

Be the Church: Check out the ways to get involved below!
 Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8AM Walking at the Church
 Monday-6PM Trustees' Meeting
 Monday-7PM Disaffiliation Team Meeting
 Monday-7PM Boy Scouts
 Tuesday-8:30AM Staff Meeting
 Tuesday-9:30AM Skeins of Love
 Tuesday-10:30AM XYZ Game Day
 Tuesday-7PM Praise Team
 Wednesday-6:30AM UMM Prayer Group
 Wednesday-10AM Prayer and Care Meeting
 Wednesday-5PM UMM Annual Cookout
 Thursday-8:30AM Quilters
 Saturday-7AM Men's Bible Study
 Saturday-9AM Serving at Trinity Church
 Sunday-8:30AM Traditional Worship Service
Sunday-9:45AM Last Summer Sunday School
 Sunday-10:45AM Cross Connections Worship Service

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 the events in the church! There are printed schedules available at the Welcome Desk for anyone who would like one!



WELCOME TO MORTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH!

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Sunday Schedule:

- Traditional Service: 8:30 am
- Sunday School: 9:45 am
- Cross Connections: 10:45 am

Contact us!

Email: info@mortonumc.org
 Phone: (309) 266-7174
 Website: www.mortonumc.org

Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

For more information, or to download our church app, please scan the QR code below!



TRUE IDENTITY

GENESIS	ABRAHAM	Who are we? More importantly, whose are we? Let's trace connections between Genesis and Paul's letters to understand what it means to be God's people.	
COVENANT	GALATIANS		
PAUL	EPHESIANS		

Morton United Methodist Church

Sunday, August 6th, 2023

Morton United Methodist Church Announcements

Volunteers Needed

Our senior ministry, Extra Years of Zest (XYZ), is in need of a team of volunteers who would be willing to coordinate their weekly activities. We are also looking for those willing to serve as substitute teachers for our children's Sunday School classes. If you are willing to help in either of these areas, please email Pastor Adam at adamp@mortonumc.org

Sunday School

Our last Summer Sunday School will be next Sunday, August 13th and then we will begin our full Fall Schedule on September 10th. Please visit the Welcome Desk for more information!

UMM Annual Cookout

The Methodist Men will be having their annual cookout on Wednesday August 9th at 5:00pm at Ackerman's Farm. Our guest speaker will be Dan Wolf. Dan is the Development Director for Peoria Rescue Ministries. After Dinner we will have games, including knife and ax throwing, bags, etc. Please come and join us for an evening of fellowship.

Updating Information

If you are hospitalized, in need of help or prayer, or are simply moving or changing your phone number or email, please contact the church office to let us know!

You can call us at (309) 266-7174 or email us at info@mortonumc.org. Our emergency number is also available for emergent pastoral needs 24/7 at (563) 447-7637.

XYZ Activities

We will be having a game day at 10:30am on August 8th in the gym. We will play Mexican Trains and have lunch.

Worship Service

August 6th, 2023

8:30 a.m.

Welcome/Announcements
Prelude *Amazing Grace*
Call to Worship*
Leader: Call to the Lord while He is near;
People: *Watch for Him in the night.*
Leader: Reach out to Him in the holy places;
People: *Shout "Hosanna in the Highest Heavens!"*
Passing the Peace*
Opening Hymn* *Nearer My God to Thee*
UMH 528
Children's Time
Offertory *Jesus Paid It All*
UMH 94
Doxology*
Centering Hymn* *We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder*
UMH 418
Pastoral Prayer
Scripture Reading Genesis 28:10-22
Sermon *"To Know a Place for the First Time"*
Pastor Bill Novak
Communion
Closing Hymn* *He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought*
UMH 128 (v.1-2)
Benediction*
Refrain* *Refrain of He Leadeth Me*
Postlude

*Please stand if you are able

Scripture Reading

NIV

Genesis 28:10-22

¹⁰ Jacob left Beersheba and set out for Harran. ¹¹ When he reached a certain place, he stopped for the night because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones there, he put it under his head and lay down to sleep. ¹² He had a dream in which he saw a stairway resting on the earth, with its top reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. ¹³ There above it stood the LORD, and he said: "I am the LORD, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. I will give you and your descendants the land on which you are lying. ¹⁴ Your descendants will be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out to the west and to the east, to the north and to the south. All peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring. ¹⁵ I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you."

¹⁶ When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he thought, "Surely the LORD is in this place, and I was not aware of it." ¹⁷ He was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God; this is the gate of heaven."

¹⁸ Early the next morning Jacob took the stone he had placed under his head and set it up as a pillar and poured oil on top of it. ¹⁹ He called that place Bethel, though the city used to be called Luz.

²⁰ Then Jacob made a vow, saying, "If God will be with me and will watch over me on this journey I am taking and will give me food to eat and clothes to wear ²¹ so that I return safely to my father's household, then the LORD will be my God ²² and this stone that I have set up as a pillar will be God's house, and of all that you give me I will give you a tenth."

The beautiful flowers at the altar are from Sandi and George Burrier in honor of Sandi's mom, Lois Stezler's, 103rd birthday.