

morton

united methodist church

420 North Tennessee Avenue, Morton, IL 61550

May 19, 2019



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

"That man is our close relative; he is one of our family (guardian) - redeemers." Ruth 2:20

May 19, 2019 **5th Sunday of Easter** 8:00 and 9:30 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Gabe Wanck

Prelude

***Hymn of Celebration** UMH 92

For the Beauty of the Earth (v. 1,4,5,6)

***Responsive Reading**

Who will be your people?

God's people will be my people!

Where will you go?

Wherever God leads!

What are you willing to leave behind?

Everything!

May our worship today lead us to a place where all of this may be so.

Let us worship God!

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

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

Receiving of Our Tithes, Gifts and Offerings

Offertory Choir

Be Thou My Vision

***Doxology**

Graduate Recognition

Hymn of Prayer UMH 480

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go (v. 1-2)

Ministry of Prayer

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

Scripture

Ruth 3:1-18

Message

Pastor Gary L. Feldman

*Ruth: Threshing Floor
The Truth of Surrender*

***Hymn of Praise**

UMH 369

Blessed Assurance

***Benediction**

Postlude

**Please stand as you are able*

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

FLOWERS: The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of
God by David & Debbie Veltman in honor of our
youth – the future of our church.

ACOLYTES: 8:00 Ella Smallenberger & Carter Jones
9:30 Alex McKie & Ian Bair

GREETERS: 8:00 Jack Cusick
9:30 Carol Eden & Phyllis Evelsizer

Cross Connections Worship Service

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

May 19, 2019

10:45 a.m.

COUNTDOWN

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP IN SONG

GIVING OUR GIFTS

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

SCRIPTURE FOUNDATION

Ruth 3:1-18

TODAY'S MESSAGE

Ruth: Threshing Floor

Truth of Surrender

Pastor Gary L. Feldman

CLOSING PRAYER

OVERTIME CONNECTIONS

MINISTRY LEADERS:

GREETERS

Hilda Brenkman

CREATIVE ARTS

Jayne Benckendorf

PRAISE TEAM

Kerry Brenkman

Sermon Notes

Ruth: Threshing Floor *The Truth of Surrender*

Ruth 3:1-18

Prayers for Puerto Rico

Please stop by the Puerto Rico table in the gym and pick up a prayer card.

Everyone going needs your prayers for protection and strength and soft hearts ready to love and serve.

Welcome Back Luncheon – June 16

The team coming back from Puerto Rico will be arriving back in Morton at Noon on June 16.

Everyone is invited to join the team and their families for a lunch starting about 12:15 p.m.

All those who went on the trip will be sharing their experiences and joys from the trip.

XYZ...Extra Years of Zest

May 19 – Sign up in the Welcome Area to go see “Steel Magnolias” showing at Pekin Theater. Meet at MUMC at 12:45 p.m. to have lunch before the movie.



VBS WORK NIGHT **WEDNESDAY, MAY 22** **6:30 P.M.**

Please join us for painting, drawing, cutting out and ORGANIZING! We LOVE to see new faces! Can you give an hour or two to this incredible ministry????

VBS REGISTRATION

Go to www.mortonumc.org and click on the VBS picture!



Directory Updates

We would love to get the new directory to publication but we need your help. Please check the copy of our directory at the **Welcome Desk** to make sure all your information is correct. There is a pad of post its next to the book to write down any corrections **by June 1**.



Morton UMW Spring Gathering

“Celebrating Morton UMW History”

All women of the church are invited to join us for tea on **Monday, June 3 at 2:00 p.m.**



American Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday, June 4

1:00-6:00 p.m.

They are in desperate need of blood type “O”. Sign up today, go to www.mortonumc.org and click on the picture. Enter code MORTONUMC

PARKING AWARENESS

During our construction phase, we have lost some important parking spaces and access areas for drop off. Please, please, please remember this when parking each Sunday. Leave the 2 handicapped spaces in front of the door CLEAR for drop off and pick up. The rest of the parking spaces along the sidewalk are to be used for additional handicapped parking, as well as for those with great need. Also, be aware of traffic flow patterns. Thank you for your cooperation!



Church in The Park

The 8:00 a.m. Service will be at
Northwood Park
Every Sunday (except for rain)
June 16 through August 4.

Hospitality for the SUMMER NEEDED!

Do you enjoy that nice cup of coffee on Sunday morning? Is that donut all you dream about the night before? Well, we need help setting all of that up on Sunday Mornings. Please see JoAnn if you are able to be a HOST/HOSTESS with the MOST/MOSTESS!

Morton United Methodist T-Shirts

We now have 'Love, Worship, Serve' t-shirts on hand for you to purchase. **Cost is \$12.**
See Shelli in the church office.

Upcoming Events

- TODAY – Last Sunday School until September
- June 7-16 Youth Mission Trip to Puerto Rico
- June 16 Noon Puerto Rico Presentation Luncheon
- June 23-27 VBS

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 4 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.**

SYMPATHY TO: The family of Mary Brown who died May 13.

DAY BY DAY

Sunday, May 19

Last Sunday School until Sept. Graduate Recognition

- 8:00 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 9:30 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 9:00 am Blood Pressure Sunday, G
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 10:45 am Companions in Christ, L
- 10:45 am Cross Connections
- 3:00 pm XYZ-Pekin Theater, OS

Monday, May 20

- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, G, S
- 9:30 am Bible Study Pastor Gabe, YR
- 11:00 am Services at Restmor, OS
- 6:00 pm Staff Parish, YR
- 6:30 pm Building Committee, Lib
- 7:00 pm Scouts, G
- 7:00 pm Sarah Circle

Tuesday, May 21

- 8:00 am Communion, S
- 8:00 am Volunteer Work Group
- 9:00 am Staff Meeting, L
- 5:30 pm Gospel Bells, S
- 6:30 pm Worship Committee Mtg, YR
- 7:00 pm Praise Team, G

Wednesday, May 22

- 6:30 am Men's Prayer Mtg., YR
- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, G
- 6:00 pm MUMC Youth
- 6:30 pm VBS Work Night

Thursday, May 23

- 9:00 am Quilters

Friday, May 24

- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, S

Saturday, May 25

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

Sunday, May 26

- 8:00 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 9:30 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 10:45 am Cross Connections

Location Key:

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