

Be the Church: Check out the ways to get involved below!
Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8AM Walking at the Church
Monday-7AM Six Flags youth trip
Monday-9AM Missions Meeting
Monday-6PM Trustees Meeting
Tuesday-8:30AM Staff Meeting
Tuesday-11AM XYZ lunch at Crusen's
Tuesday-7PM Praise Team Practice
Wednesday-6:30AM UMM Prayer Group
Wednesday-6:30PM Peoria Chiefs Faith and Family night
Saturday-7AM Men's Bible Study
Saturday-8AM Walk and Talk
Sunday-8:30AM Traditional Worship Service
Sunday-9:45AM Prayer Workshop
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: 9:45 am
- Cross Connections: 10:45 am

Contact us!

Email: info@mortonmethodist.org

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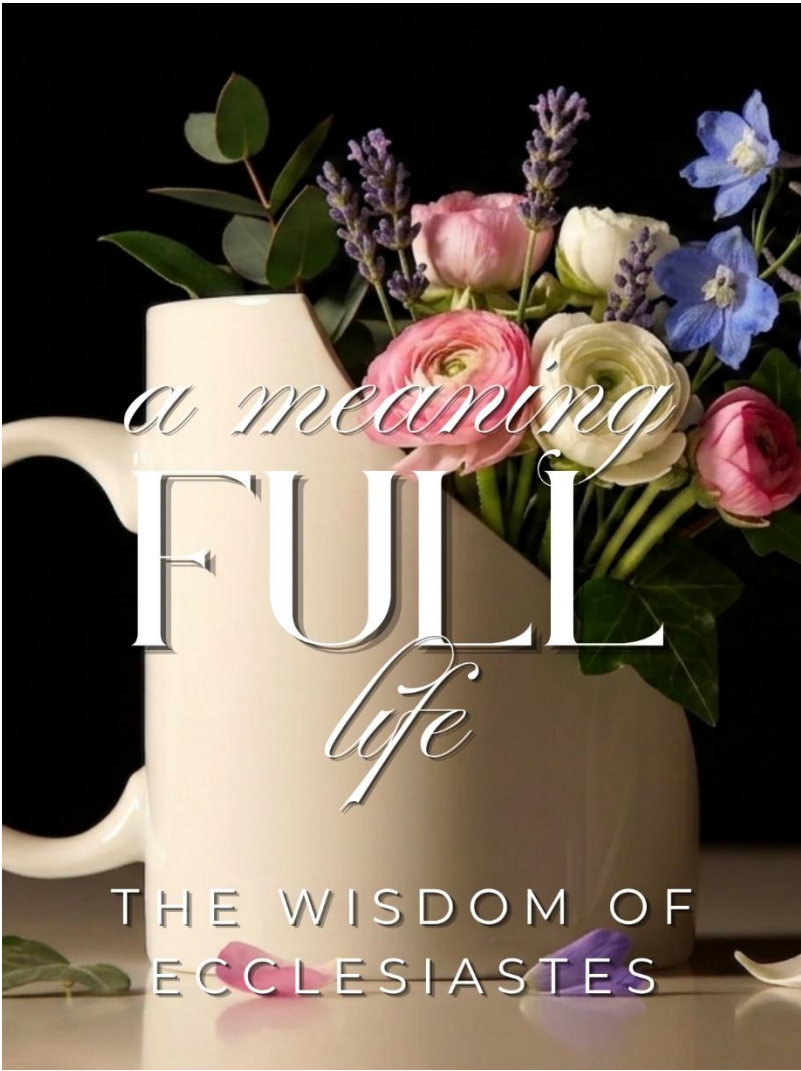
Website: www.mortonmethodist.org

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Office Hours:

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

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MORTON
Methodist Church

Sunday, August 2nd, 2026

Announcements

August Between-Service Prayer

The pastors will be leading a prayer workshop between services for the next three Sundays beginning today. Come join us to learn some helpful prayer practices and then put them to work in communal prayer. Any questions, contact Pastor Bill at billn@mortonmethodist.org.

XYZ

On Tuesday, August 4th, XYZ will be having lunch at Crusen’s in Creve Coeur for Whitey’s BBQ. Meet at the church at 11:00 to ride the bus. Let Traci know if you plan to attend.

Sunday School Teachers and Wednesday Night

Facilitators

We are looking for volunteers willing to help with Sunday School and Wednesday Night ministries. We are looking to build a rotation of teachers/facilitators so that volunteers are not expected to be here every week. Contact Pastor Bill if interested at billn@mortonmethodist.org.

Wednesday Night Kitchen Help

We are looking for volunteers to help in the kitchen on Wednesday nights. If interested, contact Pastor Bill at billn@mortonmethodist.org

Church-wide Contest

We are rebranding Dinner Church for the upcoming school year. Congregants of all ages are invited to enter a brand contest for a new name and logo. Send entries to Pastor Bill at billn@mortonmethodist.org. Winner gets the privilege of joining us at Wednesday night ministries.

Gym and Kitchen Closed for Floor Waxing

The gym and kitchen will be closed August 10th-15th for floor waxing. Please use the front entrance during this time and refrain from stepping on those floors.

Mission Opportunity

Morton Methodist Church annually supports Lincoln School by helping it to stock their supply closet in August. If you would like to support this mission, you can make your donations to the church, indicating “Lincoln supply closet” in the memo. Please contact Traci Sullivan if you have any questions.

Worship Service

August 2nd, 2026 8:30 a.m.

Welcome/Announcements	
Prelude	<i>His Eye is On the Sparrow</i>
Call to Worship*	
L: The Lord is near to all who call Him.	
P: He hears their cry and saves them.	
L: Our mouths shall praise the Lord,	
P: And bless His holy name!	
Passing the Peace*	
Opening Hymn*	<i>God Will Take Care of You</i> UMH 130
Children’s Moment	
Offertory	<i>I Shall Not Want</i> Tammy Grieder, Judy Earleson, and Jessica Penn
Doxology*	UMH 94
Pastoral Prayer	
Old Testament Reading	1 Kings 3:3-15
Old Testament Reading	Ecclesiastes 11:1-6
Gospel Reading*	Matthew 6:25-33
Gloria Patri*	UMH 70
Sermon	<i>"Blessed Wisdom"</i> Pastor Bill Novak
Sacrament of Holy Communion	
Closing Hymn*	<i>God of Grace and God of Glory</i> UMH 577 vs.1-3
Benediction	
Going Forth*	<i>God of Grace and God of Glory</i> vs.4
Postlude	

*Please stand if you are able

Scripture Readings

Ecclesiastes 11:1-6

- ¹¹ Ship your grain across the sea;
after many days you may receive a return.
² Invest in seven ventures, yes, in eight;
you do not know what disaster may come upon the land.
³ If clouds are full of water,
they pour rain on the earth.
Whether a tree falls to the south or to the north,
in the place where it falls, there it will lie.
⁴ Whoever watches the wind will not plant;
whoever looks at the clouds will not reap.
⁵ As you do not know the path of the wind,
or how the body is formed^[a] in a mother’s womb,
so you cannot understand the work of God,
the Maker of all things.
⁶ Sow your seed in the morning,
and at evening let your hands not be idle,
for you do not know which will succeed,
whether this or that,
or whether both will do equally well.

Matthew 6:25-33

²⁵ “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? ²⁷ Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?
²⁸ “And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. ²⁹ Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. ³⁰ If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹ So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ ³² For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. ³³ But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.