

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

SENDING FORTH

Announcements

† **Hymn**

"God of the Ages"

UMH No. 698

† **Postlude**

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

We are not the ones that shape God
it is God that shapes us.
If we are the work of God
let us await the hand of the artist
who does all things in due season.
We offer You our hearts, O Lord,
soft and tractable,
and keep the form
in which you, the artist, have fashioned us.
Let our clay be moist,
lest we grow hard
and lose the imprint of Your fingers, O Lord.
Amen. - *Irenaeus of Lyons, 2nd century*



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Worship Service, 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

A Service of the Word

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
June 28, 2026

Today we welcome Dominic Strug to share the good news with us.

GATHERING AND PRAISE

Ring the Church Bell

Greeting

Prelude

Leslie Orlovsky

Choral Praise

† **Call to Worship**

Drew Burris

The hour is come to worship God in spirit and in truth.
We come now to bow down, to kneel before our maker.

Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and sing the song of praise.
I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord."

Praise the merciful Son, for us he came to save.
Jesus gave himself as a ransom for all.

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit!

† **Opening Prayer**

Glorious God, guide us to put first things first in our lives. Set our priorities on your purposes for us. We who have been baptized into Jesus Christ seek to fulfill our discipleship in all our thoughts, words, and deeds. **Amen.**

† **Hymn of Praise**

"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

UMH No. 57

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Psalter Lesson

Psalm 13 Pew Bible p. 494, OT

Jason Kilmer

Anthem

"Without Him"

Barbara Lewis & Jerry Keith

Children's Lesson

Stacey Burris

Old Testament Lesson

Joshua 24:14-15 Pew Bible p. 216 OT

Sermon

"Religious Freedom"

Dominic Strug

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† **Hymn of Response**

"My Hope Is Built"

UMH No. 368

† **Affirmation of Faith**

"The Apostles' Creed"

UMH No. 881

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

WELCOME TO MORRIS CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
~ I was glad when they said unto me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord!" ~

This week at Morris Chapel

Sunday –Worship Service @ 930 AM; Fellowship Time & Sunday School,10:45.

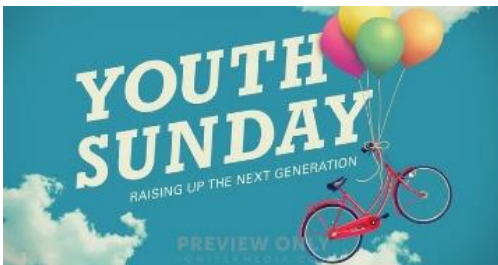
For the good of the church

July 5 – Bring non-perishables foods and seasonings for donation to the local food pantry.

Scholarship Ministry -- The 12th Annual *Give a Kid a Chance Golf Tournament* will be on August 1 at Sanford Golf Course. Proceeds will benefit scholarships and youth ministries at Morris Chapel. Tournament entry forms are available. See Danny Baker for information.

- Donations are certainly welcomed, just indicate *"Golf Tournament Sponsor"* on your check to Morris Chapel.

The United Methodist Church forms disciples of Jesus Christ who, empowered by the Holy Spirit, love boldly, serve joyfully, and lead courageously in local communities and worldwide connections.



July 12 – Youth Sunday. Please see Ms. Krystle.

August 7 – Back-to-School Celebration



6:30 – 8PM.

The Discipleship Path of Morris Chapel: INVITE – WELCOME – EQUIP – SEND

Jesus said, *"Follow me, and I will make you fish for people."*

Therefore, our church will invite others to come and join us.

The church calendar is on our web site: www.morrischapelumc.org/events

Keep these in your prayers

New this week: River Cummings, Brian Dinkins, Kevin Fannin, James Ross Hawbaker.

Don Beech Peggy Danielsen Amber Ellis Cathy Glessn Samson Hinson Libby Hubbard	Wayne & Mary Hudson Sue Job Joseph Kilcullen Mary Ann Krausser Charles Maddox Rhonda McNeill	Susie Pierce Melvin Rosser Charlene Snyder Phil Spivey Marilyn Stevens Denny Summers	John Thorn Shelby Truelove Pam Vaughan Bob Woolston Sandy Woolston
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Attendance last Sunday – 58

Tithes & Offerings as of 06/21/2026	
Needed Each Week:	\$ 4,049.40
Received Last Week:	\$ 3,240.92

Honor the Lord with your substance and with the first fruits of all your produce. Proverbs 3:9

You may support the ministries of Morris Chapel by giving online at
www.morrischapelumc.org/giveplus

Serving in Worship

Communion Servers July 5: Isabelle Sturgill and George Orlovsky.

	Acolytes	Children's Lesson	Lectors	Liturgists	Ushers	Greeters
June 28	Jase Burris Cole Burris	Stacey Burris	Jason Kilmer	Drew Burris	Jason Kilmer Dan Wissinger	Terrena Shelton
July 5	Ellie Kilmer Teagan Kilmer	Kevin Seymour	Manuela Seymour	Loyda Sykes	Ron Mercer George Orlovsky	Danny Baker
July 12	Youth	Youth	Youth	Youth	Youth	Youth
July 19	Calleigh Baker Lincoln Brewer	Krystle Ray	Steve Huepper	Manuela Seymour	Jake Wissinger Dan Wissinger	

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