



Morris First United Methodist Church

Upcoming Events:

April 3rd – SASSY'S 12 pm

April 7th – Community Game Night 6 pm

April 8th – Youth 5-7:30 pm

April 11th – Board Meeting 7 pm

April 14th – Children's Choir 2 pm

April 15th – Youth 5-7:30 pm

April 16th – Christ's Cupboard Open

April 18th – UMW 7 pm

April 21st – UMM 8 am

April 22nd – Quarterly Dinner

April 27th – 28th – Twister Days

Community Game Night for Adults



Saturday, April 7th

6:00 pm





From the Pastor's Desk

I'm writing this anticipating the Easter Worship Service. I love worship and I love the special worship services like Easter and Christmas Eve even more. Sundays have been my favorite day of the week ever since I became a faithful Sunday worship attendee (even before I even had a thought about being a pastor.) I have found that on Sundays I get to sing, pray and listen to the Word of God all of which I love to do. I also get to see the people I enjoy and sharing in the experience of worship with them and then catching up with their daily lives afterwards.

Kimberly Abbott reminded me of what a cherished time it is for me on Sundays. I feel connected to every person in the church as we corporately worship God. When I miss worship or an activity, I feel as if I've lost something very important. Worshipping God lifts my spirits in a way that no other activity can. I especially love the goose bumps when I feel the Holy Spirit's presence when Roxie sings a solo that inspires Ryleigh to dance or when the men sing so beautifully that it brings tears to my eyes or when Patsy plays one of my favorite songs or when Eva or Annette tell the children about God and the children respond in ways that make me smile and laugh or when we sing a hymn and our voices rise up in harmony.

I know that we can worship in all kinds of places and in many different ways. I know some people who watch a worship service on TV, or online. Some people worship alone. We can worship as we serve our neighbors. Worship can be helping at Christ's Cupboard, or filling backpacks or going on mission trips to serve. These and all of the ministries where we serve are worship, but for me there isn't a substitute for worshipping in the presence of other believers on Sunday because it warms my heart.

With Easter Sunday in a few days, I'm excited to worship with all of you and celebrate the most important act in all of history: The Resurrection. Easter isn't over after Easter Sunday. The season of Easter lasts for six more weeks until the Sunday of Pentecost. Even after that, each Sunday, we continue to celebrate this precious gift of grace that Jesus extends to us and everyone. We are able to lift our hands and voices in praise to a God who gave us his Son so that we would not be lost, but have eternal life. Now that's worship!

I pray God's blessings on each and every one of you! Amen!

Pastor Tracy



April 14th at 2 pm

Christ's Cupboard



The food pantry is in need of canned fruit, peanut butter, and jelly this month.

Twister Days



April 27th & 28th

The church will be giving water bottles away again this year!



UMW
Quarterly
Dinner
Sunday,
April 22nd



Update your contact info!

We are needing to update all our members contact information. Please e-mail the church (if you have not already done so) at umcmorris@gmail.com with your current address, phone number, cell phone numbers, and e-mail address.

Prayer Requests



Crystal Nolan	Darlene Walden	Jennifer Roper	Matt Davis	Mike Bergevin
Charlotte Johnson	John Reed	Patsy Zink	Deloris Hart	Becky Riley
Mike Vaughn	Joyce McDowell	Lamont Mace	Rhonda Stephenson	Bob Crandall
Romona Willis	Eleanor Vernon	Steve Finch	Michael	Judy King
Edward Sullins	Frank Willett Jr. family	Edith Vance family	Singrays	Backpack Program
Christ's Cupboard				

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
EASTER 1 Mike Osborn	2	3 SASSY'S	4	5	6	7 Comm. Game Night for Adults Rick & Anna Davis Ann.
8 Youth 5-7:30 pm	9	10	11 Board Meeting 7pm	12	13	14 Children's Choir 2 pm Tracy Sullins
15 Youth 5-7:30 pm	16 Christ's Cupboard 3-6 pm	17	18 UMW 7 pm Karla James	19 Carson Edmonds	20	21 UMM 8 am
22 UMW Quarterly Dinner	23	24	25	26	27 Maggie Barnes -----Twister	28 Days-----
29	30 Trish Marshall					