



Pastor's e-Note

Morristown United Methodist Church (6/20/2018)

Dear Morristown Church Family and Friends,

This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it. I wish you a good day in the blessing of the Lord.

I have been doing sermon planning for September 2018 – June 2019 this week. It takes a bit of deep praying, reflection, scripture reading, and theme selections. Preaching, also known as “the proclamation of the Word,” is an essential part of a pastor’s life and ministry. I take my preaching ministry very seriously as it is an awesome responsibility and privilege. So, I pray to the Lord, “May the words of my mouth and the meditations of all of our hearts be acceptable to you, O Lord, our Rock and our Redeemer. Amen.” Please keep me in your prayers.

I am thinking about those immigrant children who have been forcibly taken from their parents who were trying to come to the U.S. borders for safety and asylum. Regardless of our differing positions on immigration reform, separating these children from their parents is not who we are as Americans and Christians. So I pray, “Lord, we remember and pray for those children who have been taken away from their parents, and who are crying for their moms and dads in the locked up detention center. Lord, quicken the hearts and actions of our leaders to stop this inhumane mistreatment of your young children. Amen.”

I would like to remind you that there will be a special informational meeting on the LGBTQ issue this Sunday at 11:45 a.m. in the Asbury Room.

I will be preaching this Sunday on “Grace is the Word.” Please join us and celebrate God’s grace in your life and ministry.

I will be traveling to Honolulu this coming Monday, June 25th, to support my parents and family. Some important decisions will need to be made for them during my time there. I will return to MUMC on Saturday, July 28th, and resume my pastoral work among you. Thank you to many of you for your words of care, prayers and good wishes for my mom and dad. During my time away, Jack Scharf, Pastor Charles Perez and Kris Hansen will take care of urgent pastoral needs. Please contact the church office if you need their pastoral care and support.

During this summer, I urge you to remember your beloved church and give your faithful financial support. Your consistent support is needed even more during this “low summer season.” You can pre-date your checks and send them to the church or put them in the offer plate before you leave for your time away from Morristown. Thank you so much!

Let us continue to give thanks to God for the gift of life and love in Jesus Christ. God is good all the time, and all the time God is good! See you in Church.

In God’s Grace,

Pastor Brandon