

morton

united methodist church

420 North Tennessee Avenue, Morton, IL 61550

For the Week of

Sunday, February 18, 2018 – Sunday, February 25, 2018



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

"Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.'" (Luke 11:1)

February 18, 2018 **1st Sunday in Lent** 8:00 & 9:30 a.m.

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

- *How's your prayer life been lately? Non-existent? So good that you never want it to end? Or somewhere in between?*
- *What feeds your soul?*
- *What are the best ways you can nurture the life of Jesus in your soul?*

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Gabe Wanck

Prelude

7 People Singing

Agnus Dei

***Hymn of Prayer**

UMH 404

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

***Responsive Reading**

Psalm 130

Out of the depths I cry to you, LORD;

Lord, hear my voice. Let your ears be attentive to my cry for mercy.

If you, LORD, kept a record of sins, Lord, who could stand?

But with you there is forgiveness, so that we can, with reverence, serve you.

I wait for the LORD, my whole being waits, and in his word I put my hope.

I wait for the Lord more than watchmen wait for the morning, more than watchmen wait for the morning.

Israel, put your hope in the LORD, for with the LORD is unfailing love and with him is full redemption.

He himself will redeem Israel from all their sins.

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

Special Music

7 People Singing

Arise My Soul, Arise

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

Eric Gordon

Receiving of Our Tithes, Gifts and Offerings

Offertory (9:30 a.m.) Choir
The Old Rugged Cross

***Doxology**

***Hymn of Prayer** UMH 405
Seek Ye First

Pastoral Prayer

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

Anthem (8:00 a.m.) Choir
The Old Rugged Cross

Scripture Luke 11:1-13

Message Pastor Gary L. Feldman
Lord, Teach Us to Pray

***Hymn of Prayer** UMH 496
Sweet Hour of Prayer

***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 by the VanEtten family in honor of Carol Hilpert's 70th birthday.

The Rose: The rose on the altar is in celebration of the birth of Jaxson Keith Markham, born on January 24, 2018 to Ellen Edwards and Iley Markham. Grandmother is Greta Edwards and Great Grandmother is Geneva Maple. Congratulations!

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

GREETERS: 8:00 Karen Julien & Jan Wells
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.

February 18, 2018

10:45 a.m.

COUNTDOWN

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP IN SONG

GIVING OUR GIFTS

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

SKIT

The Lord's Prayer

FOUNDATION

Luke 11:1-13

TODAY'S MESSAGE

Lord, Teach Us to Pray

Pastor Gary L Feldman

CLOSING PRAYER

OVERTIME CONNECTIONS

MINISTRY LEADERS:

WOW Welcome

Creative Arts

Jayne Benckendorf

Greeters

Praise Team

Hilda Brenkman

Kerry Brenkman

Sermon Notes

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Prayer Life! *"Lord, Teach Us to Pray"*

1. Learning from Jesus
2. The Posture of Jesus
3. The Asking of the Disciples
4. The Pattern of Jesus
 - Father
 - Your Name – Hallowed
 - Your Kingdom – Come!
 - Your Provision – Give us bread for the day
 - Your Forgiveness – Sin must be dealt with; Our Forgiveness
 - Your Leading – Never into temptation
5. The Story
6. The Holy Spirit

XYZ...Extra Years of Zest

February 25 – Lunch for the Bunch

We'll meet at Linn's Buffet in Morton at 12:15 p.m.



Fiddler on the Roof

Metamora High School is performing

Fiddler on the Roof Sunday, March 18 at 2 p.m.

Tickets must be purchased in advance. Please reserve your spot by contacting Lynn Zimmerman or by calling the church office no later than Thursday, March 8.



STOCK UPDATE for the Juarez Mission Trip

Great News! We have reached our goal of \$4,300!

Mark your calendars – Annual Stockholder's Dinner
Sunday, April 15, at 5:00 p.m.



Mark The calendar

- **March 2-3** Jr. High Retreat to Springfield
- **March 4** Morton UMW Sunday
- **March 5** VBS Team Meeting
- **March 10-16** Juarez Mission Trip
- **April 1** Easter Sunday
- **April 14** Every Daughter Brunch

New Bible Study

Please join the *Companions-in-Christ* as they start a new study on the **Gospel of John**.

Class starts at 10:45 a.m. in the library.

Come and you will be blessed.


For more information contact

Velva-June Martinie at 309-263-2555



Purchase STOCK in the Juarez Mission Trip

What a GREAT response in our stock sale! Thank you so very much for your support! There are 70 Stocks left! We are so appreciative and excited for this journey. Visit us in the gym today if you would like to support the mission. And PLEASE keep us and this mission in your prayers. We all know there is power when God's people pray!




Pastor's Bible Studies

Monday 9:30-11:00 am Ephesians Pastor Gabe

Tuesday 6:30-8:00 pm 1 Peter Pastor Gary

Come join us as we study God's Word and grow in our faith as we learn to LOVE, WORSHIP, & SERVE.



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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 FOUR 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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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: Ashley Diemer

SYMPATHY TO: The family of William "Bill" Hall who died on Friday, February 2, 2018. William Hall is the father of Dale Hall and father-in-law of Ellen Hall.

DAY BY DAY

Sunday, February 18

- 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 Companions in Christ, L
- 10:45 am Cross Connections Worship Service, G
- 5:00 pm Womens Bible Study, L

Monday, February 19

- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, G,S
- 9:00 am Book Study Pastor Gabe, YR
- 11:00 am Services at Restmor
- 6:30 pm Building Committee Meeting, YR
- 7:00 pm Boys Scout, G
- 7:00 pm Sarah Circle, GA

Tuesday, February 20

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

Wednesday, February 21

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

Thursday, February 22

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

Friday, February 23

- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, G,S

Saturday February 24

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

Sunday, February 25

- 8:00 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 9:30 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 9:30 am Sunday School, YR
- 10:45 am Companions in Christ, L
- 10:45 am Cross Connections Worship Service, G
- 12:00 pm XYZ Lunch for the Bunch
- 5:00 pm Womens 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

HAPPY 70TH
BIRTHDAY Carol Hilpert!