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.

3 Sunday of Lent March 3, 2024

# Holy Week

## Palm Sunday ~ March 24<sup>th</sup>

9:00<sub>am</sub> ~ Blythe Chapel 10:30<sub>am</sub> ~ Fort Branch First & Live Streaming

# Holy Thursday ~ March 28<sup>th</sup>

7:00<sub>pm</sub> ~ Communion @ Blythe Chapel UMC

Easter Sunday ~ March 31<sup>st</sup>

7:00<sub>am</sub> ~ Sunrise Service w/Communion @ Blythe Chapel UMC w/ Easter Egg Hunt & Breakfast following

9:00<sub>am</sub> ~ Easter Worship Service w/Communion & Live Stream @ Fort Branch First UMC



# BE THE DONKEY

Corrie ten Boom, a devout Christian who helped shelter hundreds of Jewish people from Nazis during World War II, was asked how she stayed humble despite her fame.

"When Jesus rode into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday on the back of a donkey, and everyone was waving palm branches and throwing garments onto the road and singing praises, do you think that for one moment it ever entered the head of that donkey that any of that was for him?" she replied.

"If I can be the donkey on which Jesus Christ rides in his glory, I give him all the praise and all the honor."

Jesus told his followers they'd need to carry (or "take up") their cross. But how well do you carry your Savior? How do you bring him into a world that desperately needs the good news of the gospel?



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GOD PEACE TEACHING
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Next meeting on

Saturday, March 9th @ 9am

All women of the church are invited.

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

This Sunday: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent † Worship 9:00am 10:30am Ω Worship & Live streaming worship

~ Office Closed ~ <u>Monday:</u> 6:30pm Ω Bible Study

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

6:15pm Ω FUMC Worship

Meeting

Thursday: ~ Office Closed ~

<u>Friday:</u>

~ Office Closed ~

Saturday:

9:00am Ω Methodist Women

Next Sunday: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent 9:00am † Blythe Chapel 10:30am  $\Omega$  Fort Branch First & Live streaming

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#### **PRELUDE**

#### \*THE LIGHT OF GOD IS PRESENT WITH US

\*HYMN #156 9:00am I Love to Tell the Story #156 10:30am I Love to Tell the Story

#### \*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 #170 9:00am O How I Love Jesus

#170 10:30am

O How I Love 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.

#### 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

\*SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 23:1-25 NLT

\*MESSAGE

"The Trial and Sentencing"

\*HYMN #171

 $_{9:00am}$  There's Something About That Name

#171 10:30am There's Something About That Name

\*BLESSING

Pastor

\*THE LIGHT OF GOD LEADS US INTO THE WORLD

Acolytes

\*DEPARTING SONG: Give Me Oil in My Lamp (chorus)

Sing Hosana Sing Hosana

Sing Hosana to the King of Kings

Sing Hosana Sing Hosana

Sing Hosana to the King

#### \*PASSING THE PEACE:

Let us greet one another with the peace of God.

#### **POSTLUDE**







The Family of Paul Heerdink

Jesus' Trial before Pilate

23 Then the entire council took Jesus to Pilate, the Roman governor. <sup>2</sup> They began to state their case: "This man has been leading our people astray by telling them not to pay their taxes to the Roman government and by claiming he is the Messiah, a king."

<sup>3</sup>So Pilate asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?"

Jesus replied, "You have said it."

Pilate turned to the leading priests and to the crowd and said, "I find nothing wrong with this man!"

 $^{5}$ Then they became insistent. "But he is causing riots by his teaching wherever he goes—all

over Judea, from Galilee to Jerusalem!"

"Oh, is he a Galilean?" Pilate asked. When they said that he was, Pilate sent him to Herod Antipas, because Galilee was under Herod's jurisdiction, and Herod happened to be in

lerusalem at the time.

Herod was delighted at the opportunity to see Jesus, because he had heard about him and had been hoping for a long time to see him perform a miracle. <sup>9</sup>He asked Jesus question after question, but Jesus refused to answer. \* Meanwhile, the leading priests and the teachers of religious law stood there shouting their accusations. Then Herod and his soldiers began mocking and ridiculing Jesus. Finally, they put a royal robe on him and sent him back to Pilate. (Herod and Pilate, who had been enemies before, became friends that day.)

<sup>13</sup> Then Pilate called together the leading priests and other religious leaders, along with the people, 14 and he announced his verdict. "You brought this man to me, accusing him of leading a revolt. I have examined him thoroughly on this point in your presence and find him innocent. 15 Herod came to the same conclusion and sent him back to us. Nothing this man has done calls for the death penalty.  $^{16}$  So I will have him flogged, and then I will release him."

Then a mighty roar rose from the crowd, and with one voice they shouted, "Kill him, and release Barabbas to us!" 19 (Barabbas was in prison for taking part in an insurrection in Jerusalem against the government, and for murder.) <sup>20</sup> Pilate argued with them, because he wanted to release Jesus. <sup>21</sup> But they kept shouting, "Crucify him! Crucify him!"

<sup>22</sup> For the third time he demanded, "Why? What crime has he committed? I have found no reason to sentence him to death. So I will have him flogged, and then I will release him." <sup>23</sup> But the mob shouted louder and louder, demanding that Jesus be crucified, and their voices prevailed. <sup>24</sup> So Pilate sentenced Jesus to die as they demanded. <sup>25</sup> As they had requested, he

released Barabbas, the man in prison for insurrection and murder. But he turned Jesus over to them to do as they wished.

RESPONSE: The Word of God, for the People of God. Thanks be to God.

