

# morton

united methodist church

420 North Tennessee Avenue, Morton, IL 61550

February 17, 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](http://www.mortonumc.org)

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

# Sunday Worship Celebration

*"But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, 'Lord, save me.' Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him..."*

*Matthew 14:30-31*

February 17, 2019    **6<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Epiphany**    8:00 and 9:30

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## Welcome and Announcements

### Prelude

**\*Hymn of Praise** UMH 371  
*I Stand Amazed in the Presence (v. 1,4,5)*

**\*Affirming our Faith** Ephesians 2:4-10

But God, being rich in mercy,

**Because of the great love with which he loved us,**

Even when we were dead in our trespasses,

**Made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—**

And raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,

**So that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.**

For by grace you have been saved through faith.

**And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,**

Not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

**For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.**

**\*Passing the Peace of Christ**

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

Amy Smith

**Receiving of Our Tithes, Gifts and Offerings**

**Offertory** (9:30 a.m.)

Choir

*Prayer to Jehovah*

**\*Doxology**

**Hymn of Prayer**

UMH 474

*Precious Lord (v. 1-2)*

**Pastoral Prayer**

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

**Anthem** (8:00 a.m.)

Choir

*Prayer to Jehovah*

**Scripture**

Matthew 14:22-33

**Message**

Pastor Gary L. Feldman

*Save Me!*

**\*Hymn of Salvation**

CH 508

*Love Lifted Me (v. 1,3)*

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

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***\*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 the VanEtten family in honor of Carol Hilpert's birthday

**ACOLYTES:** 8:00 Ella Smallenberger & Alex McKie  
9:30 Lydia Milby & Ben Barrick

**GREETERS:** 8:00 Don & Mary Brecher  
9:30 Karen Julien & Jan Wells

# Cross Connections Worship Service

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

February 17, 2019

10:45 a.m.

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COUNTDOWN

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP IN SONG

GIVING OUR GIFTS

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

FOUNDATION

Matthew 14:22-33

TODAY'S MESSAGE

*Save Me!*

Rev. Gary L. Feldman

CLOSING PRAYER

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**OVERTIME CONNECTIONS**

**MINISTRY LEADERS:**

GREETERS

Hilda Brenkman

CREATIVE ARTS

Jayne Benckendorf

PRAISE TEAM

Kerry Brenkman

# Sermon Notes

## Save Me!

Matthew 14:22-33



*From a 'So So' Life to a Sozo Life...  
Experiencing the Salvation, Healing, Deliverance and  
Wholeness Jesus Offers*

# XYZ...Extra Years of Zest

## **February 19 – Eagle Watching**

We will leave the church @ 10:00 a.m.

We will stop & have lunch.

## **March 3 - Movie**

Watch "*Gone with the Wind*" at Pekin theater on

March 3 at 12:30 p.m.

Meet at church at noon. We'll have an early dinner @ Venezia Italian Bistro after. More information to follow.

## **Jr High Conference Retreat – Believe Conference**

Join us for an overnight retreat in Springfield on March 1-2, the cost is \$60. Sign up with a \$20 deposit deadline February 19.

## **UMW Call to Prayer and Self-Denial**

### **Friday, February 22**

9:30 a.m. Coffee fellowship in Gathering Area

10:00 a.m. Service in Sanctuary

There are jars in a basket in the Gathering Room on the counter to take and fill with loose change, paper money, or a check, and then bring to our UMW Prayer and Self-Denial service on Feb. 22, 2019. Everyone is welcome to participate. Our offering will support programs that help all the children and youth of the world become a thriving generation. Scott Hassett, the director of Guardian Angel in Morton, will be our speaker. See you there!

## **Financial Peace University**

Classes beginning March 2019 until May 2019. We are looking for new and returning students!!!

Contact: Maggie Klokkenga for more information

maggielokkenga@yahoo.com or call: 314-750-0700.

## **Pray 2:23**

You are invited and encouraged to pause and pray every day at 2:23 p.m. for the mission of the United Methodist Church. The focus of prayer is for General Conference February 23-26. More info at [www.umcprays.org](http://www.umcprays.org)

## **New Member Orientation Class**

Wednesday evenings from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.  
Meal included (5:00 – 6:00 p.m.)

*New Class will begin **February 27***

We will meet during our Wednesday evening W.A.T.CH. program so we can eat together and after dinner we will introduce prospective members to our church as well as the history, policy and beliefs of the United Methodist Church. Following the completion of the orientation class you will have the opportunity to join the church April 14 during worship service.

All people wishing to join the Church must have experienced the ritual of Christian baptism. We recognize baptisms that were performed at non-United Methodist Churches. Please contact Pastor Gary, Pastor Gabe or JoAnn Kraft if you are interested.



## **Bishop Beard – Briefings on General Conference**

Bishop Frank J. Beard will host meetings throughout or conference to discuss the action taken by the special session of General Conference.

Please go to [www.igrc.org](http://www.igrc.org) to reserve your seat at Willow Hill UMC, 304 E Far Hills Dr, East Peoria, IL 61611 (Germantown Hills) on Monday, March 4 at 6:30 p.m.

We will also host our own briefing from Pastor Gary on March 17 at 2 p.m. in our Sanctuary.

## **Mark the Calendar**

- March 3 Morton UMW Sunday
- March 4 VBS Team Meeting
- March 6 Lent Begins
- March 16 Adults Night Out
- March 17 General Conference Update @ MUMC
- March 22 Trivia Night
- March 31 Juarez Stock Holder Dinner

## **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](http://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.**



# DAY BY DAY

## **Sunday, February 17**

- 8:00 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 9:00 am Blood Pressure Sunday
- 9:30 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 10:45 am Companions in Christ, L
- 10:45 am Cross Connections Worship Service, G
- 5:00 pm Women's Bible Study, L

## **Monday, February 18**

- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, G, S
- 11:00 am Services at Restmor, O
- 6:00 pm Staff Parish, YR
- 6:30 pm Building Committee, L
- 7:00 pm Scouts, G
- 7:00 pm Sarah Circle, GA

## **Tuesday, February 19**

- 8:00 am Communion, S
- 8:00 am Volunteer Work Group
- 9:00 am Staff Meeting, GA
- 10:00 am Sisters in Faith, L
- 10:00 am XYZ Eagle Watching, OS
- 5:30 pm Gospel Bells, S
- 6:30 pm Pastor Gary's Bible Study
- 6:30 pm Worship Committee
- 7:00 pm Praise Team, G

## **Wednesday, February 20**

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

## **Thursday, February 21**

- 8:30 am Daily Grind, L
- 9:00 am Quilters
- 9:15 am Disciple-Pastor Paul, YR
- 10:00 am Pickleball, G
- 5:45 pm Thursday Night Book Study, OS
- 6:00 pm Pickleball, G
- 6:00 pm 7 People Singing, S
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal, S

## **Friday, February 22**

- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, S
- 9:30 am UMW Prayer & Self-Denial

## **Saturday, February 23**

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

## **Sunday, February 24**

- 8:00 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 9:30 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 10:45 am Companions in Christ, L
- 10:45 am Cross Connections Worship Service, G
- 5:00 pm Women's Bible Study, L

### **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

**W.A.T.CH. Clean-Up  
2/20 MUMM**