

morton

united methodist church

For the Week of
Sunday, May 6, 2018 – Sunday, May 13, 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

Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised up, and the poor have good news preached to them. And blessed is the one who is not offended by me.

Matthew 11:4-6

May 6, 2018 **Sixth Sunday of Easter** 8:00 and 9:30 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Gabe Wanck

Prelude

***Hymn of Praise** UMH 699

Come, and Let Us Sweetly Join

***Responsive Reading** Psalm 98

Oh sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things!

His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

The Lord has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody!

With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord!

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

Sacrament of Holy Baptism (9:30 a.m.)

Madden Lee Robinson

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

Amy Smith

Receiving of Our Tithes, Gifts and Offerings

Offertory

Choir

Ancient Words

***Doxology**

Hymn of Prayer

UMH 177

He Is Lord

Ministry of Prayer

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

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Communion will be served in the pews;

All are invited to receive Communion

Scripture

Matthew 11:1-15

Message

Pastor Gary L. Feldman

The Words and Works of Jesus

***Hymn of Service**

UMH 600

Wonderful Words of Life

***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.

Baptism: Madden Robinson-son of Curtis & Marissa Robinson

ACOLYTES: 8:00 Carter Jones & Allison Werries
9:30 Julia Granger & Allison Werries

GREETERS: 8:00 Don & Jane Sullivan
9:30 Jo Crandell & Candy Brotherson

Cross Connections Worship Service

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

May 6, 2018

10:45 a.m.

COUNTDOWN

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP IN SONG

GIVING OUR GIFTS

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

COMMUNION

SCRIPTURE FOUNDATION

Matthew 11:1-15

TODAY'S MESSAGE

The Words and Works of Jesus

Pastor Gary L. Feldman

CLOSING PRAYER

OVERTIME CONNECTIONS

MINISTRY LEADERS:

WOW Welcome

Creative Arts
Jayne Benckendorf

Greeters
Hilda Brenkman

Praise Team
Kerry Brenkman

Sermon Notes

Words and Works of Jesus

Matthew 11:1-15



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.

Prayer Walk

Join us **TODAY** for a Prayer Walk at **2:00 p.m.**

This is a strategic opportunity to pray for our community and bring the Kingdom of God into our midst! Come, join in the adventure!

VBS Meeting Night

INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS for our volunteers will take place **TODAY at 10:45 and Noon**. If you are volunteering, please make sure you meet with us! We talk about the theme and learn how the schedule works each night! If you cannot make it to this date, please contact AMY and we will get together when it is convenient for you! Even if you have volunteered before, PLEASE try to be at one meeting!

May 9 VBS Mandatory Youth Meeting 6 p.m.

XYZ...Extra Years of Zest

May 9 – We'll meet at church 11:00 a.m. and go to Avanti's for lunch then to Wheels of Time Museum.

Morton Civic Chorus

"Encore"

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

Reservations are required. Cost is \$15.

Please RSVP and pay by Friday, May 11.

Gospel Bells Concert

Join us **Friday, May 11** at Restmor for a Gospel Bells performance at **6:30 p.m.**

Everyone is invited to attend.

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Monday, June 11, 2018

1:00-6:00 p.m.

Morton United Methodist Church

You are eligible to give on the 11th if you donated double Red on or before February 19 or whole blood on or before April 16.



Crayola is launching a nationwide used-marker recycling program in which the used markers will be directly transformed into energy. The COLORCYCLE program, as it's been dubbed, will give students throughout the country the option of recycling any type of used marker through an in-school collection program. The markers that are collected will then be used, in combination with a "unique technology," to create a usable fuel.

All Church Bike Ride & ICE CREAM

Meet TODAY at **2:00 p.m.**

Junction City

N. Knoxville

Peoria

Everyone is welcome. Helmet is highly suggested. For more information, talk with Myra & Rick Walker.

Dates to Remember

- **May 13** Baccalaureate Service for graduates
- **May 16,23,30** VBS work night
- **May 19** Chain Saw Saturday @ East Bay Camp
- **May 20** Senior Recognition and Graduation Day
- **May 20** Last Sunday School till September

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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**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: Doris Birchenough,
Thelma Robertson, Susan Nichol, Kent Buffington

RECENTLY RELEASED: Elsie Schick

HOSPICE CARE: Oz Beckham, Norman Collister

SYMPATHY TO: The family of Rev. Mike Kovalcik who died on April 30.

DAY BY DAY

Sunday, May 6

- 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
- 10:45 am VBS Info Meeting, GA
- 12:00 pm VBS Info Meeting, GA
- 2:00 pm Prayer Walk, OS
- 2:00 pm Bicycle Ride, OS
- 5:00 pm Boy Scouts Meeting, YR
- 5:00 pm Women's Bible Study, L

Monday, May 7

- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, G,S
- 9:30 am Bible Study
Pastor Gabe, YR
- 6:00 pm Boy Scouts
Court of Honor, G
- 6:30 pm Trustees Meeting, YR

Tuesday, May 8

- 8:00 am Communion, S
- 8:00 am Volunteer Work Group
- 8:45 am Staff Meeting, G
- 9:30 am Skeins of Love, YR
- 5:30 pm Gospel Bells, S
- 7:00 pm Praise Team, G

Wednesday, May 9

- 6:30 am Men's Prayer Mtg., YR
- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, G,S
- 11:00 am XYZ Wheels of Time, OS
- 6:00 pm Youth VBS Meeting, G
- 6:15 pm Amplify, YR
- 6:30 pm VBS Work Night

Thursday, May 10

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

Friday, May 11

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

Saturday, May 12

- 7:00 am Men's Bible Study, L
- 8:00 am Youth Serving at FUMC
Loaves & Fish, OS

Sunday, May 13

BACCALAUREATE SERVICE Mother's Day

- 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 Baccalaureate Service, OS

G-Gym,

L-Library,

S-Sanctuary

GA-Gathering Area

OS-Off Site

YR-Youth Room

PO-Pastor Office

K-Kitchen

CR-Copy Room