

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MCC FALL KICKOFF!!! - TODAY Following our Sunday School hour

FELLOWSHIP - FOOD - FUN - Emphasis on the FUN! You will not want to miss this event for sure! Please bring a side dish and/or dessert to share. Meat and Drinks will be provided.

HOME GROWTH GROUPS - Coming to a home near you. Get to know other church members better, fellowship together around the table, and dive deeper into God's Word. Check out the sign-up sheet in the Overflow Room. Don't find one that fits your schedule? Grab some friends and start another one!

INSPIRE OUR SCHOOLS

AUG 30 at 6:30 PM Meet at the Murray Community Schools Main Entrance - Please join us in praying over our schools' facility, children, and staff for the 2025-2026 school year.

J.A.M. (JESUS AND ME) AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

WEDNESDAYS at 3:45 - 4:45 PM STARTING SEPT. 2nd!

Grades 1-5, Ride the Church Bus to Murray Church of Christ, Games, Music, Bible Lessons, and Friends. Register online at www.murraychurchofchrist.org under the Children's Ministry Tab

KCS GOLF OUTING - 2026 - Saturday, September 12th @ 9:00am

Located at Oskaloosa Public Golf 2214 S 11th Street Oskaloosa, IA \$75 per golfer - all proceeds go to Khmer Christian Service to help with the mission of planting churches in Cambodia. Register at <https://khmercs.org/golf/> There will also be a silent auction bake sale if you would like to make further contributions to the work of KCS If you would like to carpool to Oskaloosa, please meet at the church at 7:00 AM. Please see Pastor Brian or Pastor Eddie for more information.

THANK YOU!!!! - We sincerely want to thank everyone for the generosity and support from all who donated food and gave cash donations. We fed approximately between 150 to 175 people each night during VBS week, and the meals were a successful outreach. A huge thank you to the volunteers that came and helped with meal preparation, serving, and clean-up. It was a tremendous undertaking that would not have happened without each one of you, and we are so very grateful.

Love, The VBS Cooking Crew



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PRAYER REQUESTS THIS WEEK

Allie Probst – brain tumor behind eye
Allie Probst's son – foot surgery
Gabe Christianson (Abbe B's friend) – cancer, no medical treatment options
Lynne George – recovering from a fall and broken hip
Keith Blunt - prostate cancer, expecting more test results soon
School starts this week

THIS WEEK AT MURRAY CHURCH OF CHRIST

SUNDAY	9:30 AM	Worship Service
	10:45 AM	Sunday School for all ages
	11:45 AM	MCC Fall Kick-Off
WEDNESDAY	10:30 AM	MT Toppers Bible Study
	7:00 PM	IGNITE Jr & Sr High Youth
THURSDAY	9 AM – 12 PM	Food Pantry Open

WORSHIPING THROUGH SERVICE

NURSERY THIS WEEK: Susannah and Aylah Miller

NEXT WEEK: Jessica Heath and Sally Chapman

COMMUNION MEDITATION THIS WEEK: Randy Dunfee

NEXT WEEK: John Siefkas

COMMUNION PREPARATION THIS WEEK: Sharon Dunfee

NEXT WEEK: Stephanie Sandquist

GREETERS THIS WEEK: Dean and Janet Robins

NEXT WEEK: Colton and Emma Siefkas

USHERS THIS WEEK: Richard Homewood and Andy Heckman

NEXT WEEK: Trevor Robins and Dave Flaherty

COUNTING TEAM THIS WEEK: Joe Miller and Trevor Robins

NEXT WEEK: Dennis Jeter and Colton Siefkas

Avoiding the Fall- The Anatomy of a Slip

Genesis 3:1-6

Spiritual

The Deception: The serpent introduces doubt regarding God's _____ and _____. Sowing Doubt

The Desire: _____ to temptation shifts the focus from God's provision to personal lust or ambition.

The Disobedience: The explicit choice to cross the boundary set by God. Denying _____ - “God is a Liar!”

The Damage: Slandering God's character. Immediate spiritual alienation, followed by _____, _____, and the corruption of human nature.

Physical

The Disengagement: Staying back or letting down spiritual guard where one ought to be _____ (e.g., King David staying in Jerusalem). Silent Complicity

The Glance: Allowing a casual observation to turn into a focused, dwelling gaze. _____ Good

The Rationalization: Entertaining thoughts and _____ the impending danger. Act of Individuality

The Action: Committing the initial sin, which then demands a compounding chain of cover-ups and further transgressions. Shared _____!

The Consequence: Exposure, loss of peace, and the heavy need for repentance and divine _____ replaced by the blame game.