

morton

united methodist church

420 North Tennessee Avenue, Morton, IL 61550

For the Week of

Sunday, October 15, 2017– Sunday, October 22, 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

"...For a whole year they met with the church and taught a great many people. And in Antioch the disciples were first called Christians." (Acts 11:26)

October 15, 2017 19th **Sunday of Pentecost** 8:00 & 9:30 am

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

- *Do you know what your name means?*
- *Do you have a favorite nickname?*
- *Have you ever been called a nickname that you didn't like?*
- *What does it mean to you that you are called a Christian?*

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Gabe Wanck

Call to Worship Gospel Bells

Be Thou My Vision

***Hymn of Praise** UMH 171

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

***Responsive Reading** 1 Peter 1:3-7

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope

Through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you

Who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, so that the tested genuineness of your faith – more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire

May be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

Children's Message (8:00 am) Pastor Gabe Wanck

Receiving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Choir

Christians We Have Met to Worship

*Doxology

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Gabe Wanck

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

Scripture

Acts 11:19-30

Special Music

Gospel Bells

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Message

Pastor Gary L. Feldman

*Acts 29...Witnesses for Jesus
A New Name!*

*Hymn of Commitment

CH 429

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

*Blessing

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 in celebration of the 51st wedding anniversary of Bud & Rae Pittenger.

THE ROSE on the altar is in celebration of the birth of Russell Douglas Mammon, son of Matt and Andrea, born on October 1, 2017. Congratulations to the family!

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

GREETERS: 8:00 Bob & Lois Lichti
9:30 Ray & Ellen Heiman

Cross Connections Worship Service

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

October 15, 2017

10:45 a.m.

OPENING WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP IN SONG

GIVING OUR GIFTS

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

FOUNDATION

Acts 11:19-30

TODAY'S MESSAGE

*Acts 29...Witnesses for Jesus
A New Name!*

Pastor Gary L. Feldman

CLOSING PRAYER

CLOSING SONG

OVERTIME CONNECTIONS

MINISTRY LEADERS:

WOW Welcome

Creative Arts
Jayne Benckendorf

Greeters
Hilda Brenkman

Praise Team
Kerry Brenkman

Notes from 10/15/2017

Acts 29... Witnesses for Jesus A New Name!

Acts 11:19-30

Text: *Acts 11:26 "...For a whole year they met with the church and taught a great many people. And in Antioch the disciples were first called Christians."*

XYZ - Extra Years of Zest

October 20 - Movie Day

We'll watch "Mr. Church" at 1 p.m.
in the Youth Room with Popcorn

October 26 - Pickleball

We'll play Pickleball in the gym at 10 a.m.
and at 6 p.m. on Thursday.



Pumpkin Patch Party

Join us on **Saturday, October 21**, at 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. in
the gym for our pumpkin patch party. It's open to all
children, 6th grade and under.

PARENT ATTENDANCE REQUIRED!

Friendly Costumes, Please!

We also need donations of individually wrapped candy
and cakes for the cake walk. Plus we ALWAYS need
volunteers on that day to help with this ministry.

Let's give our kids a safe and fun fall party.

Let Amy know how you can help! BLESSINGS!



Men's Retreat-November 11-12, Camp Menno Haven

On **November 11-12 Saturday morning through
Sunday mid-afternoon**, we and men from the Morton,
Carlock and Arthur Mennonite Churches will gather to grow
in our understanding of the Bible. Sign-up sheets and
brochures are available at the Scrip Table. Cost is **\$105** for
room and meals. **Due by 10/22**. Scholarships are
available. See **Bob Barrick** for details 309.266.6273.

Blood Drive October 31

Please remember to sign up on the Red Cross website,
using sponsor code: MORTONUMC. Our donations will help
the Red Cross to have the needed supply of blood.

Tuesday, October 31 from 1-6 p.m.

**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.

All Church Conference

The congregation is invited to our annual **All Church Conference on Thursday, October 26 at 6:00 p.m.** in the Youth Room. Our District Superintendent Mary Kathryn Pearce will lead us as we receive reports, establish leadership and the budget for 2018.

Tuesday Night Bible Study

Begins: Tuesday, October 17 at 6:30 p.m.

Led by: Pastor Gary Feldman

1 PETER - *Life Lessons from a Fisherman*

Peter's letter to the dispersed church powerfully helps us to live life with Jesus in a world filled with evil, hopelessness and suffering. If you have experienced the struggles of the Christian life, the letter of *First Peter*, will bring you hope, encouragement and words of good counsel! Join us on **Tuesday at 6:30 pm Youth Room.**

Mark Your Calendars!

- **October 23** UMW Book Club 6:30 p.m., GA
- **November 17** Children's Dinner and a Movie
- **November 18** Youth Rake and Run

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

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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 RELEASED: Tom Siron, Charlene Showalter

HOSPICE CARE: Joyce Tolson – Hopedale Commons Nursing Home

DAY BY DAY

Sunday, October 15

- 8:00 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 9:00 am Blood Pressure Sunday, G
- 9:30 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 9:30 am Sunday School, YR
- 10:45 am Cross Connections Service, G
- 10:45 am Companions in Christ, L
- 1:00 pm Brandon Wood Hymn Sing -- OS
- 2:30 pm Holly Brook Hymn Sing, OS

Monday, October 16

- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, G,S
- 9:30 am Bible Study, YR
- 11:00 am Services at Restmor
- 6:30 pm Building Comtt. Mtg, YR
- 7:00 pm Boy Scouts, G
- 7:00 pm Sarah Circle, GA,K

Tuesday, October 17

- 8:00 am Communion, S
- 8:00 am Volunteer Work Group
- 9:00 am Staff Meeting, GA
- 10:00 am Sisters in Faith, L
- 5:45 pm Gospel Bells, S
- 6:30 pm Bible Study Rev. Gary, YR
- 7:00 pm Praise Team, G

Wednesday, October 18

- 6:30 am Men's Prayer Mtg., YR
- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise
- 11:00 am Sarah Circle, K
- 11:30 am Ruth Circle, Offsite
- 5:00 pm WATCH Meal, G
- 5:00 pm Cherub/Children's Choir
- 6:00 pm Methodist Kids, S
- 6:00 pm Lite Life, GA
- 6:00 pm Girls Night Out, L
- 6:15 pm Amplify, YR
- 7:00 pm Strength Finders, OS

Thursday, October 19

- 8:30 am Daily Grind, OS
- 9:00 am Pumpkin Patch Party Set Up, G
- 9:00 am Quilters, CR
- 9:15 am Disciple-Pastor Paul, YR
- 6:00 pm Boy Scout Mtg., YR
- 6:00 pm 7 People Singing, S
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal, S

Friday, October 20

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

Saturday, October 21

- 7:00 am Men's Bible Study, L
- 8:00 am Walk and Talk, G
- 2:00 pm Pumpkin Patch Party, G

Sunday, October 22

- 8:00 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 9:30 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 9:30 am Sunday School, YR
- 10:45 am Cross Connections Service, G
- 10:45 am Companions in Christ, L
- 12:00 pm XYZ Lunch for the Bunch
- 1:30 pm Musical Rehearsal, S,G
- 6:00 pm 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

Open House
Saturday, Oct. 21
from 1-3 p.m.
Villas of Hollybrook Four
Seasons Room to celebrate
Jeanne Cron's
90th Birthday.

