The First United Methodist Church of Fort Branch



Blythe Chapel United Methodist Church 8141 S 450 W Owensville, IN 47665

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

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Office Hours

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





Calling all past and want-tobe choir members!

A Christmas song has been chosen to sing to

the congregation on **December 8** during the church service. We will start to practice the song on November 3rd after church. Practice should last for about 15 minutes.



PACK A SHOEBOX!

National Collection Week November 18—25th



Sign up to be a Collection Site
Volunteer
www.fbfirst.org



We have some exciting news! This year we are hosting a 1-FULL-DAY Christmas Vacation Bible School, and we need your help! We have had an enthusiastic response for helpers, but are still needing many more. At this time we are coordinating with First Presbyterian and the Wesleyan church for this combined ministry. A planning meeting will be scheduled soon, just constructing the framework first.

Monday, December 23



River Oaks Health
1244 Vail ST,
Princeton, IN 47670
June Regenhold ~208
Margie Beal ~311
Frances Burns ~301

Jane Marginet,

assisted living

North River Health

811 E Baseline Rd

Room 519

Evansville, IN 47725

Paul & Jeanie Cardinal Solarbron, Apt 201A 1701 McDowell RD Evansville, IN 47712



Darla Lewis, loss of her niece Kim 706 E Vine Street Fort Branch, IN 47648

Be prepared ... to wait

My husband always keeps a book handy. When he picks up our kids or heads to an appointment, a current title is tucked securely under his arm. He expects to wait — and is prepared to do so. What could have been a frustrating delay turns into extra time to delve further into the story.

I, on the other hand, get caught off-guard if a doctor runs late or a meeting runs long. As the minutes tick by, my down time gets wasted — unless I quietly reflect on God's goodness, return an email, take a short walk or chat with the person next to me.

"Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord," says Psalm 27:14 (NIV). That's an important reminder as Advent nears. Scripture advises us to use our waiting time wisely, preparing for God and drawing closer to him. What will you do while you wait for Jesus? —Janna Firestone



Veterans Day salute

After fighting in World War II, Luther Bergeland wasn't done serving his country — or his God. The Minnesota farm boy, who "came back to faith" during combat, later served for decades as a military chaplain. For his actions in the field in Korea, Bergeland was awarded the Bronze Star. Then during Vietnam, he served in the Army Reserves in Colorado, tasked with informing family members about soldiers' deaths.

Despite the challenges, Bergeland embraces the special role he was able to play for four decades, sharing Jesus and his love with countless people. "That's what we did, preaching and reaching out to people," he told a reporter. "I always liked the military very much because it just did a lot for me, and I hope I did a lot for it."

On Veterans Day, we salute Bergeland and all the men and women who selflessly serve.



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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 provide a nursery, located in the education wing near the restrooms.



This Sunday

10:30am ~ Worship & Live

streaming worship

2:00pm ~Charge Conference @

Newburgh UMC

Monday: ~ Office Closed ~

<u>Tuesday:</u>

9:00am ~ SWAT Pest treatment

<u>Wednesday:</u>

T<u>hursday:</u> ~ Office Closed ~

<u>Friday:</u> ~ Office Closed ~

Saturday:

<u>Next Sunday</u>: Stewardship Day 10:30am ~ Worship & Live streaming worship

11:30am ~ Lunch

Extended Calendar www.fbfirst.org





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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 #128 He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought

*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 #127 Guide Me, O thou Great Jehovah SHARING PRAYER CONCERNS AND CELERATIONS

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 **Glory Be to the Father**

Hymn #70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen. Amen.

WORSHIP THROUGH HEARING

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 6:8, NLT

⁸ Then I heard the Lord asking, "Whom should I send as a messenger to this people? Who will go for us?"

I said, "Here I am. Send me."

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

Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE

"Go in God's Strength"

WORSHIP THROUGH RESPONDING

*HYMN #98 *BLESSING To God Be the Glory



Prayer Requests

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

Jane Marginet, Terri & Steve Jarboe, Ruby Wilkerson, June Regenhold, Mark Fear, Deanna Wilson, Norman Bullock, Terry Phillips, Liz & Alan Creamer, Vivory Brewer, Frances Burns, Paul & Jeanie Cardinal, John & Beverly Boss, Zach Anderson, Morgan Whitehead. Margie Beal, Karen Devine

The family of Kim Stratman



Paige Lewis ~ 10th
Will Scott ~ 12th
Jeanie Cardinal ~
14th
Alan Creamer ~
15th
Zach Nurrenbern
~ 16th