

**JUNE 21, 2020**

**WELCOME**

We welcome you to the Murphy Church of Christ where every visitor is our special guest and we want to make sure you always remember that. If you are looking for a “family” that will offer you the most important things in life, then why not give us a chance to be part of your family?

**Please fill out a visitor’s form and drop it in the collection basket.**

Please don’t hesitate to ask any of our members for assistance.

**Wednesday Bible Study & Devotional cancelled until further notice**

The first Sunday of the month is set aside for a special Prayer Meeting at 6:00 pm.

**Devotional classes at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesdays have been canceled until further notice.**

Next topic when we resume will be “Death and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming”.

**Website:** [murphychurchofchrist.com](http://murphychurchofchrist.com)

The bulletin is posted on the website and hard copies are in the foyer for members and visitors. Be sure to check out the website for news and upcoming events.

The bulletin hardcopy cover is designed so you can mail a copy to a shut-in, friend, or family member. If you have any suggestions for the website or see an error or want to make a change, please contact Wayne Ard and Lula Williams.



**Greeters**

Sheri Goodlet  
DJ Stephenson

**Welcome/Song Leader**

Roy Goodlet

**Opening Prayer**

Dean Wray

**Lord’s Supper Thoughts**

Philip Goodlet

**Scripture**

**Proverbs 1: 7-9**

Read by Chuck Cathey

**Sunday Sermon:**

**God’s Kind of Dad**

By Roy Stephenson

**Announcements**

Roy Goodlet

**John Dykema**

**GOD Wants You to Know . . .**

**Those who work for peace will enjoy the fruits of their labor.**

*Working for peace can be a lot like growing a crop. Our first efforts may seem as though the earth has swallowed the seeds of peace without any evidence of growth. Still, we tend that ground, infused with hope for much fruit, and though it may take longer than we ever imagined, there will come a day when our work will pay off and we’ll rejoice in a well-deserved harvest. “A harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace” (James 3:18). Have you planted some seeds of peace? Don’t give up on them!*



**Our church’s weekly budget is set at \$1,296.00.**

**June 7** - \$1,100.00 is under budget by \$196.00.

**June 14** - \$730.00 is under budget by \$566.00.

**Morning Worship Attendance – 22**

We have resumed Bible study, morning, and evening worship inside. You will notice that the chairs have been placed 6-feet apart in keeping with current guidelines. We will start telephone contacts to let you know if anything changes. **STAY SAFE!**

**We still are not ready to resume Wednesday evening services.**

Please contact Roy Stephenson if you have any suggestions or questions going forward.

**Wayne’s Outreach Ministries**



Because of his serious health issue, Wayne has not been able to continue his outreach programs. If there are folks who would like to participate in the prison ministry, please contact Nell, she can share contact information with you. Wayne has been the only person that some of these men have reaching to them. They are sending some amazing words of encouragement as well as telling Wayne about the positive impact he has been on them. At Wayne’s request, Nell will be continuing to correspond with some of these men since they truly have no one else.

Let her know if you have any questions.

If you need help getting started with WBS (World Bible Study) or know someone who has indicated an interest in WBS, please contact Roy Stephenson.

**“Noon” Senior Center Class**

The Senior Center is closed. Classes on Tuesdays are cancelled until further notice.



**Sunday Morning Bible Study at 10:00 am has resumed.** Members are asked to please check their temperature before deciding to leave home and wearing a mask while inside is optional. Chairs have been set up to maintain social distancing.

*For the spring quarter we were studying from the book of Hebrews and we missed 2 ½ months because of COVID-19. We have not received books for the summer. Please continue to read your Gospel Advocate study guide book.*

**6:00 PM Wednesday Bible Study**

We want to involve everyone who comes to the class. Once this critical time in our county ends, we will continue with the topic – “The 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming.” Come prepared to join in the discussion and share your thoughts.



