Be the Church: Check out the ways to get involved below! Today-9:45AM "The Great Divorce" class Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8AM Walking at the Church Monday-7PM Boy Scouts Tuesday-8:30AM Staff Meeting Tuesday-10AM XYZ Mexican Train and out to lunch Tuesday-7PM Praise Team Practice Wednesday-6:30AM UMM Prayer Group Wednesday-6:30AM UMM Prayer Group Wednesday-7PM Christian Education Planning Meeting Thursday-8:30AM Quilters Saturday-7AM Men's Bible Study Saturday-7:30AM Serving at Trinity Church food pantry Sunday-8:30AM Traditional Worship Service Sunday-9:45AM "The Great Divorce" class Sunday-10:45AM Cross Connections Worship

Upcoming Youth Group Experiences

August 7th: Peoria Chiefs Faith and Family Night August 14th: Wednesday night kickoff August 18th: Powerlight Fest at Illinois State Fair August 21st: Morton Methodist Youth Messy Night

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:

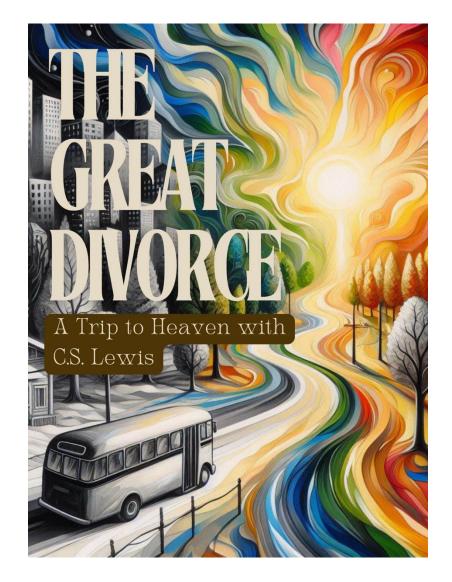
- Traditional Service: 8:30 am
- Sunday School: 9:45 am (begins August 11th)
- Cross Connections: 10:45 am

Contact us! Email: info@mortonmethodist.org Phone: (309) 266-7174 Website: www.mortonmethodist.org

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

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Sunday, July 28th, 2024

the summer.

XYZ

On Tuesday July 30th, our XYZ senior adult ministry will be playing Mexican Train at church and going out to lunch.

Announcements

The Great Divorce class

Pastor Bill will be holding a class to discuss "The Great

Divorce" on Sundays at 9:45 in the music room throughout

Love Offering for James Labala

If you would like to contribute financially toward the Labala Family, please send cash or a check made out to MMC with Labala in the memo line. James found out he needs emergency surgery prior to his departure back home.

Last Call for Commitment Cards

If you have not already done so, please turn in your commitment cards or notify the church office by today if you wish to be a member of Morton Methodist Church.

Nursery Care Ministry Position

The purpose of the Nursery Care staff is to provide a Christian environment for infants or toddlers during church related services or activities. This is a part-time position with the hours varying based on church activities. Please contact Dave Craig at davidc@mortonmethodist.org or 309-267-8211 for a ministry description if you are interested in serving.

MMC Faith and Family Night at the Peoria Chiefs

Join us for a Peoria Chiefs Faith and Family Night at Dozer Park in Peoria, on August 7th @ 6:35pm. Tickets are \$10 per person. This family event is for everyone at MMC. Flyers and signup for ticket purchases are in the Gathering Area today!

Field Guide Family Life Training

The training originally scheduled for today is being postponed until October.

Worship Service July 28th, 2024

Welcome/Announcements

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Prelude	Illinois Chamber Music Academy
Call to Worship*	
L: O give thanks to the Lord	1
P: For He is good	
L: Let the people say, "His love endures forever." P: God's steadfast love endures forever!	
Passing the Peace*	ndures forever!
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Opening Hymn*	Leaning on the Everlasting Arms
	UMH 133
Children's Time	
Mission Moment	
Offertory	Illinois Chamber Music Academy
Doxology*	UMH 94
Centering Hymn*	Abide with Me
	UMH 700 (vs 1-3)
Pastoral Prayer	
The Lord's Prayer	
Old Testament Reading	Song of Solomon 4:1a,
	6-8,5:1,8:5-7,14
Gospel Reading*	John 16:20-24
Gloria Patri*	UMH 70
Sermon	"Surprised by Joy"

Missions and Youth Outreach

Christian Education Planning Meeting

Wednesday July 31st @ 7pm We will have a second gathering for any current or future leaders in our Christian Education/Family Ministries. This is for all teachers, leaders, and volunteers in our Youth, Confirmation, and Sunday/Wednesday programs. For additional information, please contact Dave Craig.

Sunday School Fall Ministries

Our full Sunday School ministries will start on August 11th from 9:45-10:30 for all ages. Our Wednesday night Family Ministry programs for children and youth will begin on August 14th. Pastor Paul's Bible Study will begin on September 11th and Dinner Church will begin on September 18th. **Family Ministries Volunteers needed**

Volunteers are needed to help assist in our Wednesday night Family Ministries for this fall. If you sense God's leading in serving in our K4orce, Mission 567 and MMY Ministries, please contact Dave Craig at Davidc@mortonmethodist.org or 309-267-8211.

Morton Methodist Youth Worship Event

Students in Grades 8-12 are encouraged to join us for the Powerlight Fest on August 18th at the Illinois State Fair. Promotional flyers and signup are available at the Welcome Desk. Cost for the event is \$5 plus the cost of food.

Confirmation Class

Our 2024-2025 Confirmation Class will start on Sunday August 11th.

Missions Service Impact Project

Join us in serving our community at the Community Harvest Food Pantry on Saturday, August 3rd at Trinity Church, 1901 S. 4th Ave. in Morton. We need volunteers from 7:30-9:30 for heavy lifting, and volunteers to serve clients from 9:15 to noon. We are encouraging youth (grades 8-12), families and adults to come and serve. You may sign up at the Welcome Desk for the August 3rd distribution.

Refrain of I Am Thine, O Lord

Postlude

Refrain*

Benediction*

Closing Hymn*

Pastor Bill Novak

UMH 419

I Am Thine, O Lord

8:30 a.m.