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united methodist church

For the Week of
Sunday, April 29, 2018 – Sunday, May 6, 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

We are "Making Disciples of Jesus Christ
For the Transformation of the World!"

Sunday Worship Celebration

I am sending you out as sheep in the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves.

Matthew 10:16

April 29, 2018 **Fifth Sunday of Easter** 8:00 and 9:30 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Gabe Wanck

Prelude

***Hymn of Mission** UMH 715

Rejoice the Lord Is King

***Responsive Reading** The Nicene Creed, 880

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

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

The Order of Confirmation UMH 33

2018 Confirmands

*Rowan Carter, Chloe Losey, Connor McMullen,
Caroline Potts, Cameron Shook, Daniel Wefer,
Sarah Wefer, and Owen Weyland*

Receiving of Our Tithes, Gifts and Offerings

Offertory Choir

Healing at the Fountain

***Doxology**

Hymn of Prayer (8:00 a.m.) UMH 399

Take My Life, and Let It Be

Ministry of Prayer

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

Scripture Matthew 10:1-16

Message Pastor Gary L. Feldman

Ministry Instructions

***Hymn of Love** UMH 530

Are Ye Able (v. 1,4)

*Benediction

Postlude

**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 Chloe Walters & Allison Werries
9:30 Allayna Hart & Charlotte Potts

GREETERS: 8:00 Jack Cusick
9:30 Gary & Cari Yerby

Cross Connections Worship Service

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

April 29, 2018

10:45 a.m.

COUNTDOWN

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP IN SONG

GIVING OUR GIFTS

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

SCRIPTURE FOUNDATION

Matthew 10:1-16

TODAY'S MESSAGE

Ministry Instructions

Pastor Gary L. Feldman

CLOSING PRAYER

OVERTIME CONNECTIONS

MINISTRY LEADERS:

WOW Welcome

Creative Arts

Jayne Benckendorf

Greeters

Praise Team

Hilda Brenkman

Kerry Brenkman

Sermon Notes

Ministry Instructions

Matthew 10:1-16




When Jesus announced that the Kingdom of God had come near, it meant that the very nature of God would be manifest through the life and ministry of Jesus. Jesus would demonstrate the love of God in simple yet powerful ways, always revealing that He has His best in mind for us! It was by His Words and Works, that Jesus would explain this wonderful Kingdom and also give evidence of it through acts of kindness with signs and wonders.

Calling All Golfers

The **2018 Bishop's Open** will be on **Friday, May 11**, at the Piper Glen Golf Course Club near Chatham. Festivities begin at 11 a.m. with lunch followed by a shotgun start at noon. Dinner will follow the completion of the golf outing. **COST: \$100 per person.** All proceeds of the outing will be for the **Our Conference, Our Kids** campaign. Pick up a registration form at the Welcome Desk.

Sign-Up TODAY...Deadline by May 1



XYZ...Extra Years of Zest

Today – "Adams Family" MHS play – we will meet at Bertha Frank @ 2:15 p.m. followed by dinner.

May 4 – First Friday Game Day @ 11:00 a.m. – we will play Five Crowns. – lunch is provided

Morton Civic Chorus

"Encore"

Lynn Zimmerman would love to take the XYZ group to see the Morton Civic Chorus, May 23 at 6:15 p.m.

Reservations are required. Cost is \$15.

Please RSVP and pay by Friday, May 11.



VBS Meeting Night

INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS for our volunteers will take place on **Wednesday, May 2 at 6:30 p.m. and Sunday, May 6 at 10:45 and Noon.** If you are volunteering, please make sure you meet with us! We talk about the theme and learn how the schedule works each night! If you cannot make it to this date, please contact AMY and we will get together when it is convenient for you! Even if you have volunteered before, PLEASE try to be at one meeting!

May 9 VBS Mandatory Youth Meeting 6 p.m.
American Red Cross Blood Drive

Monday, June 11, 2018

1:00-6:00 p.m.

Morton United Methodist Church

You are eligible to give on the 11 if you donated double Red on or before February 19 or whole blood on or before April 16.

