

The First United
Methodist Church of
Fort Branch



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Methodist Church
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Our Mission....
To *make disciples* of
Jesus Christ for the
transformation of the
world .

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Office Hours
Tuesday & Wednesday,
9:00 am– 2:00 pm
Closed Monday, Thursday
and Friday

One Church
Two Locations

January 19, 2025

Women's Conference 2025

Keynote Speaker:
Shellie Rushing Tomlinson

**"act justly, love mercy,
walk humbly"**

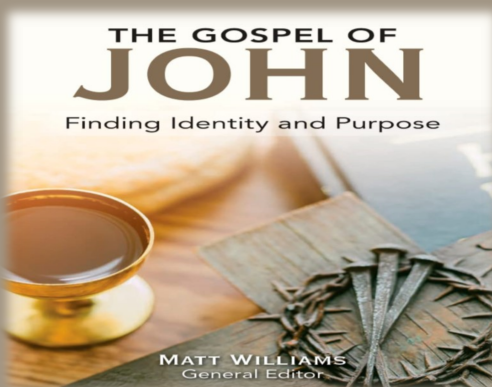
Micah 6:8

Saturday, February 22
9am ~ 2pm CST

Cost is \$25

**includes: shirt,
conference & lunch**

Rsvp by February 2nd
w/shirt size & payment to
Kristi Pflug (812)664-1108
venmo: @Kristi-Pflug-1



The Next Bible
Study will start
on
Monday,
February 3 @
6:30pm

This is a 12 week study. The cost is \$15
(Anyone wishing to be a part of this study, but the book
cost is an issue, please see Kristi or Pastor Randy)

Please reserve your book with
Kristi Pflug by January 20.

Hopes great and small

"The Christian lives with three hopes, two great and one small," writes Bryan Wolfmueller. In his "Wednesday What-Not" blog, the pastor explains: "Our first great hope is in Christ our Redeemer, whose death and resurrection are our forgiveness, life, salvation and great hope. Our second great hope is in Christ the King returning soon to judge the living [and] the dead, and establish the new heaven and earth where the righteous dwell. This is our hope for the resurrection and the life of the world to come."

Amazingly, there's more! "Sandwiched between these two great hopes is our small hope, our lesser hope, our hope for tomorrow, our hope that we might begin to love and serve our neighbor, and do some little something to bless the people around us," Wolfmueller continues. "This is the hope that energizes our vocations, that motivates our love, and that is the reason we make New Year's resolutions. We hope that we might do something a little bit better tomorrow than we did yesterday."

The pastor concludes, "If this was our only hope, it would be despair. But sandwiched between the love of Christ and the joy of the resurrection, this little hope is wonderful, and certainly not to be despised."



Submission by Feb. 12th



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Deliver to:



Thank You

Julie and I are overwhelmed by the generous gift you gave us at Christmas. We are so blessed and honored to be your pastoral family. Thank you so much for the amazing gift and for being such a wonderful church.
Pastor Randy

Thank you for the generous gift that you, as a church family, have given me. It will be put to good use. It is appreciated.
Andy Rostron

I am richly blessed with the friends God has placed in my life. The generous Christmas gifts I have received are greatly appreciated, but truly not necessary. I pray each of you receive a Christmas blessing of love to your heart, health to your body and peace & joy to your home through the New Year.
Christ over all, Melissa

Jeanie and I would like to Thank the women's group of the FUMC for the Goodies basket and the quilts. We enjoyed all the snacks. We also appreciated Pastor Randy's visit and the many Christmas cards we received. Hope you all have a Happy New Year!
Paul and Jeanie



SIMPLIFIED BOARD MEETING

SUNDAY, JAN. 19 @ 11:30AM

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

CCLI #2446518
Streaming License # 20701562

CHILDREN & WORSHIP

Children are welcome in the worship
service! We do provide a nursery, located in
the education wing near the restrooms.



This Sunday

10:30am ~ *Worship & Live
streaming worship*

11:30am ~ *Simplified Board*

Monday: ~ *Office Closed* ~

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Thursday: ~ *Office Closed* ~

Friday: ~ *Office Closed* ~

Saturday:

Next Sunday:

10:30am ~ *Worship & Live
streaming worship*



Scott Wilson ~ 20th

Terry Phillips ~ 20th

Ashley Hauschild ~ 21st

Owen Foster ~ 23rd

Izabella Hargiss ~ 25th



Rev. Randy Anderson

PRELUDE

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.*

WORSHIP THROUGH GATHERING

*THE LIGHT OF GOD IS PRESENT WITH US

*HYMN #147

All Things Bright and Beautiful

RESPONSIVE READING

Hymn #883

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

*who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.*

We trust in God.

We are called to be the church:

*to celebrate God's presence,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.*

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYING

PRAYER HYMN #2152

Change My Heart, O God

SHARING PRAYER CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

THE OFFERING: The Gathering of the Gifts

*The Response

Hymn #139 verse 2

*Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously
reigning*

*bears thee on eagle's wings, e'er in his keeping maintaining.
God's care enfolds all, whose true good he upholds.
Hast thou not known his sustaining?*

WORSHIP THROUGH HEARING

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SCRIPTURE

Psalms 37:27-28, NLT

*27 Turn from evil and do good,
and you will live in the land forever.*

*28 For the LORD loves justice,
and he will never abandon the godly.
He will keep them safe forever,
but the children of the wicked will die.*

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

MESSAGE

"Faith in 3-D"

WORSHIP THROUGH RESPONDING

*HYMN # 374

Standing on the Promises

*BLESSING



God in church or nature? Yes.

Church isn't designed to be an alternative to the real world. Worship is a time and space apart from the world in order for us to find our way out into the world. Worship isn't a man-made place distinct from the beauty of the natural world; at its best, church is a place where we realize God's glory in the world we find ourselves in. ... Do I find God in a church? or out in nature? Yes. ... In church I hope to sharpen my senses so I can discover the house of God everywhere. James C. Howell, Everywhere Is Jerusalem

PRAYING
FOR YOU

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

Jane Marginet, June Regenhold, Mark Fear, Deanna Wilson, Norman Bullock, Liz & Alan Creamer, Vivory Brewer, Frances Burns, Paul & Jeanie Cardinal, John & Beverly Boss, Zach Anderson, Morgan Whitehead, Karen Devine, Fred & Debra Stephenson

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Frances Burns ~301***

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