

morton

united methodist church

420 North Tennessee Avenue, Morton, IL 61550

For the Week of
Sunday, August 13, 2017– Sunday, August 20, 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

*But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.
(Acts 1:8)*

August 13, 2017 **10th Sunday after Pentecost** 8:00 & 9:30 a.m.

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

- *How is your life a witness for Jesus?*
- *Where is your place of witness? Jerusalem/Morton,
Judea/Tazewell Co, Samaria/outside your comfort zone, Ends of
the earth/somewhere in the world?*
- *Is the Holy Spirit giving you power to witness?*
- *Only one life, 'twill soon be past,
Only what's done for Christ will last. (CT Studd)*

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Gabe Wanck

Prelude

***Hymn of Praise** UMH 156 and 170
I Love to Tell the Story (v. 1,3)
O How I Love Jesus (v. 1-2)

***Responsive Reading**

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you,
and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

***Pass the Peace**

Children's Message

Amy Smith

Back to School Blessing

We invite all students, teachers, administration and staff from from any public, private and homeschool education, to come forward for a prayer of blessing

Offertory

Judy Earls, Bassoon
Benedictus

***Doxology**

Preparing our Hearts for Prayer

UMH 496
Sweet Hour of Prayer (v. 1)

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Gabe Wanck

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

Special Music

Judy Earls, Bassoon
Dona Nobis Pacem

Scripture

Acts 1:1-14

Message

Pastor Gary L. Feldman
Last Words

***Hymn of Commitment**

UMH 347
Spirit Song

***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 Wayne & Janice Tessier.

ACOLYTE: 8:00 Max Sullivan & Seth Walters
9:30 Allayna Hart & Julie Granger

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

Cross Connections Worship Service

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

August 13, 2017

10:45 a.m.

OPENING WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP IN SONG

GIVING OUR GIFTS
"My Heart is Yours"

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

FOUNDATION
Acts 1:1-14

TODAY'S MESSAGE
Last Words

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

2. Last Words

Acts 1:1-14

Text: *Acts 1:8 But you will receive **power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses** in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."*


- The Setting
- What Jesus Said
- What Jesus Explained
- What Jesus Promised
 - You will receive power – dunamis
 - You will be my witnesses – marturia
- What the Disciples Did

All Church Bike Ride Today

There will be an all church bike ride **TODAY**
at Junction City in Peoria at 1:30 p. m.

Contact Rick Walker for details.

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X4Z...Extra Years of Zest

August 18

Movie Day


"The Case for Christ"

1 p.m. Youth Room with Popcorn

August 27

Lunch for the Bunch

We'll meet at Firehouse Pizza following
Cross Connections.



Acolyte Training

There will be Acolyte training for students 4th –6th grade
on Wednesday, August 23 from 5-6pm.

We will talk about the meaning of the ritual, have time to
practice and eat pizza. Meet in the Gathering Area.

Please RSVP so Ms. Amy knows how much pizza to order!



Directory Information Needed!

**We are in need of current phone numbers and
addresses for the new directory. Please let us know
of any changes from the 2014 Directory that will be
published in the 2017 Directory.**

**If you are using a 2014 Picture for the new directory
there is a \$10.00 charge from Life Touch. Please put
in the memo of your check 2017 picture.**

Kitchen Closed

Russ will be stripping and resealing the kitchen floor August 21-26. The kitchen will not be accessible during this time.
Sorry for any inconvenience.

Gospel Bells Rehearsals Start Soon

Rehearsals start September 5 at 5:45 in the Sanctuary
We have spots available! Please contact Kerry Brenkman
for more information. kerryb@mortonumc.org

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**

United Methodist Women's Annual CRAFT and MARKET DAY SALE

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Please start working on your crafts to support this year's
UMW Craft and Market sale.

We welcome crafts, unique handcrafted products, holiday
crafts, home décor, knitted or sewn items, baked goods
such as pies, cookies, trail mixes, etc. from all church
members. All profits from this sale support missions.
Monetary donations to offset craft and market item
expenses are always appreciated.

Craft Item drop off to church Oct. 31, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Market Item drop off Nov. 3, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.



Mark Your Calendar

- **August 21** Ministry Council Mtg., L
- **August 24** Adult Choir Begins
- **September 7** Daily Grind, OS-8:30
- **September 10** Rally Day
- **September 17** First Sunday School
- **September 17** Charge Conference
- **September 20** WATCH Begins

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

RECENTLY RELEASED: Ray Schmidt, Pat Jones,
Clifford Lowery, Larry White

SYMPATHY TO: Mary Brown whose brother, Earl Lindenfelser a
Charter Member of MUMC, passed away on August 4.

The family of Vi Weddle who died August 5.

DAY BY DAY

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

Sunday, August 20

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

Monday, August 14

- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise
- 5:00 pm MUMM Summer Games, Ackerman Farms

Tuesday, August 15

- 8:00 am Communion, S
- 8:00 am Volunteer Work Group
- 9:00 am Staff Meeting
- 7:00 pm Praise Team, S

Wednesday, August 16

- 6:30 am Men's Prayer Mtg., YR
- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise

Thursday, August 17

- 9:00 am Quilters, CR
- 6:00 pm Choir Dinner, K,G

Friday, August 18

- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise
- 1:00 pm XYZ Movie Day, YR

Saturday, August 19

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