



# MORRIS CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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## An Order of Service for Word and Worship

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 4, 2022 - 9:30 AM

### Entrance

### Prelude

**Welcome** When we try to hide, God always finds us. When we crawl into the darkness, even there we don't escape God's eyes. Are you tired of running from the One who loves you? We are here at last, ready, and eager to be made whole. Let us worship the living God. Amen.

### Call to Worship

“Oh the Glory of Your Presence”

Jerry Keith

### † Greeting

L: Look around. What wonders we behold!

**P: We see others, gathered here to worship and praise God.**

L: Each person here is a unique, beloved child of God.

**P: Each person here is given special gifts and talents by God.**

L: Come, let us worship God who has blessed us so mightily.

**P: Let us praise God with our whole hearts, souls, minds, and spirits. AMEN.**

### † Opening Hymn

“Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated”

#399

### † Opening Prayer

(Unison)

**Lord, from the very beginning of Your creation, You breathed Your love in to all that You made. You gave us the breath of life and asked us to be good stewards of all creation. You placed Your trust and love in us. Help us to turn again with joyful hearts to You, placing our trust in all that You have done for us. Let us be a blessing for You. Amen.**

### Old Testament Reading

Psalm 1

Minister

### † Gloria Patri

#70

### Children's Message

### Receiving of Joys and Prayer Concerns

Minister

### Musical Interlude

### Pastoral Prayer and Silent Meditation

### Special Music

“Written in Red”

Jerry Keith

### Message

**Luke 14:25-33**

Minister

**Carry the Cross and Follow Jesus**

### † Gather at the Lord's Table for Holy Communion

#12-15

### † Sending Forth

“Where He Leads Me”

#338

### † Postlude

† *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 and in person. All are welcomed as we come together to praise God and make disciples for Jesus!

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Tuesday, September 6<sup>TH</sup>** – Please join District Superintendent the Reverend Dena White as she discusses this period of change in The United Methodist Church, and how the North Carolina Conference is also being reinvented. This is a very important topic for our church and the United Methodist Church. This meeting will take place in the Fellowship Hall at 11:00 am. Please let Pastor Mike know you are coming so that we can plan food as we share a time of fellowship with our District Superintendent.

**September 7<sup>th</sup>** – Chancel Choir starts back! Please come join the choir at 7:00 as we begin a new year of singing and fun! We welcome new members!

**September 10 Children/Youth Event!!** "Racing To The Finish Line" Competition for each race will be fun and exciting for all! The evening will also include a meal, music, scripture and a time for prayer. So parents and grandparents, come and be a part of this special time with your children/youth!

**Christmas Cards for Our Troops!** Do you or someone you know have a loved one that is serving in our armed services? We will be assembling over 200 cards for our heroes to let them know we appreciate their sacrifice and that we remember them in our prayers. Would you like to join us? Please let me know if you would be interested so we can schedule a date. For more information, contact Gail at [gicarucci57@gmail.com](mailto:gicarucci57@gmail.com) or call me at 716.307.5510. Thank you!

**Communion Sunday Food Offering** – Beginning in the month of September, and following Monthly Communion Sunday's, the Missions Committee will be collecting boxed and canned food for the Love Grove AME Church Food Pantry. Please no glass containers. If you have any questions, please ask Karen Rosser and Pastor Mike.

**Lay Leadership for 2023** – We are quickly approaching 2023 and are looking for disciples ready to step in and help with the ministries of the church. If you have a passion to serve and feel God is calling you to a ministry at Morris Chapel, please let Pastor Mike or Karen Rosser know. They will help you become involved in a ministry, here at Morris Chapel UMC.

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

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

### **Richard & Pat Angel**

Carla Bailey  
Jessie & Carter Beck  
Joshua Black  
Aiken Blackwell  
Pat Branton  
Louise Buchanan  
Sharon Buchanan  
Shirley Buchanan  
Crystal Burichin  
Berle Campbell  
Family of Tony Carabajal  
Tammy Casey  
Christians in Middle East  
Hal Cleavenger  
Jimmy Clifton  
Noah Davis Clifton  
Jeanette Amos-Cox  
Linda Cox  
**Morgan Cox**  
Caleb Craig  
Colleen Custer  
Phil DeVeau  
Linda Dilley

Melissa Edwards  
Horace Ferguson  
Dale Flagg  
Dennis Fore  
Pam Gillis  
Buddy Godwin  
**Family of Ruby Griffin**  
Lewis & Mel Hartman  
Bobby & Laura Holder  
Linda Holder  
**Family of Martha Howle**  
Elva & Henry Hall  
Dennis & Phyllis Hartman  
Kendall Huepper  
Mary Hudson  
Wayne Hudson  
Chad Huffman  
Carolyn Jernigan  
Evan Johnson  
Nancy Johnson  
Laverne Joiner  
Bobby Jones  
Jerry Keith - travels  
Warren Keyser

Phil Kelly  
June Kelly  
Peggy Kennedy  
Don Key  
Tony Kilcullen  
Beverly Leslie  
Lance Little  
Maude Maloney  
Melissa Martin  
Martha Meeks  
Military troops & families  
Linda McNeill  
Mary McNeill  
Tim & Donna McNeill  
Kim Neal  
Molly Margaret O'Quinn  
Nancy Page  
Brooklyn Annette Perry  
Susie Pierce  
Pastor Larry Pittman  
Phyllis Poe  
**Brenda Popke**

Renee Ratcho  
Jason Ray  
Johnny Ray  
Megan Riland  
Dot Roberts  
Betty Jean Rosser  
Carolyn Saucier  
Sandra Shope  
Caden Smith  
Hilton Stewart  
Ukraine & Russian people  
United Methodist Church  
United States of America  
**Unspoken Prayers**  
Pam Vaughan  
Lance Weekly  
Heather Wicker  
Lilla Williams  
Fred Wilson  
Bill Wilson  
Sammy Womack