SEPTEMBER 20, 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 box.

Please do not hesitate to ask any of our members for assistance.

Please join us for Sunday evening service at 6:00 pm.

Wednesday 6:00 PM devotional classes will resume starting October 7th. Other dates and information included under News and Announcements section.

Website: 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, upcoming events, and articles by Roy Goodlet

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 Nell Ard and Lula Williams.

Greeters

Lula Williams Sheri Goodlet

Welcome/Song Leader Roy Goodlet

> Opening Prayer Dean Wray

Lord's Supper Thoughts
Jim Eubanks

Scripture
1 John 1: 1-7

Read by Woody Scaffe

Sunday Sermon:

"Our Fellowship"
By Roy Stephenson

Announcements
Roy Goodlet

Closing Prayer Jerry Queen



Doing good to people pleases God.

As we receive good things from God's hand, we will always have opportunities to share his gifts with others. "Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God" (Hebrews13:16). The Lord smiles on our benevolence, as we find ways to bless not only those around us but also those in places more distant.

4th Sunday Area Singing



The schedule for the 2020 quarterly area singing has been cancelled because of the uncertainty centered

round the pandemic. The Murphy congregation will not be hosting as planned for in October. We pray that the pandemic will be a thing of the past and we can resume area singing starting in February 2021.



 Please continue to send cards to Wayne and Nell with words of encouragement. Because of the seriousness of his condition please contact Nell if you want to visit. He is under hospice care.

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- Chuck Cathey continues to recuperate at home from several broken ribs after a motor cycle accident. Sept. 1st he traveled back to Gainesville for his doctor to check his healing progress.
- Sandy Parmer's three friends are positive for Covid-19 virus live in Spanish Fort, AL and she is requesting prayers for Mr. and Mrs. Howard (Betty) Rivers and their son, Rob.
- Another friend of Sandy, David Beck, has had a stroke.
- Darlene Queen's sister, Tonya Woltermothe, has cancer. Her aunt,

Mavis Graves fell and broke her hip and hit her head causing a brain bleed (Springfield, Ohio). Her aunt, Mary Jo Dockery will be admitted to a care facility in Cleveland, TN.

- Chappy Chapman, former church member, who lives in Stockbridge, GA is receiving radiation treatment for his lung cancer.
- Caron Terrill's father died on September 2nd, in Arizona.
- Dean Wray's stepmother, Rhoda Wray, is recovering from surgery following a broken hip.
- Mindy Scaffe is recovering from a torn meniscus. She twisted her knee but is not planning surgery.
- Stacey Packer's daughter Kristina was having severe headaches and had to have a tube placed to drain fluid from her brain. Once the fluid was removed she had surgery to remove the tube. She is stable and on antibiotics.
- Gail Garland, former church member, is having to delay visiting her son who is in the Navy stationed in Bahrain due to the coronavirus travel ban.
- Gail Garland's daughter, her two granddaughters and great granddaughter are quarantined due to exposure to the coronavirus. Social distancing is especially hard for her 2 year granddaughter.
- Alora asks for prayers for 3 year old TJ.

We are all in need of prayers as we manage our daily lives during these uncertain times and personal health issues.



REACH. Inc. - Community Project

The ladies made a commitment to supply the Cherokee County domestic violence shelter with supplies and laundry cleaning detergent. Please do not forget them when you are out shopping. 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. Please contact the Thrift Store if you have furniture you want to donate and arrange pickup.

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.

Extraordinary Women October 16-17 conference has been moved to Steele Creek Church Arrowood 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! Registration cost of \$64 extension ended August 31st, unless there is another extension the cost is \$109. Purchases are non-refundable. Because of COVID-19 concerns the be program will virtual STREAMING. Sheri Goodlet checking for a location that has WIFI access that will accommodate a small group.



Registration forms on the table in the back of church have contact information.



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

September 6 - \$925.00 is under budget by \$371.00.

September 13 – \$930.00 is under budget by \$366.00

Sunday Bible Study - 10 Morning Worship Attendance - 19

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 in keeping with current guidelines. We will start telephone contacts to let you know if anything changes. STAY SAFE!

