

morton

united methodist church

420 North Tennessee Avenue, Morton, IL 61550

For the Week of
Sunday, August 6, 2017– Sunday, August 13, 2017



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

And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."...*All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.*

(Acts 1:4-5,14)

August 6, 2017 **9th Sunday after Pentecost** 8:00 & 9:30 a.m.

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

- Why wait when you can worry?
- Do you find it easy to wait upon the Lord?
- Waiting can renew our strength. How does it renew your strength?
- Waiting for the Holy Spirit is necessary for spiritual vitality. What will you do to receive the Holy Spirit?

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

***Hymn of Praise**

UMH 64

Holy, Holy, Holy

***Responsive Reading**

They who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles;

They shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding.

In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said,

"You heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

***Pass the Peace**

Children's Message Minister of Youth Eric Gordon

Offertory

***Doxology**

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Gabe

The Lord's Prayer Amy Smith & Nora Bishop
The Lord's Prayer

Service of Holy Communion

*Communion will be served in the pews;
all who love Jesus are welcome to share*

Scripture Acts 1:1-14

Message Pastor Gary L. Feldman
What Are You Waiting For?

***Hymn of Commitment** UMH 393
Spirit of the Living God (2x)

***Blessing**

Postlude

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

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

FLOWERS: FLOWERS: The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God in celebration of the 50th wedding anniversary of Ron & Cheri Patterson.

ACOLYTE: 9:30 Kate Wiegardt & Brecken Carter

GREETERS: 8:00
9:30 Ellie Kuykendall & Kathy Dallinger

Cross Connections Worship Service

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

August 6, 2017

10:45 a.m.

OPENING WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP IN SONG

GIVING OUR GIFTS

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

COMMUNION

FOUNDATION

Acts 1:1-14

TODAY'S MESSAGE

What Are You Waiting For?

Pastor Gary

CLOSING PRAYER

CLOSING SONG

OVERTIME CONNECTIONS

MINISTRY LEADERS:

WOW Welcome

Creative Arts
Jayne Benckendorf

Greeters
Hilda Brenkman

Praise Team
Kerry Brenkman

Acts 29 – Witnesses for Jesus

1. What Are You Waiting For?

Acts 1:1-14

Text: *Acts 1:4-5 And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."*

- Waiting Requires Patient Trust
- Waiting Reminds Us That God Is In Control
- Waiting Allows God To Do His Work
- Waiting Increases My Strength

XYZ... Xtra Years of Zest

August 4 Game Day

Games day is at 11:00 a. m.
You pick the games
We'll have a potluck so bring a dish to share.



Basement Sale August 8-9.

Please start cleaning out those closets, basements,
crawl spaces, and garages.

Drop off all sale items from **July 30-August 6.**

All proceeds go to the Youth Ministry in support of their
summer mission programs.

We are in need of volunteers to sort and price items on
Sunday and Monday. Tuesday and Wednesday we are
looking for people to help during the sale and clean up.

Contact the church office 266-7174
if you are available to lend a helping hand.



...Meet & Greet...

Pastor Gary and Pastor Gabe Need Your Help!

If you would like to host a gathering, small or large,
to meet our new pastors, please contact the church office,
309-266-7174.

We have found this to be a helpful way, not only to meet
the pastors, but to enjoy fellowship with others and share
hopes and joys!

Thank you in advance for your help with this!

Acolyte Training

Students 4th –6th grade on Wednesday, August 23 from
5-6pm. RSVP so Amy knows how much
pizza to order!

Methodist Kids

Back to School Water Fun Day!

Join Miss Amy and friends this week!

Wednesday, August 9 from 1-3PM for some WATER FUN! Wear your "get wet" items and be ready to cool down one last time before school is back in session!

For kids going into Kindergarten–6th grade! RSVP to amys@mortonumc.org, so that I know who is coming!



MUMM SUMMER GAMES

The Morton United Methodist Men invites all MEN, to the 2017 Summer Games at Ackerman Farms. Please reserve **Monday, August 14** starting at **5:00 PM**.



CORN BOIL & POT LUCK

TODAY!!!!

Come and fellowship 4 p.m.

Eat at 5 p.m.

Please Bring Lawn Chairs!!!!

Volunteers needed for set up and clean up.

**Thank you Ackerman's for your sweet blessings
and your sweet corn!**



Zion Oaks Tabernacle Services

Join us for outdoor services this Sunday through Thursday evening at 7 PM at Zion Tabernacle in East Peoria. The revival speaker this year is Reverend Joel Catlin, Pastor of Grace UMC in East Peoria. On Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, Reverend Gary Motta and Reverend Joel Catlin will be performing Gary's play based on the autobiography of circuit-riding preacher, Peter Cartwright. The first half of the play will be done on Tuesday night in place of the sermon, and the second half of the play will be done on Wednesday night.

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.

WORSHIP REMINDERS

Please do not take any food or beverage into our traditional worship sanctuary. Please remember to turn off or silence your cell phones during the services. Thank you!

NURSERY

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

CHURCH STAFF and CONTACT INFO

OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Thursday: 8:00 – 4:00; Friday: 8:00 – 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: Dorothy Funk, Ray Schmidt, and Clifford Lowery

RECENTLY RELEASED: Dean Shull

DAY BY DAY

Sunday, August 6

- 8:00 am Celebration Worship, S
- 9:30 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 10:45 am Cross Connections Service, G
- 1:00 pm Basement Sale Set-Up and Work Day
- 4:00 pm Corn Boil & Pot Luck

Monday, August 7

- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise
- 1:00 pm Basement Sale Work day, G,YR,CP
- 6:30 pm Skeins of Love, Nursery
- 6:30 pm Trustees Meeting, L

Tuesday, August 8

- 8:00 am Communion, S
- 8:00 am Volunteer Work Group
- 9:00 am Basement Sale, G
- 9:00 am Staff Meeting
- 9:30 am Skeins of Love, Nursery
- 7:00 pm Praise Team, S

Wednesday, August 9

- 6:30 am Men's Prayer Mtg., YR
- 9:00 am Basement Sale
- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise
- 1:00 pm Children's Water Day
- 6:15 pm Amplify, YR

Thursday, August 10

- 9:00 am Quilters, CR

Friday, August 11

- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise

Saturday, August 12

- 7:00 am Men's Bible Study, L

Sunday, August 13

BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING

- 8:00 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 9:30 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 10:45 am Cross Connections Service, G
- 1:30 pm All Church Bike Ride, OS

Mark Your Calendar

- **August 13**
All Church Bike Ride
- 1:30 Junction City, Peoria
- **August 14**
Illinois River District Day Apart
See Kathy Dallinger for details
- **August 21-26**
Kitchen will be closed
- **August 21**
Ministry Council Mtg., L