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An Order of Service for the Worship of God

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 20, 2020 9:30 AM

Entrance

Prelude

The Lighting of the Altar Candles

Call to Worship
L: Open your hearts to God's loving mercy.
P: Lord, come into our hearts this day.
L: Having received God's mercy, bring that love to others.
P: Lord, be with us as we reach out to others in compassion.
L: Feel your spirits filled with the goodness of God.
P: Lord, we thank You for the many blessings which You pour into our lives. AMEN.

Opening Hymn **Praise to the Lord, the Almighty** #139

Opening Prayer All

We sing and speak Your praise, O God, grateful for the many ways in which You have healed us. Keep our hearts, our minds, and our spirits open to learn ways in which we can offer healing love for others. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

Old Testament Reading **Proverbs 3:27-35**

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

Scripture Reading **Matthew 20:1-16** Pastor

Sermon **Are You Jealous Because God is Generous?**

Apostle's Creed #881

Sending Forth **Jesus, Lover of My Soul** #479

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

Morris Chapel Homecoming will not be held on October 4, 2020, due to ongoing Covid-19 concerns. The celebration will be held in 2021. Be in prayer for next year's gathering and for the eradication and control of this virus.

Thursday Bible Studies: (Livestream) Studies on the book of Mark have concluded, but study continues with Devotional issues discussed for the next two weeks. Starting on October 1, the book of Romans will be undertaken. Please mark your calendars to attend via Livestream!

In Remembrance will be a new section in The Steeple Newsletter, and so we are asking the congregation to send in the names of their loved ones and friends who have passed away during the month of October. Please email your submission to Carol Martell at martell6064@gmail.com (or call the bulletin preparer) and give the following information: Name, date of birth, date of passing and how they are special to you. Example: Joe Black 1/15/25-10/5/19 beloved father of Mary Black. We hope this new section will honor our loved ones who now are in the care of our precious Lord Jesus.

Lay Leadership Service: Please be in prayer as the Lay Leadership Committee begins reaching out to you about volunteering to serve on a committee for 2021. If there is a committee you feel God is calling you to serve on, please email Pastor Mike, medwards@nccumc.org, Karen Rosser, krosser@windstream.net, or Drew Burris, acburris55@gmail.com. Thank you for your faithful commitment to serve at Morris Chapel UMC.

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 given by noon on Wednesdays
to Laurel Parker at laurelparker@charter.net or (919) 271-0963.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Richard Angel
Mike Applegate
David Argy
Sheila Armstrong
Nolan Barefoot
Geraldine Barrow
Joshua Black
Polly Bouldin
Carmen Bullard
Crystal Burichin
Ron Cameron
Opal Campbell
Civil unrest
Dennis Cleveland
Noah Davis Clifton
Shirley Coleman
COVID-19 victims
Greg Cox
Jay Cox
Jeanette Amos-Cox
Ronny Cox
Josh Currin
Peggy Danielsen
Carole Davis
Madison Doty
Hunter Doyle
Melissa Edwards
Sydney Edwards
Sylvia Edwards
Emergency responders
Lisa Taylor-Ellison
Mark Elliott
Ryan Eppt
Wayne Everett
Monica Flock
Dwight Flynn
Gene Flynn
Nancy Fonke
Anna Gambisha
Alice Gjerde
Buddy Godwin
Bob Granger
Stephanie Green
Elva Hall
Kelly "Gene" Hall
Weston Hamil
Linda Hardt & family
Louis Hartman
Kelly Hatcher
Healthcare workers
Arnold Hodges
Laura Holder
Peggy Holder
Chad Huffman
Janet Hughes
Kathy Hyde
Justin, Leslie, Evan & Liam Johnson
Bobby Jones
Crystal Jordan
Sandi Kankelfritz
June Kelly
Branson Long
Mary Luth
Maude Maloney
Melissa Martin
Connie Mashburn
Beth McNeill
Donna McNeill
Grace McNeill
Linda McNeill
Rhonda McNeill
Tim McNeill
Glynes Meeks
Martha Meeks
Military troops & families
Family of Arlene Millar
Ricky Norris
Charles Ormand & family
Cecile Parker
Betty Patterson
Gwen Patterson
Johnny Patterson
David & Melba Pearson
Family of Hugh Pembleton
Greg Pierce
Susie Pierce
Sheila Pressler
Janie Ray
Dot Roberts
Jessica Roberto
Marjorie Schmidt
Ricky Shearer
Sandra Shope
Catherine Simms
Brent Sloan
Valerie Stanley
Carrie Stephenson
Jon Sutcliff
Walt & Ellie Swanson
Karen Tatum
Amy Thomas
Cleta Thomas
Esteen Thomas
Joyce Thomas
Larry Thomas
Family of Lorace Thomas
Mary Thomas
Matthew Thomas
United Methodist Churches
United States of America
Tommy & Pam Vaughan
Thelma Wall
Colleen Weber
Betty Whitehurst
Jackie Wilson
Reopening for Worship
Jimmy & Eunice Womack
Sammy Womack
Sandy Woolston