



MORRIS CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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An Order of Service for Word Worship

ASCENSION OF OUR LORD SUNDAY

May 21, 2023 - 9:30 AM

Entrance

Prelude

“To God Be the Glory”

Musician

By William H. Doane, arr. by Tim Doran

Welcome We are called by Christ from suffering to renewal, from despair to hope. As witnesses to God’s love for all people, let us show God’s love for one another. Let us share the peace of Christ to restore the broken places in our community.

Call to Worship

“Lord I Lift Your Name on High”

Choir

Greeting

L: Shout to God with songs of great joy!

P: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised!

L: God has made us whole.

P: God has called us to a ministry of hope and love.

L: Come, let us celebrate the love of God!

P: Let us praise God’s name and serve God joyfully. AMEN.

† Opening Hymn

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

#154

† Opening Prayer

(Unison)

Breath of God, renew us in this time of worship. Help us set aside thoughts that trouble us. Help us pause the challenges of the world that taunt us. Pour your spirit within each one of us, that we may be re-spirited in this hour by your power and your grace. Amen.

New Testament Reading

Ephesians 1:15-23

Minister

† Gloria Patri

#70

Children’s Message

Gillian Hubley

Receiving of Joys and Prayer Concerns

Minister

Musical Interlude

Pastoral Prayer and Silent Meditation

Offering

† Doxology

#95

† Prayer of Thanksgiving for the Offering

Minister

Anthem

“Give Me Jesus”

Choir

Message

Acts 1:1-11

Minister

You Will Receive the Power of the Holy Spirit

† Sending Forth

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

#327

† 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!

Pastor Mike has announced that he will be leaving Morris Chapel. So the Fellowship Committee is hosting a breakfast to honor him on Sunday, May 28th immediately after the church service. Please join us to wish him well on his new journey. A basket for cards and love offerings will be available in the Fellowship Hall.

Member & Visitor Information updates are needed! A new 2023 Church Directory is being compiled, so if you have changed addresses, phone numbers or email addresses – please contact Sandra Carter (919) 770-4772 ASAP to give her correct information. This includes visitors who are not members, so please share your info with us if you wish!

The Fellowship Committee members are happy to provide refreshments on Sunday mornings, *when necessary*, but we would like to promote participation from the congregation. We have put together a handout (located in the kitchen next to the **Refreshment Volunteer Poster**) with instructions and suggestions when hosting refreshment time on Sunday mornings. Please consider helping.

Volunteer Worship Schedule Changes should now be given to Mavis Harper. Let her know as soon as possible if a scheduled date does not work for you. Contact mavisharper1944@gmail.com or (919) 770-0489. Thank you.

Spaghetti Dinner! Thanks to all who came Friday evening for the wonderful Spaghetti Dinner hosted by the Men’s Group with desserts provided by the Fellowship Committee! It was a blessed time of excellent food and fellowship. To God be the glory!

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 for on-line giving through Vanco. Be in God’s Grace, Peace and Love.

Announcements: by noon on Wednesdays to Laurel Parker at laurelparker@charter.net or (919) 271-0963
AND Mavis Harper at mavisharper1944@gmail.com or (919) 770-0489.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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| Edwin Angel
Richard & Pat Angel
Family of James Bullock
Family of Joe Carucci
Matthew Cumber
Greg & Marcia Garcia
Peggy Gilmore
Buddy Godwin
Keri Grant
Dennis & Lewis Hartman
Mark Hickman
Chad Huffman
Bill Jacoby
Evan Johnson
Nancy Johnson | Bob Kennedy
Gordon Klumpp
Tom Kirby
Diane Ludewig
Bette Lyons
Maude Maloney
Melissa Martin
Martha Meeks
Military troops & families
Nancy McDuffie
Ann McLeod
Linda McNeill
Rhonda McNeill
Clay Moore
Tom Napier | Randy Norris
Family of Nancy Page
Susie Pierce
Phyllis Poe
Janie Ray
Carrie Richards
Family of Tim Wrightly
Dot Roberts
Ron & Peggy Scott
Sandra Shope
Logan Shuey
Fred Spivey
Jan Pilson Stewart
Hilton Stewart
Joey Stewart | Jana Soward
Family of Billy Thomas
Blake Thomas
Joyce Key Thomas
United Methodist Church
United States of America
Unspoken Prayers
John Wells
Carol Wilcom
Flossie Wilt
Family of Lilla Williams
Bill Wilson
Nate Wissinger-travels
Eleanor Yarborough |
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WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

May 2023	Acolytes	Children’s Message	Ushers	Greeters	Communion Servers	Fellowship
21	Jason Little Ian Carter	Gillian Hubley	Donnie Carter Daniel Baker	Ron Mercer Laurel Parker		
28	Calleigh Baker Jase Burris	Krystle Ray	Gary Maddox Hank Richards	Jack Harper Mavis Harper		Fellowship Committee for Pastor Mike
June 4	JC Ray Jase Burris		Walt Hersman Greg Vorholt	Ron Mercer Gail Carucci		Danny Baker Janice Holder
11	Bryson Baker Calleigh Baker	Gillian Hubley	Ron Mercer Jack Harper	Margaret Spivey Janice Holder	Danny Baker Peggy Baker Gary Rosser Karen Rosser	
18	Ian Carter Jason Little	Krystle Ray	Gary Maddox Danny Baker	Cindy Vorholt Laurel Parker		

*Please sign up on the **Refreshment Volunteer Poster** in the kitchen to provide refreshments on Sunday mornings.*