

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 Sarah Circle
Monday-6PM Legacy Fund Meeting
Monday-7PM Administrative Council Meeting
Tuesday-8:30AM Staff Meeting
Tuesday-10AM XYZ Game Day
Tuesday-7PM Praise Team Practice
Wednesday-6:30AM UMM Prayer Group
Wednesday-11:30AM Ruth Circle
Wednesday-1PM VBS Workday
Wednesday-6PM VBS Workday
Wednesday-6:30PM Morton Methodist Men Meeting
Thursday-Footprints Due
Thursday-8:30AM Quilters
Thursday-6PM Bells Practice
Saturday-7AM Men's Bible Study
Saturday-8AM Walk and Talk
Sunday-Graduation Sunday
Sunday-8:30AM Traditional Worship Service
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!

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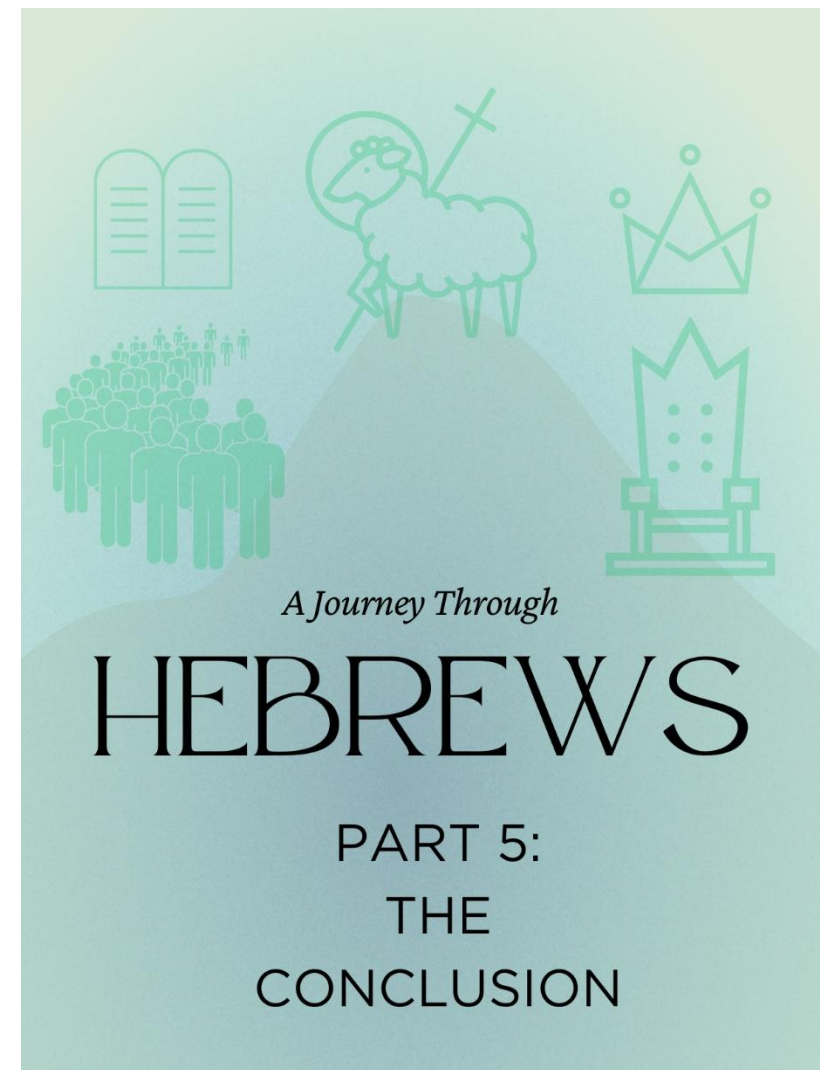
Welcome Visitors!

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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MORTON
Methodist Church

Sunday, May 17th, 2026

Announcements

Sunday School

Today is the last day of Sunday School for the season. It will resume in the fall.

XYZ

On Tuesday, May 19th at 10am, XYZ will be having a Game Day at church.

Footprints

If you have any information for the next issue of Footprints, please submit it by May 21st. You may send it to info@mortonmethodist.org.

