

#### THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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# WELCOME

Whoever you are, and wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith, you are welcome to this church as you are to receive the riches of God's grace...

# The Way...

The earliest Christians were called *The People of the Way.*This weekly publication is provided to show how our congregations are living *The Way* today.

o Sunday after Pentecost August 6, 2023





On behalf of our congregation

The First United Methodist Church of Fort Branch
would like to THANK YOU for your contribution to our
hugely successful 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Back To School Bash.

With your support, we were able to assist 165 families in our
community as 379 students received
a FREE backpack filled with specific school supplies
per their published suggested classroom needs.
Thank you for supporting this community event!!

Shoe Carnival Goedde Oil **Grabbe Wealth Group HMC Gears** Fort Branch-Johnson Twp Public Library Kenny Dewig Meats Fort Branch Dairy Queen **Koch Air** Marcy King Agency Little Miracles Learning Center **Graber Denistry** Matt Monroe **NIX Metals** SR Meny

Grace's Toys
Jarboe Tax Service
McGowan Ins.Group
South Gibson VFW Aux.
Murphy Chiropractic
Stodghill Funeral Home
Blythe Chapel UMC
Kuester Engineering
Holiday Foods
St. Stephens Comm. Church
Tri-State Fence Co.
Brett's Car Care
Psi Iota Xi Sorority
Tulip Tree Family Health
Owensville UMC

Methodist Women's Group

Next meeting on Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> @ 9am

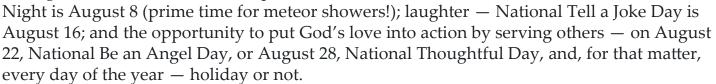
All women of the church are invited.

# Daily reasons to celebrate

Poor August, the only month without holidays! Still, there's lots to celebrate these final weeks of summer. Enjoy some summer flavors: August 1 is National Raspberry Cream Pie Day; August 2, National Ice Cream Sandwich Day; August 3, National Watermelon Day; August 10, National S'mores Day (have a bonfire!); and August 24 is National Peach Day.

If you share life with young kids, have a water balloon fight on — you guessed it — National Water Balloon Day, August 6! Head out for a final (National) Beach Day on August 30. Or head out for an intergenerational hike on National Trail Mix Day, August 31.

And don't forget to celebrate God's precious gifts of friends — National Friendship Day is the first Sunday in August; creation — Global Sleep Under the Stars





Darla Lewis ~ 6th

Beau Englehardt ~ 7th

Eric Knapp ~ 7th

Deanna Wilson ~ 8th

Andy Rostron ~ 8th

David & Sarah Fuhs ~ 10th

Ali Beal-Edwards ~ 12th

Autumn Scott ~ 12th

Bruce Holder ~ 12th

The following items serve as "little guideposts on the footpath to peace," according to author and pastor Henry Van Dyke (1852-1933):

- to be glad of life, because it gives you the chance to love and to work and to play and to look up at the stars;
- to be satisfied with your possessions but not content with yourself until you have made the best of them;
- to despise nothing in the world except falsehood and meanness, and to fear nothing except cowardice;
- to covet nothing of your neighbor's except [their] kindness of heart and gentleness of manners;
- to think seldom of your enemies, often of your friends and every day of Christ;
- to spend as much time as you can with body and with spirit in God's out-ofdoors.



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\* -This symbol, when found in the Order of Service invites you to stand - if able.

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#### **CHILDREN & WORSHIP**

Children are welcome in the worship service! We do offer options. Following the Children's Sharing, children may attend Sunday School at Blythe Chapel or Nursery at Fort Branch First.



† Indicates location is Blythe Chapel  $\Omega$  Indicates location is First UMC

# This Sunday:

9:00am † Worship

10:30am Ω Worship & Live

streaming worship

Monday: ~ Office Closed ~

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Thursday:

<u>Friday:</u> ~ Office Closed ~

Saturday:

9:00am Ω Methodist Women

# **Next Sunday:**

9:00am + Worship

10:30am Ω Worship & Live

streaming worship

Complete Schedule @ www.fbfirst.org



Next Sunday's Message:

"Faith, Healing and the Sabbath" Matthew 12:9-14





Rev. John Baylor, Jr.

