

morton

united methodist church

420 North Tennessee Avenue, Morton, IL 61550

Sunday, August 25, 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

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

Sunday Worship Celebration

*"While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them
and was carried up into heaven."*

Luke 24:51 (NRSV)

August 25, 2019 **11th Sunday after Pentecost** 8:00 and 9:30 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

*Hymn of Praise

UMH 203

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

*Affirming Our Faith

Colossians 3:1-3

So if you have been raised with Christ

**We seek the things that are above, where Christ is,
seated at the right hand of God.**

So if you have been raised with Christ

**We set our minds on things that are above, not on
things that are on earth.**

So if you have been raised with Christ

**We have died and our lives are hidden with Christ
in God.**

*Passing the Peace of Christ

Children's Message

Amy Smith

Receiving of Our Tithes, Gifts and Offerings

Offertory Judy Earls, Pat Jones, Myra & Rick Walker

Fly Away Medley

*Doxology

Hymn of Prayer

UMH 451

Be Thou My Vision

Ministry of Prayer

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

Scripture

Luke 24:50-53

Message

Pastor Gabe Wanck

***Hymn of Commitment**

UMH 144

This Is My Father's World

***Benediction**

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 Jim & Gene Davis in celebration of their 63rd Wedding Anniversary.

GREETERS: 8:00 Don & Mary Brecher
9:30 Jim & Mary Lou Pate

Cross Connections Worship Service

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

August 25, 2019

10:45 a.m.

COUNTDOWN

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP IN SONG

GIVING OUR GIFTS

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

SCRIPTURE FOUNDATION

Luke 24:50-53

TODAY'S MESSAGE

Carried Up Into Heaven

Pastor Gabe Wanck

CLOSING PRAYER

OVERTIME CONNECTIONS

MINISTRY LEADERS:

PRAISE TEAM
Kerry Brenkman

CREATIVE ARTS
Jayne Benckendorf

Sermon Notes

Luke 24:50-53

“The early Christians believed that when Jesus ascended into heaven, he had been installed and exalted as King, reigning as Lord of all. The ascension means that Jesus is King and humanity is exalted. He is always personally present with us and gives us power to rule over our enemies. We have been called to join him in his ongoing ministry of intercession and in his mission to the world.”

Stephen Seamands

Morton UMC T-Shirts

New Color! **GREEN!** Order a new 'Love, Worship, Serve' t-shirt online at: <https://mumc-19.itemorder.com>. You may wear either the blue or green t-shirt for the Morton Pumpkin Food Tent (9/11) and Festival Parade (9/14). Online store closes **tonight** at midnight.

Acolyte Training

Students 4th–6th grade on Wednesday, **August 28** from 5:00-6:00 p.m. RSVP to Amy so she will know how much pizza to order!

Blood Drive

We will be having a Blood Drive on **August 29** in honor of Josh Hutchison from 1:00-6:00 p.m. For an appointment, please contact the church at 309-266-7174 or log-in to redcrossblood.org (Enter Sponsor Code: MORTONUMC)

Monday, September 2

The office will be closed in observance of Labor Day.

Caring Ministries Informational Meetings

Wednesday, September 4 there are Caring Ministries meetings in the Gym at 10:30 a.m. OR 7:00 p.m.

UMW Fall Kick-Off

Come join us for the UMW Fall Kick-Off on Monday, September 9th at 6:00 p.m. We will have a light supper in the Gym before moving to the Sanctuary for our speakers from Family Core. They will speak about their Single Parent Program. We will be collecting these suggested items:

Wal Mart Gift Cards (\$20+), Shell Gas Cards, Feminine Products, Reversible Car Seats (2-3), Size 5 & 6 Diapers, Laundry Detergent, Toilet Paper, Toiletries, School Supplies.

Monday Morning Bible Study

Begins: Monday, September 9 at 9:30 a.m.

Book: The Epic of Eden
Understanding The Old Testament

Led by: Pastor Gabe Wanck




Pumpkin Fest 2019
Volunteers Needed

The Pumpkin Festival will soon be here and as you know our church provides volunteers to work in the food tent. Our shift is **Wednesday, September 11, 4:15-7:00 p.m.**

Contact Wally Beeler at 267-9402.

This is a good time for fun and fellowship by working with your brother and sisters in the name of Jesus Christ.



Pumpkin Fest Parade Float

September 14, Morton UMC will walk in the Parade celebrating our Faith in the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Sign up at the Welcome Center.




W.A.T.CH

(Wednesday at the Church)

Begins September 18!

Join us at 5:00 p.m. for a meal, followed by adult, youth and children's programs! You will be blessed!



Disciple Bible Study

Pastor Paul Wallis will be leading us this fall through the purple Disciple III bible study book. The class starts on **Thursday, September 19** from 9:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.

Please let Shelli know if you will need a book by September 5. The cost of the book is \$40.

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**

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: John Westbrook, Winifred Stocks, Margo Tish

RECENTLY RELEASED: Maria Wefer, Ron Thompson

SYMPATHY TO: The family of Rex Mills who passed away on August 17.

DAY BY DAY

Sunday, August 25

- 8:00 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 9:30 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 10:45 am Cross Connections, G

Location Key:

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

Monday, August 26

- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, G, S
- 6:00 pm Finance Committee, YR
- 7:00 pm Ad Board, YR
- 7:00 pm Scouts, G

Tuesday, August 27

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

Wednesday, August 28

- 6:30 am Men's Prayer Mtg., YR
- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, G
- 5:00 pm Acolyte Training, S

Thursday, August 29

- 9:00 am Quilters
- 9:00 am Footprints Folding Crew, G
- 1:00 pm Blood Drive, G
- 6:00 pm 7 People Singing, S
- 7:00 pm Choir rehearsal, S

Friday, August 30

- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, S

Saturday, August 31

- 7:00 am Men's Bible Study, L

Sunday, September 1

COMMUNION SUNDAY

- 8:00 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 9:30 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 10:45 am Cross Connections, G

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