

# WORSHIP CELEBRATION

JULY 29, 2018

10:00 A.M.



*“A Gift Awaits All Who Are Willing to Accept It”*



**Morristown United Methodist Church**  
**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.*

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Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m.

† Identifies time to stand, as you are able.

PRELUDE

*Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*

Jennifer Cook  
Jennifer Yang

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. Brandon Cho

Leader: Holy One, teach us to seek you.

**People: Listen and hear you calling us to your gift of grace and love.**

Leader: Teach our hearts this day where and how to see you through your love.

**People: Open our eyes to find you, feeling your love for us.**

Leader: Teach us how to open our ears to hear you calling us.

**People: Let us find you and accept you freely and your precious gift.**

**In the name of your Son, we pray.**

† OPENING HYMN

*God of All People*

See insert

† OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

Dr. Cho

**Children of God, the never-ending love of God has called us together. For long before we were even aware of it, God knew us. God awaits patiently our response to the invitation of the most precious gift anyone can ever receive. Come, let us hear about this freely given gift of love available to all of us just by saying yes! So, come, let us worship God together! Amen.**

(Please be seated.)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Kris Hansen

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

**Dear Heavenly Father, we lower our heads before you and we confess that sometimes we find ourselves seeking you or being far away due to worldly things, ignoring you. Sometimes we carry on our lives as if there were no God and we fall short of being a credible witness to you. For these things, we ask your forgiveness and we also ask for your strength. Give us clear minds and open hearts so we may hear and feel your love and be able to accept your freely given precious gift of hope and salvation. Remind us to be who you would have us be regardless of what we are doing or who we are with. Hold us to you and build our relationship with you and with those you have given us on earth. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: The good news is that Christ calls us to new life and enables us to begin again and again and again.

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!

**People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

*This is My Father's World*

Betty Jean Chatham  
Jennifer Yang, piano

CHILDREN'S STORYTIME

Victoria Cattano

A TIME OF COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Dr. Cho and Kris Hansen

PASTORAL PRAYER

Dr. Cho

THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

**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.**

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 14

No. 746  
*Charlie Buck*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)

*Virginia Lyttle*

**Gracious God, give us the gift of listening, discerning and acting on the calls you make to our hearts. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 3:14-21

*Virginia Lyttle*

For this reason, I kneel before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. **I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith.** And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

**Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.**

The Word of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“A Gift Awaits All Who Are Willing to Accept It”

*Kris Hansen*

† PASSING THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Dr. Cho*

- Pass the Friendship Pad
- Harry Potter Small Group will meet today after worship
- Vacation Bible School needs your help—please see the Announcement insert
- Emmaus Reunion meets after worship in the Wesley Room

*Kristin Moran*

INVITATION TO TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Dr. Cho*

OFFERTORY

*My Father, First of All*

Jennifer Cook

DOXOLOGY

No. 94

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)

*Kris Hansen*

**Gracious and loving God, receive our humble offerings and our promises to listen and act on your callings to help feed your beloved children. May these worldly and spiritual gifts be used for your glory to bless others, change lives, and transform the world. In your son's holy and precious name, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.**

† CLOSING HYMN

*Imagine Your Creator's Breath*

See insert

† BENEDICTION

*Dr. Cho*

.† POSTLUDE

*O For a Thousand Tongues*

Dino Kartsonakis

Please feel free to sit and enjoy the postlude or leave the sanctuary to greet the pastor and other church friends at the door. All are welcome to join for a time of fellowship over refreshments in Fellowship Hall.

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MORRISTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

July 29, 2018

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**Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Psalm 14; Ephesians 3:14-21

**“A Gift Awaits All Who Are Willing to Accept it”**

Kris Hansen preaching

August 12, 2018

**Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**

Mark 6: 45-52

**“Can You Walk on the Water?”**

Pastor Brandon preaching

August 5, 2018

**Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**

**Joint Worship on the Green**

John 6:24-35

**“What Kind of Bread?”**

Pastor Charles Perez preaching

August 19, 2018

**Joint Worship on the Green**

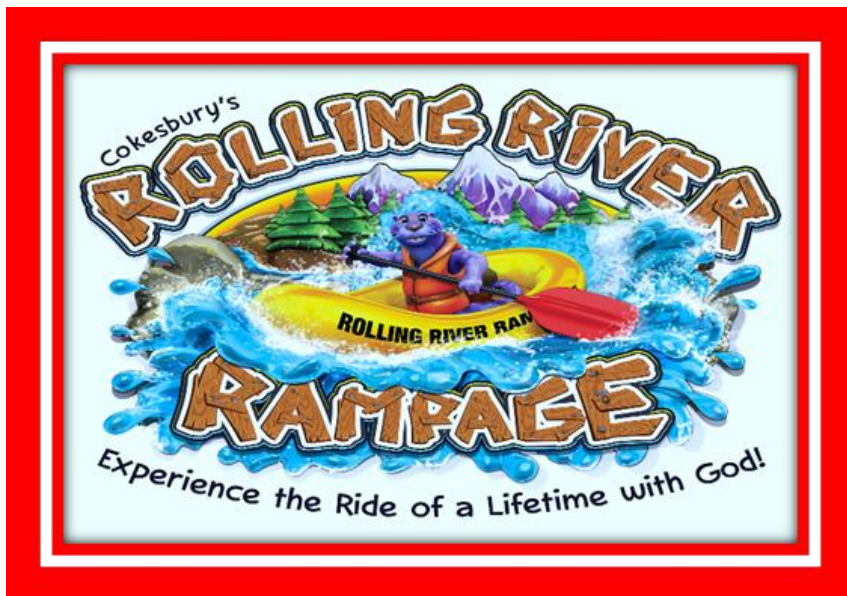
**VBS Sunday—MUMC hosting**

Pastor Sidney Williams, Bethel A.M.E.

