

morton

united methodist church

420 North Tennessee Avenue, Morton, IL 61550

Sunday, October 21, 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

"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

2 Corinthians 9:7

October 21, 2018 **22st Sunday after Pentecost** 8:00 and 9:30

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

***Hymn of Praise** CH 597

Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated (v. 1, 4-6)

***Affirming our Faith**

Lk 12:15; Ps 91:2; Ps 84:11; Lk 6:35; Col 3:16-17

The world says, "Buy and accumulate things."

God's Word says, "Life is not made up of how much a person has."

The world says, "Wealth is our security."

God's Word says, "I will say about the Lord, 'He is my place of safety.'"

The world says, "We deserve the best."

God's Word says, "The Lord blesses us with favor and honor. He doesn't hold back anything good from those whose lives are without blame."

The world says, "Give so that you may obtain favor and praise from others."

God's Word says, "Lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then you will receive a lot in return."

The world says, "Gratify yourself in every way."

God's Word says, "Let Christ's word live in you like a rich treasure...Do everything you say or do in the name of the Lord Jesus. Always give thanks to God the Father through Christ."

***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

The Image of God

***Doxology**

A Witness to Our Faith

Hymn of Prayer UMH 354

I Surrender All (v. 3)

Ministry of Prayer

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

Anthem (8:00 a.m.) Choir

The Image of God

Scripture 2 Cor. 9:6-15; Mark 12:41-44

Message Pastor Gary L. Feldman

What's In Your Wallet

***Hymn of Commitment** UMH 389

Freely, Freely

***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 Vi Lang in memory of Rev. Ernie Lang's
birthday.

ACOLYTES: 8:00 Ella Smallenberger & Carter Jones
9:30 Louie Nowlan & Ben Barrick

GREETERS: 8:00 Bob & Lois Lichti
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.

October 21, 2018

10:45 a.m.

COUNTDOWN

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP IN SONG

GIVING OUR GIFTS

A WITNESS TO OUR FAITH

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

HOLY SCRIPTURE

2 Corinthians 9:6-15; Mark 12:41-44

TODAY'S MESSAGE

What's in Your Wallet

Pastor Gary L. Feldman

CLOSING PRAYER

OVERTIME CONNECTIONS

MINISTRY LEADERS:

GREETERS

Hilda Brenkman

CREATIVE ARTS

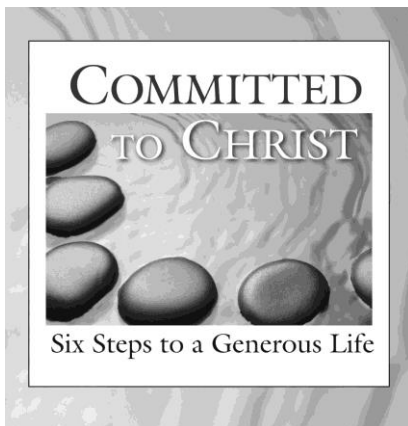
Jayne
Benckendorf

PRAISE TEAM

Kerry Brenkman

Sermon Notes

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



Saclepea Scholarship Offering - UPDATE

Goal: \$19,060
Received: \$12,076
Needed: \$6,984

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" Please remember to sign up.

XYZ...Extra Years of Zest

October 26 – Movie Day

We'll watch "The Theory of Everything" in the Youth Room
with popcorn at 1:00 p.m.

October 28 One Worship Service 10 a.m.

Come and celebrate your commitment to Christ!

We will have one Church service at 10:00 a.m.

Celebration Meal served after service.

Please RSVP with invitation cards or call the Church Office.

Pumpkin Patch Party

Join us on **Saturday, October 27**, at 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. in
the gym for our pumpkin patch party. It's open to all
children, 6th grade and under.

PARENT ATTENDANCE REQUIRED!

Friendly Costumes, Please!

We also need **donations of individually wrapped
candy** and **cakes** for the cake walk. Plus, we ALWAYS
need volunteers on that day to help with this ministry.

Let's give our kids a safe and fun fall party.

Let Amy know how you can help! BLESSINGS!

UMW Craft/Market

Please drop off your craft items on Tuesday, October 30 between 9 a.m. and Noon and your market items on Friday, November 2 between 9 a.m. and Noon.
Volunteers welcome and needed both mornings.

MUMC Apparel Now Available Online

<https://mortonunitedchurchfall2018.itemorder.com>
Orders excepted until October 31.

Men's Retreat-November 10-11 Camp Menno Haven

Suit Up...the Armor of God for (extra) ordinary men

Saturday 9:00 a.m. — Sunday 3:00 p.m.

The sign-up sheet and some very cool brochures will be at the Scrip Table at the back of the gym.

Cost is \$105. Scholarships are available. Deadline Oct 21.

See **Bob Barrick** for details 266-6273.

Coats for the Ridge

We will be collecting NEW or GENTLY used coats and gloves for the youth at the Ridge. Please drop off any size coat at the Welcome Desk by Sunday, November 4.

New Member Orientation Class

So in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. (Romans 12:5)

Are you (or someone close to you) interested in becoming a member of Morton UMC? Join us for membership classes on **Wednesdays, November 7, 14, 28.** We'll begin with a meal at WATCH at 5 p.m. Class starts at 6 p.m.

If interested, please call the Church Office
or contact JoAnn Kraft

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
CHURCH PHONE: (309) 266-7174

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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: Earl Brown, Jim Destefano

RECENTLY RELEASED: Margi Weygand, Cari Yerby

DAY BY DAY

Sunday, October 21

- 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 Cross Connections Service, G
- 10:45 am Companions in Christ, L
- 1:30 pm Musical Rehearsal
- 2:00 pm Prayer Chain Meeting
- 4:00 pm Alpha Set-Up
- 5:00 pm Youth Alpha Program
- 5:00 pm Women's Bible Study, L

Monday, October 22

- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, G
- 9:30 am Monday Morning Bible Study Pastor Gabe, YR
- 6:00 pm Finance Committee, YR
- 7:00 pm Boys Scout, G

Tuesday, October 23

- 8:00 am Communion, S
- 8:00 am Volunteer Work Group
- 8:45 am Staff Meeting, GA
- 9:30 am Skeins of Love, YR
- 10:00 am Sisters in Faith, L
- 12:00 pm Blood Drive, G
- 5:30 pm Gospel Bells, S
- 7:00 pm Praise Team, G

Wednesday, October 24

- 6:30 am Men's Prayer Group, YR
- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, S,G
- 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 MUMCYouth, YR
- 7:00 pm Strength Finders, OS

No W.A.T.Ch

We will not have a W.A.T.Ch meal or Methodist Kids on Halloween, Wednesday, October 31.

Thursday, October 25

- 8:30 am Daily Grind, L
- 9:00 am Footprints Folding Crew, G
- 9:00 am Quilters
- 9:15 am Disciple - Pastor Paul, YR
- 9:30 am Committed to Christ, L
- 10:00 am Pickleball, G
- 5:45 pm Thursday Night Book Study, OS
- 6:00 pm Pickleball, G
- 6:00 pm 7 People Singing, S
- 6:30 pm Committed to Christ, L
- 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal, S

Friday, October 26

- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, S
- 1:00 pm XYZ Movie Day, YR
- 6:00 pm Pumpkin Patch Set -Up, G

Saturday, October 27

- 7:00 am Men's Bible Study, L
- 2:00 am Pumpkin Patch Party, G

Sunday, October 28

- 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
- 1:30 pm Musical Rehearsal
- 4:00 pm Alpha Set-Up
- 5:00 pm Youth Alpha Program
- 5:00 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

