



We Seek to Better Understand
the Teachings of Jesus—
and Live those Teachings.

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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.
5th Sunday after Pentecost **July 10, 2022**



SUMMER

Soul care through studying

Summer isn't often associated with studying, but it can be an ideal time to dive into God's Word. Just keep in mind: Studying the Bible involves more than merely reading the words. The process begins with a humble spirit to not only gain information but to let Scripture transform you.

I've heard about various practices for Bible study. Some people set aside a special place, with multiple concordances and commentaries at their fingertips. I thrive on a bit more variety. Comparing a couple of Bible translations and paraphrases proves helpful for my studies.

Renovaré, Richard Foster's institute that aims to help people become more like Jesus, advises: "It is vital to study not only books but also those things around us such as nature, relationships, events and cultural values." What are the most meaningful ways for you to study God's Word?
—Janna Firestone

Anyone so inclined to help with supplies for the bash can contribute by placing a monetary donation in the offering plate with the notation "BTSB". Another way is to purchase any of the following items and leave in the collection box outside the BTSB storage closet.
baby wipes / tissues
paper towels / paper plates / Clorox wipes
2 pocket plastic folders (with or without prongs)



Saturday, July 30th
9am ~ 12pm



Need a cold beverage or a little snack when visiting the church??

Cold Sodas in the church kitchen fridge and the basket full of snacks in fellowship hall all benefit the Back to School Bash.



FRESH VEGGIES

are picked every Sunday morning and are available to everyone at the produce stand in fellowship hall.

U-Pick veggies available anytime!

Oxygen for ministry

Flight attendants instruct airplane passengers that if oxygen masks are needed, we should secure our own before assisting someone else. Why? If we aren't getting enough oxygen ourselves, we can't help another person for long.

The Holy Spirit empowers Christians for ministry — the work of loving and caring for our neighbors and God's creation. But if we aren't Spirit-fueled on an ongoing basis, we will soon lack capacity to serve. This may manifest as burnout, cynicism, exhaustion or even lack of faith. So how to ensure we're breathing in the Spirit's energy and guidance instead of poor-quality "air"?

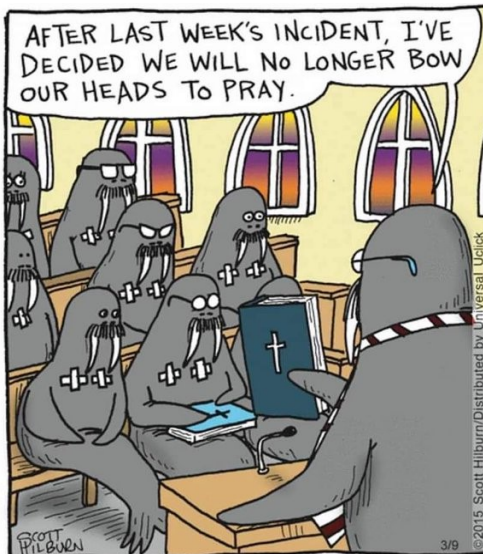
By taking part in corporate worship regularly, immersing ourselves in the Scriptures (devotional reading and Bible study), praying "continually" (1 Thessalonians 5:17, NIV) and spending time with Christian friends and mentors. Opening ourselves to the Spirit in these ways allows the Breath of God to flow into us, which in turn empowers us to reach out to others in love.

—Heidi Hyland Mann



Emery Faith Robicheaux

was born on the 4th of July at 6:26AM. She weighed 8.5lbs and was 21" long. Ali is doing wonderfully and they're already home with their new daughter. Eli isn't sure what to think yet, and Emerson is madly in love already. Christian is still in shock — he can't believe he has a daughter after having two sons!



let's Celebrate!

- Ben Scott ~ 11th
- Kyle Pflug ~ 13th
- Logan Prater ~ 13th
- Jeff Lewis ~ 14th
- Owen Bryant ~ 16th

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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 First.

Nursery
Attendant:



7/10: Ruth Ann Salyer
7/17: Pam Mabrey

† Indicates location is Blythe Chapel
Ω Indicates location is First UMC

This Sunday

9:00am † Worship
9:30am Ω Sunday School
10:30am Ω Worship & Live
streaming worship

Monday: ~ Office Closed ~

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Thursday:

Friday: ~ Office Closed ~

Saturday:

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Next Sunday:

*"Loving Your Actual Neighbor:
Lightening Up"
Luke 15:11-32*



Welcome!



Rev. John F. Baylor, Jr.

PRELUDE

*THE LIGHT OF GOD IS PRESENT WITH US

*HYMN # 110 9:00am *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*
514 10:30am *Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus*

*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 #526 9:00am *What a Friend We
Have in Jesus*
#526 10:30am *What a Friend We
Have in Jesus*

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.**



Listening Guide
“Accepting What Is”
July 10, 2022

Scripture: Luke 5:17-26

How does Jesus model accepting what is?

He is _____ **(vs. 17-20)**

He takes _____ **(vs. 21-24)**

He brings _____ **(vs. 25-26)**

Personal Application: Our call in loving our neighbors is to accept what is at the beginning. We meet them where they are. We allow ourselves to be interrupted. We must be ready to teach. We need to seek to bring change. How well do you follow Jesus’ example of accepting what is?

Luke 5:17-26 NLT

Jesus Heals a Paralyzed Man

¹⁷ One day while Jesus was teaching, some Pharisees and teachers of religious law were sitting nearby. (It seemed that these men showed up from every village in all Galilee and Judea, as well as from Jerusalem.) And the Lord's healing power was strongly with Jesus.

