



Morris First United Methodist Church

Upcoming Events:

May 1st – SASSY’s 12 pm

May 16th – UMW 7 pm

May 6th – **Senior Sunday**

May 18th – Morris Graduation 8 pm

May 6th – Morris Baccalaureate 3 pm

May 20th – Youth Movie Night

May 6th – Youth 5-7:30 pm

May 21st – Christ’s Cupboard Open

May 9th – Board Meeting 7 pm

May 28th – **Memorial Day**

May 13th – **Mother’s Day**

May 29th – 31st – Annual Conf.

Senior Sunday



Sunday, May 7th

We will be honoring Damion Bergevin during the service.

Reception immediately following.



From the Pastor's Desk

It always amazes me how quickly time flies. We are beginning May and the end of school is fast approaching. There is an exciting event happening for me at the end of the month. Annual Conference begins on the 29th of May. This year, I will be commissioned during Annual Conference and so it is an exciting one for me.

I'm not sure how many people really understand the process that a person takes in order to be ordained in the United Methodist Church. The United Methodist Church wants to ensure that every church has a qualified pastor to lead and guide them in their spiritual journey. Here is the process.

- Person decides they are called to ordained ministry and after being mentored for a time to determine their suitability to pastoral ministry, they become a Candidate.
- Before a person can pastor a church, they attend licensing school for basic understanding of leading a church, United Methodist beliefs, and basic theology. Some pastor decide to stay as a Licensed Local Pastor instead of going on to ordained ministry.
- The next step in the process is to attend Seminary to earn a Master of Divinity (MDiv) degree or complete a Course of Study. Seminary takes about 4 years. Course of Study time varies. After completing $\frac{3}{4}$ of the Seminary curriculum a person can apply to be commissioned.
- To be commissioned, the Candidate completes a 28 page paper over United Methodist doctrine, a sermon including theory of worship, an original Bible study and pass an intense interview process by the Board of Ordained Ministry. The Board of Ordained Ministry votes and recommends the Candidate to be commissioned. The Annual Conference votes for the individual to be commissioned.
- At that point, the Candidate is considered a Provisional Elder and begins a 2 year period of probation where they have to complete more work that shows the Board that they are qualified to become an Elder in full connection. The whole process from start to finish takes about 7 – 10 years.

So commissioning is an important step and I'd like to invite everyone to the Commissioning Ceremony, May 30th at 7:00 pm at St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Oklahoma City.

Pastor Tracy

Damion Bergevin



Damion is the grandson to Bob and Sharon Bergevin. He is the son of Mike Bergevin and Kathy Bergesen and brother to Kassy, Tori, and Elizabeth. He is also the proud dad to Eric.

Damion has attended Morris Public Schools for 11 years. Damion played football since third grade. He played baseball for one year. Now, he enjoys playing football with friends. After high school, Damion plans to marry his fiancé, Morgan. He will attend Tulsa Tech to become an Emergency Medical Technician. His passion is to help people.

Damion has attended the First United Methodist of Morris most of his life.



May 6th – Youth 5-7:30 pm

May 13th – No Youth

**May 20th – Youth Movie Night
Time TBD**

May 27th – Youth 5-7:30 pm



Christ's Cupboard



The food pantry is in need of spaghetti and spaghetti sauce this month.

Prayer Requests



Crystal Nolan	Darlene Walden	Jennifer Roper	Matt Davis	Mike Bergevin
Charlotte Johnson	John Reed	Patsy Zink	Deloris Hart	Becky Riley
Glenda McAlester	Robin Melton	Marsha Schultz	Mike Vaughn	Joyce McDowell
Lamont Mace	Rhonda Stephenson	Bob Crandall	Romona Willis	Eleanor Vernon
Michael	Judy King	Edward Sullins	Lauren & Natalie Crandall	Brian Edmonds
Angela Branson	Esther Palmer	David Goodacre	Teachers & Legislatures	Singrays
Backpack Program	Christ's Cupboard			

April							June						
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 SASSY'S Corbin Clark	2 Kathryn Bergesen	3	4	5 Lindsay Osborn Jamie Workman
6 Senior Sunday Baccalaureate 3pm	7	8 Kim Davis	9 Board Meeting	10	11	12 Patsy Zink
13 Mother's Day	14 Sharon Bergevin	15 Pat Edmonds	16 UMW	17	18 Morris Graduation	19
20 Youth Movie Night	21 Christ's Cupboard Open	22	23	24	25 Carl King	26
27	28 Memorial Day Mary King Annual Conf.-----	29 -----	30 -----	31 -----		