New Member Class

Pastors Bill and Adam will be teaching a new member class in the lecture classroom off the Gathering Area. Classes are May 31st and June 7th at 9:45am. New Member Sunday will be at both services on June 14th. All who would like to join the church are welcome. For questions, email Pastor Bill at

billn@mortonmethodist.org

Vacation Bible School

VBS is June 28th-July 2nd. Registration is available! 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 5th grade are encouraged to attend and many volunteers are needed! Contact Brigit Harper or Diane Beaver if you have questions.

VBS Workdays

VBS Workdays will be held on Wednesdays from 1-3pm and 6-8pm. Come help us prepare for VBS! All are welcome, no crafting experience required!

Church Office Closed May 25th

The church office will be closed Monday, May 25th in observance of Memorial Day.

Spring Cleaning

Trustees will be hosting a spring cleaning afternoon after worship on Sunday, June 7th. Come help clean! Your reward? Pizza for lunch! Questions, ask Pastor Bill at

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Worship Service

May 17th, 2026

8:30 a.m.

Welcome/Announcements

Prelude *Brethren, We Have Met to Worship*

Call to Worship(from Psalm 107)*

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love.

P: Let us sacrifice thank offerings and tell of his works with songs of joy.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love.

P: Let us exalt him in the assembly of the people. AMEN.

Passing the Peace*

Opening Hymn* *For the Beauty of the Earth*
UMH 92 vs.1-4

Children's Moment

Offertory *Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel?*
MMC Choir
UMH 94

Doxology*

Centering Hymn* *Beneath the Cross of Jesus*
UMH 297

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Old Testament Reading Hosea 14:1-2,9

Epistle Reading Hebrews 13:9-16

Gospel Reading* Luke 21:5-19

Gloria Patri* UMH 70

Sermon *"A Sacrifice of Praise"*
Pastor Adam Penn

Closing Hymn* *In the Cross of Christ I Glory*
UMH 295 vs.1-4

Benediction

Going Forth* *In the Cross of Christ I Glory vs.5*

Postlude

*Please stand if you are able

Scripture Readings

Hebrews 13:9-16

⁹ Do not be carried away by all kinds of strange teachings. It is good for our hearts to be strengthened by grace, not by eating ceremonial foods, which is of no benefit to those who do so. ¹⁰ We have an altar from which those who minister at the tabernacle have no right to eat.

¹¹ The high priest carries the blood of animals into the Most Holy Place as a sin offering, but the bodies are burned outside the camp. ¹² And so Jesus also suffered outside the city gate to make the people holy through his own blood. ¹³ Let us, then, go to him outside the camp, bearing the disgrace he bore. ¹⁴ For here we do not have an enduring city, but we are looking for the city that is to come.

¹⁵ Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name. ¹⁶ And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

Luke 21:5-19

⁵ Some of his disciples were remarking about how the temple was adorned with beautiful stones and with gifts dedicated to God. But Jesus said, ⁶ "As for what you see here, the time will come when not one stone will be left on another; every one of them will be thrown down."

⁷ "Teacher," they asked, "when will these things happen? And what will be the sign that they are about to take place?"

⁸ He replied: "Watch out that you are not deceived. For many will come in my name, claiming, 'I am he,' and, 'The time is near.' Do not follow them. ⁹ When you hear of wars and uprisings, do not be frightened. These things must happen first, but the end will not come right away."

¹⁰ Then he said to them: "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. ¹¹ There will be great earthquakes, famines and pestilences in various places, and fearful events and great signs from heaven.

¹² "But before all this, they will seize you and persecute you. They will hand you over to synagogues and put you in prison, and you will be brought before kings and governors, and all on account of my name. ¹³ And so you will bear testimony to me. ¹⁴ But make up your mind not to worry beforehand how you will defend yourselves. ¹⁵ For I will give you words and wisdom that none of your adversaries will be able to resist or contradict. ¹⁶ You will be betrayed even by parents, brothers and sisters, relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷ Everyone will hate you because of me. ¹⁸ But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹ Stand firm, and you will win life.