

Presentation of God's tithes and our offerings

Offertory

† **Doxology**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Holy Communion

9

Prayer following Communion

SENDING FORTH

† **Hymn**

“Sing with All the Saints in Glory”

702

† **Benediction**

† **Postlude**

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



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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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Worship Celebration 9:30 AM

Fellowship Time 10:30 AM | Sunday School 11:00 AM

The Rev. Connie Mitchell Shelton

Raleigh Area Bishop

The Rev. Kevin H. Seymour

Pastor

The Rev. Sunny B. Limm

Fairway District Superintendent

Nancy Martinez

Assistant to the District Superintendent

At the Lamb's high feast we sing, praise to our victorious king,
Who has washed us in the tide, flowing from his pierced side.

Praise we him, whose love divine, gives his sacred blood for wine,
Gives his body for the feast, Christ the victim, Christ the priest.

Easter triumph, Easter joy, Sin alone can this destroy;
From sin's power do thou set free Souls newborn, O Lord, in thee.

Hymns of glory and of praise, Risen Lord, to thee we raise;
Holy Father, praise to thee, with the Spirit, ever be.

--by Jakob Hintze (1622-1702)

A Service of Word and Table

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2024 9:30 AM

After their deliverance from Egypt, the people Israel needed sustenance to get them through the wilderness. God provided manna, the heavenly food they ate for the 40 years of their journey to the Promised Land. Our Lord Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper, giving to us bread from heaven to sustain us until we meet him face-to-face.

GATHERING AND PRAISE

Ringing the Church Bell

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "Organ Prelude" Leslie Orlovsky

Choral Praise "Time Now To Gather" Choir

† Call to Worship by Charles Wesley

Lift your eyes of faith and look on the signs He did ordain!
Thus the bread of life was broke, thus the Lamb of God was slain.

Thus was shed on Calvary,
His last drop of blood for me!

† Opening Prayer

Lord Jesus, when you purged us from the awful stain of sinful hearts and wayward lives, you proved your great faithfulness. Send your Spirit down today and let us adore you as God and King, Savior and Sustainer, and righteous in the place of the unrighteousness. Let us find strength in you alone today, and in your great mercy let us find bright hope for tomorrow. **Amen.**

† Hymn of Praise "Christ Is Alive" # 318

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

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| Old Testament Lesson | Exodus 16:9-15 | Steve Huepper |
| Anthem | "Come To The Table" | Choir |
| Children's Lesson | | Gillian Hubley |
| † Gospel Lesson | | Luke 22:14-19 |
| Sermon | "Sunday Dinner" | Kevin Seymour |

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† Prayer of Confession

Forget us not, O faithful one, even as we tend to forget you and your ways as soon as we walk out the door after the hour of worship. We confess that we would rather remember our differences than dine in grace at your holy table. We have failed in obedience to your command that we invite others to join us in partaking of the bread of your body and the cup of your blood. Keep our eyes from the faults on the hearts of others, pardon our lips from speaking words of harm, and forgive our hard hearts toward the poor and the oppressed and all those deaf to the good news of your salvation. Return us to paths of righteousness; through Jesus Christ, our Savior, Amen.

(observance of silent confession)

Words of Assurance and Pardon

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, for by his stripes we are healed.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

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Glory to God! Amen!

† Hymn of Response "The Church's One Foundation" # 545

MORRIS CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ANNOUNCEMENTS & PARISH NOTICES – May 5, 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

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| 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...

Canned Food Drive is TODAY! If you have forgotten, you may still bring your canned or boxed goods (no glass containers) next Sunday and place them in the box in the narthex. Your generosity is appreciated.

Scholarship Committee Meeting TOMORROW, May 6, at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall! Please attend if possible!

Get Ready for Some Tacos!!! The Fellowship Committee will have a Taco Bar on Wednesday, May 22 from 5:00-6:30. Sign-up on the enclosed sheet for a fun evening of tacos and fellowship. The Fellowship Committee will take a short break over the summer months. Our next Wednesday Night dinner will be in September.

Donations For New Playground! – During the month of May donations will be received to go toward new playground equipment for the children. To get started on the goal of \$10,000, all are asked to prayerfully consider giving over and above your regular tithe. Separate checks may be made to Morris Chapel with “playground equipment” on the memo line.

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. Contact people for any questions are 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

Lay Ministry Courses are being offered at the Garner, NC Conference Building of our Fairway District. Uncertain? Attend the **Day of Discovery** June 1 (10:00-3:00) seminar that will explain how to become a certified Lay Minister. The course will be offered at the NC Conference Building in Garner, NC. Lunch is provided free. To register, go cle@nccumc.org and search for Day of Discovery registration. You will be edified...

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

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| Pat Angel Family of Joyce Barbour Sherry Baucom Lucas Bell Debbie Bryan Vicki & Randy Buchanan Jayden Cockran Congregational Unity Terri Dussalt | Tim & Heather Fabek Family of Cona Falcon Lou Hartman Jimmy Holt Amanda Johnson Evan & Leslie Johnson Maude Maloney Ann McLeod Rhonda McNeill | Middle East peoples Kenneth Noles family Susie Pierce Jeff Popke Dot Roberts Helen Rogers Al Rushatz Anna Sanfilippo Shirley Salmon | Ron & Peggy Scott Becky Seymour Lisa Stafford Joyce Key Thomas United Methodist Church Pam Vaughan Ruth Watson Jimmy Womack |
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Weekly Attendance, Tithes & Offerings Attendance 4/21/24 80

| Tithes & Offerings as of: 04/28/2024 | |
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| 2024 Budget - Needed to Date: | \$ 62,866.75 |
| 2024 Budget - Received to Date: | \$ 92,783.00 |
| Running Surplus /(Deficit) | \$ 29,916.25 |

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 |
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| 5 | Ian Carter Isabelle Sturgill | Gillian Hubley | Steve Huepper | Ron Mercer George Orlovsky | Margaret Spivey Jack Harper | Kevin Seymour Manuela Seymour Greg Vorholt Cindy Vorholt |
| 12 | Paisley Kilmer Teagan Kilmer | Richard Angel | Leslie Orlovsky | Daniel Baker Bryson Baker | Greg Vorholt Cindy Vorholt | |
| 19 | JC Ray Bryson Baker | Krystle Ray | Peggy Baker | Justin Ray JC Ray | Linda Dilley Pam Summers | |
| 26 | Jason Morton Calleigh 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 Carol Martell Doug Currin |

After Worship Treats are provided by Crystal Burichin and Gail & Travis Thomas. Thank you!

MAY BIRTHDAYS!

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| 5/2 Pam Summers | 5/9 Leslie Orlovsky | 5/15 Kevin McGinty | 5/24 Travis Thomas |
| 5/3 Mary Keith | 5/10 Carol Schroeder | 5/18 Rita Gross | 5/26 Lance Hyde |
| 5/5 Susie Pierce | 5/13 Jeanette Cox | 5/19 Lee Hubbard Jr. | 5/26 JC Ray |
| 5/7 Morgan Baker | 5/13 Tommy Vaughan | 5/23 Olivia Gorman | 5/28 Krystle Ray |
| 5/9 Brad Hyde | 5/14 Peggy Baker | 5/24 Elva Hall | 5/31 Henry Hall |