

The Rev. Kevin H. Seymour
Pastor

A Service of the Word

July 12, 2026
Youth Sunday

On this Sunday of our summer series on how it is that *Discipleship Matters*, the younger disciples among us share what it means to experience God’s loving grace in our lives. Our keynote verse of Scripture today is the call of Psalm 96:3 – “*Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples.*”

GATHERING AND PRAISE

Ring the Church bell

Greeting

Prelude “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” Carl Sykes

Choral Praise

† Call to Worship JC Ray

Alleluia! Sing praise! God reigns over all the earth!

The Risen One has become the head of all things.
Our hearts are moved to joyful worship.

This is the time to rejoice in the blessings of God as given to us in the law, and the prophets and the Psalms.

We join the countless host of saints in thanksgiving and praise! Amen!

† Prayer

Risen Christ, you have raised our human nature to the throne of heaven. As we are formed by your Word today, help us declare your glory to every heart and every ear. We want to serve your will and your way, gracious Lord, that we may join you at the Father’s side, where you reign with the Spirit in glory forevermore. Amen.

† Hymn “How Firm a Foundation” UMH No. 529

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

New Testament Lesson Ephesians 6:10-18 Pew Bible p. 195, NT Bryson Baker

Anthem Ellie Kilmer

Children’s Lesson Calleigh Baker

Psalter Lesson Psalm 96 Pew Bible p. 550 OT Evan Deminski

Faith Sharing

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† Hymn of response “I Sing a Song of the Saints of God” UMH No. 712

† Affirmation of Faith “The Apostles’ Creed” Isabelle Sturgill

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;

and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving Rylee Ray

The Lord’s Prayer

WELCOME TO MORRIS CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

~ This the day that the Lord has made! Let us rejoice and be glad in it! ~

For the good of the church

Church Council meeting July 20, 7 PM. Our Council serves as the governing body of Morris Chapel, and to plan and carry out the ministries of the church. See Danny Baker if you have questions for the Church Council.

Scholarship Ministry -- The 12th Annual *Give a Kid a Chance Golf Tournament* will be on August 1 at Sanford Golf Course. Proceeds will benefit scholarships and youth ministries at Morris Chapel. Tournament entry forms are available. See Danny Baker for information.

- Donations are certainly welcomed, just indicate “*Golf Tournament Sponsor*” on your check to Morris Chapel.

“The question is not whether one has heard or learned something about Christ and his death...but whether one has experienced the death of Jesus Christ in putting to death and riddance the old (person)...Consequently, if these things are yet strange to you, then your Christianity is merely appearance.”

Bishop Philip Otterbein (1726 -- 1813)

“I love my church family. I love their open, giving hearts, and willingness to serve each other and our community. I love my pastor’s cheerful spirit and his meaningful sermons. I love how he speaks my name and looks into my eyes when he serves communion.” ~from an anonymous Morris Chapel worshipper~

School Supply Drive

For Greenwood Elem. School. We’ll be collecting items very soon. Stay tuned for details. See Karen Rosser if you have questions.



August 7 – Back-to-School Celebration
6:30 – 8 PM
See Krystle Ray



The Discipleship Path of Morris Chapel: INVITE – WELCOME – EQUIP – SEND

Jesus said, “*Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.*”

Therefore, our church will invite others to come and join us in the life divine.

The church calendar is on our web site: www.morrischapelumc.org/events

Keep these in your prayers

New this week: Janet Eldreth, Jerry Lynn Farmer.

Jerry Lynn Farmer's address: 752 Pryse Farm Blvd., Farragut, TN 37934

River Cummings Peggy Danielsen Brian Dinkins Amber Ellis Kevin Fannin	James Ross Hawbaker Libby Hubbard Mary Ann Krauss Rhonda McNeill	Susie Pierce Melvin Rosser Judy Sharpe Phil Spivey Marilyn Stevens	Denny Summers Shelby Truelove Pam Vaughan Bob Woolston Sandy Woolston
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Attendance last Sunday – 49

Tithes & Offerings as of 07/05/2026	
Needed Each Week:	\$ 4,049.40
Received Last Week:	\$ 3,069.92

The amount needed each week is based on the 2026 church budget.
These funds enable us to pursue God's mission in the neighborhood and around the world.

Honor the Lord with your substance and with the first fruits of all your produce. Proverbs 3:9

You may support the ministries of Morris Chapel by giving online at
www.morrischapelumc.org/giveplus

Serving in Worship

Communion Servers August 2: Gary and Karen Rosser.

	Acolytes	Children's Lesson	Lectors	Liturgists	Ushers	Greeters
July 12	Jase Burris Callen Morris	Calleigh Baker	Bryson Baker Evan Deminski	JC Ray	Nash Pace Evan Deminski	JC Ray Rylee Ray
July 19	Calleigh Baker Lincoln Brewer	Krystle Ray	Steve Huepper		Jake Wissinger Dan Wissinger	Marian Huepper
July 26	Jase Burris Cole Burris	Stacey Burris	Leslie Orlovsky	Manuela Seymour	Todd Pace Nash Pace	Donnie Carter
August 2	Calleigh Baker Rylee Ray	Kevin Seymour	Rylee Ray		Donnie Carter Ian Carter	Crystal Burichin
August 9	Ian Carter Callen Morris	Krystle Ray	Jason Kilmer	Inge Hersman	Daniel Baker Bryson Baker	Gail Thomas
August 16	Calleigh Baker Lincoln Brewer	Stacey Burris	Calleigh Baker		Jason Kilmer Dan Wissinger	Janice Holder

**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.