

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

OCTOBER 1, 2017

10:15 A.M.



The United Methodist Church of Morristown



Christ Centered † Spirit Led

The mission of our church is to engage all people in knowing, loving, and serving God to transform lives, communities, and the world.

October 1, 2017

WORSHIP CELEBRATION
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
World Communion Sunday

10:15 a.m.

† Identifies time to stand, as you are able.

PRELUDE

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

arr. Don Hustad
Jennifer Yang

† INTROIT

One Bread, One Body

Sarah A Michal
No. 620

*One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.
Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more.
One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless
And we, though many throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.*

† WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Jack Scharf, CLM

Leader: God calls us to a feast!

People: The table is set, and we will come from east and west, from north and south to sit at Christ's table.

Leader: Compassion, love and grace are poured out like fine wine.

People: We come to share our stories and your story, to share our hope and our pain, to share our wisdom and our laughter.

Leader: The table is set, so come let us worship God together.

† OPENING HYMN

Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty

No. 64

† OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

Kevin Vance

On this World Communion Sunday, give us eyes to recognize your reflection in the eyes of Christians everywhere. Give us a mind to accept and celebrate our differences. Give us a heart big enough to love your children everywhere. We thank you for setting a table with space enough for us all! Amen.

(Please be seated.)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Kris Hansen

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

God of Grace, we grieve that the church which shares one Spirit, one faith, one hope, and one calling, has become a broken communion in a broken world. The one body spans all time, place, race, and language, but in our fear we have fled from and fought one another, and in our pride we have mistaken our part for the whole. Yet we marvel that you gather the pieces to do your work, that you bless us with joy, with growth, and with signs of unity. Forgive our sins as we commit ourselves to seeking and showing the unity of the body of Christ. In his name, amen.

SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: Hear the good news: Christ died for our sins and rose again that God may free us from the tyranny of judging others to live fully in the power of God's grace. In the name of Jesus Christ, God forgives your sins and offers you a transformed future. Live fully into God's grace. Amen.

People: In his grace, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM *Come and Feast* Lee Dengler
Chancel Choir

CHILDREN'S STORYTIME *Kris Hansen*

A TIME OF COMMUNITY IN PRAYER *Jack Scharf*

SHARING OF JOYS AND PRAYER NEEDS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER *Jack Scharf*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

† HYMN *Let Us Break Bread Together* No. 618

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison) *Kevin Vance*

Guide us, O God, by your Word, and Holy Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover peace; through Christ our Lord, amen..

SCRIPTURE READINGS James 1: 2-4 *Kevin Vance*

Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. **Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.**

Galatians 5: 22-25

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. **Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.** Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON **"Growing People Change"** *Jack Scharf*

† PASSING THE PEACE

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(The Communion Elements have been previously blessed by Pastor Brandon)

ANNOUNCEMENTS *Jack Scharf*

- IGNITE this week-end
- Special Offering for Puerto Rico
- Church Charge Conference—Wednesday, October 11, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.
- Music at MUMC
- Mission Trip to Colombia

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS TO GOD *Kris Hansen*

OFFERTORY *Speak, Lord, in the Stillness* arr. Don Hustad

† DOXOLOGY No. 95

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison) *Kris Hansen*
All things come from you, O God, and with gratitude we return to you what is yours. All that we are, and all that we have, is a trust from you. And so, in gratitude for all your gifts, we offer you ourselves, and all that we have, in union with Christ's offering for us. By your Holy Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

† CLOSING HYMN *Sent Forth by God's Blessing* No. 664

† BENEDICTION *Jack Scharf*
*Go forth in God's care, taking love wherever you go.
 Go forth in God's name, taking Christ wherever you go.
 Go forth in God's grace, sharing mercy with everyone you meet.
 Go forth committed to growing by changing. Amen.*

† POSTLUDE *Toccata* Gordon Young



THE FLOWERS THAT GRACE THE CHANCEL are given by Sandra and Thomas Doyon to the glory of God, and in loving memory of their son Tommy.

