

The First United
Methodist Church of
Fort Branch



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

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



**Many volunteers are needed for
the BtSB event! Please utilize
the sign up sheet on the
bulletin board.**



Tips for gardeners

"Love is to the heart what the summer is to the farmer's year," said evangelist Billy Graham. "It brings to harvest all the loveliest flowers of the soul." Without summer, our gardens would disappoint, and without love, our hearts wouldn't bloom.

The warmth of summer and love aren't the only ingredients required for abundant physical and spiritual crops, however. Discernment and persistence ensure fruitful yields in both areas. "Unless we know the difference between flowers and

weeds, we are not fit to take care of a garden," advised Clyde Francis Lytle. "It is not enough to have truth planted in our minds. We must learn and labor to keep the ground clear of thorns and briars, follies and perversities, which have a wicked propensity to choke the word of life."



Oh Butta!

July Missions in Motion: we're asking for butter or margarine sticks/tubs for The Lord's Pantry. Please utilize the church fridge as our collection site.



Ordinary offerings, extraordinary use

The book of Numbers contains endless instructions about the offerings Israel should make — gold and silver vessels, flour-and-oil mixtures, incense and sacrificial animals. Hidden in there are "six covered wagons and twelve oxen" (7:3, KJV) that the leaders offer to God.

Although many of the commanded offerings were impractical for daily living and likely easy to comply with — what use were silver bowls and incense while wandering the desert? — giving up wagons and oxen surely required more thought. They may not seem as holy as gifts of money, fancy utensils and expensive fabric, but they were indeed precious: They would transport the Tent of Meeting from place to place.

Likewise today, some people offer money, altar linens, bread and wine; others donate art supplies for Sunday school, casseroles for funeral luncheons, a computer for the church office. All gifts are useful. All are holy.



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CHILDREN & WORSHIP

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

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This Week

This Sunday:

10:30am ~ Worship & Live
streaming worship

Monday: ~ Office Closed ~

Tuesday:

5:30pm ~ Yoga

Wednesday:

Thursday: ~ Office Closed ~

10:30a-9pm ~ R'z Café &
Catering Gives Back
Day...20%

Friday:

Saturday:

9am-12pm ~ Back to School Bash

Next Sunday:

10:30am ~ Worship & Live
streaming worship



Full calendar of events:
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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 #405

Seek Ye First

*RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 22:23-31

Awe-inspiring God, we gather together to praise you
for your tender compassion and care of needy people.

***Come, all who seek the Lord God,
Offer your prayers.***

Listening God, we gather to revere and honor your
supportive concern for people who cry to you for help.

***Come, all who seek the Lord God,
Offer your praise***

People of every nation are called to gather together to
worship God, in thankfulness for God's loving mercies.

***Come, all who seek the Lord God,
Offer your worship. Amen.***

WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYING

PRAYER HYMN #500 *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart*

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

*Presentation of Gifts with Offertory Response:

Hymn #75

***All people that on earth do dwell,
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.
Him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell;
come ye before him and rejoice.***

WORSHIP THROUGH HEARING

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SCRIPTURE

John 1:40-42 NLT

⁴⁰ Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of these men who heard what John said and then followed Jesus. ⁴¹ Andrew went to find his brother, Simon, and told him, "We have found the Messiah" (which means "Christ").

⁴² Then Andrew brought Simon to meet Jesus. Looking intently at Simon, Jesus said, "Your name is Simon, son of John—but you will be called Cephas" (which means "Peter").

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

MESSAGE

"The Heart of a Personal Worker"

WORSHIP THROUGH RESPONDING

*HYMN # 2176

*BLESSING



Make Me a Servant

Summer Worship, Summer Joy

Even in the relaxed pace of summer, God is at work! Our Sunday services continue to be a source of joy and encouragement—join us each week for inspiring worship and meaningful community.

Prayer Requests

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, Terri & Steve Jarboe, Liz & Alan Creamer, Frances Burns, Paul & Jeanie Cardinal, John & Beverly Boss, Zach Anderson, Morgan Whitehead, Roger & Nancy Jones, Julie Anderson, Carolyn Jones, Jim Feutz, Autumn Scott, Beth Mayfield, Ron Dunning, Bruce Rostron

Please pray for our Back to School Bash mission team this week! We're excited to see how God will work through them as they serve and shine His light.



**Nathan Schleter ~ 20th
Debi Phillips ~ 22th
Shawn Woehler ~ 22nd
Clay Pflug ~ 23rd
Bill & Zella Frey ~ 25th
Sherry Holder ~ 26th**