

Sharing our prayer concerns

Musical interlude

Prayers for the Church and the world

Presentation of God's tithes and our offerings

Offertory

† Doxology

**THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION**

The Great Thanksgiving  
Sharing the Bread and the Cup

UMH No. 9

**SENDING FORTH**

† Hymn "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

UMH No. 133

† Benediction

† Postlude

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



John A. and Candice Morris, donors of the land in 1860 helped, along with Rev. Peter Doub, to erect the first church building which served the congregation until the present structure was built in 1904. Cornerstone laying rites were held on September 15, 1904, with John Marvin Groce, grandson of John and Candice, at age 12, placing the stone. The present church building has seen many improvements since 1904. For the history lovers, artifacts can be found in our Heritage Room and in our history book, *A Charge to Keep*.

Our guest preacher today is the Reverend Beth Hood. Beth currently serves as Assistant to the Bishop in the Office of Clergy Life. She has served many different churches in the North Carolina Conference.



MORRIS CHAPEL METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH. 1860's.

**MORRIS CHAPEL  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
8533 Cox Mill Road, Sanford, North Carolina 27332  
**HOMECOMING SUNDAY**

Worship Celebration 9:30 AM, Fellowship Meal 11:00 AM.

**The Rev. Connie Mitchell Shelton**  
Raleigh Area Bishop

**The Rev. Kevin H. Seymour**  
Pastor





## Morris Chapel United Methodist Church Playground Dedication

September 15, 2024 10:45 AM

Jesus Loves the Little Children, all the children of the world;  
Red and yellow, black and white they are precious in his sight.  
Jesus loves the little children of the world.



### Matthew 18:1-6

At that time the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" He called a child, whom he put among them, and said, "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever becomes humble like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me.

### Proverbs 8:30-31

**Jason Morton**

I, Wisdom, was with him in composing all things. And I was delighted, throughout every day, by playing in his sight at all times, playing in all the earth.

### Ecclesiastes 3:4

**Calleigh Baker**

There is a time to weep, and a time to laugh;  
a time to mourn, and a time to dance!

### A Dedication Dance

**Krystle Ray**



### Prayer

Our Father in heaven, bless this present generation with joy and peace at this playground, and keep your Spirit alive in this place for children yet unborn. Bless our eyes to see new friends made and new games played on this sacred ground. Fill all who enter with the fruit of your Spirit so that fun and fellowship will rule the day. We ask your blessing upon this place in the name of the one who is peace and joy and truth, our blessed Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

*The children of Morris Chapel are thankful for every person who made this dream of a new playground come true.*

*For today, tomorrow, and forevermore --Jesus loves the little children.*

**MORRIS CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**ANNOUNCEMENTS & PARISH NOTICES – September 15, 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 <b>(NO class on 9/17)</b>
Wednesday	<b>6:30 pm</b>	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.

**Morris Chapel Church Council Meeting** is scheduled for this Monday Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 in the Fellowship Hall. This is an open meeting and all members are welcome to come and observe the Council at work. They do a wonderful amount of work for Morris Chapel. A time will be reserved at the end of the meeting for questions and comments.

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

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

**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**

**Lait 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](mailto:cle@nccumc.org) for dates, locations and times of these courses.

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

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

Cindy Vorholt at [cindy37040@yahoo.com](mailto:cindy37040@yahoo.com) or (586) 601-5164

And Mavis Harper at [mavisharper1944@gmail.com](mailto:mavisharper1944@gmail.com) or (919) 770-0489.

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

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Richard Angel Richard Barnhart Debbie Bryan <b>Donna Callodonato</b> Richard Campbell Peggy Danielsen Greg & Marcia Garcia	Jeff Harrington Jeff Hartman <b>Family of Brian Henning</b> Amanda Johnson Ron LaJeunesse Mark Lovick	Maude Maloney Ann McLeod Rhonda McNeill Ken Moss <b>Denise Nevins</b> Susie Pierce Valerie Robertino	Ron & Peggy Scott Donna Sloan Jackson Snipes Joyce Key Thomas Pam Vaughan <b>Ronnie Wilson</b>
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**Weekly Attendance, Tithes & Offerings**      Attendance 9/8/24    **78**

<b>Tithes &amp; Offerings as of: 09/08/2024</b>	
2024 Budget - Needed to Date:	\$ 133,129.59
2024 Budget - Received to Date:	\$ 160,533.59
Running Surplus /(Deficit)	\$ 27,404.00

**WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE**

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

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
15	Paisley Kilmer Teagan Kilmer	Krystle Ray	George Orlovsky	Bryson Baker Calleigh Baker	Gary Rosser	
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	