

**Be the Church:** Check out the ways to get involved below!  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8AM Walking at the Church  
Tuesday-8:30AM Staff Meeting  
Tuesday-9:30AM Skeins of Love  
Tuesday-10AM XYZ Movie Day  
Wednesday-6:30AM UMM Prayer Group  
Wednesday-10AM Prayer and Care Meeting  
Wednesday-1PM VBS Workday  
Wednesday-5PM Dinner hosted by Morton Methodist Men  
Thursday-8:30AM Quilters  
Saturday-7AM Men's Bible Study  
Sunday-8:30AM Traditional Worship Service  
Sunday-10:45AM Cross Connections Worship  
Sunday-5PM VBS Begins

**Be the Church:**  
Scan the QR code to see the upcoming events for next week!  
You can also download our app to keep up to date with  
events in the church!



## MORTON METHODIST CHURCH

### Sunday Schedule:

- Traditional Service: 8:30 am
- Sunday School: 9:45 am
- Cross Connections: 10:45 am

Contact us!

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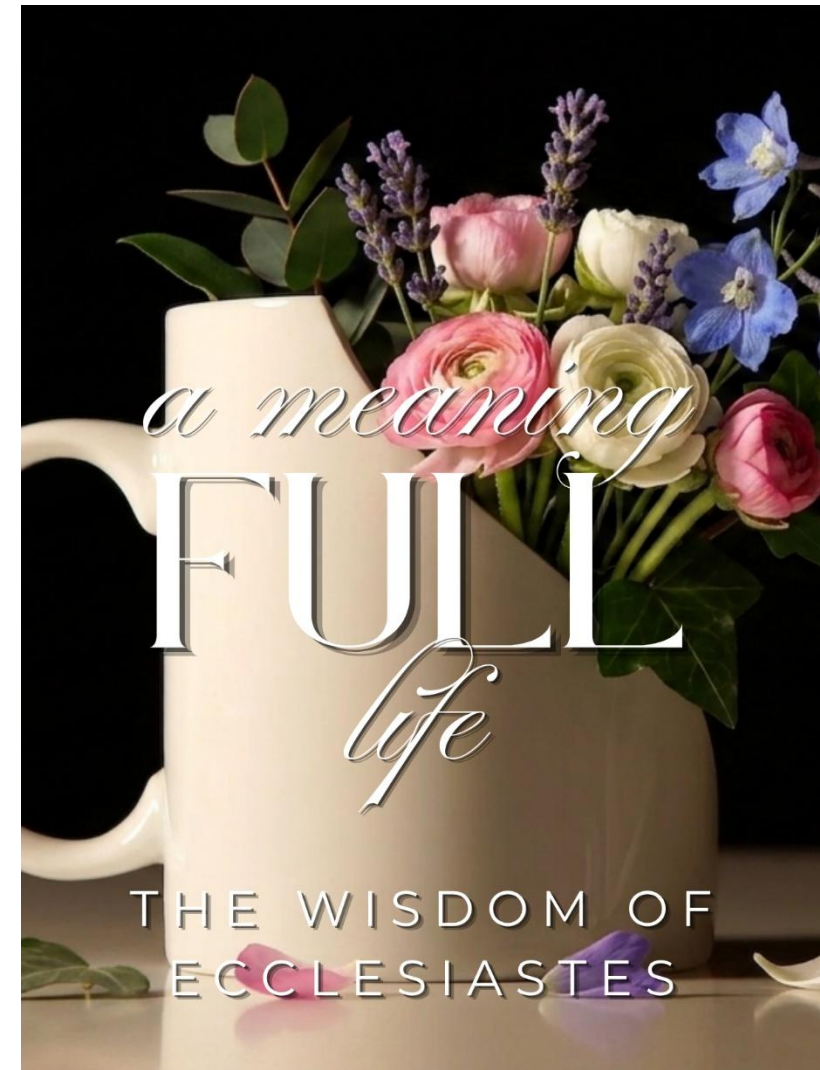
Welcome Visitors!

Stop by the Welcome Desk in the lobby to  
receive a Welcome Packet

Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

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church app, please scan the QR code below.



**MORTON**  
Methodist Church

Sunday, June 21st, 2026

## Announcements

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### Soul Quest

Please pray for our Soul Quest to the Badlands June 22nd-26th. Questers include: Robert Jones, Carter Jones, Collin Jones, Lincoln Yerby, Colton McKee, Carrie Shaver, Wynne Novak, and Bill Novak

### XYZ

On Tuesday, June 23rd at 10am, XYZ will be having a Movie Day at church. Popcorn is provided. Bring a friend!

### VBS Workday

On June 24<sup>th</sup>, we are asking for "all hands on deck" to help with VBS setup starting at 1pm. If you have questions, contact Diane Beaver at (708)567-2018.

### Wednesday Dinner June 24<sup>th</sup>

The Morton Methodist Men will be hosting a dinner at church Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, and Brats will be served. All are invited!

### Vacation Bible School

VBS begins next Sunday! Registration is available and walk-ins are welcome. Please see the table in the Gathering Area for more information and to sign up to attend or volunteer. Youth ages 3 years old through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are encouraged to attend and many volunteers are needed! Contact Brigit Harper or Diane Beaver if you have questions.

### July 3<sup>rd</sup> Fireworks

Our parking lot will be open on July 3<sup>rd</sup> beginning at 3pm for fireworks viewing. Reserved parking spots have all been claimed. All unreserved spots are first come, first served. Volunteers are still needed! Please sign up at the Welcome Desk.

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## Worship Service

June 21st, 2026

8:30 a.m.

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Welcome/Announcements

Prelude

*How Beautiful*

Call to Worship\*

L: Your throne, O Lord, will last forever.

**P: The nations praise you for ever and ever!**

L: You love righteousness and hate wickedness.

**P: We lift our hearts in thanksgiving!**

Passing the Peace\*

Opening Hymn\*

*In Christ There is No East or West*

UMH 548

Children's Moment

Offertory

*Down to the River to Pray*

MMC Choir

UMH 94

Doxology\*

Centering Hymn

*Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

UMH 557

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Old Testament Reading

Ecclesiastes 4:7-12

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 2:18-25

Gospel Reading\*

Matthew 18:19-22

Gloria Patri\*

UMH 70

Sermon

*"It is Not Good to Be Alone"*

Pastor Bill Novak

Closing Hymn\*

*The Church's One Foundation*

UMH 545 vs.1-3

Benediction

Going Forth\*

*The Church's One Foundation vs.4*

Postlude

\*Please stand if you are able

## Scripture Readings

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### **Ecclesiastes 4:7-12**

<sup>7</sup> Again I saw something meaningless under the sun:

<sup>8</sup> There was a man all alone;  
he had neither son nor brother.

There was no end to his toil,  
yet his eyes were not content with his wealth.

"For whom am I toiling," he asked,  
"and why am I depriving myself of enjoyment?"

This too is meaningless—  
a miserable business!

<sup>9</sup> Two are better than one,  
because they have a good return for their labor:

<sup>10</sup> If either of them falls down,  
one can help the other up.

But pity anyone who falls  
and has no one to help them up.

<sup>11</sup> Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm.

But how can one keep warm alone?

<sup>12</sup> Though one may be overpowered,  
two can defend themselves.

A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.

### **Matthew 18:19-22**

<sup>19</sup> "Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. <sup>20</sup> For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."

<sup>21</sup> Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?"

<sup>22</sup> Jesus answered, "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times."