preaching on VBS theme

**WELCOME, EVERYBODY!** We welcome especially new friends who are visiting our church in worship. We are so glad to celebrate life and worship our awesome God together with you. Please join us again next Sunday.

**THE HARRY POTTER SMALL GROUP** will meet today in the Asbury Room following worship to discuss the contrast between Heaven and the opening chapters in book 2, "The Chamber of Secrets." Upcoming picnic on Sunday, August 12<sup>th</sup>.



### **Vacation Bible School needs your help.**

We would really appreciate food donations as follows: 5 Large containers of Countrytime Lemonade; 5 Large containers of Gold Fish Crackers; 5 Large containers of Animal Crackers; 5 Large containers of Pretzel Thin Sticks; 5 Large containers of Veggie Sticks. Please bring the items on or before August 8 in the church office.

**Thank you for your support.**

Pearl Ontalan, Director

#### **THIS WEEK AT MUMC**

##### **Sunday, July 29—Summer Worship at 10:00 a.m.**

- 10:15 a.m. Worship Service—Kris Hansen
- 11:30 a.m. Harry Potter Group Asbury Room
- 11:30 a.m. Emmaus Reunion Wesley Room
- 3:30 p.m. Bilingual Service—Nueva Esperanza

##### **Monday, July 30**

7:30 p.m. AA Room 21

##### **Tuesday, July 31**

7:30 p.m. Finance Committee Wesley Room

##### **Friday, August 3**

10:00 a.m. Aphasia Support Fellowship Hall

##### **Next Sunday, August 5**

##### **Worship on the Green at 10:00 a.m.**

Pastor Charles preaching  
MUMC hosting

# CHURCH CALENDAR



We are a busy church! Praise God! We're so busy that we need to make sure that all church related events get scheduled on our church calendar, whether those events are in the church or off site, like many of our small groups. Please contact our Administrative Assistant, Mona Lindeman **regarding any and all church related events** so that these can be placed on the church calendar. Mona will let you know of any conflicts with other events.

Please also be aware that if you are scheduling an event that will use any of the church's rooms or parking lot that you must complete a **"Facility Use"** form at least two weeks prior to the event which needs the Board of Trustees' approval. Please contact Mona for these forms.

If we can all be diligent in following these procedures we can hopefully avoid meeting and facility conflicts. Thank you!!



- Nueva Esperanza Worship and Ministry
- VBS—August 13-17, 2018
- Church Leaders and Ministry Teams
- Our Sunday School and Youth Ministry

### Our Church Family and Friends

**Laurie**, undergoing a bone marrow transplant  
**Melanie and Casey**, dealing with a miscarriage  
**Lou Cattano**, awaiting test results  
**Carl**, healing and strength  
**Sheyla**, tumor on clavicle  
**Soon Duk Cho, Pastor Brandon's mom**, healing  
**Terri M.**, strength and healing  
**Sue Earls**, continued strength and healing  
**Jeanne B.**, brain cancer  
**Christina**, tumor  
**Terry M.**, strength and healing  
**James**, transitioning to a new school  
**Christine and Marcus**, healing  
**Jeff**, cancer  
**Erico family**, mother of four battling terminal cancer

**John Leding**, strength and healing  
**William E. Hettrick**, prostate cancer  
**Gary**, loss of job  
**John Hyland**, contined strength and healing  
**Kelly Buzalski**, fighting cancer  
**Joan**, in hospice care  
**Janice Harris**, colon cancer  
**Stephanie**, leukemia  
**Carolyn**, successful cancer treatment  
**Adam**, successful treatment of colon cancer  
**James**, recovery from stage 4 cancer

### **Serving Our Country**

**Pfc. Abigail Crisp**, NJ Army National Guard  
**Jordan Dale**, U.S. Marines  
**Sgt. Randall Ferrara**, NJ Army National Guard  
**Rich Lamm**, US Marine Corp  
**Staff Sgt. Steve Lantz**, Army Reserves, Middle East  
**Lt. Karen Kraft McAllister**, U.S. Navy, San Diego

### **On-going Prayer**

Sonya Burroughs	Barbara MacHale
Shannon Bain	Micah
Rev. and Mrs. Man Kee Cho,	
Pastor Brandon's parents	
Beth & Bruce Courter	Lea O'Shea
Erika Davis	Rick Radis
Neil Eriksen	Ms. So
Nancy Gardner	Arden & Les Sutton
Hannah Heggenstaller	Emma Wyman
Jack & Johnna	Ken Zippler