



# Morris Chapel United Methodist Church

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## **A Service of Word** **SIXTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST** July 9 - 9:30 AM

In this morning's Gospel reading, Jesus calls us from fast-paced lives to rest in Him, and take up His yoke. The Kingdom of God works in unexpected ways and through people that the world does not expect. Selected verses from Psalm 55 encourage the faithful ones to cast their burdens upon the Lord and to trust only in Him.

### **GATHERING AND PRAISE**

#### **Ringing the Church Bell**

#### **Welcome and Announcement Changes**

Pastor Kevin

**Prelude** "O Rest in the Lord" (from "Elijah") by Felix Mendelssohn, arr. by Albin C. Whitworth.

Musician

#### **Choral Praise**

"His Eye is on the Sparrow "

Gerry Ellis

#### **† Call to Worship**

Pastor Kevin & **Congregation**

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

**The Lord is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made.**

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

**The Lord is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds. Amen!**

#### **† Opening Prayer**

Pastor Kevin

O God, our Heavenly Father, you are always more ready to bestow your good gifts on us than we are to seek them. You are more willing to give than we desire or deserve. Help us to seek that we may truly find, to ask so that we may joyfully receive, to knock at the door in a way that the door of your mercy is opened to us. Grant this through your So Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

#### **† Hymn**

*"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"*

#384

### **PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

#### **Old Testament Lesson**

**Psalm 55:22-23**

Pastor Kevin

#### **Anthem**

*"He Washed My Eyes With Tears"*

Gerry Ellis

#### **Children's Lesson**

Krystle Ray

#### **†Gospel Lesson**

**Matthew 11:28-301**

Pastor Kevin

#### **Sermon**

**"Take a Rest"**

### **RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

#### **† Hymn**

*"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"*

# 420

*(stanzas 1 and 4)*

#### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

#### **The Lord's Prayer**

**The Peace** May the Peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

**Glory to God, Amen!**

#### **Presentation of God's tithes and our offerings**

#### **†Doxology**

#95

#### **Affirmation of Faith**

"The Apostles' Creed"

#881

#### **Sharing our prayer concerns**

#### **Musical interlude**

#### **Prayers for the church and the world**

**SENDING FORTH**

† Hymn

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

# 400

† Benediction

† Postlude

† *Please stand as you are able*

Thou hast made us for thyself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they find rest in thee. – Augustine of Hippo, 4th century.

**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!

**Give a Kid a Chance Golf Tournament:** Our annual Give a Kid a Chance golf tournament is August 5, and we would like to extend to all an invitation to sponsor, contribute or play in the tournament. There will be a brief meeting in the Fellowship Hall Wednesday at 6:30 pm. All members of the Scholarship Committee and those who would like to volunteer to help and become a member are welcomed. Put your working cap on and come join us for fun, fellowship and work.

**Reminder: Church Council Meeting** will be Monday July 17 at 7:00 in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you!

**The Media Sunday School Class** will be moving to the classroom at the end of the fellowship hall on the left as of **TODAY, July 9.** We will have more room and want to invite all to join us. Hope to see you there!!

**Summer Music:** As the Choir is on summer break, we are in need of assistance to provide special music. Anyone who would like to contribute special music in June, July, or August please contact Jerry Keith at (919) 499-2597.

**2023 Updated Church Directories** will be available in the Fellowship Hall after the Worship Service. Stop by and get your copy, and consider staying for some fellowship!

**Volunteer Worship Schedule Changes** should be given to Mavis Harper. Let her know ASAP if a scheduled date does not work for you. Contact [mavisharper1944@gmail.com](mailto:mavisharper1944@gmail.com) or (919) 770-0489. Thank you.

**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**

Ed Angel Richard & Pat Angel Maryann Bell Vaughan Clark Congregational Unity Jackie Fitch Family of Mary Edwards	Mike Edwards Ron Hartman Bob & Laura Holder Evan Johnson Nancy Johnson Maude Maloney Military troops & families	Rhonda McNeill Susie Pierce <b>Ron &amp; Peggy Scott</b> Rev. Kevin Seymour Steve Skrzydlinski Fred Spivey Jana Soward	Texas tornado victims Joyce Key Thomas Ukraine war victims United Methodist Church United States of America Unspoken Prayers Flossie Wilt
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**WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE**

July	Acolytes	Children’s Message	Ushers	Greeters	Communion Servers	Fellowship
<b>9</b>	Rylee Ray JC Ray	Krystle Ray	Daniel Baker Bryson Baker	Greg Garcia Marcia Garcia		Danny Baker Janice Holder
<b>16</b>	Bryson Baker Jase Burris	Gillian Hubley	Drew Burris JC Ray	Connie Currin Mavis Harper		
<b>23</b>	Calleigh Baker Jase Burris	Richard Angel	Gary Maddox Steve Huepper	Hank Richards Diane Richards		Greg Garcia Marcia Garcia
<b>30</b>	Bryson Baker Rylee Ray	Krystle Ray	Greg Vorholt Jack Harper	Laurel Parker Gary Maddox		
<b>Aug. 6</b>	Jason Little & Rylee Ray	Gillian Hubley	Drew Burris Gary Rosser	Margaret Spivey Janice Holder	Daniel Baker Morgan Baker Drew Burris Stacey Burris	Jack Harper Mavis Harper

**\*\*Please consider volunteering for after service treats\*\***