¹⁸ Some men came carrying a paralyzed man on a sleeping mat. They tried to take him inside to Jesus, ¹⁹ but they couldn't reach him because of the crowd. So they went up to the roof and took off some tiles. Then they lowered the sick man on his mat down into the crowd, right in front of Jesus. ²⁰ Seeing their faith, Jesus said to the man, "Young man, your sins are forgiven."

²¹ But the Pharisees and teachers of religious law said to themselves, "Who does he think he is? That's blasphemy! Only God can forgive sins!"

²² Jesus knew what they were thinking, so he asked them, "Why do you question this in your hearts? ²³ Is it easier to say 'Your sins are forgiven,' or 'Stand up and walk'? ²⁴ So I will prove to you that the Son of Man has the authority on earth to forgive sins." Then Jesus turned to the paralyzed man and said, "Stand up, pick up your mat, and go home!"

²⁵ And immediately, as everyone watched, the man jumped up, picked up his mat, and went home praising God. ²⁶ Everyone was gripped with great wonder and awe, and they praised God, exclaiming, "We have seen amazing things today!"

RESPONSE: The Word of God, for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!



Love thy neighbor

JESUS HEALS A PARALYZED MAN

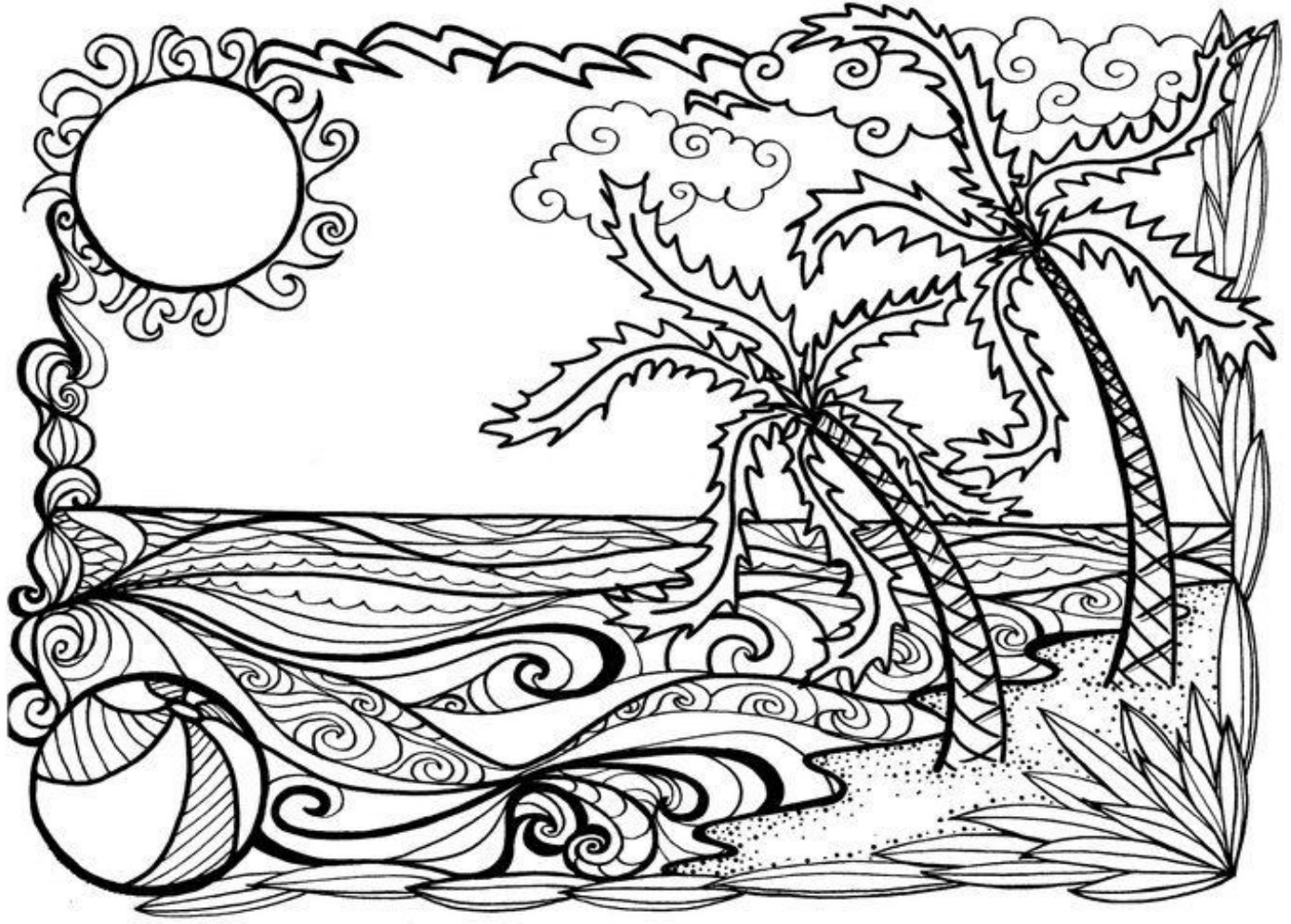


Discover the hidden words.

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Word Bank

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| SINNERS | PHARISEES | ROOF |
| GLORIFIED | SCRIBES | FAITH |
| BLASPHEMY | PARALYTIC | FORGIVENESS |



Back *to* School BASH

Backpack & School Supply

DRIVE-THRU



Saturday
July 30th
9am ~ 12pm

****REQUIRED Pre-registration**
of your students on our website:

www.fbfirst.org

*Backpacks custom filled for each
student and their teacher supply
list (when available).*

A Community Event

@ Fort Branch First United Methodist Church

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