

Be the Church: Check out the ways to get involved below!

- Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8AM Walking at the Church
- Monday-11AM Restmor Communion
- Monday-1PM Brandon Wood Communion
- Monday-2PM Holly Brook Communion
- Monday-6PM Leadership Development Committee Meeting
- Monday-6:30PM Sarah Circle
- Monday-7PM Boy Scouts
- Tuesday-8:30AM Staff Meeting
- Tuesday-7PM Praise Team Practice
- Wednesday-6:30AM UMM Prayer Group
- Wednesday-9AM Reorganization Meeting
- Wednesday-10AM Prayer and Care Meeting
- Wednesday-11:30AM Ruth Circle
- Wednesday-1PM VBS Work Day
- Wednesday-5PM Dinner Church
- Wednesday-6:30PM Pastor Paul's Bible Study
- Wednesday-6:30PM Family Ministry Night
- Wednesday-6:30PM Morton Methodist Men Meeting
- Wednesday-8PM Pub Theology
- Thursday-8:30AM Quilters
- Thursday-9:30AM Pastor Paul's Bible Study
- Thursday-XYZ Lunch at Potter's Ally
- Thursday-6PM Bells Practice
- Thursday-6PM Thursday Night Bible Study
- Thursday-7PM Choir Practice
- Saturday-7AM Men's Bible Study
- Sunday-8:30AM Traditional Worship Service
- Sunday-9:45AM Sunday School (All Ages)
- Sunday-9:45AM New Member Class
- Sunday-10:45AM Cross Connections Worship

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 (all ages) 9:45 am
- Cross Connections: 10:45 am

Contact us!

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Website: www.mortonumc.org

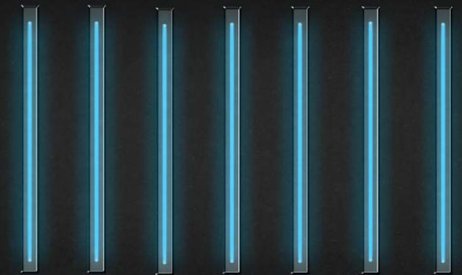
Office Hours:

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

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SEVEN CHURCHES



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OF REVELATION



MORTON
Methodist Church

Sunday, April 14th, 2024

Morton Methodist Church Announcements

New Member Class

Join us for our New Member Classes ahead of our Charter Sunday on May 19th! Classes will begin during the Sunday School hour (9:45-10:30am) TODAY and meet each Sunday until May 5th. Everyone who would like information on the new church is welcome to join us! There is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Desk for anyone who would like to participate.

XYZ

The XYZ will be getting lunch at Potter's Alley on THURSDAY, April 18th- meet there @ 11:30am, address is 628 W David St., Morton.

VBS Work Days

VBS is on the horizon! If you are willing to help us get prepared, please come to one of our VBS work days! All levels of crafting ability are welcome. We are meeting Wednesdays from 1-3pm. After FM night and Dinner Church are over, we will add the 6-8pm time on May 1st. Please contact Mary Barrick for more information.

Nursery Position

The Leadership Development Team is seeking applicants for paid, part-time nursery attendants willing to work during services, special events, etc. Attendants will be trained and certified for safe sanctuary policies, CPR, etc. If interested, please contact Pastor Bill at

billn@mortonumc.org

Interim Ministry Office Manger

Please welcome Megan Carter onto our staff as the interim Ministry Office Manager. Megan will be in the office on Tuesdays and Thursdays during office hours starting this week on Tuesday April 16th. She will have the same office phone number and her email is meganc@mortonumc.org.

During this time, we ask that we as a church respect Megan B.'s maternity leave. So, if you need office assistance, please contact Megan Carter or the pastors.

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Worship Service

April 14th, 2024

8:30 a.m.

Welcome/Announcements

Prelude

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus
Adam and Jessica Penn

Call to Worship*

Leader: Answer us when we call, O God of our right!

People: O Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: The Lord hears when we call.

People: We put our trust in the Lord, and praise God's holy name!

Passing the Peace*

Opening Hymn*

Faith of Our Fathers
UMH 710

Children's Time

Offertory

Charlotte Potts

Doxology*

UMH 94

Centering Hymn*

The Old Rugged Cross
UMH 504 (v.1&4)

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Epistle Reading

Romans 5:1-8

New Testament Reading

Revelation 2:8-11

Gloria Patri*

UMH 70

Sermon

"Endurance"

Pastor Bill Novak

Closing Hymn*

My Faith Looks Up to Thee
UMH 452 (v.1-3)

Benediction*

Refrain*

Verse 4 of *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

Postlude

*Please stand if you are able

Scripture Reading

NIV

Romans 5:1-8:

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. ³Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; ⁴perseverance, character; and character, hope. ⁵And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

⁶You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. ⁸But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Revelation 2:8-11:

"To the angel of the church in Smyrna write:

These are the words of him who is the First and the Last, who died and came to life again. ⁹I know your afflictions and your poverty—yet you are rich! I know about the slander of those who say they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan. ¹⁰Do not be afraid of what you are about to suffer. I tell you, the devil will put some of you in prison to test you, and you will suffer persecution for ten days. Be faithful, even to the point of death, and I will give you life as your victor's crown.

¹¹Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches. The one who is victorious will not be hurt at all by the second death.