MUMC Shirts...Don't Miss Out!

MUMC Shirts orders will be processed in April and be at the church for pick up in May.

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



Crayola is launching a nationwide used-marker recycling program in which the used markers will be directly transformed into energy. The COLORCYCLE program, as it's been dubbed, will give students throughout the country the option of recycling any type of used marker through an in-school collection program. The markers that are collected will then be used, in combination with a "unique technology," to create a usable fuel.

Prayer Walk

Our next Prayer Walk will be **Sunday, May 6 at 2:00 pm!**

This is a strategic opportunity to pray for our community and bring the Kingdom of God into our midst!

Come, join in the adventure!

- **May 20** Last Sunday School till September

ATENDANCE 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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**For more information, please visit our website at
www.mortonumc.org**

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: Doris Birchenough, Imo Reich, Thelma Robertson

RECENTLY RELEASED: Imo Reich, Mike Guidotti

DAY BY DAY

Sunday, April 29

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

- 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
- 2:15 pm XYZ MHS play, OS
- 5:00 pm Women's Bible Study, L

Monday, April 30

- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, G,S
- 9:30 am Bible Study Pastor Gabe YR
- 5:30 pm Staff Night, GA
- 7:00 pm Boy Scout, G

Tuesday, May 1

- 8:00 am Communion, S
- 8:00 am Volunteer Work Group
- 8:45 am Staff Meeting, G
- 5:30 pm Gospl Bells, S
- 6:30 pm UMM Leaders, YR
- 6:30 pm Worship Meeting, L
- 7:00 pm Praise Team, G

Wednesday, May 2

- 6:30 am Men's Prayer Mtg., YR
- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, G,S
- 6:15 pm Amplify, YR
- 6:30 pm VBS Info. Meeting, S

Dates to Remember

- **May 5** East Bay Camp Work Day
- **May 13** Baccalaureate Service for graduates
- **May 16,23,30** VBS work night
- **May 20** Senior Recognition Day and Graduation Day
- **May 20** Last Sunday School till September

Thursday, May 3

- 8:30 am Daily Grind, OS
- 9:00 am Quilters, CR
- 9:30 am Hannah Circle, YR
- 5:30 pm Thursday Night Book Study, OS
- 6:00 pm 7 People Singing
- 6:00 pm Pickleball, G
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal, S
- 7:00 pm Joanna Circle, GA

Friday, May 4

- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, G,S
- 11:00 am XYZ First Friday Game Day

Saturday, May 5

- 7:00 am Men's Bible Study, L
- 7:30 am East Bay Work Day, OS
- 8:00 am Lay Servant Class, GA
- 8:00 am Walk & Talk
- 9:00 am Serving at Community Harvest Church, OS

Sunday, May 6

- 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
- 10:45 am VBS Info Meeting
- 5:00 pm Boy Scouts Meeting, YR
- 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

Confirmation Class

April 29, 2018

Rowan Ella Carter

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity." 1

Timothy 4:12

Chloe Marie

Losey

"Now we see but a poor reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known."

1 Corinthians 13:12

Conner Lee McMullen

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you." Deuteronomy

31:6

Caroline Grace Potts

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."

Galatians 6:9

Cameron Michael

Shook

"Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends." John

15:13

Daniel Lawrence Wefer

“Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God’s grace in its various forms.” 1 Peter 4:10

Sarah Evelyn Wefer

“Jesus said, ‘Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.’” Matthew 19:14

Owen John Weyland

“For I know the plans I have for you,’ declares the Lord, ‘plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.’” – Jeremiah 29:11

First Congregational Response

Do you, as Christ's body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

We do.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include these persons now before you in your care?

With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We

will surround these persons with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their trust of God, and be found faithful in their service to others. We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.

Second Congregational Response

Now it is our joy to welcome our new sister in Christ.

Through baptism you are incorporated by the Holy Spirit into God's new creation and made to share in Christ's royal priesthood. We are all one in Christ Jesus. With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you as members of the family of Christ.

Third Congregational Response

Members of the household of God, I commend these

persons to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

