

morton

united methodist church

420 North Tennessee Avenue, Morton, IL 61550

Sunday, September 30, 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

*"But Jesus answered, 'It is written,
Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that
comes from the mouth of God.'" Matthew 4:4*

September 30, 2018 **19th Sunday after Pentecost** 8:00 and 9:30

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Bell Choir

Battle Hymn of the Republic

*Hymn of Praise

UMH 64

Holy, Holy, Holy

*Affirming our Faith

Psalm 119:1-8

Blessed are those whose ways are blameless, who
walk according to the law of the Lord.

**Blessed are those who keep his statutes and seek
him with all their heart – they do no wrong but follow
his ways.**

You have laid down precepts that are to be fully obeyed.

**Oh, that my ways were steadfast in obeying your
decrees!**

Then I would not be put to shame when I consider all your
commands.

**I will praise you with an upright heart as I learn your
righteous laws.**

**All: I will obey your decrees; do not utterly forsake
me.**

*Passing the Peace of Christ

Special Music

Bell Choir

I've Got Peace Like a River

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

Receiving of Our Tithes, Gifts and Offerings

Offertory

(8:00 a.m.) *Music of Thy Name*

7 People Singing

(9:30 a.m.) *Ancient Words*

Choir

***Doxology**

A Witness to Our Faith

Preparing our Hearts for Prayer UMH 600
Wonderful Words of Life

Ministry of Prayer

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

Anthem (8:00 a.m.) Choir
Ancient Words

Scripture Luke 4:1-22

Message Pastor Gary L. Feldman
Extra, Extra, Read All About It

***Hymn of Commitment** UMH 601
Thy Word Is a Lamp

***Benediction**

Postlude

****Please stand as you are able***

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

Roses on the altar are in celebration of the births of:

Rhys Aaron Eberle born on 9/7/2018, son of Keri (Grimm) and Aaron. Grandparents Nick and Marla Graff and Great Grandparents LaRelda and Merlin Birkey.

Eliza Olivia Gordon born on 9/20/2018, daughter of Eric and Jenn.

Congratulations to our families!

ACOLYTES: 8:00 Carter Jones & Allison Werries
9:30 Amanda Shook & Ian Bair

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

Cross Connections Worship Service

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

September 30, 2018

10:45 a.m.

COUNTDOWN

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP IN SONG

GIVING OUR GIFTS

A WITNESS TO OUR FAITH

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

HOLY SCRIPTURE

Luke 4:1-22

TODAY'S MESSAGE

Extra, Extra, Read All About It

Pastor Gary L. Feldman

CLOSING PRAYER

OVERTIME CONNECTIONS

MINISTRY LEADERS:

GREETERS
Hilda Brenkman

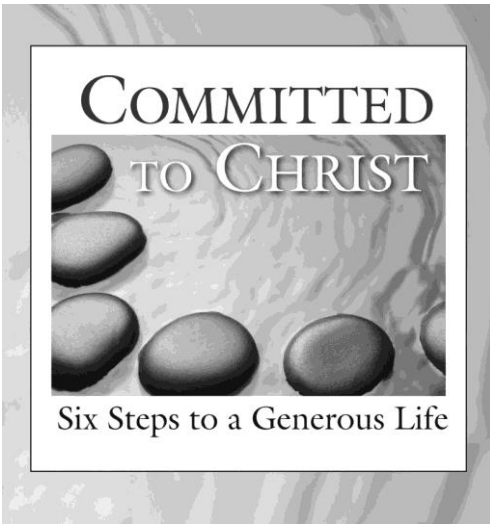
CREATIVE ARTS
Jayne
Benckendorf

PRAISE TEAM
Heather Berger

Sermon Notes

Committed to Christ...Six Steps to a Generous Life

Extra, Extra, Read All About It



An Informational Meeting
Regarding the Future of Our Denomination,
The United Methodist Church

When: TODAY at 4:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Guest Leader: Rev. Dr. Chris Ritter, Lead Pastor at Geneseo First UMC and delegate to General Conference.

Rev. Ritter will be with us to share with our church about the upcoming special called General Conference to be held in February 2019 in St. Louis. Rev. Ritter will explain the various options that are currently before us and to share of possible implications each may bring. I want our church to be informed about what is happening within our denomination and for us to have information, ask questions, and prayerfully consider all that is before us. This will help us stay focused on the church's mission and also remain unified in Jesus.

Daily Grind

Daily Grind will be meeting on Thursday's at 8:30 a.m. Please join us for coffee and fellowship at Kerry Brenkman's house located at 1200 Brentwood Rd.

