

# morton

united methodist church

420 North Tennessee Avenue, Morton, IL 61550

Sunday, November 4, 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](http://www.mortonumc.org)

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

# Sunday Worship Celebration

*"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge,  
but fools despise wisdom and instruction."*

*Proverbs 1:7*

November 4, 2018 **24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost** 8:00 and 9:30

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## Welcome and Announcements

### Prelude

#### \*Hymn of Praise

UMH 559

*Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*

#### \*Affirming our Faith

*The Fear for the Lord...*

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

**The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom,  
and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.**

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all who follow his precepts have good understanding. To him belongs eternal praise.

**To fear the Lord is to hate evil; I hate pride and arrogance, evil behavior and perverse speech.**

The fear of the Lord adds length to life, but the years of the wicked are cut short.

**Whoever fears the Lord has a secure fortress, and for their children it will be a refuge.**

The fear of the Lord is a fountain of life, turning a person from the snares of death.

**The fear of the Lord leads to life; then one rests content, untouched by trouble.**

#### \*Passing the Peace of Christ

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

Amy Smith

## Receiving of Our Tithes, Gifts and Offerings

### Offertory

Choir

*I Want to Walk as A Child of the Light*

### \*Doxology

### Remembering Our Saints

You are invited to stand in remembrance of your loved ones and friends as a bell is rung in their memory.

### 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

Proverbs 1:1-9

### Message

Pastor Gary L. Feldman

*Wise Up*

### \*Hymn of Commitment

UMH 451

*Be Thou My Vision*

### \*Benediction

### Postlude

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*\*Please stand as you are able*

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

### FLOWERS:

**ACOLYTES:** 8:00 Chloe Walters & Nyameye Maison  
9:30 Cooper Middleton & Parker Brown

**GREETERS:** 8:00 Don & Mary Brecher  
9:30 Christine & Brett Granger

# Cross Connections Worship Service

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

November 4, 2018

10:45 a.m.

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COUNTDOWN

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP IN SONG

GIVING OUR GIFTS

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

COMMUNION

HOLY SCRIPTURE  
Proverbs 1:1-9

TODAY'S MESSAGE

*Wise Up*

*Pastor Gary L. Feldman*

CLOSING PRAYER

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**OVERTIME CONNECTIONS**

**MINISTRY LEADERS:**

GREETERS  
Hilda Brenkman

CREATIVE ARTS  
Jayne  
Benckendorf

PRAISE TEAM  
Kerry Brenkman

Building Committee Update – 10/18/2018

The MUMC Building Committee met on Thursday, October 18, 2018. PJHoerr representatives updated the committee on the current status of the flood zone, FEMA and Morton village permits. As of that meeting, all systems are GO!

Our hope had been the flood study would show the new construction out of a flood plain. However, it shows we will have to have flood insurance until such time as we have a final grade around the addition. At that point we should be able to certify the required elevations and eliminate the need for flood insurance.

We discussed a plan for a groundbreaking ceremony and the status of the budget. Prices will likely increase in a few areas because we aren't doing the major work until Spring 2019. PJHoerr assured us they would hold the line on sub-contractor increases.

The process for change orders was also discussed, and the committee agreed that Mike and Steve will manage all change orders and bring any substantial changes to the committee for review.

As always, if you have any questions regarding our building effort, please contact one of the Building Committee members. We welcome your suggestions and questions.

Mike and Steve

## **Pictures of our Veterans**

We want to honor our living veterans on Sunday, November 11...Veteran's Day...during worship. It will include a slide show. Please turn into Amy Smith a photo you would like to share.

## XYZ...Extra Years of Zest

### **November 6 – XYZ Lunch for the Bunch**

Jack's in Tremont meet at church at 11:00 a.m.

### **November 11 – Morton High School Play**

We'll meet at Bertha Frank at 2:15 p.m. to watch the MHS play "Miracle Worker" - \$5 Door opens at 2:30 p.m.

We'll get a quick dinner afterwards.

