

Presentation of God's tithes and our offerings

Offertory

† **Doxology**

OLD 100th

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Sharing prayer concerns

Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Sharing the bread and the cup

Prayer following Communion

UMH No. 9

Announcements

SENDING FORTH

† **Hymn**

"I Sing a Song of the Saints of God"

UMH No. 712

† **Benediction**

† **Postlude**

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

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.



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Worship Service, 9:30 AM

Fellowship and Sunday School, 10:45

The Rev. Connie Mitchell Shelton

Raleigh Area Bishop

The Rev. Kevin H. Seymour

Pastor

A Service of Word and Table

Second Sunday in Lent

March 1, 2026

Psalm 15 makes it clear that how we live our lives impacts our worship. The ways that we treat others is a prerequisite for living in communion with God.

In Matthew, Jesus preaches the Sermon on the Mount, the peace between sisters and brothers is required before one can properly worship.

GATHERING AND PRAISE

Ringing the Church Bell

Greeting

Prelude

“Agnus Dei”

Lesley Orlovsky

Choral Praise

“Make Us One”

Choir

† Call to Worship

Psalm 119, Matthew 5, Deuteronomy 30

Praise God with an upright heart

And learn the ways of his commands.

Happy are those who seek God with their whole heart.

Let us walk in the way of the Lord.

Have you not heard the law?

We want to hear what Jesus said.

Hold fast to him for the length of your days.

**May the Spirit turn us from life’s distractions,
that we will hear and obey.**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

† Opening Prayer

Lord Jesus, we sit among those who hear you preach on the mountain and we long to gain the truth of your wisdom within us. We seek to change our desires to what you command. Give us grace to be honest with one another so that we may rightly come and bring you a worthy offering of thanks and praise. **Amen.**

† Hymn of Praise

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

UMH No. 577

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Psalter Lesson

Psalm 15

George Orlovsky

Pew Bible p. 495 (OT)

Anthem

“Remember Me”

Choir

Children’s Lesson

Krystle Ray

† Gospel Lesson

Matthew 5:21-26 Pew Bible p. 4 (NT)

Sermon

“At the Altar, If you Remember”

Kevin Seymour

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† Prayer of Confession

All: Holy God, we know your way is true and right. We know your statutes are life and peace.

Leader: You have commanded us not to hurt each other with insults.

People: We confess that we have not loved one another as Christ loves us.

Leader: You have commanded that we must first be reconciled to each other before we present our offerings at your altar.

People: We confess that we have resisted the urging of your Holy Spirit. We have neglected your inspiration.

Leader: Jesus said that our righteousness must exceed the law of ancient times.

People: We confess that our ways are not strong enough when it comes to keep with what you say.

We confess that we have come to worship while holding a grudge against another.

All: Forgive us, O God, for what we have been. Give us clean hearts to amend our ways. Grant that your Spirit will direct us to what we yet shall be. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Leader: The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance; Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

† Hymn of Response

“In Unity We Lift Our Song”

TFWS No. 2221

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 @ 9:30 AM; Sunday School, 10:45

Tuesday – Pastor's Bible Study, 10 AM;

Wednesday – Chili Cook-off, 6 PM; Children & Youth, 6:30 PM; Choir Rehearsal, 6:30 PM.

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

For the Good of the Church

The altar flowers are given today by Pat Kondratovich to honor the birthdays of the late Michael Kondratovich and Mildred McLeod.

March Birthdays: Peggy Danielsen 3/4, Shelby Truelove 3/4, Justin Ray 3/5, Carolyn Saucier 3/10, Sandra Carter 3/11, Jessica Novak 3/11, John Fancher 3/19, Warren Lewis 3/19, Nancy McDuffie 3/19, Mark Christiana 3/20, Danny Baker 3/22, Morgan Cox 3/25, Tegan Kilmer 3/25, Lou Millar 3/25, Michael Edwards 3/26, Linda Stack 3/26, Carl Sykes 3/27.

Scholarship applications are now available.

Students recommended by a church member are encouraged to apply. Stop by the church office after worship to pick up an application. See Danny Baker or email him at db242248@gmail.com if you have questions.

Upcoming



Mar. 4, 6 PM. Chili Cook-off. Sponsored by the Methodist Men. Bring your best pot of chili to share and you'll be entered into the contest. First prize TBD. Grilled cheese sandwiches will also be available. See Drew Burris if you have questions.



Your favorite Easter candy will soon be available for sale. Spearheaded by the Media Sunday School Class, Easter candy can be purchased March 22 and 29 and April 5 at \$5 per bag.

Proceeds will be donated to the Methodist Home for Children.

See the posters in the Fellowship Hall.

Mar. 22, Fellowship Brunch. After the worship service in the Fellowship Hall.

Mar. 22-28, Family Promise Week. See Karen Rosser if you'd like to help.

Keep these in your prayers

New this week: Pirjo Blosser, Christina Esposito, Jane Smith.
Family of Helen Allen.

Deb Callodonato Peggy Danielsen Katie Garcia Hinson Baby Samson Hinson Mackenna Holly Kristen Halsted	Nancy Johnson Larry Maddox Maude Maloney Landon Massa Linda McNeill Rhonda McNeill	Martha Meeks Callen Morris Susie Pierce Ron & Peggy Scott Rena Shry Marilyn Stevens	Phil Spivey Shelby Truelove Dave Vannoy Bob Woolston Sandy Woolston
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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.

Attendance last Sunday – 70

Tithes & Offerings: 02/22/2026	
Needed Each Week:	\$ 4,049.40
Received Last Week:	\$ 6,053.92

Your gifts enable us to celebrate God’s goodness in worship, make music that inspires hearts to follow Christ, and for us to reach out with compassion to relieve human suffering. We pray that others will get a taste of God’s kingdom on earth. Thank you for your faithful generosity.

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

Serving in Worship

	Acolytes	Children’s Lesson	Lay Readers	Ushers	Greeters	Communion Servers
Mar. 1	Jase Burris Cole Burris	Krystle Ray	George Orlovsky	Donnie Carter Ian Carter	Danny Baker	Isabelle Sturgill George Orlovsky
Mar. 8	Ian Carter Jase Burris	Manuela Seymour	Manuela Seymour	Daniel Baker Bryson Baker	Marian Huepper	
Mar. 15	Calleigh Baker Rylee Ray	Stacey Burris	Steve Huepper	Jason Kilmer Dan Wissinger	Donnie Carter	
Mar. 22	Jase Burris Callen Morris	Kevin Seymour	Leslie Orlovsky	Ron Mercer George Orlovsky	Crystal Burichin	
Mar. 29	Paisley Kilmer Teagan Kilmer	Krystle Ray	Rylee Ray	Justin Ray JC Ray	Gail Thomas	

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.