



# MORRIS CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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## An Order of Service for Word and Worship

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

May 02, 2021 9:30 & 11:00 AM

**Entrance**

**Prelude**

*“Come Ye That Love the Lord”*

**Welcome**

Pastor

Christ is the vine. We are the branches. Abide in the vine, and you will abide in love.

**† Call to Worship**

L: Come to Christ, the true vine, and bear much fruit.

**P: We have come to abide in the vine, and to bear the fruit of salvation.**

L: Come to love on another, for love is of God.

**P: We have come to the household of love, for God is love.**

L: Come to set aside your fears, for perfect love drives out fear.

**P: We have come to love one another, as God has loved us. Come! All are welcome here.**

**Opening Hymn**

*“To God Be the Glory, Great Things He Hath Done!”*

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**† Prayer of Confession**

(Unison)

**Divine Vinegrower, the soil of your love nurtures the roots of our lives each and every day. As we consecrate ourselves into your loving care, plant us in the soil of your love, that we may abide in Christ, our true vine, and bear the fruit of your love and grace. Give us rain in seasons of doubt and nourish our growth, that our harvest of love may bless the world. In your bountiful name, we pray. Amen.**

**† Old Testament Lesson**

*Psalm 22:25-31*

Pastor

**† Gloria Patri**

#70

**Receiving of Joys and Prayer Concerns**

Pastor

**Musical Interlude**

*“Lead Me, Lord”*

**Pastoral Prayer and Silent Meditation**

**Special Music**

Ben Edwards, Soloist

**† Sermon Text**

*John 15:1-8*

**Sermon**

**Abide in Me**

Pastor

**† Apostle’s Creed**

#881

**Closing Hymn**

*“Soon and Very Soon”*

#706

**† Benediction**

**† Postlude**

*“Go Make of All Disciples”*

**† Please stand as you are able**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & PARISH NOTICES

Welcome to Morris Chapel United Methodist Church! We are excited that you joined us in Worship today via Facebook Live. Morris Chapel United Methodist Church welcomes all as we come together to Worship. Let us join in praising God, making Disciples for Jesus and helping transform the world!

**Last Sunday's Special Farewell Gathering:** Thank you to everyone who fellowshiped last Sunday during our good-bye send off for Oscar Roberto & Tamara Davidson as well as Terry and Mary Lynn Riddle. It was a wonderful gathering! Their departure dates are May 5-6th and May 25th respectively. Please keep them in your prayers for God's speed and safety as they make their journeys into a new life! They will be greatly missed!

**Thursday Bible Studies:** (Livestream) at 11:00. The next topic will be announced shortly. Stay tuned!

**Tithes and Offerings:** The church thanks you for your faithfulness in tithing and offering. Please continue to mail your gifts and tithes to the church or bring them when you attend. You may also follow the directions on the website at [www.morrischapelumc.org](http://www.morrischapelumc.org) for on-line giving through Vanco. Be in God's Grace, Peace and Love

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

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Project Agape  
Cindy Roberts Alexander  
Sheila Armstrong  
Carmen Andrews  
**Richard Angel**  
Asian Americans  
**Christopher Baker**  
Sherry Baucom  
Gage Berryman  
Joshua Black  
Allison Blackwell  
Polly Bouldin  
Elizabeth Brown  
Pauline Brown  
Sharon Buchanan  
Country of Burma  
Opal Campbell  
Rick Campbell  
Barbara Cashion  
Dennis Cleveland  
Noah Davis Clifton  
Shirley Coleman  
**COVID-19 victims**  
Greg Cox  
Jeanette Amos-Cox  
Andrea Crosby

**Tamara Davidson & Oscar Roberto**  
Carole Davis  
Barbara Denise  
Melissa Edwards  
Wayne Everts  
**Emergency responders**  
Sharon Fields  
Don Fletcher  
**Family of Norma Jean Gamble**  
Lisa Godwin  
**Benny Goldberg**  
Cindy Griffin  
Shiann & David Hagan  
Elva Hall  
Weston Hamil  
Louis Hartman  
Kelly Hatcher  
**Healthcare workers**  
Laura Holder  
Linda Holder  
**Lupe Howell**  
Chad Huffman  
Janet Hughes  
**Kathy Hyde**  
Justin, Leslie, **Evan & Liam Johnson**  
Bobby Jones

Crystal Jordan  
Sandi Kankelfritz  
June Kelly  
Ricky Kelly  
**Tristan Kiger**  
Branson Long  
Lost souls everywhere  
Mary Luth  
Brenda Maddox  
Maude Maloney  
Carol Martell  
Rebecca Mansfield  
Melissa Martin  
Connie Mashburn  
Ashley McBurnett  
Donna McNeill  
Linda McNeill  
Rhonda McNeill  
Tim McNeill  
Martha Meeks  
The MERCI Center  
Lou Millar  
Military troops & families  
Ricky Norris  
Norma O'Quinn  
Karen Odom

Cecile Parker  
**Family of Leah Perry**  
Brenda Popke  
**Terry & Mary Lynn Riddle**  
Dot Roberts  
**Family of Ashley Cox Schooley**  
Sandra Shope  
Catherine Simms  
Richard Smith  
Valerie Stanley  
Carrie Stephenson  
Hilton Stewart  
Howard Sweeney  
Esteen Thomas  
Joyce Thomas  
Larry Thomas  
Mary Thomas  
Drew & Hannah Thompson  
United Methodist Churches  
**United States of America**  
Gene Wheeler  
Betty Whitehurst  
**Lilla Mae Williams**  
Jackie Wilson  
Tim Wholey  
Sammy Womack  
People of Yemen