

morton

united methodist church

For the Week of
Sunday, April 22, 2018 – Sunday, April 29, 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

Your Kingdom come, Your will be done...

Matthew 6:10

April 22, 2018 **Fourth Sunday of Easter** 8:00 and 9:30 a.m.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Gabe Wanck

Call to Worship

***Hymn of Mission** UMH 569

We've a Story to Tell to the Nations

***Responsive Reading – Kingdom Prayer**

Our Father, Our Lord, Our King!

Who is in Heaven and who is with us always!

Holy is Your Name! The Name above all Names!

**May Your Kingdom come, now! We need the
working of Your Spirit among us, now!**

May Your will be done, now! Help us to do Your will and
not ours!

And please give the bread we need for this day!

And forgive us of our sins that hurt our relationship with
you and others!

Help us to forgive everyone who sins against us!

And guide us away from the things that tempt us!

And by your power, deliver us from the evil one!

For everything is Yours; Your Kingdom reigns!

**And all power, glory, majesty and might belong to
You!**

Forever and ever!

Amen and Amen!

***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 405
Seek Ye First

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

Anthem (8:00 a.m.) Choir
Prayer to Jehovah

Scripture Matthew 6:9-13; 7:7-12

Message Pastor Gary L. Feldman
The Kingdom and Prayer

***Hymn of Love** UMH 453
More Love to Thee, O Christ

***Benediction**

Postlude

**Please stand as you are able*

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

FLOWERS: If you'd like to donate altar flowers to celebrate a special event in your life or in memory of (or in honor of) someone, please sign the flower book in the Welcome Center.

CELEBRATION: The rose on the altar is in celebration of the birth of **Riley Anne Fair** born on April 5, 2018 to Doug(Jr.) & Lauren Fair. Grandparents Doug & Diane Fair. Great grandparents Rev. Mike & Joyce Kovalcik.

ACOLYTES: 8:00 Carter Jones & Noah Losey 9:30
Allayna Hart & Charlotte Potts

GREETERS: 8:00 Jack Cusick
9:30 Gary & Cari Yerby

Cross Connections Worship Service

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

April 22, 2018

10:45 a.m.

COUNTDOWN

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP IN SONG

GIVING OUR GIFTS

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

SCRIPTURE FOUNDATION

Matthew 6:9-13; 7:7-12

TODAY'S MESSAGE

The Kingdom and Prayer

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

The Kingdom and Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13; 7:7-12



When Jesus announced that the Kingdom of God had come near, it meant that the very nature of God would be manifest through the life and ministry of Jesus. Jesus would demonstrate the love of God in simple yet powerful ways, always revealing that He has His best in mind for us! It was by His Words and Works, that Jesus would explain this wonderful Kingdom and also give evidence of it through acts of kindness with signs and wonders.

1. Starts with the Character of God
'Our King' or 'Our Father'?
Matthew 6:9
Matthew 7:11
2. Jesus Reintroduces God Our Father
3. Your Kingdom Come...
4. Your Will Be Done...
5. Ask/Seek/Knock
6. Pray in the Moment
7. Summary: A Prayerful Life

ILLINOIS RIVER DISTRICT

Spring Celebration

Monday, April 23 UMW Spring Celebration 8:30 a.m.

"Our First 150 Years"

History of United Methodist Women

Please remember to bring your items for Cunningham Home
and Lessie Bates Davis Neighborhood House tomorrow.

(Bath towels, wash cloths, Walmart & Dollar Tree gift cards,
mops, brooms, buckets, all-purpose cleaners, plastic gloves,
and dishwashing liquid)

XYZ...Extra Years of Zest

April 24 – Luthy Botanical Gardens/Lunch – we will meet at
the church @ 11 a.m.

April 29 – "Adams Family" MHS play – we will meet at
Bertha Frank @ 2:15 p.m. followed by dinner.

Morton Civic Chorus

"Encore"

Lynn Zimmerman would love to take the XYZ group to see
the Morton Civic Choir, May 23 at 6:15 p.m.