If you have questions, please call Kerry at 678-8546.

Donations for North/South Carolina &
Typhoon Mangkhut in Philippines

UMCOR is responding to Hurricane Florence and Typhoon Mangkhut. Please join us in prayer for the areas affected and consider a gift to UMCOR Disaster Response. Please write on your envelope or in the memo of your check UMCOR Relief.

Monday Morning Bible Study

Begins: Monday, October 1 at 9:30 a.m.

The Book of John Led by: Pastor Gabe Wanck

XYZ...Extra Years of Zest

October 5 – Game Day

We'll play Farkle at 11:00 a.m. Lunch is provided.

October 9 – Tanner's Orchard

Meet at the church at 10:00 a.m. and have lunch there.



UMW Craft/Market

We need your handcrafted items for craft sale: home décor, holiday items, knitted items, yard art, etc. We also need Market items such as candy, cookies, bars, pies, cakes, snack mixes, baked goods that are not refrigerated.



New Care Connect Group - October 2

CARTAKERS,

Watching loved ones no longer be able to manage their own affairs or themselves is heart wrenching. Taking on the role of CARETAKER is not an easy one. Caretakers can often be overwhelmed by sadness, guilt, anger, frustration and the overall business of "taking over" for another person. If you have assumed the role of CARETAKER, in any capacity, you are not alone! Come join us for information, support and overall fellowship with those who have walked, or are walking, a similar path. We have proposed meeting on the first Tuesday evening of every month at 6:30 p.m.

Our first meeting is October 2.



American Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday, October 23 from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Sign up online at www.redcrossblood.org

Code "**MORTONUMC**"



Hymn Sing

Friday, October 5 6:30 p.m. at Restmor
Sunday, Oct. 7 1:00 p.m. Brandonwood
and 2:30 p.m. Hollybrook

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 :

RELEASED: Earl Brown, Paula Barrick, David Formhals

DAY BY DAY

Thursday, October 4

Sunday, September 30

- 8:00 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 9:30 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 9:30 am Sunday School, YR
- 10:45 am Cross Connections Service, G
- 10:45 am Companions in Christ, L
- 4:00 pm Alpha Set-Up
- 4:30 pm Information mtg on Future of our Denomination, S
- 5:00 pm Youth Alpha Program
- 5:30 pm Women's Bible Study, L

Monday, October 1

- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, G
- 9:30 am Monday Morning Bible Study, YR
- 6:30 pm Trustees Meeting, YR
- 7:00 pm Boys Scout, G

Tuesday, October 2

- 8:00 am Communion, S
- 8:00 am Volunteer Work Group
- 8:45 am Staff Meeting, GA
- 10:00 am Sisters in Faith, L
- 5:30 pm Gospel Bells, S
- 6:30 pm Care Givers, L
- 6:30 pm Committed Pastor Gary YR
- 6:30 pm UMM Leaders, PO
- 7:00 pm Praise Team, S
- 7:00 pm Joanna Circle, GA

Wednesday, October 3

- 6:30 am Men's Prayer Group, YR
- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, S
- 9:00 am UMW Board, YR
- 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
- 6:15 pm Amplify, YR
- 7:00 pm Strength Finders, OS

Mark Your Calendar

October 10 Musical Auditions

October 21 Musical Rehearsal

November 10-11 Men's Retreat

- 8:30 am Daily Grind, OS
- 9:00 am Quilters
- 9:15 am Disciple - Pastor Paul, YR
- 9:30 am Committed to Christ, L
- 9:30 am Hannah Circle, GA
- 5:45 pm Thursday Night Book Study, OS
- 6:00 pm 7 People Singing, S
- 6:30 pm Committed to Christ, L
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal, S

Friday, October 5

- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, S
- 11:00 am XYZ Game Day, G
- 6:30 pm Hymn Sing, Restmor

Saturday, October 6

- 7:00 am Men's Bible Study, L
- 8:00 am Walk & Talk, G
- 6:30 pm Serving at Community Harvest Church, OS

Sunday, October 7

Communion Sunday

World Communion Day Offering

- 8:00 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 9:30 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 9:30 am Sunday School, YR
- 10:45 am Cross Connections Service, G
- 10:45 am Companions in Christ, L
- 1:00 pm Hymn Sing, Brandonwood
- 2:30 pm Hymn Sing, Hollybrook
- 4:00 pm Alpha Set-Up
- 5:00 pm Youth Alpha Program
- 5:30 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 Office

K-Kitchen

CR-Copy Room

