

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

Today-9:45AM MMDC speaking and collecting donations  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8AM Walking at the Church  
Tuesday-8:30AM Staff Meeting  
Tuesday-9:30AM Skeins of Love  
Tuesday-11AM XYZ Potluck at Traci's house  
Tuesday-7PM Praise Team Practice  
Wednesday-6:30AM UMM Prayer Group  
Wednesday-5PM Dinner Church  
Wednesday-6:15PM Family Ministry  
Wednesday-7PM Pub Theology  
Thursday-8:30AM Quilters  
Thursday-7PM Choir Practice  
Saturday-7AM Men's Bible Study  
Sunday-8:30AM Traditional Worship Service  
Sunday-9:45AM Sunday School  
Sunday-10:45AM Cross Connections Worship  
Monday, Sept 1<sup>st</sup> – Office closed for Labor Day

**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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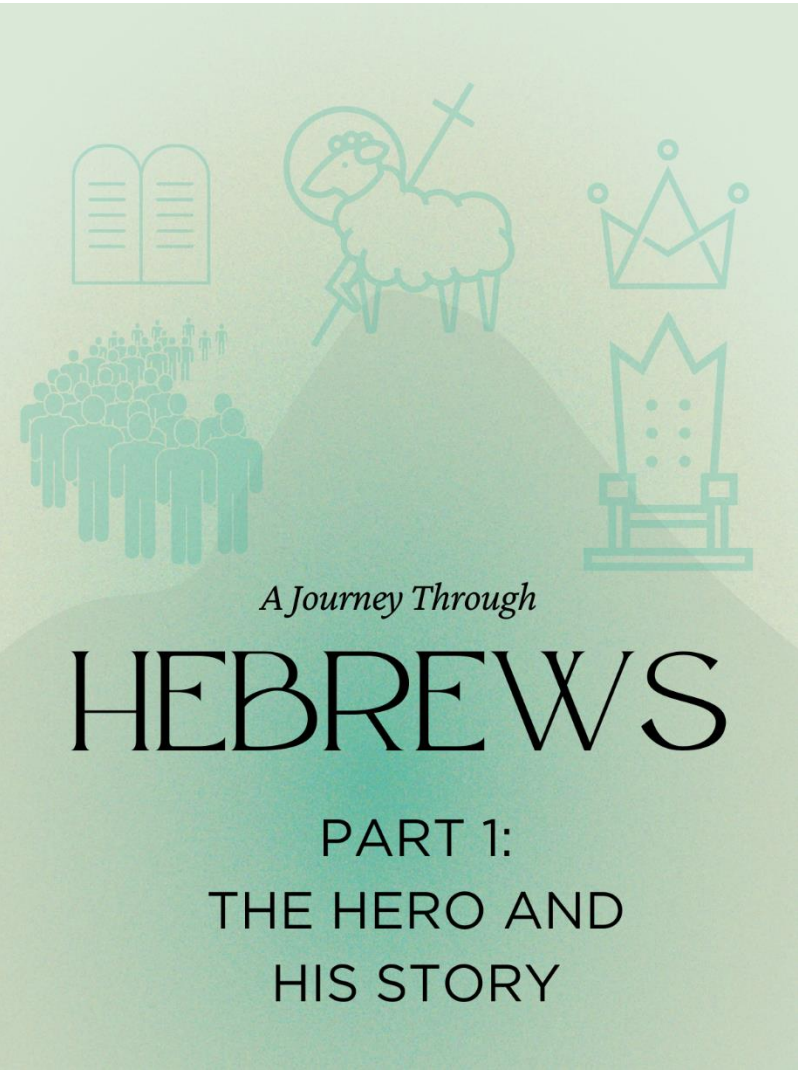
Welcome Visitors!

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, August 24th, 2025

Announcements

MMDC Presentation

Midwest Mission Distribution Center (MMDC) representative, Chantel Corrie, will be giving a presentation during Sunday School today about the mission activities of MMDC. She will also be taking the items that we have collected back to their distribution center near Chatham, IL. Please come and hear how MMDC meets the needs of many Latin American and Caribbean countries.

XYZ

On Tuesday, August 26<sup>th</sup> at 11am, XYZ will be having a potluck style lunch at Traci’s house, 100 N. Rhode Island. Come at 11:00, with lunch at 11:30. Friends, Food, and Fellowship!

Pumpkin Festival Volunteers Needed!

Our church will be volunteering in the Grill Tent at the Pumpkin Festival on Friday, September 12<sup>th</sup> from 10:45am-1:15pm. 17 volunteers total are needed. If you are interested, please sign up at the Welcome Desk.

Choir Practice

Choir practice will resume on Thursday August 28<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

Dinner Church cooks and helpers needed

We are looking for people who are willing to cook and serve Wednesday Dinner Church meals throughout the year. We still have a few Wednesday evenings open. If you are interested in preparing a meal, please contact Jayne Benckendorf at (309)657-9796. It takes a team to make Wednesday Dinner Church happen. Let’s Feed God’s People!

Office Closed September 1<sup>st</sup>

The church office will be closed Monday, September 1<sup>st</sup>, in observance of Labor Day.

Worship Service

August 24th, 2025 8:30 a.m.

Welcome/Announcements	
Prelude	<i>For the Beauty of the Earth</i>
Call to Worship (from Hebrews 1)*	
L: In these last days, God has spoken to us by His Son.	
<b>P: He is the heir of all things, and through Him all things were made.</b>	
L: The Son is the radiance of God’s glory and exact representation of His being.	
<b>P: Let us worship Him as those made in God’s image. AMEN.</b>	
Passing the Peace*	
Opening Hymn*	<i>Rejoice, the Lord is King</i> UMH 715
Children’s Moment	
Offertory	<i>Trust His Heart</i> Lora Kober
Doxology*	UMH 94
Centering Hymn*	<i>Just As I Am, Without One Plea</i> UMH 357 vs.1,2&4
Pastoral Prayer	
The Lord’s Prayer	
Old Testament Reading	Genesis 1:26-28
Epistle Reading	Hebrews 1:1-5
Gospel Reading*	John 1:1-5,14,18
Gloria Patri	UMH 70
Sermon	<i>"The Hero and His Story"</i> Pastor Adam Penn
Closing Hymn*	<i>I Am Thine, O Lord</i> vs.1-3 UMH 419
Benediction	
Refrain*	<i>I Am Thine, O Lord</i> vs.4
Postlude	

\*Please stand if you are able

Scripture Reading

Hebrews 1:1-5

God’s Final Word: His Son

<sup>1</sup> In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, <sup>2</sup> but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe. <sup>3</sup> The Son is the radiance of God’s glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven. <sup>4</sup> So he became as much superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is superior to theirs.

The Son Superior to Angels

<sup>5</sup> For to which of the angels did God ever say,  
“You are my Son;  
today I have become your Father”?  
Or again,  
“I will be his Father,  
and he will be my Son”?

John 1:1-5,14,18

The Word Became Flesh

<sup>1</sup> In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup> He was with God in the beginning. <sup>3</sup> Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. <sup>4</sup> In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. <sup>5</sup> The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.  
<sup>14</sup> The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.  
<sup>18</sup> No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and is in closest relationship with the Father, has made him known.