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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. 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost June 18, 2023

Our Church sanctuary has an AC unit that is nearly 24 years old and had decided it no longer wanted to provide cool air on hot summer days. If you would like to help with the replacement cost, please indicate "New A/C" on an envelope provided in the pews and place in the offering plate.





**Gideon Thomas Workman** June 13, 2023 5 lbs 13.3 oz, 17 inches long Congratulations Shelby & Lija Pastor John & Anita



Cold Sodas in the church kitchen fridge, hot drink station and the snack counter in fellowship hall all benefit the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Back to School Bash. Check out the new selection of snacks just added this week.

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July 29,2023



celebrate Nathan Schleter on Sunday, June 25th from 2-4pm @ First UMC 100 W. Vine Street Please call or text RSVP to Jenni 812-499-2384



David Fuhs ~ 19th Steve & Jenni Schleter ~ 20th Dawn McCoy ~ 21st Bruce & Sherry Holder ~ 21st

Complete this crossword with names of biblical fathers. Use the references for help, if needed. 1. King Solomon's father, who ruled over Israel for 40 years (2 Samuel 5:4) 4. He was asked to sacrifice his son Isaac (Genesis 22:1-2) 6. He had 12 sons (Genesis 35:22b) 7. Samuel's father (1 Samuel 1:19-20) 9. His son was Obed (Ruth 4:21) 10. David was the youngest of his 8 sons (Ruth 4:17) 3 6 8 10 11 9 12 13 2. His 3 sons helped him build an ark (Genesis 6:10) 3. His youngest son, Jacob, tricked him into giving away a birthright (Genesis 27:30) 5. The Father of our Lord (Ephesians 1:3) 7. His sons were not like Samuel; they were wicked (1 Samuel 2:12) 8. David's best friend and the father of Mephibosheth (2 Samuel 9:6)

- 11. Father of Cain, Abel and Seth (Genesis 4:25)
- 12. He was married to Mary, mother of Jesus (Matthew 1:20-21)
- 13. Father of Jonathan; Israel chose him as their first king (2 Samuel 9:6)

Answer: DOWN I. David, 4. Abraham, 6. Jacob, 7. Elkanah, 9. Boaz. 10. Jesse; ACROSS 2. Noah, 3. Isaac, 5. God, 7. Eli, 8. Jonathan, 11. Adam, 12. Joseph, 13. Saul

#### for Father's Day, some dad jokes:

- My dream job is to clean mirrors because I can really see myself doing that.
- We're renovating the house. The first floor is going great, but the second floor is another story.

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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.



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

This Sunday:Father's Day9:00am+ Worship10:30amΩ Worship & Livestreaming worship

Monday: ~ Office Closed ~ Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday: Saturday Next Sunday: 9:00am † Worship 10:30am Ω Worship & Live streaming worship 12:00pm Ω Private Rental ~ Schleter

> Complete Schedule @ www.fbfirst.org



Next Sunday's Message:

Feeding the 5,000





# Rev. John Baylor, Jr.

## PRELUDE

## \*THE LIGHT OF GOD IS PRESENT WITH US \*HYMN #57 O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

### **\*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 #348 Softly and Tenderly

Jesus Is Calling

#### 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.

#### 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 ~ *Man of His Word* 

**\*SCRIPTURE LESSON** insert

Acts 2:22-41 NLT

MESSAGE

"Faith in the Spirit, Part 2"

\*HYMN #419

I Am Thine, O Lord

He Is Lord

\*BLESSING Pastor \*THE LIGHT OF GOD LEADS US INTO THE WORLD Acolytes

\*DEPARTING SONG: Hymn # 177 He is Lord, He is Lord! He is risen from the dead And he is Lord! Every knee shall bow, Every tongue confess That Jesus Christ is Lord.

**\*PASSING THE PEACE:** 

Let us greet one another with the peace of God.



The church office is having consistent technical issues with Google not delivering mass/group emails to our recipients Please note the newsletter is sent every Thursday (with few exceptions) and prayer chain notifications are sent as often as requested. Many committee emails are also not getting through to everyone. Please note, Melissa is working with our service provider, but this is a new "roadblock" from Google to start managing excessive spam emails being sent hourly, world-wide, so I am told. Let me know if you are not getting emails and I will try to manage a new route for you. Also, please update your

contact information by using the pew attendance sheets. Those are collected and processed weekly.



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, Alec Taylor, Morgan Whitehead, Terri Jarboe, Derek Barton, Jo Eckert, Ruby Wilkerson, Scotti Pitts, Deanna Wilson, Don Colvin, Gretchen Young, Effie Dilbeck, June Regenhold, Margie Beal, Lesa Prater, Brian Price, Roger L Nancy Jones, Kathy Trowbridge, Triston, Tegan, Chad Windell, Pastor John, Kristi Pflug, Thelma L Len Robicheaux

POSTLUDE



## Acts 2:22-41 NLT

<sup>22</sup> "People of Israel, listen! God publicly endorsed Jesus the Nazarene by doing powerful miracles, wonders, and signs through him, as you well know. <sup>23</sup> But God knew what would happen, and his prearranged plan was carried out when Jesus was betrayed. With the help of lawless Gentiles, you nailed him to a cross and killed him. <sup>24</sup> But God released him from the horrors of death and raised him back to life, for death could not keep him in its grip. <sup>25</sup> King David said this about him:

'I see that the LORD is always with me.

1 will not be shaken, for he is right beside me.

<sup>26</sup> No wonder my heart is glad,

and my tongue shouts his praises!

My body rests in hope.

<sup>27</sup> For you will not leave my soul among the dead

or allow your Holy One to rot in the grave.

<sup>28</sup> You have shown me the way of life,

and you will fill me with the joy of your presence.'

<sup>29</sup> "Dear brothers, think about this! You can be sure that the patriarch David wasn't referring to himself, for he died and was buried, and his tomb is still here among us. <sup>30</sup> But he was a prophet, and he knew God had promised with an oath that one of David's own descendants would sit on his throne. <sup>31</sup> David was looking into the future and speaking of the Messiah's resurrection. He was saying that God would not leave him among the dead or allow his body to rot in the grave.

<sup>32</sup> "God raised Jesus from the dead, and we are all witnesses of this. <sup>33</sup> Now he is exalted to the place of highest honor in heaven, at God's right hand. And the Father, as he had promised, gave him the Holy Spirit to pour out upon us, just as you see and hear today. <sup>34</sup> For David himself never ascended into heaven, yet he said,

<sup>\*</sup>The LORD said to my Lord,

"Sit in the place of honor at my right hand

<sup>35</sup> until 1 humble your enemies,

making them a footstool under your feet."

<sup>36</sup> "So let everyone in Israel know for certain that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, to be both Lord and Messiah!"

<sup>37</sup> Peter's words pierced their hearts, and they said to him and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?"

<sup>38</sup> Peter replied, "Each of you must repent of your sins and turn to God, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. Then you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup> This promise is to you, to your children, and to those far away—all who have been called by the Lord our God." <sup>40</sup> Then Peter continued preaching for a long time, strongly urging all his listeners, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation!"

<sup>41</sup> Those who believed what Peter said were baptized and added to the church that day about 3,000 in all.

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

