



## **Pastor's e-Note**

**Morristown United Methodist Church (6/14/2017)**

**Greetings, good friends. Hope all is well with you in this very warm weather.**

**Last Sunday was Jennifer's last Sunday at the Newton First UMC. She has served well for the last five years. It was a bit of an emotional day for both of us. Jennifer wrote in her Facebook the following words: "Celebrated my last service at the Newton First UMC. Thank you for your support and prayers over the past 5 years. I thank God upon every remembrance of you! Together we have served one another as family and friends. Together we have reached out to the needs of others less fortunate. It is my prayer that you will continue to do the work of Christ to bring good news to the poor, recovery of sight to the blind, free those in prison, and proclaim the year of jubilee. Thank you for the journey! God bless you all."**

**Last Sunday was also Choir Festival Sunday. I really missed being with you. You know how much I love, enjoy and appreciate music. But, I heard that each choir did a super job. My heartfelt thanks to each child, youth and adult choir member, and Sarah and Jennifer. Thank you for your faithful and outstanding music ministries. Music remains the most powerful universal language everyone understands and relates to. Through music we touch the hearts of people.**

**On a personal and pastoral note, Barbara Morris is doing better at home. I heard that during service last Sunday, she fainted and fell. Thanks to all of you who responded to her right away and took care of her. She went to see her doctor and is going to have a stress test. I shared a light humor with her and said, "You know, Barbara, if you had to pass out, the best place to do it was in the church. I am glad this happened while you were with your church family." She agreed. As many of you know and can understand, Barbara is a very private person. So, I invite you to keep her in your good thoughts and prayers.**

**This coming Sunday is Youth Sunday. Our youth will lead the service and two graduating seniors will share the message with us. In addition, all the volunteers in the Sunday School for all ages will be recognized, and the 2017 ASP Mission Team (50+ of them including myself and Pastor Charles) will be commissioned. So, come and join us for a great worship. You will be glad you did.**

**Friends, we have a great God who is always with us and for us. Even when God seems to be so far away from us, God's love never lets us down nor lets us go. In good times and bad times, we can embrace all experiences of life as a gift. All is well with our souls, because no matter what God is with us.**

**Have a cool week and weekend, and will see you on Sunday – Rise and Shine!  
Rejoicing With You,**

**Brandon**