**Just Christians**

Come grow with us. If you have any

questions or would like to start a home study, contact Roy Stephenson, Minister/Counselor. Phone (828) 557-8882 or email: [murphychurchofchrist@yahoo.com](mailto:murphychurchofchrist@yahoo.com)

Do you need the help of the church to help strengthen you in your belief? Whatever you need, please join us each Sunday morning for Bible study followed by morning worship in prayer and song

**4th Sunday Area Singing**



The schedule for the quarterly area singing is posted on the bulletin board by the picture directory. If you enjoy singing, then you will enjoy hearing more voices singing familiar songs and maybe a few new to you.

Light refreshments will be served immediately following each area singing. This will give you an opportunity to meet members from the surrounding churches.

**Future dates and locations:**

- June 28 – Andrews (**cancelled**)
- August 23 – Franklin
- October 25 – Murphy

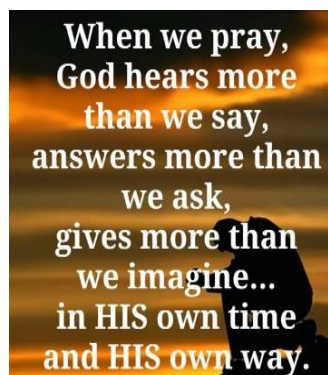
**Pantry Items**

**We need your help to restock our pantry.** If no family or individual has made a special request; then, at the end of each month Lula will pull items off the shelves and take them to the Cherokee County Food Bank, Inc. in Andrews since they have access to the Cherokee County community at-large and average about 100 clients a week but has seen an increase in need



during the COVID-19 pandemic and increase in unemployment. NOTE: **Our pantry is small, so we try not to over stock** and we give out food only if someone is here when an individual comes to the church.

**March 25<sup>th</sup> Lula took all food items to the Cherokee County Food Bank in Andrew's. The bank is opened to the public on Tuesdays and Saturdays from 10-12. They have requested empty egg carts to divide the large donations they receive from other organizations.**



Wayne Ard is seriously ill at home and we encourage everyone to send cards.

P. O. Box 746  
Mineral Bluff, GA 30559

Because of the seriousness of his condition please contact Nell if you want to visit and she will let you know when they can safely have visitors. Wayne tires easily and will not be able to fight off any infections.

As Wayne always says he wants prayers for strength for himself and Nell.

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We are all in need of prayers as we manage our emotions and interactions and lack of human contact with others during these uncertain times and personal health issues.

Do not forget to check on your neighbors, family, and friends to let them know you are thinking of them. Ask them if they need anything that you can help with to keep them and everyone safe.



**June Birthdays**

JoEllen Wilkins	4
Sheila Queen	5



**June Wedding Anniversaries**

Ronald and JoEllen Wilkins	6
Jerry and Darlene Queen	7
Dan and Glenda Kirby	13
Jim and Sybil Eubanks	19
Glenn and Eva Wilkins	27

*If you do not see your birthday or wedding anniversary listed or the date is incorrect, or your name is misspelled please let Lula know.*



*June 20<sup>th</sup> officially started the first day of summer. The high*

*temperatures along high humidity can be very dangerous if you are outside for long periods of time.*

*Please stay hydrated (drink plenty of water and do not spend too much time outside especially during high humidity warning.) Don't forget your sunscreen!*



The first known Father's Day service occurred in Fairmont, West Virginia, on July 5, 1908, thanks to the efforts of Grace Golden Clayton. The service was to honor all fathers, especially those hundreds who were killed during a devastating mine explosion in Monongah (just a few miles from Fairmont) the previous year. However, the observance did not become an annual event, and it was not promoted – very few outside the local area knew about it.

In 1909, Sonora Smart Dodd of Spokane, Washington, also was inspired to create a holiday honoring fathers. William Jackson Smart, her father, was a farmer and Civil War veteran who raised Sonora and her five younger brothers himself after his wife, Ellen, died giving birth to their youngest child in 1898. While attending a Mother's Day church service in 1909, Sonora, then 27, came up with the idea.