Some attended another driveway church service at 10AM at the home of Wayne and Nell Ard. Those in attendance were requested to bring non-perishable food items for the pantry.

Wayne's Outreach Ministries



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 out 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 auestions.

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.

Sunday Morning Bible Study at 10:00 am has resumed.



The Fall issue of the Gospel Advocate is available. September 6th Study we began with the book of Genesis, Please pick

up a copy off the table in the back of the church. Please don't forget to bring your Bible and your questions.

6:00 PM Wednesday Bible Study

Beginning in October we will begin a ten-week Wednesday night series devoted to a study of the Holy Spirit. October 7, 14, 21, and 28, November 4,11,18 (NOTE: No class the day before Thanksgiving Day), December 2,9, and16. Topics will include - God in Three Persons. Receiving the Holy Spirit, Walking After the Spirit, Empowered by the Holy Spirit, Helped by the Holy Spirit, Grieving the Holy Spirit, Spiritual Gifts, Misconceptions About the Holy Spirit, and The Holy Spirit - Then and Today. After a brief song and prayer, we will delve into our study in each class for most of our hour together, starting each time at 6:00 PM. Please come and bring your study bible and questions!



Toys for Tots

We will start collection in October for the 2020 holidays. DO NOT wrap the toys. Place toys in the box in the foyer. Watch the bulletin for more information and dates regarding distribution.

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

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.



September Birthdays

Darlene Queen	12
Roy Goodlet	13
Patricia Dykema	13
Eva Wilkins	22



None listed

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.

Directory Updates

Contact Dean Wray if you need a picture taken for our picture directory located in the foyer.

Nell Ard is working to keep our directory notebook updated so let Dean know of any changes and he will share the information with her.

A Night in Bethlehem

Roy Goodlet has summarized the responses to the survey regarding our participation in the annual Christmas community participation in "A Night in Bethlehem". No decision has been made on whether to have or cancel the event, but we want to be prepared. As we get more information, we will let you know our next step.

"Noon" Senior Center Class

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



<u>Condolences</u>

Wednesday,
September 2nd
Caron Terrill
learned that her
father died.
Please keep

her family in your prayers as they deal with their lost.

Kitchen Repairs

Dean shared that there was some water damage to the floor in the fellowship room and bathrooms. Repairs are underway, and thanks to everyone who is helping to finalize the repairs and the painting.

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 pull items off the shelves and takes 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 a three-fold increase in need during the COVID-19 pandemic and increase in unemployment. NOTE: We give out food only if someone is here when an individual comes to the church or special arrangements have been made to meet someone.

The food bank is open to the public on Tuesdays and Saturdays from 10-12. They have requested empty dozen size egg cartons so they can divide the large crates of eggs they receive from other organizations and from people who raise chickens.



September 22nd marks the beginning of autumn and soon we will be changing our clocks (fall back).

The year is almost over!

<u>Hurlburt-Johnson</u> (Homeless Shelter)

"Wish List"

The residents of the Hurlburt-Johnson Friendship House will conduct a bake sale (fund-raiser) soon (watch the bulletin for the date once it is confirmed) and would like the Murphy

community to help provide their needs...listed below:

- *Aluminum foil (regular and heavy duty)
- *Plastic wrap
- *Baggies-sandwich, quart, gallon,

storage, freezer

- *Chocolate Chips
- *Dried Cranberries
- *Old fashioned oatmeal
- *White Chocolate Chips
- *Sugar
- *Brown Sugar
- *Vanilla
- *Walnuts
- *Pan Spray
- *Butter, salted or unsalted
- *Bread flour

Please leave items on the table in in the back until the fellowship hall repairs are completed. Dean Wray and Roy Goodlet will make sure they are delivered to the shelter.

THINGS YOU CAN DO TO HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD OF 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
- Cover your sneeze or cough with a tissue or elbow to reduce spread of droplets
- Wearing a mask helps to prevent the spread of the virus.

If you are not feeling well or having symptoms, e.g. coughing, feeling tired, aching, have a temperature, etc. stay home.