

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

Presentation of God's tithes and our offerings

Offertory

† Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Sharing our prayer concerns

Musical interlude

Prayers for the Church and the world

SENDING FORTH

Announcements

† Hymn "God of Grace and God of Glory" UMH No. 577

† Benediction

† Postlude

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



WHEN HE BROKE BREAD, THEY RECOGNIZED HIM

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Worship Service 9:30 AM

Fellowship Time and Sunday School, 10:45

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Pastor

Bread of God, Bread of Life,
Living Bread from heaven, the true Bread of Life.
Believe in me, and you will never hunger nor thirst;
the food I give to you will never perish.
I am the Bread of God, the true Bread of Life.
My life is given for the life of the world.
Whoever believes in me has eternal life.
I am the true Bread of Life, sent by God.
by Carolyn Jennings

A Service of the Word

April 19, 2026

Third Sunday of Easter

Conversion of hearts is the message of the gospel lesson from Luke today. “Hearts aflame” lead to the faith which nurtures trust in God and deepening love of one another; and conversion of action in the Gospel, when the eyes of Jesus’s followers are opened, and they recognize him in the breaking of the bread. Today, may our eyes be opened, so that we may see Christ in the breaking of the bread and continue our own journey of conversion, living lives of daily repentance, faith, and love.

GATHERING AND PRAISE

Ringing the Church bell

Greeting

Prelude *“My Faith Has Found a Resting Place”* **Leslie Orlovsky**

Choral Praise *“He is Lord”* **Choir**

† **Call to Worship**

Eternal Father we praise you.
All creation worships you.

Glory be to the Eternal Son of the Father.
Heaven and earth are full of his glory.

Come now Holy Spirit.
And let us sing with the power of your breath.

Father, Son, and Spirit be blessed!
Alleluia and Amen!

† **Prayer**

Lord Jesus, you are the Lord of life. Take our burning hearts and bless them with the cup of your salvation. Share with us your love divine – the living bread and the heavenly wine. Abide with us, Savior Divine, and spread a table in our hearts. Take, bless, and break us, and in your abundant mercy grant us life in your name.
Amen.

† **Hymn** *“Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise”* **UMH No. 312**

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

New Testament Lesson **1 Peter 1:17-23** Pew Bible p. 232, NT **Calleigh Baker**

Anthem *“We Have Seen the Lord”* **Choir**

Children’s Lesson **Kevin Seymour**

† **Gospel Lesson** **Luke 24:28-35** Pew Bible p. 90, NT

Sermon *“Bread Sharers”* **Kevin Seymour**

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† **Hymn** *“As a Fire is Meant for Burning”* **TFWS No. 2237**

† **Affirmation of Faith** *“The Nicene Creed”* **UMH No. 880**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and `unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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; Fellowship Brunch, 10:45.

Monday – Planning meeting for Spring Plate Sale, 6:30 PM.

Tuesday – Pastor's Bible study, 10 AM.

Wednesday – Choir rehearsal, 6:30 PM.

Saturday – Spring Plate Sale begins at 11 AM.

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Therefore, our church will invite others to come and join us.

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

FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE is offering brunch today immediately following the worship service. Bring your appetites and your Bible knowledge. We're having a Bible Trivia while we enjoy good food and fellowship.

Meeting to finalize Plate Sale plans. Monday 4/20 @ 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Plate Sale Fundraiser, April 25. All are invited to support our **SPRING PLATE SALE on Saturday April 25** beginning at 11 AM. Marinated chicken breast, baked potato, slaw, dinner roll + home-made dessert. \$12 cash, card, or check.

- Drive-through only.
- Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board so that you can do your part.
- The deadline to bring cakes is noon Friday. We still need cakes!
- Volunteers – please park across the road from the church at the Cemetery.
- Proceeds will be deposited into the Morris Chapel Building Fund.
- Donations are appreciated to help cover plate sale expenses.

Is God calling you to serve? A variety of opportunities here at Morris Chapel may offer you a role in servant leadership. There are administrative functions to care for the church property, finances, and personnel matters. Perhaps you feel called to work with the Pastor in planning our worship services. We also have committees for missions and fellowship. If you feel called to servant leadership, please speak to Pastor Kevin.

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Keep these in your prayers

New this week: Catherine Maddox, Charles Maddox.
Family of Ryan Cameron.

Peggy Danielsen Linda Gurley Katie Garcia Hinson Samson Hinson	Camden Husky Nancy Johnson Maude Maloney Rhonda McNeill	Martha Meeks H.T. Pace Susie Pierce Ron & Peggy Scott Phil Spivey	Shelby Truelove Pam Vaughan 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 – 68

Tithes & Offerings: 04/12/2026	
Needed Each Week:	\$ 4,049.40
Received Last Week:	\$ 2,905.92

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, by these gifts, others will get a taste of God’s kingdom on earth. Thank you for your faithful generosity.

To whom much is given, much is required. Luke 12:48.

Serving in Worship

	Acolytes	Children’s Lesson	Lay Readers	Ushers	Greeters	Communion Servers
April 19	Calleigh Baker Rylee Ray	Kevin Seymour	Calleigh Baker	Drew Burriss	George Orlovsky	
April 26	Ian Carter Callen Morris	Krystle Ray	Isabelle Sturgill	Daniel Baker Bryson Baker	Danny Baker	
May 3	Ellie Kilmer Teagan Kilmer	Kevin Seymour	Drew Burriss	Jason Kilmer Dan Wissinger	Marian Huepper	Rylee Ray Calleigh Baker
May 10	Rylee Ray Callen Morris	Krystle Ray	Inge Hersman	Ron Mercer George Orlovsky	Donnie Carter	
May 17	Jase Burriss Cole Burriss	Kevin Seymour	Bryson Baker	Justin Ray JC Ray	Crystal Burichin	

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.