

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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Closed Monday, Thursday
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Lifelong learners

"If you don't have wisdom that goes with knowledge, you are only a walking encyclopedia," wrote Jack Wellman, a Kansas pastor. "A book of knowledge is useless without the wisdom to know how to apply that knowledge. ... Information without transformation leads only to frustration."

Consider the many benefits of wisdom — and how you can use what you've acquired to serve God, your church and your community. To better fulfill your calling, what wisdom might you yet need to acquire?

As another school year begins, here's a prayer for students of all ages: All-wise, all-knowing God, make us willing learners and seekers of your wisdom, not for the gain of knowledge for its own sake, but that we might handle every situation we face with the wisdom of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

—adapted from *The Wired Word*



A walking contradiction

A real Christian is an odd number. He feels supreme love for One whom he has never seen; talks familiarly every day to Someone he cannot see; expects to go to heaven on the virtue of Another; empties himself in order to be full; admits he is wrong so he can be declared right; goes down in order to get up; is strongest when he is weakest, richest when he is poorest and happiest when he feels the worst. He dies so he can live; forsakes in order to have; gives away so he can keep; sees the invisible, hears the inaudible, and knows that which passes knowledge.

The [person] who has met God is not looking for anything; he has found it. He is not searching for light, for upon him the light has already shined. ... He is not a copy, not a facsimile. He is an original from the hand of the Holy Spirit.
— A.W. Tozer



Isaiah 2:5, NRSV

With Sympathy
& Love

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1555 E 650 S
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**PARKING
ATTENDANTS
NEEDED**

**Vanderburgh County 4-H
Craft Show
Sept. 27 & 28**

Fundraiser to benefit Hearts for Haiti. Parking attendants both days 8am-2pm ish
See Debi Phillips for more details and your willingness to participate.

Don't be root-bound

As a new gardener, Jan Riggensch used to treat bedding plants with extreme care, setting them into soil without disturbing the roots. Eventually she learned that rough — even ruthless — treatment is better in the long run.

“If the plant has been growing in its pot so long that the roots are circling the bottom, I jab my finger into the bottom of the soil and pull down to untangle the roots,” Riggensch wrote in her gardening column. “If the whole pot is filled with circling roots, I have to be merciless. I don’t worry if I break some of the roots. That’s better than allowing the roots to continue to circle when the plants are growing in the garden.”

In the same way, it’s easy to grow complacent and inward-focused in our walk with God. But bunched-up roots can’t reach out for sustenance. So for maximum faith growth, dare to let God shake you up from time to time!



**"Mom,
I Need
Milk Money!"**

August's Mission in Motion:
Collecting "milk money",
to purchase milk for
The Lord's Pantry patrons.



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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.

@Church

This Week

This Sunday:

10:30am ~ Worship & Live
streaming worship

Monday: ~ Office Closed ~

Tuesday:

5:30pm ~ Yoga

Wednesday:

Thursday: ~ Office Closed ~

Friday:

Saturday:

Next Sunday:

10:30am ~ Worship & Live
streaming worship

Full calendar of events:
www.fbfirst.org

August

Welcome!

*Imitate God, therefore,
in everything you do,
because you are his
dear children.*

Ephesians 5:1, NLT

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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 #378 v.1-4

Amazing Grace

*RESPONSIVE READING

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

For his steadfast love endures forever.

Give thanks to the God of gods.

For his steadfast love endures forever.

Give thanks to the Lord of lords.

For his steadfast love endures forever.

To him who alone does great wonders.

For his steadfast love endures forever.

To him who by understanding made the heavens.

For his steadfast love endures forever.

WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYING

PRAYER HYMN #2158

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

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

***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.***

Hymn #95

WORSHIP THROUGH HEARING

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 5:1-2, NLT

Living in the Light

5 Imitate God, therefore, in everything you do, because you are his dear children. **2** Live a life filled with love, following the example of Christ. He loved us and offered himself as a sacrifice for us, a pleasing aroma to God.

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

MESSAGE

"How to Walk with God"

WORSHIP THROUGH RESPONDING

*HYMN # 2036

Give Thanks

*BLESSING



Prayer Requests

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

Jane Marginet, June Regenhold, Mark Fear, Terri & Steve Jarboe, Liz & Alan Creamer, Paul & Jeanie Cardinal, Zach Anderson, Morgan Whitehead, Roger & Nancy Jones, Julie Anderson, Carolyn Jones, Jim Feutz, Ron Dunning

The family of Deanna Wilson



David & Sarah Fuhs ~ 10th

Autumn Scott ~ 12th

Bruce Holder ~ 12th

Barb Trapp ~ 14th

Gina Cauthen ~ 14th

Mike & Kristi Pflug ~ 14th

Drew Steinmetz ~ 15th

Crystal Smith ~ 15th

Tim & Tona Smith ~ 15th

Warren & Karen Devine ~ 16th