

A Service of the Word

Pentecost Sunday

May 19, 2024 9:30 AM

Today we celebrate Pentecost, often known as the church's "birthday." The name Pentecost comes from the Greek for "fiftieth day." Its origins relate to the Jewish harvest festival of Shavuot, which commemorates God's giving of the law on Mt. Sinai. Pentecost marks the day when the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples in Jerusalem fifty days after Easter.

GATHERING AND PRAISE

Ringing the Church bell

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "Holy Spirit Medley" Leslie Orlovsky

Choral Praise "Come Holy Spirit" Choir

† Call to Worship

When the Day of Pentecost had come,
they were all gathered together in one place.

**And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind,
and it filled all the house where they were sitting.**

And there appeared to them tongues as of fire,
distributed and resting on each of them.

And they were filled with the Holy Spirit.

† Prayer

O God, the Holy Spirit, come to us, and among us; come as the wind, and cleanse us; come as the fire, and burn; come as the dew, and refresh; convict, convert, and consecrate many hearts and lives to our great good and to thy greater glory; this we ask for Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.**

† Hymn "For the Healing of the Nations" # 428

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

New Testament Lesson	Romans 8:22-27	Peggy Baker
Anthem	"Spirit Come"	Choir
Children's Lesson		Krystle Ray
New Testament Lesson		Acts 2:1-13
Sermon	"What Does This Mean?"	Kevin Seymour

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Affirmation of Faith "The Nicene Creed" # 880

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

† Hymn "Jesus, Thine All-Victorious Love" # 422

Prayer of Thanksgiving, The Lord's Prayer

Sharing the Peace

May the peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you! Glory to God, Amen.

MORRIS CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ANNOUNCEMENTS & PARISH NOTICES – May 19, 2024

WELCOME!

Welcome to Morris Chapel United Methodist Church! We are delighted that you joined us in Christian Education and Worship today. Morris Chapel United Methodist Church welcomes visitors who are seeking a church home, those who join us for special occasions, and those who seek relief from life's burdens. Join us in praising God, making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world, and giving thanks to a loving God for the blessings of the day!

CALENDAR

Every Sunday	9:30 am	Worship Service – in person and Livestream
Sunday	10:30 am	Fellowship Time
Sunday	10:45 am	Sunday Schools
Tuesday	10:00 am	Bible Study “Sunday’s Coming” Pastor Seymour
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Choir Practice – all are welcome

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

First Time Visitors! We are so glad you joined us, and we hope you return! Please pick up a coffee mug with goodies and info at the front door area as you exit. It is a token of our gratitude and love for visiting our Worship Service. Be blessed.

Need Help Making Your Photo Appointment Time? You may contact Gail Carucci (716) 307-5510 who can assist with a computer sign-up appointment for you. Be prepared to tell her how many people will be photographed so the time slots can be sequentially arranged. You may also contact Laurel Parker. Take advantage of this assistance! You'll be glad...

Summer Choir Information: The Choir will be taking their usual summer break June - August. If you or someone you know, would be willing to provide special music, contact Jerry Keith or Pastor Kevin.

Get Ready for Some Tacos!!! The Fellowship Committee's Taco Bar is this Wednesday, May 22 from 5:00-6:30. LAST CHANCE to sign-up for a fun evening of tacos and fellowship. This is the last dinner until September so please come!

Donations For New Playground! – The May donations so far have been excellent but we are not there yet! The goal is \$10,000. All are asked to prayerfully consider giving over and above your regular tithe. Separate checks (or a notation & amount on your regular check) may be made to Morris Chapel with “playground equipment” on the memo line. Thank you for helping to make this happen for our children and future children!

New Church Directory & Color Family Photos! Remember – all attendees of Morris Chapel are invited to have photos taken! AND YOU MAY BRING YOUR FAMILY MEMBERS with you... grown children, grandchildren, brothers or sisters, your extended family. Questions? See Gail Carucci, Project Leader, and Laurel Parker. We hope EVERYONE participates!

Pastor's Tuesday Bible Study is an extension of the Sunday Sermon! Class starts at 10:00 in the Fellowship Hall. Every week is a different topic so you are never “behind” in this study. Come & see...Our group is growing....

The 2024 Fellowship Hall Calendar is posted in the Fellowship Hall on the left bulletin board just as you enter. **Committee Chairs**, please enter all meetings scheduled for the FH on this calendar. If an Announcement is needed for the church, email the bulletin preparers by Wednesday morning what you wish to have listed. Thanks!

Easy Site: Accessing Sunday Sermons is as easy as going on Facebook. Refresh your memory, rethink the messages, be enriched again. May God bless your devotion. <https://www.facebook.com/MorrisChapelUnitedMethodistChurch>

PARISH NOTICES

UMC General Conference Recap and Updated Lay Ministry Courses: By entering cle@nccumc.org, you can access a recap of the first General Conference held this April since the end of the Disaffiliation era. Also, there are a plethora of Lay Ministry Courses being offered this summer for those who are starting Lay Ministry or need additional courses.

**Announcements: by noon on Wednesdays to Laurel Parker at laurelparker@charter.net or (919) 271-0963
 AND Mavis Harper at mavisharper1944@gmail.com or (919) 770-0489.**

PLEASE word your announcement as you wish to see it printed.. Thank you

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Family of Joyce Barbour Debbie Bryan Crystal Burichin Family of Ed Colwell Sue Cox Scott Finicum family Lew Hartman	Donna Heidinger Jimmy Holt Todd Huinker Don Job Amanda Johnson Evan & Leslie Johnson Maude Maloney	Betty Massey Ann McLeod Rhonda McNeill Susie Pierce Jeff Popke Family of Dot Roberts Ruby	Family of Al Rushatz Ron & Peggy Scott Becky Seymour Jackson Snipes Hilton Stewart Joyce Key Thomas United Methodist Church Pam Vaughan
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Weekly Attendance, Tithes & Offerings Attendance 5/12/24 83

Tithes & Offerings as of: 05/12/2024	
2024 Budget - Needed to Date:	\$ 70,262.84
2024 Budget - Received to Date:	\$ 101,414.00
Running Surplus /(Deficit)	\$ 31,151.16

Playground Fund as of: 05/12/2024	
Goal:	\$ 10,000.00
Received to Date:	\$ 6,300.00
Remaining to Raise:	\$ 3,700.00

WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Worship Volunteers-- you are respectfully asked to arrange for a substitute in the event that you cannot fill your assigned slot. Thank you.

May	Acolytes	Children's Message	Lay Readers	Ushers	Greeters	Communion Servers
19	JC Ray Bryson Baker	Krystle Ray	Peggy Baker	Justin Ray JC Ray	Linda Dilley Laurel Parker	
26	Jason Morton Calliegh Baker	Stacey Burris	Isabelle Sturgill	Drew Burris Gary Rosser	Gary Maddox George Orlovsky	
June 2	Rylee Ray Bryson Baker	Gillian Hubley	Jason Morton	Richard Angel Wayne Stack	Terrena Shelton Danny Baker	Kevin Seymour Manuela Seymour Mavis Harper Doug Currin
9	Jase Burris Cole Burris	Richard Angel	Doug Currin	Jason Morton Danny Baker	Richard Angel Pat Angel	
16	Isabelle Sturgill Ian Carter	Krystle Ray	Gary Maddox	Richard Angel Pat Angel	Janice Holder Carolyn Saucier	

After Worship Treats are provided by Jeanette Cox. Thank you so much!