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An Order of Service for Word and Worship

FOURTH SUNDAY of EASTER

April 30, 2023 - 9:30 AM

Entrance

Prelude

“He Shall Feed His Flock (From Messiah)”

Musician

George Frederick Handel, arr. by Albin C. Whitworth

Welcome God of goodness and mercy, follow me all my days! Source of grace and compassion, flow from me all my days!

Call to Worship

“Surely Goodness and Mercy”

Choir

John W. Peterson/Alfred B. Smith

Greeting

L: Hear Jesus’s great truth: I am the gate for the sheep!

P: We recognize this voice. We’ve heard these words before.

L: Come in! You belong here! You are safe and cared for here!

P: We recognize the voice of our Shepherd.

L: Follow and find green pastures and still waters!

P: We hear His voice.

L: I come to give life and give it abundantly.

P: Come one, come all!

† Opening Hymn

“To God Be the Glory, Great Things He Hath Done!”

#98

† Opening Prayer

(Unison)

Risen Savior, Good Shepherd, we hear Your voice calling us to follow. We remember our ancient brothers and sisters who gathered in prayer and praise. Today, we too gather in prayer and praise. Enliven us with Your resurrection power— a power that frees us from despair. Enliven us with Your abundant life. May Your living power flow through us in all we are and do! Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 23

Minister

† Gloria Patri

#70

Children’s Message

Gill 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

Special Music

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

Choir

Message

John 10:1-10

Minister

Jesus Gives Abundant Life

Apostle’s Creed

#881

† Sending Forth

“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

#381

† 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!

Church Family - Thank you for all of your heartfelt prayers during the passing of my sister, Melissa Dawn Edwards. She was a very special person in my life and your kindness during these last few weeks has been greatly appreciated. Thank you to Bill Gross and The Rev. Douglas Currin for leading our Worship services these last two weeks. Morris Chapel is truly blessed with many gifted disciples. May we continue to grow and share the Good News of Jesus Christ! Mike

New Bible Study TODAY after Worship Service at 11:00. Materials will be distributed for those who have not picked up their new packets. **NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!** We have room!

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) 770-048. Thank you.

It's Scholarship Time! It now is time to apply for scholarships! Please see Danny Baker for applications. The scholarships will be awarded on Mothers' Day, May 14th. Thank you!

Advance Invitation: a Spaghetti Dinner will be hosted on Friday, May 19th! (Time TBD). The United Methodist Men and the Fellowship Committee are working together to bring you a sumptuous meal! Meal costs will be \$8.00 per plate for seniors, \$10.00 per plate for other adults, and children under the age of 6 eat free! Mark your calendar. Yummy.....

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 Billie Arnett Deborah Beaudin Family of Bill Brady Bud & Carol Burgess Charmin Family Alan Cox Jeanette Amos-Cox Martha Crutchfield Matthew Cumber Family of Melissa Edwards Dennis Fore Greg Garcia Peggy Gilmore Buddy Godwin Tommy Harrington Dennis & Lewis Hartman Family of Dan Henfield | Bob & Laura Holder Mary Hudson Wayne Hudson Chad Huffman Bill Jacoby Evan Johnson Nancy Johnson Bob Kennedy Tony Kilcullen Beckley Lister Jason Little Diane Ludewig Bette Lyons Shirley Maddox Maude Maloney Melissa Martin Martha Meeks Military troops & families Nancy McDuffie Ann McLeod | Linda McNeill Tim & Donna McNeill Rhonda McNeill Lou Millar Clay Moore Tom Napier Randy Norris Betty Patterson Susie Pierce Phyllis Poe Janie Ray Johnny Ray Carrie Richards Family of Dewey Roberts Dot Roberts Ron & Peggy Scott Sandra Shope Logan Shuey Caden Smith Fred Spivey | Jan Pilson Stewart Hilton Stewart Joey Stewart Ellie Swanson Lee Swanson family TN victims Blake Thomas Joyce Key Thomas United Methodist Church United States of America Unspoken Prayers John Wells Silvie Weiss Carol Wilcom Flossie Wilt Family of Lilla Williams Bill Wilson Buck Wissinger Eleanor Yarborough |
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WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

| April 2023 | Acolytes | Children's Message | Ushers | Greeters | Communion Servers | Fellowship |
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| 30 | Bryson Baker JC Ray | Gillian Hubley | Drew Burris Bryson Baker | Jack & Mavis Harper | | |
| May 7 | Calleigh Baker Rylee Ray | Mike Edwards | Gary Rosser Danny Baker | Wayne & Linda Stack | | |
| 14 | Bryson Baker JC Ray | Mike Edwards | Jack Harper George Orlovsky | Peggy Baker Connie Currin | Greg Garcia Marcia Garcia Steve Huepper Marian Huepper | |
| 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 & Mavis Harper | | |