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An Order of Service for Word and Worship

EASTER SUNDAY

April 4, 2021 9:30 AM

Entrance

Prelude

Welcome

Pastor

Christ is Risen: The world below lies desolate, Christ is Risen: The spirits of evil are fallen.
Christ is Risen: The angels of God are rejoicing. Christ is Risen: The tombs of the dead are empty.
Christ is Risen indeed from the dead, the first of the sleepers, Glory and power are His forever and ever.

Call to Worship

L: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

P: CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED!

L: Darkness has been vanquished!

P: THE BRILLIANT LIGHT OF HOPE HAS COME!

L: Come let us worship and celebrate the Good News!

P: ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN! AMEN!!

Opening Hymn

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

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Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Gracious God, You have walked patiently with us throughout our Lenten journey. You have celebrated our successes and our growing understanding of Your love; and You have mourned our failures and rejections of Your healing mercies. This day, as we have gathered to celebrate the joy of Easter, let us remember that we are to become “Easter People,” people of the Resurrection; people who know that what was thought to be impossible has been conquered. Forgive our stubbornness and fears. Fill us with Your healing love and help us to become the disciples that You need to serve in this world. For we ask this in the name of our Risen Lord, Jesus Christ. AMEN.

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Pastor

Gloria Patri

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Receiving of Joys and Prayer Concerns

Pastor

Musical Interlude

Pastoral Prayer and Silent Meditation

Special Music

“I Stand Amazed in the Presence”

Pastor

Sermon Text:

Mark 16:1-8

Sermon

I Stand Amazed

Pastor

Gathering at the Table for Holy Communion

Closing Hymn

“Up from the Grave He Arose”

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Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PARISH NOTICES

Welcome to Morris Chapel United Methodist Church! We are excited that you joined us in Worship today via FaceBook Live. Morris Chapel United Methodist Church welcomes all as we come together to Worship. Let us join in praising God, making Disciples for Jesus and helping transform the world!

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE - April 4th, Easter Sunday, 7:00 am, Thanks to those who showed up early to see the sun rise and to glorify our Risen Son! Praise His Holy Name! Thank you, Jesus!

A Birthday Thank You: Ms. Irene Garver wishes to extend a big thank you to the Morris Chapel congregation who sent her many cards, flowers, gifts and love for her 101st birthday this week on March 30. We are blessed to have her as an active member of Morris Chapel!

Sunday, April 18th - First Sunday that we will be back in the Sanctuary for Worship! Please be watching for guideline information from the Communications Ministry Team over the next two weeks for coming back together for in-person Worship at Morris Chapel UMC. A questionnaire will be sent out shortly via email so please return this ASAP. Your responses will help to shape the reopening of the church. The Trustees and the Communications Ministry Team are working hard to get everything in place for this exciting day. The Sanctuary will be professionally cleaned for this first service and teams will be setup for each Sunday to make sure that we are sanitizing the Sanctuary for the next Sunday. Please Pray as we begin to come together as the Body of Christ!

The Armor of God: 3-Part Series is a new mini-series offered through Morris Chapel's Facebook! Based on Ephesians 6:10-18, this study reminds us of the "armor" God has given us to stand tall in a mixed-up and perplexing world, and how to take the Gospel message to others as we have been called to do. Segments are less than 30 minutes, so join us at your leisure! The study leader is Laurel Parker.

Thursday Bible Studies: (Livestream) at 11:00. The book of Romans has concluded. The next topic will be announced shortly after Easter. Stay tuned!

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 follow the directions on the website at www.morrischapelumc.org for on-line giving through Vanco, as many of the expenses of the church still continue. Be in God's Grace, Peace and Love

*Announcements may be given by noon on Wednesdays
to Laurel Parker at laurelparker@charter.net or (919) 271-0963.*

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Project Agape
Cindy Roberts Alexander
Sheila Armstrong
Carmen Andrews
Richard Angel
Asian Americans
Sherry Baucom
Gage Berryman
Joshua Black
Allison Blackwell
Polly Bouldin
Elizabeth Brown
Pauline Brown
Sharon Buchanan
Country of Burma
Opal Campbell
Rick Campbell
Barbara Cashion
Susan Clark
Dennis Cleveland
Noah Davis Clifton
Shirley Coleman
COVID-19 victims
Greg Cox
Jeanette Amos-Cox

Tamara Davidson
& Oscar Roberto
Carole Davis
Barbara Denise
Melissa Edwards
Wayne Everts
Emergency responders
Sharon Fields
Don Fletcher
Family of Grace Gillis
Lisa Godwin
Mike Graham
Cindy Griffin
Elva Hall
Weston Hamil
Louis Hartman
Kelly Hatcher
Healthcare workers
Laura Holder
Chad Huffman
Janet Hughes
Kathy Hyde
Justin, Leslie, Evan & Liam Johnson
Bobby Jones
Crystal Jordan

Sandi Kankelfritz
June Kelly
Branson Long
Lost souls everywhere
Mary Luth
Brenda Maddox
Maude Maloney
Carol Martell
Rebecca Mansfield
Melissa Martin
Connie Mashburn
Ashley McBurnett
Donna McNeill
Linda McNeill
Rhonda McNeill
Tim McNeill
Martha Meeks
Mercy Center
Lou Millar
Military troops & families
Ricky Norris
Norma O'Quinn
Karen Odum
Cecile Parker
Lance Parker, Sr.

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Dot Roberts
Sandra Shope
Catherine Simms
Richard Smith
Valerie Stanley
Carrie Stephenson
Hilton Stewart
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Reopening for Worship
Sammy Womack
People of Yemen