

Presentation of God's tithes and our offerings

Offertory

† **Doxology**

UMH No. 70

GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be:
World without end. Amen, Amen.**

Sharing our prayer concerns

Musical interlude *"Rock of Ages"*

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

SENDING FORTH

Announcements

† **Hymn**

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

UMH No. 577

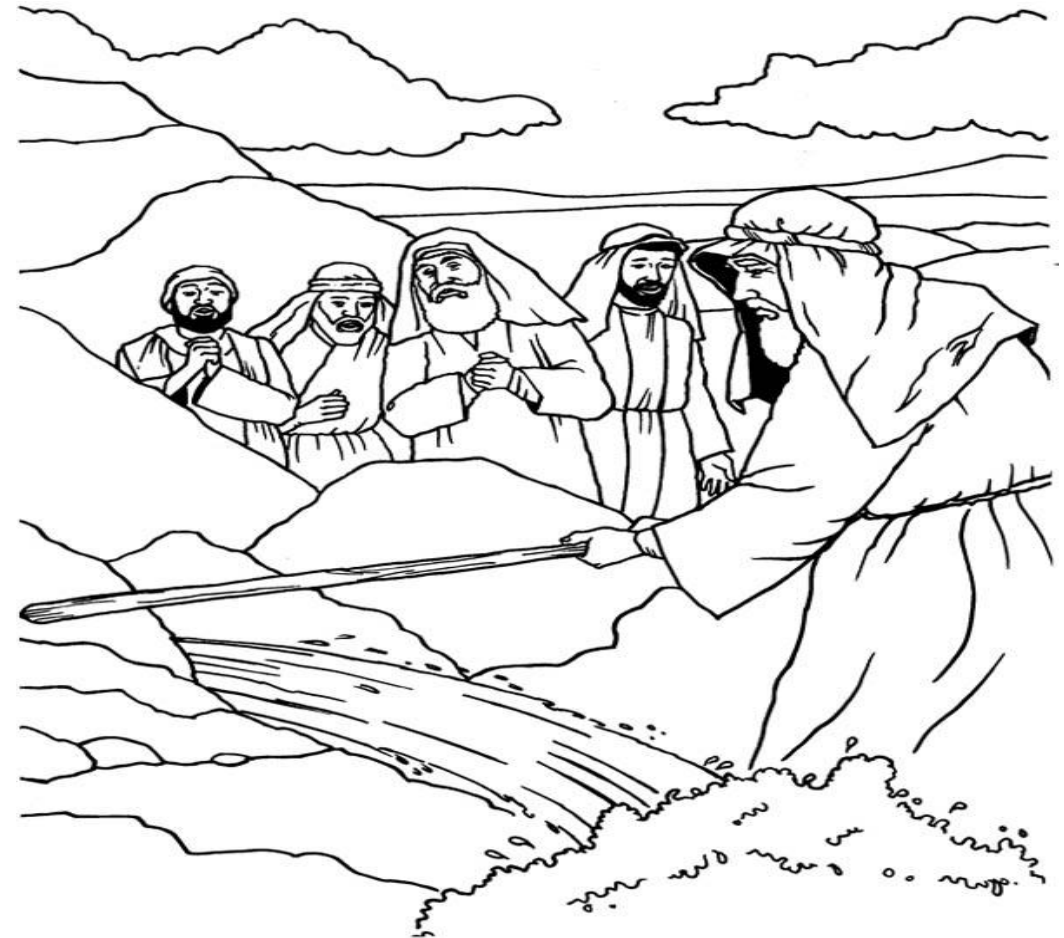
† **Benediction**

† **Postlude**

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

Christ the Way of life possess me, lift my heart to love and praise;
guide and keep, sustain and bless me, all my days.
Well of life, for ever flowing, make my barren soul and bare
like a watered garden growing fresh and fair.
May the Tree of life in splendour from its leafy boughs impart
grace divine and healing tender, strength of heart.
Path of life before me shining, let me come when earth is past,
sorrow, self and sin resigning, home at last.

~by Timothy Dudley Smith~



MOSES STRIKES THE ROCK

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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Worship Service 9:30 AM

Fellowship Time and Sunday School, 10:45

The Rev. Connie Mitchell Shelton

Bishop

The Rev. Kevin H. Seymour

Pastor

A Service of the Word

September 27, 2026

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

In the Book of Exodus we hear of a time when the Israelites were desperate for survival. And yet, despite what all that God had done for them thus far, they were filled with doubt, fear, and rebellion. God gave them a miraculous provision of water from the “Rock at Horeb.” The Apostle Paul teaches the Corinthian church and us to learn from Israel’s history and trust in God’s faithfulness. We are invited to be released from all that binds us by asking for God’s forgiveness.

