

The First United  
Methodist Church of  
Fort Branch



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Methodist Church

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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



## Pumpkin prayer

In *The Pumpkin Patch Parable*, Liz Curtis Higgs uses kid-friendly analogies for the Christian life. Many parents now use a Pumpkin Prayer while carving jack-o-lanterns in October. What a great reminder about everything God has done for us!

- While cutting off the pumpkin top, pray, "Lord, open my mind so I can learn new things about you." (See Proverbs 1:7.)
- While removing the seeds and pulp, pray, "Remove the things in my life that don't please you. Forgive the wrong things I do and help me forgive others." (See Matthew 6:14-15.)
- While making eyes, pray, "Open my eyes to see the beauty you've made in the world around me." (See Psalm 104:24.)
- While making the nose, pray, "I'm sorry for the times I've turned up my nose at your many gifts." (See James 1:17.)
- While making the mouth, pray, "Let everything I say please you." (See Psalm 19:14.)
- While lighting the candle, pray, "Lord, help me shine your light to others through the things I do." (See Matthew 5:16.)
- Display your carved pumpkins as examples of how God's love transforms us into new creations. (See 2 Corinthians 5:17.)

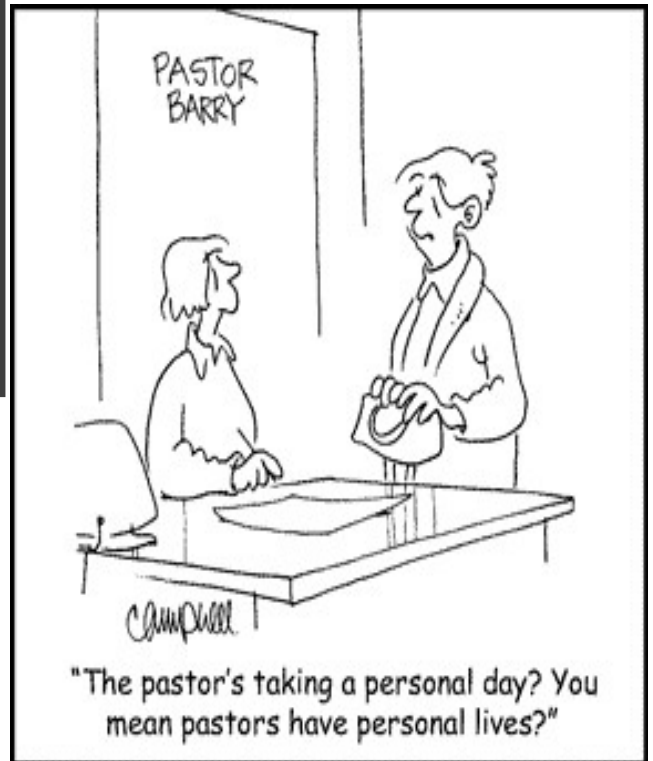
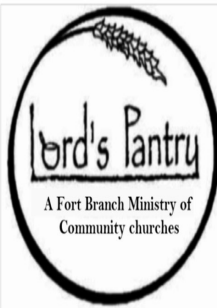


We have some exciting news! This year we are hosting a **1-FULL-DAY Christmas Vacation Bible School**, and we need your help! We have had an enthusiastic response for helpers, but are still needing many more. At this time we are coordinating with First Presbyterian and the Wesleyan church for this combined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

**Monday, December 23**

The Lord's Pantry is low on

**Canned Fruit,  
Baked cookies, pies,  
cakes, muffins.  
These items need to be  
produced commercially.**



**PACK A  
SHOEBOX!**

**National Collection  
Week  
November 18—25th**



**Calling all past and want-  
to-be choir members!**



A Christmas song has been chosen to sing to the congregation on **December 15** during the church service. We will start to practice the song on November 10 after church. Practice should last for about 15.



**Sunday  
November 10<sup>th</sup>  
@2pm  
Newburgh UMC**

We have found a home for the choir robes. But first, any former choir member who would like to have their robe, please let me know by

**OCTOBER 31.**



Susan and I will remove the pins from the robes. We will attempt to reunite the pins with the correct choir member.

God Bless, Carla Conklin



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\* -This symbol,  
when found in the Order of Service  
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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

Reformation Sunday  
10:30am ~ Worship & Live  
streaming worship

Monday: ~ Office Closed ~  
6:30pm ~ Bible Study @ First

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Thursday: ~ Office Closed ~

Friday: ~ Office Closed ~

Saturday: Daylight Savings  
Time Ends

Next Sunday: All Saints Sunday  
10:30am ~ Worship & Live  
streaming worship

Extended Calendar  
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# Welcome to Worship



## 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.

\*OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX MINISTRY  
SPECIAL PRESENTATION

### WORSHIP THROUGH GATHERING

\*THE LIGHT OF GOD IS PRESENT WITH US

\*HYMN #2270 X2 *He Has Made Me Glad*

### WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYING

PRAYER HYMN #2226

*Bind Us Together*

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

**WORSHIP THROUGH HEARING**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SCRIPTURE

**Galatians 3:11, NLT**

*11 So it is clear that no one can be made right with God by trying to keep the law. For the Scriptures say, "It is through faith that a righteous person has life."*

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

MESSAGE

***"Living by Faith"***

**WORSHIP THROUGH RESPONDING**

\*HYMN #370

***Victory in Jesus***

\*BLESSING



**THANK  
YOU**

Church Family,  
Thank you so very much for welcoming us this year! Julie and I greatly appreciate each of you and your kindness. Your gifts, cards and prayers are heartwarming. May God's grace shine upon you!  
Pastor Randy & Julie

*Prayer Requests*

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***Jane Marginet, Terri & Steve Jarboe, Ruby Wilkerson, June Regenhold, Mark Fear, Kim Stratman, Deanna Wilson, Norman Bullock, Terry Phillips, Liz & Alan Creamer, Vivory Brewer, Frances Burns, Paul & Jeanie Cardinal, John & Beverly Boss, Zach Anderson, Beulah Miller***



*Sue Ann Steinmetz ~ 27th  
Krissie Michel ~ 27th  
David & Gayle Lewis ~ 28th  
Julia Devine ~ 29th  
Blaire Hollis ~ 31st  
Warren Devine ~ 31st  
Stuart Michel ~ 1st  
John Boss ~ 2nd*