Within a few months, Sonora had convinced the Spokane Ministerial Association and the YMCA to set aside a Sunday in June to celebrate fathers. She proposed June 5, her father's birthday, but the ministers chose the third Sunday in June so that they would have more time after Mother's Day (the second Sunday in May) to prepare their sermons. So it was on June 19, 1910, Sonora delivered presents to handicapped fathers, boys from the YMCA decorated their lapels with fresh-cut roses (red for living fathers, white for the deceased, and the city's ministers devoted their homilies to fatherhood.

### A National Holiday

The widely publicized events in Spokane struck a chord that reached all the way to Washington, D.C., and Sonora's celebration started on its path to becoming a national holiday.

- In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson and his family personally observed the day,
- Eight years later, President Calvin Coolidge signed a resolution in favor of Father's Day "to establish more intimate relations between fathers and their children and to impress upon fathers the full measure of their obligations.



### REACH, Inc. – Community Project

The ladies made a commitment to supply the REACH, Inc. of Cherokee County domestic violence shelter with

cleaning supplies and laundry detergent. If you have items of clothing, children books, etc. to donate please place them in the bin provided in the pantry area or you can take them to the REACH office located behind the thrift store on HWY 64. We can always use some small tote bags and small travel size items to fill them with, e.g. combs, hand sanitizer, toothbrush, travel size toothpaste, deodorant, etc. for their clientele. Recommended size for the tote bags is 9”X9”. Put them on the table in the pantry and we will fill them as time permits.

There is also a small donation jar on the table in the back of the church if you would prefer to give money. If you would like to donate on a recurrent basis, please fill out the card on the back table. You can take the card directly by the office or give it to Lula to take for you.

Often the victims leave home with only the clothes on their back, so they are given clothes and furniture from the Thrift Store until they can get back on their feet. They can always use volunteers to help with some of their community outreach activities and local fundraiser events. Call the office at 828-837-2097 or 828-837-8064 for more information.



Fundraisers are needed to supplement government grants. The next major fundraiser is a “Duck Race” co-sponsored with Mountain True. Ducks are \$10 each.

Because of concern for public health safety regarding the spread of COVID-19, the June date was

changed **to the July 4<sup>th</sup> at the ball field in Andrews.**

Let Lula know if you want to purchase a duck from her or you can stop by the REACH office located on Hwy 64 across from the bank.



### Extraordinary Women October 16-17 conference has been moved to Steele Creek Church Arrwood Campus, Charlotte, NC.

A few of the speakers will be Laura Story - Christian music singer/ songwriter and author; Cissy Graham Lynch - granddaughter of Billy Graham and Karen Kingsbury, America's favorite inspirational author! **Price is \$64 until June 30 after that the cost is \$109.** Purchases are non-refundable. Because of COVID-19 concerns they are giving you the option of attending in person or viewing a LIVE STREAMING. Please let Sheri Goodlet know what you prefer and share any concerns regarding attendance.



### International Year of the Nurse

**This year has been deemed the International Year of the Nurse and Midwife by the World Health Organization.**

As we continue efforts to maintain some symbolism of normalcy we continue to identify others who are working hard to take care of our loved ones and ourselves, e.g. first responders, grocery store workers, restaurant owners who provide food to those in need, food banks, etc. I am

sure you can think of more who need our prayers and thanks.

### Things will get better!

“Being happy doesn't mean that everything is perfect. It means that you've decided to look beyond the imperfections.”

- Unknown

happiness

**Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do better.** – Maya Angelou

### THINGS YOU CAN DO

According to the CDC here is how you can practice infection control to help stop the spread of all viruses and bacteria.

- Regularly wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- If soap and water are not available, use hand sanitizer with an alcohol content of 60% or more
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands
- Stay home when sick
- Cover your sneeze or cough with a tissue or elbow to reduce spread of droplets
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects or surfaces.