

MORRIS CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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An Order of Service for the Worship of God

Sixth Sunday of Easter May 17, 2020 9:30 AM

Entrance

Prelude

The Lighting of the Altar Candles

Call to Worship

L: Come close and listen!

P: The One who made heaven and earth sings a song of life!

L: Come close and listen!

P: The One who raises us from the dead sings a song of love!

L: Come close and listen!

P: The One who walks with us through fire and water sings a song of hope!

L: Alleluia! We join the eternal song of life, love, and hope.

P: Alleluia! God's song goes on and on!

Opening Hymn Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee #89

Opening Prayer All

We are never alone because you are always with us, O living, loving God. You promise to walk with us, encouraging us in faith. You promise to send us a Companion, keeping us on your pathway of truth. You promise to live in us, abiding with us forever. After a season of resurrection, we are now ready to live into your promises. Let our lives more fully entwine with your life. Enfold our very being in your neverending, never-failing love as you continue to call us to rise. Amen.

Gloria Patri #70

Receiving of Joys and Prayer Concerns

Pastor

The Lord be with you.

And also, with you.

Let us pray.

Silent Meditation and Musical Interlude

Pastoral Prayer Pastor

Special Music

Testimony Bill Gross

Gospel Lesson John 14:15-21

Scripture Reading Psalm 66:8-20 **Pastor**

What Has God Done for You and Me? Sermon

Closing Song Near to the Heart of God #472

Benediction Pastor

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 together in praising God, making Disciples for Jesus and helping transform the world!

<u>Altar Flowers</u> this morning are given in honor of Meredith and Mike's 23rd wedding anniversary. Thank you for the blessing that you have been to me and the kids through the years. Love you! Mike

The Upper Room Devotional Guides have arrived! If you would like a print copy, please reply to this email and we will have one mailed to you while supplies last. Alternatively (and to save postage), at least through June 30, complimentary copies of The Upper Room devotional guide are being made available at the following link: https://www.upperroom.org/covid-19. In addition, four short prayer resources that address specific needs are also available below. Please download and share as you wish!

<u>Tithes & Offerings:</u> For those with no internet access, the congregation is encouraged to consider mailing in their gifts to the church. Alternate on-line methods of tithing and offering are now available. You may visit us online at www.morrischapelumc.org and click on the **GIVE** menu option for directions and explanations on this new process. To God be the glory for all He has done and is doing for us!

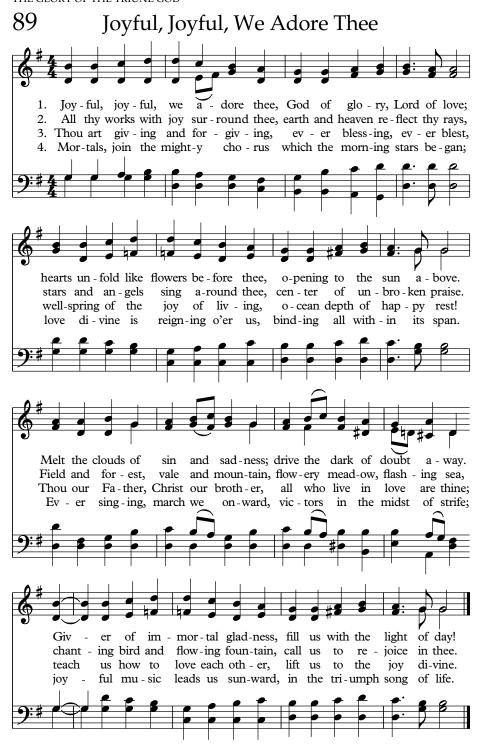
**New On-Line Classes and Meetings: If you are able to access Morris Chapel UMC online (see above), join Pastor Mike for the Sunday morning Prayer Meeting commencing at 8:45 am. Also, consider joining the group that "meets" online Thursday mornings at 11:00 for Bible study. The newest class is a study of the book of Mark. It is not too late to join in!

Prayer Concerns: Please continue to call either Pastor Mike (919) 632-6700 or Laurel Parker (919) 271-0963 with your prayer list additions or deletions. If you have deletions, they are welcomed as our list continues to grow. New names will be posted in the weekly Sunday bulletin as usual. Thank you and may God bless you.

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

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Mike Applegate	Ryan Eppts	Justin, Leslie, Evan & Liam Johnson	Johnny Patterson
David Argy	Wayne Everett	Bobby Jones	David & Melba Pearson
Sheila Armstrong	Monica Flock	Crystal Jordan	Susie Pierce
Skip Asay	Dwight Flynn	Sarah McNeill Jordan	Sheila Pressler
Joshua Black	Gene Flynn	Sandi Kankelfritz	Janie Ray
Tina Blackwell	Nancy Fonke	June Kelly	Dot Roberts
Sylvia Bowman	Anna Gambisha	Claudia Key	Marjorie Schmidt
Elizabeth Brown	Charles Gillis	Don Key	Ben Shore
Jill Brown & family	Pam Gillis	Karen Key	Brent Sloan
Montana Brown	Alice Gjerde	Margaret Kilcullen	Valerie Stanley
Carmen Bullard	Buddy Godwin	Lulu Kimrey	Walt & Ellie Swanson
Crystal Burichin	Sharon Gore	Cecil King	Karen Tatum
Agnes Cameron	Terry Gunter	Johnny Lane	Amy Thomas
Larry & Kathy Cameron	Teresa Gurkin	Branson Long	Buck Thomas
Ron Cameron	Weston Hamil	Mary Luth	Cleta Thomas
Opal Campbell	Family of Rev. Madison Hankal	Doris Maddox	Esteen Thomas
Rick Canoy	Louis Hartman	Jim & Carol Martell	Joyce Thomas
Dennis Cleveland	Kelly Hatcher	Melissa Martin	Lorace Thomas
Noah Davis Clifton	Healthcare workers	Connie Mashburn	Mary Thomas
Kay Coles	Arnold Hodges	Beth McNeill	Matthew Thomas
Shirley Coleman	Laura Holder	Donna McNeill	Family of Wayne Thomas
COVID-19 victims	Peggy Holder	Grace McNeill	Melody Trapani
Greg Cox	Brookes Howard	Rhonda McNeill	United Methodist Churches
Jay Cox	Mary Hudson	Family of Sue McNeill	United States of America
Jeanette Amos-Cox	Paul & Jewel Huegerich	Tim McNeill	Pam Vaughan
Lola Mae Cox	Chad Huffman	Glynes Meeks	Tommy Vaughan
Morgan Cox	Veronica Huffman	Martha Meeks	Thelma Wall
Ronny Cox	Janet Hughes	Gary O'Neal	Colleen Weber
Sharon Cox	Kathy Hyde	Military troops & families	Betty Whitehurst
Josh Currin	Family of Jerry Jacobs	Lou & Arlene Millar	Jackie Wilson
Benjamin Edwards	Amanda Campbell-Johnson	Betty Patterson	Jimmy & Eunice Womack
Melissa Edwards		3	



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Near to the Heart of God



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