Reservations are required. Cost is \$15.

Please RSVP and pay by Friday, May 11.

Gospel of John Bible Study

April 23 - June 4

Monday mornings from 9:30–10:30 a.m. in the Youth Room

Join Pastor Gabe and others seeking to learn and grow in
their faith and knowledge of God's Word.

Confirmation Sunday

Please join us on **Sunday, April 29** to celebrate and give some encouragement to our eight new confirmands who have spent the last two years learning more about our faith and the United Methodist church. They are:

*Rowan Carter, Chloe Losey, Connor McMullen,
Caroline Potts, Cameron Shook, Daniel Wefer,
Sarah Wefer, and Owen Weyland.*

Our appreciation to Mike & Beth Shook and Mike & Maria Wefer that have walked this path with them.

Calling All Golfers

The **2018 Bishop's Open** will be on **Friday, May 11**, at the Piper Glen Golf Course Club near Chatham. Festivities begin at 11 a.m. with lunch followed by a shotgun start at noon. Dinner will follow the completion of the golf outing. *COST: \$100 per person.* All proceeds of the outing will be for the ***Our Conference, Our Kids*** campaign. Pick up a registration form at the Welcome Desk.

Lost and Found

Please check the lost and found before we donate the items that we have collected. There are also a large number of items in the kitchen that have been left behind. **We will be donating all the unclaimed items May 1.**

East Bay Work Day Saturday, May 5

Come and help prepare the grounds for Summer Camp. There are indoor and outdoor projects of all kinds for all skill levels. We will leave the Church at 7:30 am and return before 2:00 pm. Contact Pastor Gabe to register. Lunch Provided!

Dates to Remember

- **May 6** VBS Informational Meeting, 10:45 & Noon
- **May 9** VBS Mandatory Youth Meeting, 6pm & Work night
- **May 13** Baccalaureate Service for graduates
- **May 16,23,30** VBS work night

- **May 20** Senior Recognition Day and Graduation Day
- **May 20** Last Sunday School till September

ATENDANCE 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

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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: Doris Birchenough, Imo Reich,
Thelma Robertson

RECENTLY RELEASED: Clark Boers, Trish Hall

DAY BY DAY

Sunday, April 22

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
3:00 pm UMW Set- Up, K,G
5:00 pm Women's Bible Study

Monday, April 23

8:00 am Walking for Exercise, G,S
9:00 am UMW Spring Celebration
9:30 am Bible Study Pastor Gabe YR
6:00 pm Finance Meeting, YR
7:00 pm Ad Board, YR
7:00 pm Boy Scout, G

Tuesday, April 24

8:00 am Communion, S
8:00 am Volunteer Work Group
8:45 am Staff Meeting, G
9:30 am Skeins of Love, Lib
10:00 am Sisters in Faith, L
11:00 am XYZ Botanical Garden, OS

Wednesday, April 25

6:30 am Men's Prayer Mtg., YR
8:00 am Walking for Exercise, G,S
9:15 am Abigail Circle, YR
5:30 pm Gospel Bells, S
6:00 pm VBS Team Meeting, GA
6:15 pm Amplify, YR

Thursday, April 26

8:30 am Daily Grind, OS
9:00 am Quilters, CR
9:00 am Footprints Due
10:00 am Pickleball, G
5:30 pm Thursday Night Book Study, OS
6:00 pm 7 People Singing
6:00 pm Pickleball, G
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal, S

Friday, April 27

8:00 am Walking for Exercise, G,S

Saturday, April 28

7:00 am Men's Bible Study, L
8:00 am Lay Servant Class, GA

Sunday, April 29

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

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
2:15 pm XYZ MHS play, OS
5:00 pm Women's Bible Study

G-Gym,
L-Library,
S-Sanctuary
GA-Gathering Area
OS-Off Site
YR-Youth Room
PO-Pastor Office
K-Kitchen
CR-Copy Room