



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

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.

6th Sunday After Pentecost June 30, 2024

**WELCOME
OUR NEW
PASTOR**



Hi everyone, We are so happy to be coming to join the Fort Branch/Blythe Chapel Family! Julie and I have been praying and eagerly anticipating the opportunity to serve with you. My name is Randy Anderson, I am an ordained elder in the United Methodist Church and have been under appointment

since before the turn of the century (1985). Next year will be our 40th year in ministry. Julie and I have four adult sons and two amazing grandchildren(a Girl and a Boy). Julie is a registered nurse and gets to work from home for Community Hospital in Indianapolis and Deaconess Hospital in Evansville.

I have served churches in the Southwest, Indianapolis, and old Vincennes districts. Also I have served as associate District Superintendent and on the Indiana Conference staff as associate Director of Church Development. My heart and my calling has always been centered on being a pastor. I love the genuine relationships that come from being in a local church family. Most of all, I love God and count it a privilege to get to proclaim His word and lift the Holy name of Jesus.

I am a firm believer that every church that is dedicated to God has a bright future, Fort Branch and Blythe UMC's are no exception. My prayer as we begin this journey is simply this, "May we together keep our eyes on Jesus, May we together listen and follow that still small voice, and may we together be a blessing as a people that are truly blessed because we serve a living, loving God!!

Because He Lives... Randy

Keys to community

While searching for youth group resources, Stan Purdum once found a board game called Community. It was like Monopoly, but instead of promoting greed and winning, Community required you to help other players win too. The key to everyone winning was a Community Meeting square, akin to Monopoly's Go Directly to Jail.

As you moved around the board, you'd periodically land on Go to Meeting. Then you had to remain there until at least one other player arrived so you could meet. Before that could happen, someone at the meeting had to play a Plain-Speaking card.

The point? Before people can accomplish anything worthwhile when uniting for community purposes, they need straightforward statements of truth, even if those are sometimes painful. That's certainly true in the communities called family, church and friendship. And in life, the plain-speaking sometimes requires rebuke. Scripture calls these well-meaning words, intended for learning and healing, "the wounds a friend inflicts" (Proverbs 27:6, NRSV). —adapted from *The Wired Word*

Methodist Women's Group

Next meeting on
Saturday, July 13th @ 9am

All women of the church are invited.



Our 9th Annual Back to School Bash is about 5 weeks away and we are needing volunteers. Our current task is to secure more donations. A full list of community supporters is posted on the hallway bulletin board. There are also additional flyers and request letters posted nearby.

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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
Ω Indicates location is Fort Branch First UMC

This Sunday

9:00am † Worship

10:30am Ω Worship & Live
streaming worship

Monday: ~ Office Closed ~

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Thursday: Happy 4th of July
~ Office Closed ~

Friday: ~ Office Closed ~

Saturday

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Welcome

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 #452 9:00am *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*
378 10:30am vs. 1-4 *Amazing Grace*

*THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried,
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYING

PRAYER HYMN #395 9:00am *Take Time to Be Holy*
#468 10:30am vs 1&2 *Dear Jesus, in
Whose Life I See*

SHARING OF 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 **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.**

Hymn #95

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Derek Robicheaux

WORSHIP THROUGH HEARING

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Romans 1:8-9 NLT

God's Good News

⁸ Let me say first that I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith in him is being talked about all over the world. ⁹ God knows how often I pray for you. Day and night I bring you and your needs in prayer to God, whom I serve with all my heart by spreading the Good News about his Son.

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

MESSAGE

"Paul's Tripod"

WORSHIP THROUGH RESPONDING

*HYMN # 396 9:00am *O Jesus, I Have Promised*
2158 10:30am vs 1-3 *Just A Closer Walk with Thee*

*BLESSING

Pastor

*THE LIGHT OF GOD LEADS US INTO THE WORLD

Acolytes

*DEPARTING SONG:

#671 chorus *Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing*
*Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing;
fill our hearts with joy and peace;
let us each, they love possessing,
triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us, O refresh us,
traveling through this wilderness.*

PRAYER list...

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

Jane Marginet, Richard Michel, Morgan Whitehead, Terri Jarboe, Ruby Wilkerson, Scotti Pitts, Gretchen Young, June Regenhold, Mark Fear, Len Robicheaux, Cathy Starky, Kim Stratman, Deanna Wilson, Norman Bullock, Terry Phillips, Liz & Alan Creamer



"You'll love the congregation. We're just chock-full of sermon material."

JULY Birthdays and Anniversaries

*Bill Conklin III ~ 30th
Kayla Hall ~ 2nd
Paul Cardinal ~ 3rd
Todd Teel ~ 3rd
Emery Robicheaux ~ 4th
Karen Devine ~ 6th*