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united methodist church

420 North Tennessee Avenue, Morton, IL 61550

Sunday, October 7, 2018  
**World Communion Sunday**



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](http://www.mortonumc.org)

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

# Sunday Worship Celebration

*"Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise;  
give thanks to him and praise his name. For the Lord is good  
and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues  
through all generations."*

*Psalm 100:3-4*

October 7, 2018 **20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost** 8:00 and 9:30

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## **Prelude**

Cherubs

*Let's Get a Little Crazy*

## **Welcome and Announcements**

### **Call to Worship**

Children's Chimes

*Just As I Am*

### **\*Hymn of Praise**

UMH 61

*Come Thou Almighty King*

### **\*Affirming our Faith**

Psalm 96:1-9

Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

**Sing to the Lord, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day.**

Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples.

**For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods.**

For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the Lord made the heavens. Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and glory are in his sanctuary.

**Ascribe to the Lord, all you families of nations, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.**

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering and come into his courts.

**Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness; tremble before him, all the earth.**

### **Special Music**

Children's Choir

*I Am Jesus' Little Lamb*

*Henry Potts, solo*

**\*Passing the Peace of Christ**

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

**Receiving of Our Tithes, Gifts and Offerings**

**Offertory** Choir

*Be Thou My Vision*

**\*Doxology**

**A Witness to Our Faith**

**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** Psalm 100

**Message** Pastor Gabe Wanck

*I Will Enter His Gates*

**\*Hymn of Commitment** UMH 98

*To God Be the Glory*

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

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***\*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 Gene and Linda Dahl in memory of their son Dennis.

Also, in honor of Eileen and Bill Knapp's 69th Wedding  
Anniversary.

**ACOLYTES:** 8:00 Chloe Walters & Nyameye Maison  
9:30 Lilianna Puffer & Parker Brown

**GREETERS:** 8:00 Bob & Lois Lichti  
9:30 Bob & Pat Townsend

# Cross Connections Worship Service

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

October 07, 2018

10:45 a.m.

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COUNTDOWN

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP IN SONG

GIVING OUR GIFTS

A WITNESS TO OUR FAITH

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

COMMUNION

HOLY SCRIPTURE

Psalm 100

TODAY'S MESSAGE

*I Will Enter His Gates*

*Pastor Gabe Wanck*

CLOSING PRAYER

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## **OVERTIME CONNECTIONS**

### **MINISTRY LEADERS:**

GREETERS  
Hilda Brenkman

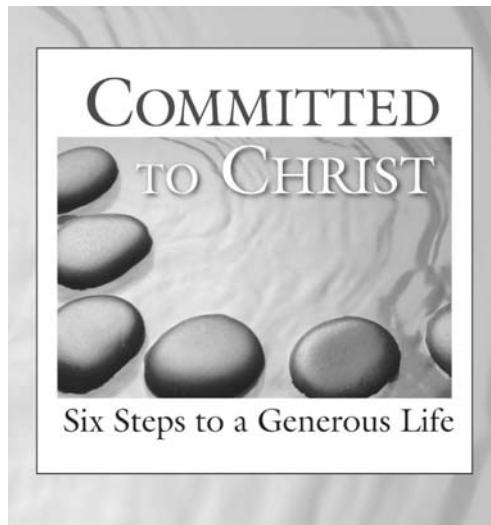
PRAISE TEAM  
Kerry Brenkman

CREATIVE ARTS  
Jayne  
Benckendorf

# Sermon Notes

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

*I Will Enter His Gates*



## XYZ...Extra Years of Zest

### **October 9 – Tanner's Orchard**

We'll meet at 10:00 am at the church and drive to Tanner's.  
We'll have lunch there.

### **October 26 – Movie Day**

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



## Children's Christmas Musical Auditions

Christmas auditions for the annual Children's Christmas Musical will be held on **Wednesday, October 10 at 4:00 p.m.** This is open to all children, Kindergarten – 6<sup>th</sup> grade. If your child wants to participate but does not want a speaking part, they may be a part of the chorus, which sings and dances. First rehearsal will be on Sunday, October 21, from 1:30-4:30 pm, and all Sundays following.

Performance will take place on Sunday, December 2.



### **Work Day at East Bay Saturday, October 13**

#### **Get Outside! Enjoy Nature! Serve!**

Wood splitting and tree cutting, winter prep, food and fun. Trucks and trailers are needed to haul wood to The Ridge. Sign up at the information desk or contact Pastor Gabe.



**An Overview of Rev. Chris Ritter's presentation  
Regarding the Future of Our Denomination,  
The United Methodist Church  
Sunday, October 14 at 2:00 p.m.**

**Pickleball Starts on October 18**

Come play pickleball on Thursdays  
at 10 a.m. or 6 p.m. in the gym



### **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.



### **American Red Cross Blood Drive**

**Tuesday, October 23** from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m.  
**Sign up** online at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org)  
Code "**MORTONUMC**"



### **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, 6<sup>th</sup> 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!



### **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.

## **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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## **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.**

**SYMPATHY TO:** Kent Buffington and family. Kent's sister Kathy Carlson of Forest City, IA died September 30.

Charleen Showalter and family. Charleen's brother, Louie Holliger died October 1.



# DAY BY DAY

## **Sunday, October 7**

### **World Communion Day Offering**

- 8:00 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 9:30 am Celebration Worship Service, S
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 10:45 am Cross Connections Service, G
- 10:45 am Companions in Christ, L
- 1:00 pm Hymn Sing, Brandon Wood
- 2:30 pm Hymn Sing, Hollybrook
- 4:00 pm Alpha Set-Up
- 5:00 pm Youth Alpha Program
- 5:00 pm Women's Bible Study, L

## **Monday, October 8**

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

## **Tuesday, October 9**

- 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 XYZ Tanners Orchard, OS
- 5:30 pm Gospel Bells, S
- 6:30 pm Bible Study with Pastor Gary, YR
- 7:00 pm Praise Team, G

## **Wednesday, October 10**

- 6:30 am Men's Prayer Group, YR
- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, S,G
- 4:00 pm Musical Auditions, S
- 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

## **Saclepea Scholarship Offering**

### **Sunday, October 14**

**Goal: \$19,060**

**Raised: \$3,786**

## **Thursday, October 11**

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

## **Friday, October 12**

- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, S

## **Saturday, October 13**

- 7:00 am Men's Bible Study, L
- 8:00 am East Bay Camp Work Day

## **Sunday, October 14**

### **Saclepea Scholarship 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
- 2:00 pm Review, Quest. & Answer Future of Methodist Church
- 4:00 pm Alpha Set-Up
- 5:00 pm Youth Alpha Program

### **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

**Needed: \$15,274**

