

The First United
Methodist Church of
Fort Branch



Blythe Chapel United
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

One Church

Two Locations

April 13, 2025

HOPE FOR HOLY WEEK

As you travel with Jesus through Holy Week, don't lose heart. He is your Palm Sunday King. He will always come to you and give you the best of what he has to offer because of his humble attitude and his devotion to his mission.

When you see this Savior who personally cares for you, you can't help but join the believers of old to give to the Lord your best and most precious treasures of your heart and life, and then to join with all believers saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" —Peter Sulzle



Palm Sunday



glory worship save celebrate passover Enter sunday palms leaves nameoftheLord
 comes blessed praise riding colt Messiah Christ Savior Jerusalem Jesus Hosanna

Earth-shaking victory

On Ash Wednesday in 2001, a 6.8 magnitude earthquake shook the Seattle area. Charlie and Ann Lewis, co-pastors in Snohomish, Washington, reflected on the timing:

“While most years we prefer to think of Lent as a contemplative journey of faith as we walk with Jesus toward Jerusalem and the cross, this year we are thinking of how God turned the world upside down at Calvary. From the cross, Jesus cried out with a loud voice, and his life was finished. Then the earth shook violently, the curtain in the temple was torn in two and rocks were split apart. The God who identified with us in our humanity in the incarnation of Jesus Christ demonstrated in that moment the depth of divine love for us — a love that leads God to choose the path of suffering and sacrifice.

“Three days later, the earth shook again — another violent earthquake, and the stone in front of the tomb was rolled away. Then the crucified Christ threw aside the burial cloths, emerging from the darkness of the tomb to walk in the dew of the grass as dawn was breaking across the sky. God had declared victory over sin and death itself. That victory was for us. ... God has given us a glorious life that extends into eternity.”



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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: Palm Sunday

10:30am ~ Worship & Live
streaming worship

Monday: ~ Office Closed ~

6:30pm ~ Bible Study

Tuesday:

5:30pm ~ Yoga

Wednesday:

Thursday: ~ Office Closed ~

8:30-3:00 ~ FIT

6:00pm ~ Holy Thursday

Friday: ~ Office Closed ~

6am-6pm ~ Good Friday
Prayer Vigil

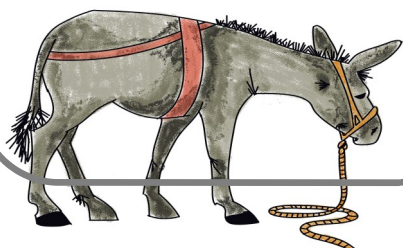
Saturday:

Next Sunday: EASTER Sunday

7:00am ~ Sunrise Service
@ Blythe Chapel

8:00am ~ Sunrise Breakfast

9:00am ~ Worship & Live
streaming worship



**Special Guest Speaker,
Rev. Pierre Claudel Zephyr**

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 #278

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

PASSION/PALM SUNDAY

HYMN# 281

Almighty God,
you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ,
to suffer death on the cross.
Grant that we may share in his obedience to your will
and in the glorious victory of his resurrection;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
One God, now and ever. Amen.

WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYING

PRAYER HYMN #351

Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior

SHARING PRAYER 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 Offertory Response:

Hymn #95

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

WORSHIP THROUGH HEARING

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SCRIPTURE

Luke 19: 28-40, NRSV

Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem

²⁸ After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

²⁹ When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰ saying, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" just say this: "The Lord needs it."' ³² So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' ³⁴ They said, 'The Lord needs it.' ³⁵ Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶ As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷ As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸ saying,

*'Blessed is the king
who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven,
and glory in the highest heaven!'*

³⁹ Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.' ⁴⁰ He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.'

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

MESSAGE

Rev. Zephyr ~ "Blessed is the King"

WORSHIP THROUGH RESPONDING

***HYMN # 374**

Standing on the Promises

***BLESSING**

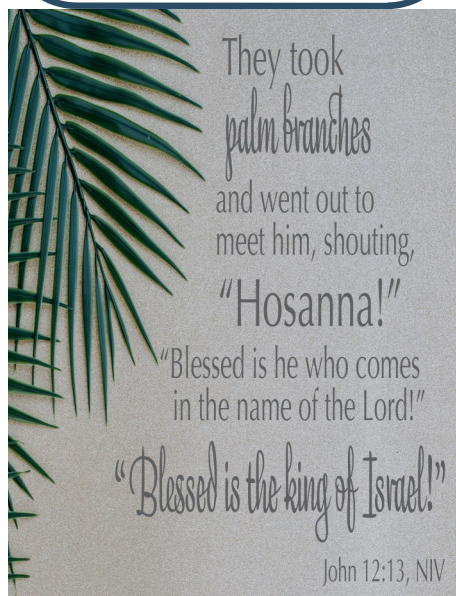
***POSTLUDE #2129**

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus



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

Jane Marginet, June Regenhold, Mark Fear, Deanna Wilson, Terri & Steve Jarboe, Norman Bullock, Liz & Alan Creamer, Frances Burns, Paul & Jeanie Cardinal, John & Beverly Boss, Zach Anderson, Morgan Whitehead, Roger Jones, Karen Devine, Fred & Debra Stephenson, Pastor Randy & Julie, Karen Teel Stoll



**Jeff Cardinal ~ 14th
Katlyn McCoy ~ 18th**