

Presentation of God's tithes and our offerings

Offertory

†Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessing 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

SENDING FORTH

†Hymn

"Blessed Assurance"

UMH No. 369

† Benediction

† Postlude

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

O God, make the door of this house wide enough to receive all who need human love and fellowship, narrow enough to shut out all envy, pride, and strife. Make its threshold smooth enough to be no stumbling block to straying feet, but rugged and strong enough to turn back the tempter's power. O God, make the door of this house the gateway of your eternal kingdom. You who have given us this heritage, grant us grace gratefully to receive it, wisely to use it, and faithfully to continue it, to your glory and our salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

-- from the King's Chapel Prayer Book



**MORRIS CHAPEL
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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Worship Celebration 9:30 AM

Fellowship Time 10:30 AM|Sunday School 10:45 AM

The Rev. Connie Mitchell Shelton

Raleigh Area Bishop

The Rev. Kevin H. Seymour

Pastor

A Service of the Word
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 22 2024 9:30 AM

The verses from Proverbs speak of the honor of a God-fearing woman, who is rewarded for her service to the poor and to the Lord by being blessed with a position of great influence in her community. In Mark's gospel, Jesus teaches us that welcoming a child in his name is to welcome him.

GATHERING AND PRAISE

Ringing the Church bell

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "Consolation" **Leslie Orlovsky**

Choral Praise "Surely the Presence of the Lord" **Choir**

† **Call to Worship**

Holy Father, your loves lifts us up today.
Amen!

We bring you our troubles and we bring you our pain.
We trust in Blessed Jesus to give us our rest.

Glory be to God's own Spirit.
Holy, holy, holy is the blessed Trinity. Amen!

† **Prayer**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may love you completely and rightly magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

† **Hymn** "Great is Thy Faithfulness" **UMH No. 140**

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Old Testament Lesson **Proverbs 31:10-31** **Steve Huepper**

Anthem "Perfect Peace" **Choir**

Children's Lesson **Stacey Burris**

† **Gospel Lesson** **Mark 9:30-37**

Sermon "A Kingdom for Kids" **Doug Currin**

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Prayer of response

† **Hymn of Response** "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord" **UMH No. 540**

Prayer of Thanksgiving, The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this today our daily bread,
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from the evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
And the glory, forever and ever.**

Amen!

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 – September 22, 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” Pastor Seymour
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Choir Practice

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.

Looking for Hands and Feet for Christ for a “Morris Chapel Mission Project “

We need two people to prepare meals for Family Promise on October 7 and October 8. At the present time, it is only one family. If this is something that interests you, please contact Karen Rosser (919) 258-3270 or krosser@windstream.net

Wednesday Night Dinner IS BACK - Join us Wednesday, October 2 from 5:00- 6:00 for a delicious Potato Bar with all the trimmings and a salad! Fill out the sign up sheet and place it in the offering plate. Thank you!

UMC Men's Meeting Thursday, October 3rd 7:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall to plan the Spaghetti Dinner for 10/25.

The UPPER ROOM devotional books will be coming at some point in time. The company has encountered delivery issues that affect many churches like ours. Whenever new devotional books arrive, they'll certainly be made available!

Sunday Morning Refreshments - Please consider volunteering to provide light refreshments on a Sunday morning. It can be as simple as 3-4 different types of cookies. The sign-up poster is on the wall next to the kitchen counter.

New Choir Practice Time! Choir practice will be **6:30 pm** on Wednesdays, rather than 7:00 pm.

Christmas Cantata- Anyone who would like to join the choir in singing the annual Christmas cantata, let Jerry Keith know.

IMPORTANT - Requesting Announcements: Please continue sending ALL announcements to Laurel & Mavis **AND** now to our newest team member, **Cindy Vorholt**. 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 cle@nccumc.org for dates, locations and times of these courses.

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

*****NOTE: Additional New name for Announcements:*****

Cindy Vorholt at cindy37040@yahoo.com or (586) 601-5164

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

Pirjo Blosser Jeffrey Brewer Debbie Bryan Donna Callodonato Richard Campbell Peggy Danielsen Greg & Marcia Garcia	Jeff Harrington Jeff Hartman Family of Brian Henning Amanda Johnson Ron LaJeuncsse Mark Lovick Maude Maloney	Ann McLeod Rhonda McNeill Ken Moss Denise Nevins Susie Pierce Valerie Robertino Ron & Peggy Scott	Donna Sloan Jackson Snipes Joyce Key Thomas Dale Tulio Pam Vaughan Ronnie Wilson Nic Wissinger
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Weekly Attendance, Tithes & Offerings

Attendance 9/8/24 **104**

Tithes & Offerings as of: 09/15/2024	
2024 Budget - Needed to Date:	\$ 136,827.64
2024 Budget - Received to Date:	\$ 163,946.72
Running Surplus /(Deficit)	\$ 27,119.08

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 (919-935-1600) to report changes or for any questions. Thank you.

Sept	Acolytes	Children's Message	Lay Readers	Ushers	Greeter	Communion Servers
22	JC Ray Rylee Ray	Stacey Burris	Steve Huepper	Gary Maddox Wayne Stack	Gail Thomas	
29	Jason Morton Callen Morris	Gillian Hubley	Inge Hersman	Jason Morton Drew Burris	Janice Holder	
Oct. 6	Bryson Baker Calleigh Baker	Richard Angel	Manuela Seymour	Carolyn Saucier Daniel Baker	Travis Thomas	Kevin Seymour Manuela Seymour Carol Martell Calleigh Baker
13	Paisley Kilmer Teagan Kilmer	Krystle Ray	Steve Huepper	Donnie Carter Ian Carter	Carolyn Saucier	
20	JC Ray Bryson Baker	Stacey Burris	Leslie Orlovsky	Daniel Baker Bryson Baker	Margaret Spivey	

After Worship Treats are being provided by Greg & Cindy Vorholt. Thank you!