breakfast of quiche, pastries, french toast casserole and fresh fruit cups. Several men from the church served the ladies with coffee, tea, and juice. Their radical hospitality in serving made the ladies feel welcome and special. Gerald Ripley was our photographer and captured our morning perfectly. The Prayer Breakfast Committee and Ruth Tindall donated beautiful door prizes for the event.

This event follows the National Day of Prayer and is a blessing to all women giving them the opportunity to mingle with other women and meet new people. Ladies who attended said it was a lovely event and they departed with a meaningful message that has impacted them.

The Women's Prayer Breakfast Committee,  
Brooke Guthman, Patti Mills, Sandy Herring, Carolyn Sauer,  
Sharon Graff, Kathy Bratton, Michelle Parker-Clarke, and Rosie Wece



The rest of the photos from this event can be found on the Murphysboro United Methodist Church Facebook page.

**Ice Cream Social**

**Sunday, JUNE 12**  
**3-5 pm**  
**Fellowship Hall**

Bring your favorite  
Ice Cream or Cookies

The MUMC Nurture and Care Team would like to invite everyone to our Annual Ice Cream Social which will be held on Sunday, June 12, 2022, from 3 to 5 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Dig out your favorite recipe for homemade ice cream, or purchase your favorite flavor at Kroger, etc. You are also welcome to bring cookies or other treats - we will provide the toppings! This will be a great opportunity for the adults to have some time to fellowship together and there will be outdoor games for the kids. We look forward to seeing you with a bowl in your hand and a hearty appetite for some sweet treats



**Give us  
THIS DAY  
Our Daily  
Bread**  
Matthew 6:11

VBS

July 17th—21st



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**MURPHYSBORO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**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](mailto:murphysboroumc@gmail.com)  
Website: [www.crossandflameministries.com](http://www.crossandflameministries.com)

**WORSHIP SCHEDULE:**

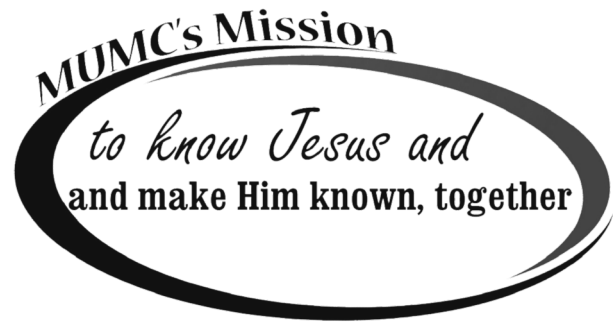
Sunday Service: 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School: 10:15 a.m.



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**Staff**

Ministers ..... The Congregation  
Pastor ..... Marty McMichael  
Interim Pastor of  
Congregational Care..... Michelle Parker-Clark  
Financial Secretary ..... Christine Nolan  
Custodian ..... Pat Sullivan  
  
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Pianist/Organist ..... Cameron Taylor  
Interim Music Director ..... Cameron Taylor  
Nursery Attendant..... Ashlee Sanders  
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