

# morton

united methodist church

420 North Tennessee Avenue, Morton, IL 61550

For the Week of  
Sunday, January 21, 2018– Sunday, January 28, 2018



**Thank you for joining us today!**

If you seek a caring community, are seeking answers to today's problems, or an experience to connect with God,  
You can find it here within our church family.

For information about ministries and weekly Connect Groups,  
Visit our Welcome Center or our website at  
[www.mortonumc.org](http://www.mortonumc.org).

**We are “Making disciples of Jesus Christ  
for the transformation of the world.”**

# Sunday Worship Celebration

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. (Matthew 22:37)

January 21, 2017 3<sup>rd</sup> **Sunday After Epiphany** 8:00 & 9:30 a.m

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## ***Something to Think About...Something to Pray about...Something to Share...Something to Do***

- *How do you love God daily? How is that expressed?*
- *We are to love the LORD with ALL our heart, soul and mind. How do you do that?*
- *What do you find difficult in expressing your love to the LORD?*

**Welcome and Announcements** Pastor Gabe Wanck

### **Prelude**

**\*Hymn of Praise** UMH 733

*Marching to Zion*

**\*Responsive Reading** 1 Corinthians 13

Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude.

It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful;

it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth.

Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends.

So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

**\*Passing the Peace of Christ**

**Children's Message** (8:00 a.m.) Amy Smith

**Receiving of Our Tithes, Gifts and Offerings**

**Offertory** (9:30 a.m.) Choir

*No Greater Gift*

**\*Doxology**

**Preparing our Hearts for Prayer** UMH 191

*Jesus Loves Me*

**Pastoral Prayer**

**The Lord's Prayer** (...forgive us our 'sins'...)

**Anthem** (8:00 a.m.)

Choir

*No Greater Gift*

**Scripture**

Matthew 22:34-40

**Message**

Pastor Gary L. Feldman

*How Do I Love Thee?*

**\*Hymn of Commitment**

UMH 172

*My Jesus, I Love Thee*

**\*Blessing**

**Postlude**

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***\*Please stand as you are able***

**HEAD USHERS:** Chuck Birchenough, Dave Gilbert,  
Connie & Steve Klein.

**Flowers:** If you'd like to donate altar flowers to celebrate a special event in your life or in memory of (or in honor of) someone, please sign the flower book in the Welcome Center.

**ACOLYTES:** 8:00 Noah Losey & Nyamedze Maison  
9:30 Ella Smallenberger & Ava Alt

**GREETERS:** 8:00 Rudy and Arlene Urbano  
9:30 Norma Price and Carol Eden

# Cross Connections Worship Service

We welcome you to our Cross Connections service as we gather for this time of worship.

January 21, 2018

10:45 a.m.

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COUNTDOWN

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP IN SONG

GIVING OUR GIFTS

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

FOUNDATION

Matthew 22:34-40

TODAY'S MESSAGE

*How Do I Love Thee?*

Pastor Gary Feldman

CLOSING PRAYER

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**OVERTIME CONNECTIONS**

**MINISTRY LEADERS:**

WOW Welcome

Creative Arts

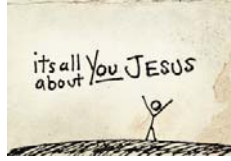
Jayne Benckendorf

Greeters

Praise Team

Hilda Brenkman

Kerry Brenkman



*Love – Worship – Serve!  
It's All About You, Jesus!*

*2. How Do I Love Thee?*

1. Love the LORD with Everything Inside Us – Our Heart and Soul
  
2. Love the LORD with Our Brains – Our Minds
  
3. Love the LORD with Our Gifts and Abilities – Our Strengths
  
4. Love the LORD by Loving Others – Our Neighbor as Ourselves

# New Member Orientation Class

The Next New Member Orientation Class:

January 24 & 31

February 7

Meal from 5:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Class 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.



XYZ...Extra Years of Zest

## **January 28 – MJHS Musical "Beauty & the Beast"**

Meet at Bertha Frank at 1:30 p. m. to watch the musical "**Beauty & the Beast.**"

Seniors addmition is free.

We will go out for dinner following the musical.

## **District Leadership Equipping Event**

**Sunday, January 24 from 2:00-5:30 pm**

**Crossroads UMC, Washington**

Leaders...mark your calendars and attend!