GATHERING AND PRAISE

Ring the Church bell

Greeting

Prelude *"The Solid Rock"* Leslie Orlovsky

Choral Praise *"Praise the Name of Jesus"*

† Call to Worship

Sing to praise to the maker of day and night.
Father God knows no end. It is He who gives the one true light.

Praise the rock who saves us.
Glory be to Jesus Christ, the Father’s only Son.

Glory to the Holy Spirit.
The One God reigns this day and will forever more. Amen.

† Prayer

We pray to you, O God, the Rock who gave us birth. Let our rejoicing sing your name in all the earth. Eternal God, we hide beneath your wonderful wings. You are everlasting. To you our praises ring because your Word is true, your way is just, and you are God in whom we trust. **Amen.**

† Hymn *"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"* **UMH No. 731**

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

New Testament Lesson **1 Corinthians 10:1-5** Pew Bible p. 172 NT **Bryson Baker**

Anthem *"The Rock Medley"*

Children’s Lesson **Kevin Seymour**

Old Testament Lesson **Exodus 17:1-7** Pew Bible p. 64 OT

Sermon *"Water from the Rock"* **Kevin Seymour**

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we come to you on this day of glory to confess our lack of faith. While we sing praises and we celebrate your Lordship over all creation, we often act as though you are powerless to save us. Call us to remembrance of your provision, today and every day. Help us, dear Lord, to live with the confidence of your presence and in hope for life forever with you. Amen.

All pray in silence

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Glory to God. Amen.

† Hymn of Response *"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"* **UMH No. 400**



MORRIS CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
LOVE GOD, FOLLOW JESUS, & SERVE OTHERS

This week at Morris Chapel

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

Tuesday – Pastor's Bible Study, 10 AM.

Wednesday – Choir Rehearsal, 630 PM.

Waffle Breakfast Today.

After the worship service, we'll enjoy a time together around the table with the special delight of waffles, bacon, and fruit.

The waffles will be hot and ready to eat and allow you time afterwards for Sunday School.



Upcoming

Sunday October 4 – bring non-perishable foods & seasonings for the Food Pantry; Christmas Play Practice, 10:45 AM; Charge Conference, 2 PM.

Monday, October 5 – PPRC meeting, 6:30 PM.

Wednesday, October 7 – Children & Youth Night, 6 PM.

Congregational Care

If you would like to take part in helping the ministry of Morris Chapel reflect the unconditional love of Jesus, please let Pastor Kevin know. A ministry team is building for the purpose of caring for each other in a time such as this.

Did you know?

One of the biggest reasons a person will decide to attend worship is because they've been INVITED by someone they know.

You will find our church calendar at www.morrischapelumc.org/events

“We allow, it is the work of God alone to justify, to sanctify, and to glorify; which three comprehend the whole of salvation.” – *John Wesley*

Keep these in your prayers

New this week: Joe Cavaluzzi.

Family of Brian Dinkins, Family of Becky Rosser, Jurisich Family.

Ting Baucom Peggy Daniels Clarence Edwards Warren Lewis Shirley Matthews	Drew McDonald Rhonda McNeill Amy & James O'Hara Susie Pierce	Melvin Rosser Judy Sharpe Phil Spivey Marilyn Stevens Marla Stewart	Denny Summers Shelby Truelove Pam Vaughan Bob Woolston Sandy Woolston
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Attendance last Sunday: 74

Tithes & Offerings as of 09/20/2026	
Needed Each Week:	\$ 4,049.40
Received Last Week:	\$ 3,556.92

The funds needed each week are raised to meet the church budget. Your generous support enables the support of worship, music, and the pursuit God's mission locally and around the world.

For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. Matthew 6:21

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

Serving in Worship

Serving Communion October 4 -- Gail Thomas and Drew Burris.

	Acolytes	Children's Lesson	Lectors	Liturgists	Ushers	Greeters
Sept. 27	Rylee Ray Callen Morris	Kevin Seymour	Bryson Baker		Justin Ray JC Ray	Crystal Burichin
Oct. 4	Jase Burris Cole Burris	Krystle Ray	Manuela Seymour	Manuela Seymour	Drew Burris Gary Rosser	Gail Thomas
Oct. 11	Calleigh Baker Rylee Ray	Calleigh Baker	George Orlovsky		Crystal Burichin Travis Thomas	Janice Holder
Oct. 18	Jase Burris Cole Burris	Stacey Burris	Steve Huepper	Inge Hersman	Jake Wissinger Dan Wissinger	Linda Dilley
Oct. 25	Calleigh Baker Rylee Ray	Rylee Ray	Leslie Orlovsky		Todd Pace Nash Pace	Carl Sykes

**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.