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING	
SEPTEMBER 24, 2017	
<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>
131	\$1,802.00

- **“LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS”** The broadcast of our services may be seen on Cable Channel 21 each Sunday at 3:00 p.m.
- **DVDs** are available for each worship service for \$5.00. Please call the office to place your order.
- **LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE USHERS' TABLE. PLEASE TAKE A HYMNAL AND RETURN IT TO THE USHERS' TABLE AFTER THE SERVICE.**

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MORRISTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
October 1, 2017

October 8, 2017

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Luke 10:25-37; 1 Peter 4:10-11

“Saved People Serve People”

Pastor Brandon preaching

October 15, 2017

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Acts 8:25-35

“Found People Find People”

Pastor Brandon preaching

WELCOME! A special welcome to our guests who are worshipping with us today. We are so glad that you are here and that we can worship God together as friends. Please go to the WELCOME CENTER to receive your “welcome gift” and information packet about our church. Join us in Fellowship Hall after for good conversation and food.

JACK SCHARF, our certified lay minister, is preaching today. Pastor Brandon is in Wildwood for the IGNITE 2017 celebration. Five of our young people, Pastor Charles Perez and Susan Puma are there with him.



Annual Church Conference

October 11, 2017—7:00 p.m.

Asbury Room

Come and join us for our church’s Annual Church Conference. We will celebrate our accomplishments in ministry, elect and bless new officers and leaders, and envision for our future together. All the members and friends of the church are welcome! Dr. Steve Bechtold, our Skylands District Superintendent, will preside.



Help is needed with our youth group. We are in need of another adult to help with youth group to be in compliance with our Safe Sanctuary policy. Youth group meets two or three Sundays a month either right after church until 1:30 or 5:30-7:30pm. You have to be over 23 and a current, active member of our church. Please see Vince & Maria for more information. We need this help in place before we can start meeting.

This Week at MUMC

Sunday, October 1-World Communion Sunday

9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study Library
 Breakfast Club Wesley Room
 9:40 a.m. Chancel Choir Choir Room
 10:15 a.m. Worship Service
 Jack Scharf preaching
 11:35 a.m. Asbury Choir Choir Room
 3:30 p.m. Nueva Esperanza

Monday, October 2

7:30 p.m. A.A. Room 21

Tuesday, October 3

6:30 p.m. Wesleyan Choir Choir Room

Wednesday, October 4

4:00 p.m. Esperanza Soccer Gym
 7:00 p.m. Jubilation Ringers Asbury Room

Thursday, October 5

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Choir Room

Friday, October 6

5:30 p.m. Esperanza Soccer Gym

Saturday, October 7

8:30 p.m. Emmaus Reunion Wesley Room
 Day of Unity

Next Sunday, October 8

9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study Library
 Breakfast Club Wesley Room
 9:40 a.m. Chancel Choir Choir Room
 10:15 a.m. Worship Service
 Pastor Brandon preaching
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Monday, October 9



Office closed

7:30 p.m. A.A. Room 21



- Nueva Esperanza Worship and Ministry
- Stephen Ministry
- Church Leaders and Ministry Teams
- Our Sunday School and Youth Ministry

Our Church Family and Friends

Hilda, Deb Foster's aunt, cancer

Victims of the hurricanes

Susan, health issues for herself and her family

T.'s sister, mourning the loss of her husband

Janine, strength and healing

Don, strength and healing

Geraldine Gomez-Pinder, continued recovery

Rachel Barry

Judy M., colon cancer

Cora Oakley

Stephanie, successful stem cell transplant

Agnes, living with cancer, healing

Gary, loss of job

Tim Byrne, successful treatment of cancer

John Hyland, continued strength and healing

Kelly Buzalski, fighting cancer

Joan, in hospice care

Janice Harris, colon cancer

Stephanie, leukemia

Carolyn, cancer

Maggie, dialysis and chemo

Debbie's mom, successful treatment of cancer

Lea O'Shea, Nancy Ruggerio's daughter, recovery

Adam, successful treatment of colon cancer

James, recovery from stage 4 cancer

Jenny's father, treatment for prostate cancer

Serving Our Country

Pfc. Abigail Crisp, NJ Army National Guard

Jordan Dale, U.S. Marines

Sgt. Randall Ferrara, NJ Army National Guard

Staff Sgt. Steve Lantz, Army Reserves, Middle East

Lt. Karen Kraft McAllister, U.S. Navy, San Diego

Sonya Burroughs

Jack & Jomma

Shannon Bain

Barbara & Jim MacHale

Lou Cattano

Micah

Beth & Bruce Courter

Rick Radis

Erika Davis

Ms. So

Bill Earls

Arden Sutton

Neil Eriksen

Emma Wyman

Nancy Gardner

Ken Zippler

