Presentation of God's tithes and our offerings

#### Offertory

### † Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Sharing our prayer concerns

**Musical interlude** 

Prayers for the Church and the world

† Hymn

SENDING FORTH "Victory in Jesus"

**UMH No. 370** 

**†** Benediction

**†** Postlude

*†The congregation is invited to stand, as you are able.* 

This is the Spirit's entry now, the Water and the Word, The cross of Jesus on your brow, the seal both felt and heard.

Let water be the sacred sign that we must die each day To rise again by his design as followers on our way.

Renewing Spirit, hear our praise for your baptismal power That washes through all our days, come cleanse again, this hour. - by Thomas E. Herbranson



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The Rev. Kevin H. Seymour

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# A Service of the Word

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost August 18, 2024 9:30 AM

The Letter to the Ephesians concludes with a call for strength and perseverance in the Lord. On this day of Elijah's baptism, the church will vow to equip, teach, and nurture him as he marches forward to turn wickedness aside and join with Christ our Lord.

# **GATHERING AND PRAISE**

**Ringing the Church bell** 

### Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

"Great is Thy Faithfulness" Leslie Orlovsky

**Krystle Ray** 

**†** Call to Worship

**Choral Praise** 

Father everlasting, all creation worships you. **The voice of God our Father is full of power and might.** 

To the blessed Lord Jesus we sing thanks and praise. **He is the Father's true and only Son.** 

Praise we now the Holy Ghost.

We'll sing it 'til our final rest: Trinity be forever blest!

Prayer

by Charles Wesley

Come Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, to whom we for our children cry. Give us discipline to bring them up for heaven. Remove all error and ignorance from our lives, O God, and unite the two so long disjoined: knowledge and vital piety, learning and holiness combined. **Amen.** 

† Hymn	"Onward Christian Soldiers" (verses 1, 3, 5) PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD	UMH No. 575
Old Testament Lesso	n Exodus 14:21-31	<b>Jason Morton</b>
Anthem		Krystle Ray
Children's Lesson		<b>Stacey Burris</b>
New Testament Lesson		Ephesians 6:10-20
Sermon	"Elijah Becomes a Christian Soldier"	Kevin Seymour

# **RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

# "I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry" TFWS No. 2051

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold. I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well; In a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.

When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on; You were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong. If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one, I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk 'till rising sun.

In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young, I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun. When the evening gently closes in, and you shut your weary eyes, I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise.

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.

**†** The Lord's prayer

†Hvmn

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Elijah Cole Hockenberry

UMH No. 39

**Congregational welcome** 

Through baptism you are incorporated by the Holy Spirit into God's new creation and made to share in Christ's royal priesthood. We are all one in Christ Jesus. With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you as a member of the family of Christ.

# **Congregational commitment**

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant to faithfully participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness that in everything God made be glorified through Jesus Christ.

#### MORRIS CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS & PARISH NOTICES – August 18, 2024

#### WELCOME!

Welcome to Morris Chapel United Methodist Church! We are delighted that you have come to join us for this time of worship. Morris Chapel welcomes all who seek a church home, all who desire to connect with God and the people of God, and all who seek relief from life's burdens. We invite you to take notice of the opportunities to explore the faith, and to walk alongside others in living out the faith of Jesus Christ.

#### **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 "Faith Formation Class - Sunday's Coming" Pastor Seymour
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Choir Practice – <b>Choir will RESTART</b> in September!

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

*<u>First Time Visitors!</u>* 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.

#### School Supply Drive for Johnsonville & Greenwood:

<u>PENCILS</u>: #2, colored pencils, markers, crayons <u>GLUE</u>: Elmer's liquid glue, glue sticks <u>ERASERS</u>: eraser caps, eraser blocks. <u>PAPER</u>: one subject notebooks, *wide rule only*, composition notebooks (NO spiral)

<u>WISH LIST</u>: hand sanitizer, zip lock bags (gallon & sandwich), sticky note pads, expo dry erasers, copy paper, Kleenex, paper towels, baby wipes, individually wrapped candy, bleach wipes

(SEE the display table & collection in the Fellowship Hall.) Thanks to all who contribute!