### **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 W.A.T.CH. at 5:00 p.m. Class starts at 6:00 p.m.

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

### **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.

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

### **RAKE AND RUN - Wednesday, November 21**


Sign-up sheets are available in the lobby.

If you want/need your yard raked, let the youth group do it for you! There is no charge, but any free will offering would be welcomed to benefit the youth program.

Please contact Eric at 696-6566, if you are willing to help on that day. **(Trucks Needed)**

## **Saclepea Scholarship Update**

**Goal: \$19,060**  
**Received: \$15,385**  
**Needed: \$3,675**



### **Methodist Kids Dinner and A Movie**

**What:** Dinner and a Movie featuring ...  
***A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving (Preschool)***  
***Ferdinand (Elementary)***

We will cook our dinner together, eat, make a craft, watch the movie and have a short discussion! It will be GREAT!


**Who/When:** Friday, November 16

4:00-5:30 p.m. – Preschoolers (ages 3-4, and 5's not in K)  
5:30-8:00 p.m. – Methodist Kids (grades K-6th)

**Where:** Morton United Methodist Church Youth Rm

**What to bring:** You are welcome to wear PJ's and bring a pillow to snuggle with during the movie.

**RSVP:** Amy 266-7174, or email [amys@mortonumc.org](mailto:amys@mortonumc.org), so that we have enough supplies and food!



### **Time to Grab a Tag! November 18 & 25**

Please take time to grab an ornament from the tree. Sign your name, phone#, and ornament# in the book according to the agency. Return the wrapped gifts with the tags taped or tied onto the package securely.

Thank you for sharing your love of Jesus through these gifts to others at this Christmas season.

Please return your gifts by **Sunday, December 2.**



### **Juarez Mission Trip** **Thanksgiving Pie Fundraiser**

Order your Thanksgiving Pies to help support the mission team. Order deadline, **November 11.** Order form can be found in the reception area or call Amy Smith, 266-7174.

## **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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[www.mortonumc.org](http://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:** Merlin Birky

**RECENTLY RELEASED:** Harold Wiggers

**SYMPATHY TO:** Deanna Poshard and family. Keith Poshard passed away on Friday, October 26, 2018.



# DAY BY DAY

## **Sunday, November 4**

### **ALL SAINTS DAY**

### **COMMUNION SUNDAY**

### **DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS**

- 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

## **Monday, November 5**

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

## **Tuesday, November 6**

- 8:00 am Communion, S
- 8:00 am Volunteer Work Group
- 8:45 am Staff Meeting, G
- 10:00 am Sisters in Faith, L
- 11:00 am XYZ Lunch, OS
- 5:30 pm Gospel Bells, S
- 6:30 pm Care Givers, L
- 6:30 pm UMM Leaders Meeting
- 7:00 pm JoAnn Circle, GA
- 7:00 pm Praise Team, G

## **Wednesday, November 7**

- 6:30 am Men's Prayer Group, YR
- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, S,G
- 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 New Member Class
- 6:00 pm Lite Life, GA
- 6:00 pm Girls Night Out, L
- 6:15 pm MUMCYouth, YR
- 7:00 pm Strength Finders, OS

## **Thursday, November 8**

- 8:30 am Daily Grind, L
- 9:00 am Quilters
- 9:15 am Disciple - Pastor Paul, YR
- 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 Choir Rehearsal, S

## **Friday, November 9**

- 8:00 am Walking for Exercise, S
- 10:00 am Juarez Pie Prep, K

## **Saturday, November 10**

### **MEN'S RETREAT-MENNO HAVEN**

- 7:00 am Men's Bible Study, L
- 8:00 am Youth Loaves and Fish
- 9:00 am Juarez Pie Prep
- 9:00 am Men's Retreat

## **Sunday, November 11**

### **VETERANS DAY**

- 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
- 12:00 pm Juarez Pie Prep
- 1:30 pm Musical Rehearsal
- 2:00 pm XYZ Bertha Frank Play, OS

### **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