## **PRELUDE**

#### \*GREETING AND PRAYER

We offer a cordial greeting to all worshipers who have come to praise the Lord. Your presence helps lift our spirits, and we welcome you in Christ's name.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please add your name to the attendance register located in your pew and pass to the next person until reaches everyone in your row.

## **PRAYERS**

SHARING OF CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS
PRAYER HYMN #462 Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

#### PASTORAL PRAYER

#### THE OFFERING:

The Gathering of the Gifts

\*Presentation of Gifts with **DOXOLOGY**:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Praise Him all creatures here below!

Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts!

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost! Amen.

#### CHILDRENS MOMENT

MINISTRY OF MUSIC Derek Robicheaux ~ I Believe Jenna Schleter ~ Broken Vessels

\*SCRIPTURE LESSON insert

Luke 13:10-17 NLT

"Spiritual Healing by Faith"

**MESSAGE** 



THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER THE INVITATION THE LORD'S PRAYER

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, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE COLLECT

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are opened, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts, by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You, and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION OF THE ELEMENTS THE SERVING OF THE BODY AND BLOOD

In this church, all are welcome to the Lord's Table.

\*HYMN #133

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

\*BLESSING

\*THE LIGHT OF GOD LEADS US INTO THE WORLD

Acolytes

Pastor

## \*DEPARTING SONG:

Hymn # 63 Blessed Be the Name

Blessed be the name!

Blessed be the name!

Blessed be the name of the Lord!

Blessed be the name!

Blessed be the name!

Blessed be the name of the Lord!

### \*PASSING THE PEACE:

Let us greet one another with the peace of God.

#### **POSTLUDE**





Prayer Requests —last names are printed for individuals requesting prayer for themselves or with explicitly given permission.

Jane Marginet, Richard Michel,
Becca Manolov, Carla Jackson,
Connie Osborn, Tommy Osborn,
Morgan Whitehead, Terri Jarboe,
Derek Barton, Jo Eckert, Ruby
Wilkerson, Scotti Pitts, Don
Colvin, Gretchen Young, Effie
Dilbeck, June Regenhold, Brian
Price, Triston, Tegan, Chad
Windell, Pastor John, Thelma &
Len Robicheaux,

Friendship is one of the greatest gifts a human being can receive. It is a bond beyond common goals, common interests or common histories. It is a bond stronger than sexual union can create, deeper than a shared fate can solidify and even more intimate than the bonds of marriage or community.

Friendship is being with the other in joy and sorrow, even when we cannot increase the joy or decrease the sorrow. It is a unity of souls that gives nobility and sincerity to love. Friendship makes all of life shine brightly.

—Henri Nouwen



Jesus Heals on the Sabbath

One Sabbath day as Jesus was teaching in a synagogue, "he saw a woman who had been crippled by an evil spirit. She had been bent double for eighteen years and was unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Dear woman, you are healed of your sickness!" Then he touched her, and instantly she could stand straight. How she praised God!

<sup>14</sup> But the leader in charge of the synagogue was indignant that Jesus had healed her on the Sabbath day. "There are six days of the week for working," he said to the crowd. "Come on those days to be healed, not on the Sabbath."

<sup>15</sup> But the Lord replied, "You hypocrites! Each of you works on the Sabbath day! Don't you untie your ox or your donkey from its stall on the Sabbath and lead it out for water? <sup>16</sup> This dear woman, a daughter of Abraham, has been held in bondage by Satan for eighteen years. Isn't it right that she be released, even on the Sabbath?"

<sup>17</sup> This shamed his enemies, but all the people rejoiced at the wonderful things

he did.

RESPONSE: The Word of God, for the people of God. *Thanks be to God!* 



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When Jesus saw her, he called her forward and said to her, "Woman, you are set free from your infirmity." Then he put his hands on her, and immediately she straightened up and praised God. Luke 13:12-13

Sased on Luke 13:10-17

# Listening Guide "Spiritual Healing by Faith" August 6, 2023

Scripture: Luke 13:10-17

What does this account teach us about the role that faith plays in spiritual healing?

Requires Up (vs.	10-12)									
Required He	dequired Healing (vs. 13)									
Sometimes Requires	(vs. 14-16)									
Requires (vs. 17)  Personal Application: What have you earned about healing from this demonsossessed woman?	the other scales 4:9-16									