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An Order of Service for Word and Worship

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 18, 2021 9:30 AM

Entrance

Prelude

“To God Be the Glory”

Welcome

Pastor

Lord of Light and Mercy, be with us this day as we again hear the stories of faith and sight. Help us to believe in your abiding presence with us, both in our darkness and in the light which you bring. Give us courage and strength to witness to your resurrection. For we offer this in Jesus' Name, AMEN.

Call to Worship

L: We are called to be God's children.

P: God's love has been poured on us through Jesus Christ!

L: Fear and doubt are gone!

P: Joy and Celebration ring in our hearts!

L: Come, let us raise our voices in song!

P: Let us offer our hearts and souls to God in prayer and praise. AMEN.

Opening Hymn

“Precious Name”

#536

Prayer of Confession

(Unison)

O God, who chased the gloom of the disciples with the gospel of Easter and drowned their desert of despair in a sea of grace, surprise us this day. Take from us the presumption that leans on our strength instead of yours, that mistakes our wisdom for yours, and equates our will with yours. Assure us once again that our Lord's promise to be with us always still holds good. And be present with us now, as in the days of Jesus, to make us whole and to make us holy. AMEN.

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 4

Pastor

Gloria Patri

#70

Receiving of Joys and Prayer Concerns

Pastor

Musical Interlude

“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”

Pastoral Prayer and Silent Meditation

Special Music

“Child of the King”

Jerry Keith, Soloist
Marianna Steer, Pianist

Sermon Text

1 John 3:1-7

Sermon

Beloved, We are God's Children

Pastor

Closing Hymn

“I Am Thine, O Lord”

#419

Benediction

Postlude

“O God Our Help in Ages Past”

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!

Sunday, April 18th - First Sunday that we are back in the Sanctuary for Worship! Praise the Lord! What a blessing to have the church once again gathered! Thank you, Jesus! Our reopening guidelines will be reviewed for updates and changes as the weeks progress. Please pray as we begin to come together as the Body of Christ!

The Steeple Newsletter needs your articles and submissions for the May edition no later than April 24th. Anyone with an idea for the Steeple, please send the information to Carol Martell at martell6064@gmail.com. If you do not have email please call Carol at (919)498-5654. Thank you for your continued interest in our newsletter!

The Armor of God: 3-Part Series has concluded. All three segments are on Morris Chapel Facebook. Thanks to those who faithfully concluded this scriptural offering. May you be blessed

Thursday Bible Studies: (Livestream) at 11:00. The next topic will be announced shortly. 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 submitted 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
Dennis Cleveland
Noah Davis Clifton
Shirley Coleman
COVID-19 victims
Greg Cox
Jeanette Amos-Cox

Andrea Crosby
Carole Davis
Barbara Denise
Melissa Edwards
Wayne Everts
Emergency responders
Sharon Fields
Don Fletcher
Lisa Godwin
Cindy Griffin
Shiann & David Hagan
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
Ricky 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
The MERCI Center
Lou Millar
Military troops & families
Ricky Norris
Norma O'Quinn
Karen Odom
Cecile Parker

Family of Lance Parker, Sr.
Brenda Popke
Terry & Mary Lynn Riddle
Catherine Simms
Richard Smith
Valerie Stanley
Carrie Stephenson
Hilton Stewart
Howard Sweeney
Esteen Thomas
Joyce Thomas
Larry Thomas
Mary Thomas
Drew & Hannah Thompson
United Methodist Churches
United States of America
Gene Wheeler
Betty Whitehurst
Jackie Wilson
Tim Wholey
Reopening for Worship
Sammy Womack
People of Yemen