<u>UMC Men's Meeting</u> will be on September 5th in the Fellowship Hall at 7 pm.

HOMECOMING SUNDAY SEPT. 15. -- Please plan to be here and invite friends and family. More details coming soon!

<u>The General Letters Bible Study</u> We are in the book of 1 Peter this Sunday, Chapter 2 so you can jump right in! You will be reminded and encouraged in living your life for Christ. Bring your Bibles! (Classroom #3 - 11:00 after service)

*IMPORTANT - Requesting Announcements:* Please continue sending ALL announcements to Laurel & Mavis AND now to our newest team member, <u>Cindy Vorholt</u>. We are blessed by her joining us! Note her info below. Thanks.

#### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Laity Courses Being Offered* during the fall quarter consist of Ministry of the Forgotten, Public Prayer, Discover Your Spiritual Gifts, Dancing with Words, and For the Common Good: Discovering and Using Your Spiritual Gifts. Please go to <u>cle@nccumc.org</u> for dates, locations and times of these courses.

Announcements: by noon on Wednesdays to Laurel Parker at laurelparker@charter.net or (919) 271-0963

#### <u>\*\*\*NOTE: Additional New name for Announcements:\*\*\*</u> Cindy Vorholt at <u>cindy37040@yahoo.com</u> or (586) 601-5164

And Mavis Harper at <u>mavisharper1944@gmail.com</u> or (919) 770-0489. **PLEASE word your announcement as you wish to see it printed.. Thank you** 

# **REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Wade Barker	Henry Hall	Ann McLeod	Ron & Peggy Scott
Debbie Bryan	Jeff Harrington	Rhonda McNeill	Becky Seymour
Donna Callodonato	Jeff Hartman	Tammy Morton	Donna Sloan
Richard Campbell	Amanda Johnson	Ken Moss	Jackson Snipes
Randy Cox	Ron LaJeuncsse	Family of Judy Munk	Sean Soldano
Peggy Danielsen	Mark Lovick	Susie Pierce	Joyce Key Thomas
Greg & Marcia Garcia	Maude Maloney	Valerie Robertino	Pam Vaughan
			Ronnie Wilson

#### Weekly Attendance, Tithes & Offerings

Attendance 8/11/24 **78** 

Tithes & Offerings as of: 08/11/2024				
2024 Budget - Needed to Date:	\$ 118,337.42			
2024 Budget - Received to Date:	\$ 145,016.61			
Running Surplus /(Deficit)	\$ 26,679.19			

# WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

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

Call Worship Chair Peggy Baker at 919-935-1600 if you have questions or issues. Thank you.

Aug	Acolytes	Children's	Lay Readers	Ushers	Greeters	Communion
		Message				Servers
18	Jason Morton	Stacey Burris	Jason Morton	Jason Morton	Marian Huepper	
	Callen Morris			Danny Baker	Marcia Garcia	
25	JC Ray	Gillian Hubley	Doug Currin	Carolyn Saucier	Donnie Carter	
	Rylee Ray			Danny Baker	Sandra Carter	
Sept	Jase Burris	<b>Richard Angel</b>	Gary Maddox	Donnie Carter	Richard Angel	Kevin Seymour
1	Cole Burris			lan Carter	Crystal Burichin	Manuela Seymour
-						George Orlovsky
						Isabelle Sturgill
8	lan Carter	Krystle Ray	Drew Burris	Daniel Baker	Travis Thomas	
	Isabelle Sturgill			Bryson Baker	Gail Thomas	
15	Paisley Kilmer	Stacey Burris	Inge Hersman	Ron Mercer	Janice Holder	
_0	Teagan Kilmer	,	5	George Orlovsky	Carolyn Saucier	

After Worship Treats are being provided by Danny Baker & Janice Holder. Thank you!