Guest Speaker: Christopher Coleman

Break-Out Sessions: Choose 2

Story Telling

Technology in Ministry

Social Media

Youth Mission Trip-District

Children's Ministries

Personal Invitation

Camping Ministries

Communication



## **UMC Reminder to Order**

Shirts will be processed in January and be at the church for pick up in February.

<https://mortonumc-2018.itemorder.com>

## **UMW Book Club**

*January 29 — Yellow Crocus by Laila Ibrahim  
All meetings are held in the Gathering Area 6:30 p.m.*



## **YOUTH CHILI & SUB FUNDRAISER**

Your orders for Chili & Subs on Super Bowl Sunday should be placed by **Wednesday, January 31**. Forms are available at the Information Desk in the Gathering Area.



## **Kroger Update**

Please remember to go online and update your information for your Kroger MUMC Community Church Rewards program. When you are signed up and shop at Kroger a portion of your total will come back to the UMM and help mission programs in our community.

Please go to:

[kroger.com/account/enrollCommunityRewardsNow#!](http://kroger.com/account/enrollCommunityRewardsNow#!)



## **Mark Your Calendars!**

- **January 20** Boy Scout Spaghetti Dinner
- **January 28** Illinois District Leadership Event
- **February 4** Youth Chili & Sub Sale
- **February 10** Club 56 Valentine Tea

## **ATTENDANCE PADS**

Please sign & pass the attendance pads, found at the end of the row, during the greeting time and return them to the first person in the row to be picked up after the service.

*Cross Connections* attendance sheets are on each table.

## **NURSERY**

Child Care is available during worship services for INFANTS AND CHILDREN THROUGH AGE FOUR in our staffed nursery.

### **CHURCH STAFF and CONTACT INFORMATION**

OFFICE HOURS: Monday – Thursday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.; Friday: 8:00 a.m. – Noon  
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### **PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

Please let the church know if you or a member of your family is hospitalized. **The hospital does not notify us.**

**RECENTLY HOSPITALIZED:** Hank Vanderhayden, Dorothy Funk

**RECENTLY RELEASED:** Ashley Epley, Carol Plier, Thelma Robertson



# DAY BY DAY

## **Sunday, January 21**

8:00 am Celebration Worship Service, S  
9:00 am Blood Pressure Sunday  
9:30 am Celebration Worship Service, S  
9:30 am Sunday School, YR  
10:45 am Companions in Christ, L  
10:45 am Cross Connections Worship Service, G  
5:00 pm Women's Bible Study, L

## **Monday, January 22**

8:00 am Walking for Exercise, G,S  
6:30 pm Worship Committee, YR  
7:00 pm Boys Scout, G

## **Tuesday, January 23**

8:00 am Communion, S  
8:00 am Volunteer Work Group  
9:00 am Staff Meeting, GA  
9:30 am Skeins of Love, YR  
10:00 am Sisters in Faith, L  
6:30 pm Pastor's Bible Study  
7:00 pm Praise Team, G

## **Wednesday, January 24**

6:30 am Men's Prayer Mtg., YR  
8:00 am Walking for Exercise, G,S  
9:15 am Abigail Circle, YR  
5:00 pm WATCH Meal, G  
5:00 pm Cherub/Children's Choir  
6:00 pm Methodist Kids, S  
6:00 pm Girls Night Out, L  
6:00 pm Lite Life, GA  
6:00 pm New Member Class, PO  
6:15 pm Amplify, YR  
7:00 pm Strength Finders, OS

## **Thursday, January 25**

8:30 am Daily Grind, OS  
9:00 am Footprints Folding Crew, Gym  
9:00 am Quilters, CR  
9:15 am Disciple-Pastor Paul, YR  
10:00 am Pickleball, G  
6:00 pm Finance Committee, YR  
6:00 pm Pickleball, G  
7:00 am Ad Board, YR  
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal, S

## **Friday, January 26**

8:00 am Walking for Exercise, G,S

## **Saturday January 27**

7:00 am Men's Bible Study, L  
8:00 am Walk and Talk, G

## **Sunday, January 28**

8:00 am Celebration Worship Service, S  
9:30 am Celebration Worship Service, S  
9:30 am Sunday School, YR  
10:45 am Companions in Christ, L  
10:45 am Cross Connections Worship Service, G  
1:30 pm XYZ Bertha Frank JH Play  
5:00 pm Women's Bible Study, L

G-Gym,  
L-Library,  
S-Sanctuary  
GA-Gathering Area  
OS-Off Site  
YR-Youth Room  
PO-Pastor Office  
K-Kitchen  
CR-Copy Room



