



# MORRIS CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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## An Order of Service for Word and Worship

THIRD SUNDAY of EASTER

April 23, 2023 - 9:30 AM

### Entrance

### Prelude

“Meditation (from "Thais")”

Jules Massenet, arr. by Rick Parks

Musician

**Welcome** Lord, thank You for bringing each one of us here today. Open our hearts to hear Your word and open our spirits to freely journey with you. AMEN.

### Call to Worship

“O How He Loves You and Me”

Choir

### Greeting

L: Come, out of the darkness of doubt. Come into God’s everlasting Light.

**P: We come seeking the Light.**

L: Open your hearts to receive God’s healing love and truth.

**P: Lord, help us to see You and to feel Your loving presence. AMEN.**

### † Opening Hymn

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

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### † Opening Prayer

(Unison)

**Gracious God, You have given Yourself to us in the person of Jesus. We have His example of loving ministry as a guide for our lives. We stand as people forgiven and reconciled to You. Be with us this day. Remind us that You are always near, always caring. Guide our lives. For we ask this in Jesus’ name. AMEN**

### Old Testament Reading

**Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19**

Rev. Doug Currin

### † Gloria Patri

#70

### Children’s Message

Krystle Ray

### Receiving of Joys and Prayer Concerns

Rev. Doug Currin

**Musical Interlude**

**Pastoral Prayer and Silent Meditation**

### Offering

† **Doxology**

#95

† **Prayer of Thanksgiving for the Offering**

Rev. Doug Currin

### Special Music

“We Have Seen the Lord”

Choir  
Soloist, Carol Martell

### Message

**John 1:1-18**  
**Just Like That**

Rev. Doug Currin

### Apostle’s Creed

#881

### † Sending Forth

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

#452

### † 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!

**Farewell Gathering Today** in the Fellowship Hall after service. Jack and Marianna Steer are moving from Sanford to be closer to family. Please join us as we bid them a fond farewell. We will miss them and we will all pray for safe travels and God's blessings on their new home!

**New Bible Study TODAY** after the Fellowship Hall gathering. It will be a **short organizational meeting** probably starting around 11:15 or so. Materials will be distributed for those who have not picked up their new packets. Official class study will start next Sunday, 4/30. **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](mailto: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 14<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!

**Advance Invitation: a Spaghetti Dinner** will be hosted on Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup>! (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](http://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](mailto:laurelparker@charter.net) or (919) 271-0963  
**AND** Mavis Harper at [mavisharper1944@gmail.com](mailto:mavisharper1944@gmail.com) or (919) 770-0489.

### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

<p><b>Edwin Angel</b>                  Richard &amp; Pat Angel                  Billie Arnett                  Deborah Beaudin                  Bill Brady                  Bud &amp; Carol Burgess  <b>Charmin Family</b>                  Family of Rich Clinton                  Alan Cox  <b>Jeanette Amos-Cox</b>                  Martha Crutchfield                  Matthew Cumber  <b>Family of Melissa Edwards</b>                  Families of 9 soldiers                  Family of Michael Ferony                  Dennis Fore                  Greg Garcia                  Peggy Gilmore                  Buddy Godwin                  Tommy Harrington                  Dennis &amp; Lewis Hartman</p>	<p>Family of Dan Henfield                  Bob &amp; Laura Holder                  Mary Hudson                  Wayne Hudson                  Chad Huffman  <b>Bill Jacoby</b>                  Evan Johnson                  Nancy Johnson                  Bob Kennedy                  Tony Kilcullen                  Beckley Lister                  Jason Little                  Family of Andrew Littleton                  Diane Ludewig                  Bette Lyons                  Shirley Maddox                  Maude Maloney                  Melissa Martin                  Martha Meeks                  Military troops &amp; families</p>	<p>Nancy McDuffie  <b>Ann McLeod</b>                  Linda McNeill                  Tim &amp; Donna McNeill                  Rhonda McNeill  <b>Lou Millar</b>                  Clay Moore                  Tom Napier                  Randy Norris                  Susie Pierce                  Phyllis Poe                  Janie Ray  <b>Jason Ray</b>                  Johnny Ray                  Carrie Richards                  Family of Dewey Roberts                  Dot Roberts  <b>Ron &amp; Peggy Scott</b>                  Sandra Shope                  Logan Shuey                  Caden Smith</p>	<p>Fred Spivey                  Jack Steer                  Jan Pilson Stewart                  Hilton Stewart                  Joey Stewart                  Ellie Swanson                  Lee Swanson family                  TN victims                  Blake Thomas  <b>Joyce Key Thomas</b>                  United Methodist Church                  United States of America                  Unspoken Prayers                  John Wells                  Silvie Weiss                  Carol Wilcom                  Flossie Wilt  <b>Family of Lilla Williams</b>                  Bill Wilson                  Buck Wissinger                  Eleanor Yarborough</p>
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### WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

April 2023	Acolytes	Children's Message	Ushers	Greeters	Communion Servers	Fellowship
<b>23</b>	Ian Carter Rylee Ray	Krystle Ray	Danny Baker Daniel Baker	George Orlovsky Danny Baker		Gary & Donna Richard & Pat Laurel, Margaret
<b>30</b>	Bryson Baker JC Ray	Gillian Hubley	Drew Burris Bryson Baker	Jack & Mavis Harper		
<b>May 7</b>	Calleigh Baker Rylee Ray	Mike Edwards	Gary Rosser Danny Baker	Wayne & Linda Stack		
<b>May 14</b>	Bryson Baker JC Ray	Mike Edwards	Jack Harper George Orlovsky	Peggy Baker Connie Currin	Greg Garcia Marcia Garcia Steve Huepper Marian Huepper	
<b>21</b>	Jason Little Ian Carter	Gillian Hubley	Donnie Carter Daniel Baker	Ron Mercer Laurel Parker		