

Announcements

Presentation of God’s tithes and our offerings

Offertory

† Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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!

Sharing our prayer concerns

Musical interlude

Prayers for the Church and the world, the Lord’s Prayer

SENDING FORTH

† Hymn

“Thine Be the Glory”

UMH No. 308

† Benediction

† Postlude

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

All depends on our possessing
God's abundant grace and blessing,
though all earthly wealth depart.
They who trust with faith unshaken
in their God are not forsaken
and will keep a dauntless heart.
--author unknown

“For there is one
God, and one
mediator between
God and men, the
man Christ Jesus;
Who gave himself a
ransom for all, to be
testified in due
time.”
1 Timothy 2:5-6 KJV

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

The Rev. Connie Mitchell Shelton
Raleigh Area Bishop

The Rev. Kevin H. Seymour
Pastor

A Service of the Word

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 28, 2025 9:30 AM

The Apostle Paul writes to Timothy that God wants “all to be saved and to come to a saving knowledge of God.”

GATHERING AND PRAISE

Ring the Church bell

Prelude “And Can It Be?” Leslie Orlovsky

Choral Praise “O How He Loves You and Me” Choir

† Call to Worship

Great is the Lord our God!
God is our help from ages past and our hope for the years to come.
Praise be to Jesus the Christ, the Son of the Living God.
He is the shield of salvation, he gave us freedom for our steps.
The Spirit of God hovered over the dark void of chaos.
God’s Word shattered the darkness with the dawning of first light.
The grass withers, the flower fades.
But the Word of the Lord endures forever!
Patient and merciful is the Lord our God.
Let us give thanks and praise! For God’s great love is without end.

† Prayer

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

† Hymn “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!” UMH No. 64

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Psalter Lesson Psalm 113 Leslie Orlovsky
Anthem “God and God Alone”
Children’s Lesson Krystle Ray
New Testament Lesson 1 Timothy 2:1-7
Sermon Kevin Seymour

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† Hymn “For the Healing of the Nations” UMH No. 428

† Affirmation of Faith

Lord, You have always given bread for the coming day;
and though I am poor, today I believe.

Lord, You have always given strength for the coming day;
and though I am weak, today I believe.

Lord, You have always given peace for the coming day;
and though of anxious heart, today I believe.

Lord, You have always marked the road for the coming day;
and though it may be hidden, today I believe.

Lord, You have always lightened this darkness of mine;
and though the night is here, today I believe.

Lord You have always spoken when time was ripe;
and though you be silent now, today I believe.

† Confession

Holy God, Maker of all
Have mercy on us.

Jesus Christ, Servant of the poor,
Have mercy on us.

Holy Spirit, Breath of life
Have mercy on us.

Silence Let us in silence confess our faults before God.

May God forgive you, Christ renew you, and the Spirit enable you to grow in love.
Amen.

WELCOME TO MORRIS CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

~ This is the day the Lord has made! Let us rejoice and be glad in it! ~

This week at Morris Chapel

Sunday – Worship service @ 930 AM.
Pastor's Bible Study – Tuesday at 10 AM.
Choir rehearsal – Wednesday night at 6:30 PM.
Children & Youth, Wednesday night 6 – 7 PM.

Acolyte Training

Acolyte Training Oct. 5 – *Dear Acolytes, Please let your parents know that you have to stay in the sanctuary next Sunday (Oct. 5) after worship for training.*
Make-up date will be October 12 for those who can't make it next week.
See Karen Rosser, Danny Baker, or Bryson Baker.

Acolyte Spotlight



Cole Burris

Our Acolyte Spotlight this week is on Cole Burris, the son of Drew & Stacey Burris and younger brother to Jase. Cole has reached the ripe old age of 5 as of his recent birthday. Cole likes T-ball and riding his bike. Favorite subject at school? When Grand-ma comes to pick me up! 😊 Favorite teacher: Ms. Jennifer. Cole's appetite is best satisfied with pizza, and then lemon oreo's for dessert. The best game for Cole to play with is his T-Rex dinosaur. He loves to spend time outdoors, playing in mud puddles, hitting the baseball or the golf ball or shooting basketball. Time is best spent over at Grand-ma's where he drinks coke, watches his shows, stays up late and snuggles with Grand-ma. Say hello to Cole and let him know he's appreciated and how he help make worship special for the rest of us.

Keep these in your prayers

New this week: Opal Campbell, Mandy Dalrymple, Jared Lett, Kathy Pembroke, Donna Sloan, Family of Paul Lyons

Peggy Baker Jeff Cummings Peggy Daniels Mary Ann Feavel Mike Garcia Elva Hall	Dennis Hartman Lewis Hartman Bobby Holder Laura Holder Gillain Hubley	Nancy Johnson Charles Maddox Nancy McDuffie Rhonda McNeill Laurel Parker	Susie Pierce Danielle Rachko Ron & Peggy Scott Shelby Truelove Louise Walker Betty Zann
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Send prayer requests to Pastor Kevin @ 919-802-8286, kseymour@nccumc.org,
or use the yellow prayer card request found in your pew pocket.

Weekly Attendance, Tithes & Offerings

Attendance last Sunday: 54

Tithes & Offerings as of: 09/21/2025	
2025 Budget - Needed to Date:	\$ 148,415.52
2025 Budget - Received to Date:	\$ 155,960.23
Running Surplus /(Deficit)	\$ 7,544.71

Let none appear before the Lord empty-handed; all shall give as they are able, according to the blessing of the Lord your God that he has given you. – Deuteronomy 16:17.

Earn all you can, save all you can, give all you can. – *John Wesley.*

Serving in Worship

	Acolytes	Children's Lesson	Lay Readers	Ushers	Greeters	Communion Servers
Sept. 28	Ian Carter Isabelle Sturgill	Krystle Ray	Leslie Orlovsky	Drew Burris Gary Rosser	Janice Holder	
Oct. 5	Callen Morris Jase Burris	Stacey Burris	Rylee Ray	Donnie Carter Ian Carter	Linda Dilley	Paisley Kilmer Carol Martell
Oct. 12	Paisley Kilmer Teagan Kilmer	Stacey Burris	Jason Kilmer	Daniel Baker Bryson Baker	George Orlovsky	
Oct. 19	JC Ray Bryson Baker	Krystle Ray	Calleigh Baker	Jason Kilmer Dan Wissinger	Danny Baker	
Oct. 26	Calleigh Baker Lincoln Brewer	Stacey Burris	Isabelle Sturgill	Ron Mercer George Orlovsky	Marian Huepper	

Notice to all who are scheduled to serve -- you are respectfully asked to arrange for a substitute in the event that you cannot fill your assigned slot.

If you have changes, let Pastor Kevin or Peggy Baker know.

Thank you for serving the good of God's church.