

Be the Church: Check out the ways to get involved below!
Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8AM Walking at the Church
Monday-6PM Leadership Development Committee
Tuesday-8:30AM Staff Meeting
Tuesday-9:30AM Skeins of Love
Tuesday-10:15AM XYZ Wildlife Prairie Park
Wednesday-6:30AM UMM Prayer Group
Wednesday-6PM Craft Sale Work Day
Wednesday-6:30PM Morton Methodist Men Meeting
Thursday-12PM P.E.O. Chapter NB Meeting
Thursday-12:30PM Midwest Mission Distribution Volunteering
Saturday-7AM Men's Bible Study
Sunday-Blood Pressure Sunday
Sunday-8:30AM Traditional Worship Service
Sunday-10:45AM Cross Connections Worship
Sunday-12PM Potluck and Legacy Fund Giving Seminar

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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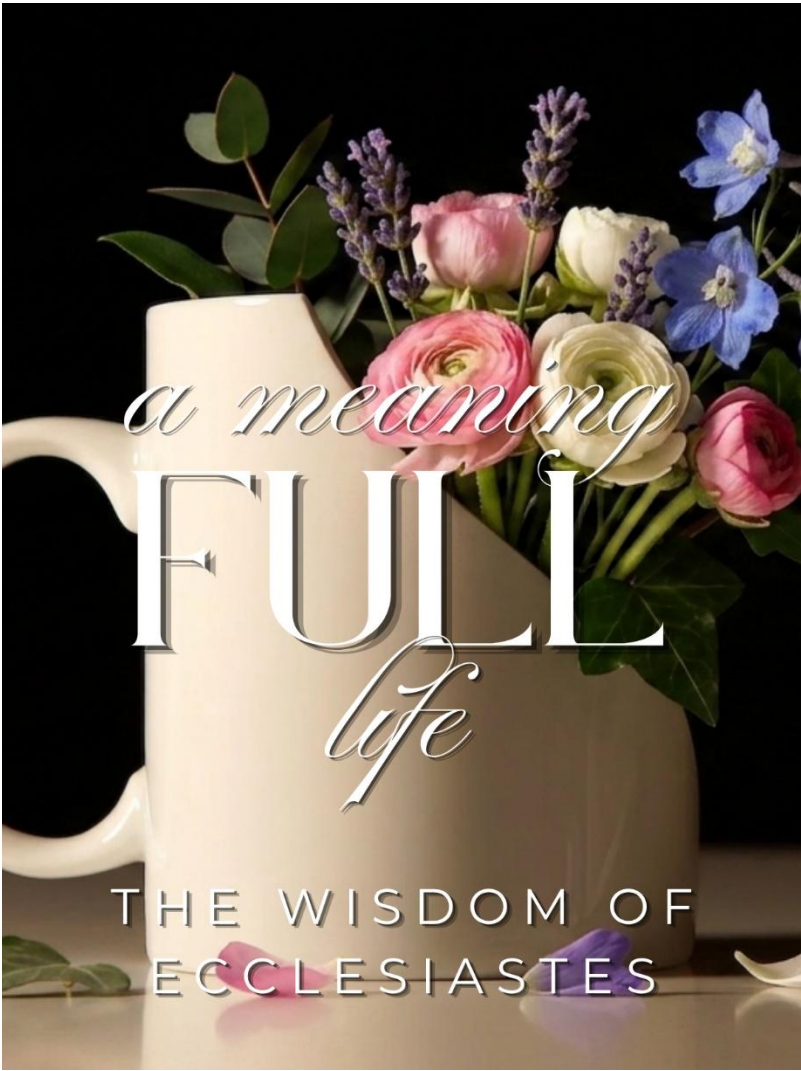
Website: www.mortonmethodist.org

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Office Hours:

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

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MORTON
Methodist Church

Sunday, July 12th, 2026

Announcements

XYZ

On Tuesday, July 14th, XYZ will be going on a Wildlife Prairie Park bus tour. Meet at church at 10:15 to ride the bus. This is an RSVP event, please contact Traci if you have not already.

Craft Sale Work Day

Please join us on Wednesday, July 15th from 6-8pm in the children’s area to help make crafts for our annual craft sale in November. You can bring crafts you have been working on or we can help you start a new craft.

Planned Giving Seminar

Want to maximize the impact of your giving to MMC? Join us on July 19th at 1pm for a workshop led by Ted Frost—our foundation rep. for our newly-established Legacy Fund. There will be a potluck lunch at 12pm. Sign up at the Welcome Desk.

Peoria Chiefs Game

Our church will be attending the Peoria Chiefs Faith and Family night on August 5th. The game is at 6:30pm. Tickets are \$12 each. Sign up at the Welcome Desk by July 19th.

Baby Fold Postpartum Kits

Please visit the table just inside the front doors for information about the collection of Postpartum Kit items for The Baby Fold. You can bring items to the church by July 19th.

Worship Service

July 12th, 2026 8:30 a.m.

Welcome/Announcements	
Prelude	<i>'Tis the Gift to Be Simple</i>
Call to Worship (from Psalm 23)*	
L: The Lord is my shepherd;	
P: I shall not want.	
L: Surely goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life;	
P: And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.	
Passing the Peace*	
Opening Hymn*	<i>Amazing Grace</i> UMH 378 vs. 1-3,6
Children’s Moment	
Offertory	<i>Seek Ye First</i> MMC Choir UMH 94
Doxology*	
Centering Hymn	<i>Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling</i> UMH 348 vs.1-3
Pastoral Prayer	
The Lord’s Prayer	
Old Testament Reading	Ecclesiastes 6:1-2,7-9
New Testament Reading	Philippians 4:4-13
Gloria Patri*	UMH 70
Sermon	<i>"The Gift of Contentment"</i> Pastor Paul Walles
Closing Hymn*	<i>Change My Heart, O God</i> CH 654
Benediction	
Going Forth*	<i>Change My Heart, O God</i>
Postlude	

*Please stand if you are able

Scripture Readings

Ecclesiastes 6:1-2,7-9

6 I have seen another evil under the sun, and it weighs heavily on mankind: 2 God gives some people wealth, possessions and honor, so that they lack nothing their hearts desire, but God does not grant them the ability to enjoy them, and strangers enjoy them instead. This is meaningless, a grievous evil. 7 Everyone’s toil is for their mouth, yet their appetite is never satisfied. 8 What advantage have the wise over fools? What do the poor gain by knowing how to conduct themselves before others? 9 Better what the eye sees than the roving of the appetite. This too is meaningless, a chasing after the wind.

Philippians 4:4-13

4 Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! 5 Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. 6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. 7 And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. 8 Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. 9 Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you. 10 I rejoiced greatly in the Lord that at last you renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you were concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. 11 I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. 12 I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. 13 I can do all this through him who gives me strength.