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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.

4th Sunday after Epiphany *January 31, 2021*

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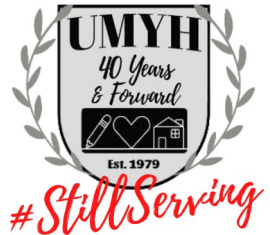
Dear Friends,

What can we say about 2020 that hasn't already been grumbled? Last year's events had the potential to close our door and bring 40 years of helping vulnerable youth to an end.

But something happened....Our community stepped up to ensure we could continue caring for kids in need!

Thank You for being an important part of why we're still here, still serving and still helping often forgotten teens get a chance to realize they matter.

*May God bless you and yours,
Kelly Salee, UMYH Executive Director*



- Thomas Beckett ~ 1st*
- Rob Beckett ~ 3rd*
- Ruth Ann Salyer ~ 3rd*
- Rexanne Robicheaux ~ 4th*
- Liz Creamer ~ 5th*
- Monica Bryant ~ 5th*
- Jennifer Ahlfeld ~ 6th.*
- Chelbi Englehardt ~ 8th*



**Methodist Mountain
Mission Truck**

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placed in the church garage
prior to

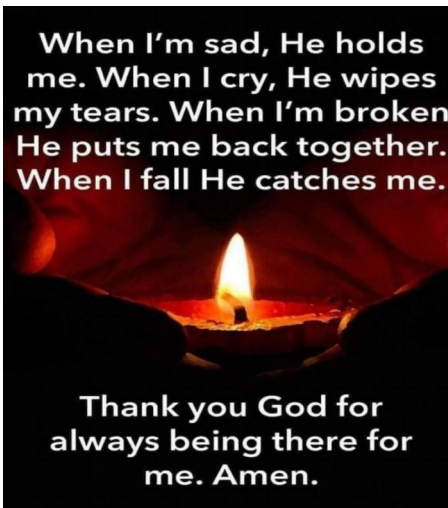
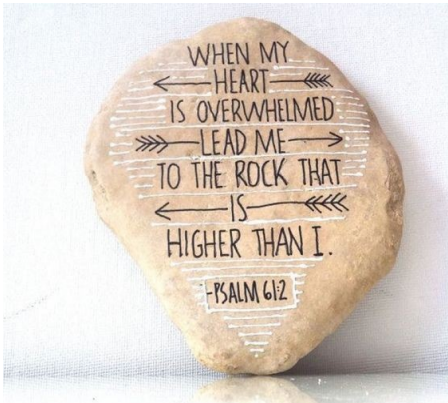
***Tuesday,
February 23rd***



Do you know the history of the phrase Random Acts of Kindness?

It started in 1982 when writer Anne Herbert scribbled "*Perform random acts of kindness and senseless acts of beauty*" on a restaurant receipt. It was based on the phrase "random acts of violence and senseless acts of cruelty". Wow, almost 40 years later, we can relate.

This Valentine's Day let us, as a church family, do something random for someone. Whether it be for a church member, family, friend, someone in a nursing home, or a random stranger, just make it a goal to make someone else's day brighter. Let's prove that the love of God is present in the world today. Let us be the light in someone's darkness.



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CALENDAR

THIS WEEK

† Indicates location is Blythe Chapel
Ω Indicates location is First UMC

This Sunday:

9:00am † *Worship online*

Monday: ~ *Office Closed* ~

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

9:00am The Lord's Pantry
is open to all
Haubstadt & Fort
Branch Residents

Thursday:

Friday: ~ *Office Closed* ~

Saturday:

Next Sunday:

9:00am † *Worship online*



Next Sunday Worship:

The Heart of the Younger



Luke 15:11-24



We are delighted you've joined us. May God's word today strengthen your faith, inspire curiosity and learning, and motivate your service of others.



Rev. John F. Baylor, Jr.

MESSAGE

"Our Mission"
John 8:31-32; James 1:19-27

Our Father

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,
for ever and ever.
Amen

SVG PDF 



Missed the LIVE message?
Don't have a Facebook account?
[https://www.facebook.com/pg/
FortBranchFUMC/posts/](https://www.facebook.com/pg/FortBranchFUMC/posts/)

John 8:31-32 NLT

Jesus and Abraham

³¹ Jesus said to the people who believed in him, “You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings. ³² And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”

James 1:19-27

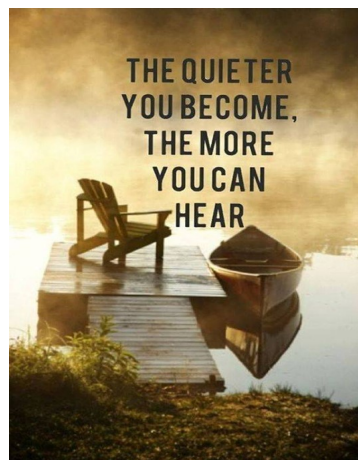
Listening and Doing

¹⁹ Understand this, my dear brothers and sisters: You must all be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to get angry. ²⁰ Human anger does not produce the righteousness God desires. ²¹ So get rid of all the filth and evil in your lives, and humbly accept the word God has planted in your hearts, for it has the power to save your souls.

²² But don't just listen to God's word. You must do what it says. Otherwise, you are only fooling yourselves. ²³ For if you listen to the word and don't obey, it is like glancing at your face in a mirror. ²⁴ You see yourself, walk away, and forget what you look like. ²⁵ But if you look carefully into the perfect law that sets you free, and if you do what it says and don't forget what you heard, then God will bless you for doing it.

²⁶ If you claim to be religious but don't control your tongue, you are fooling yourself, and your religion is worthless. ²⁷ Pure and genuine religion in the sight of God the Father means caring for orphans and widows in their distress and refusing to let the world corrupt you.

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



Prayer **REQUESTS**

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

Jane Marginet, Marty Marginet, Joann Davis Fitch, Mark Dillion, Jake Prieshoff, Lynn Prieshoff, Richard & Betty Michel, Becca Manolov, Carla Jackson, Kyle Stone, Deven Pohl, Julia Gentry, Joyce Kruse, Lucile Johnson, Mark Fear, CJ Hinkle, Poppy Petry, Judy Basham, Thomas Brown, Wayne Anderson, Connie Collins, Linda McKimmy, Bruce Rostron



We want to give God the Glory for the many blessings in our lives. Let's share these moments with praise!

*Congratulations to **Shelby Baylor** for being named to IU's Dean's List for the fall semester!*

*Congratulations to **JT Baylor** for passing the ASE Mechanical certification!*

Spread encouragement like GLITTER. That stuff sticks! Years later you'll still find it all over the place.

Listening Guide
“Our Mission”
January 31, 2021

Scripture: John 8:31-32; James 1:19-27

How do we live according to our mission?

Remain _____

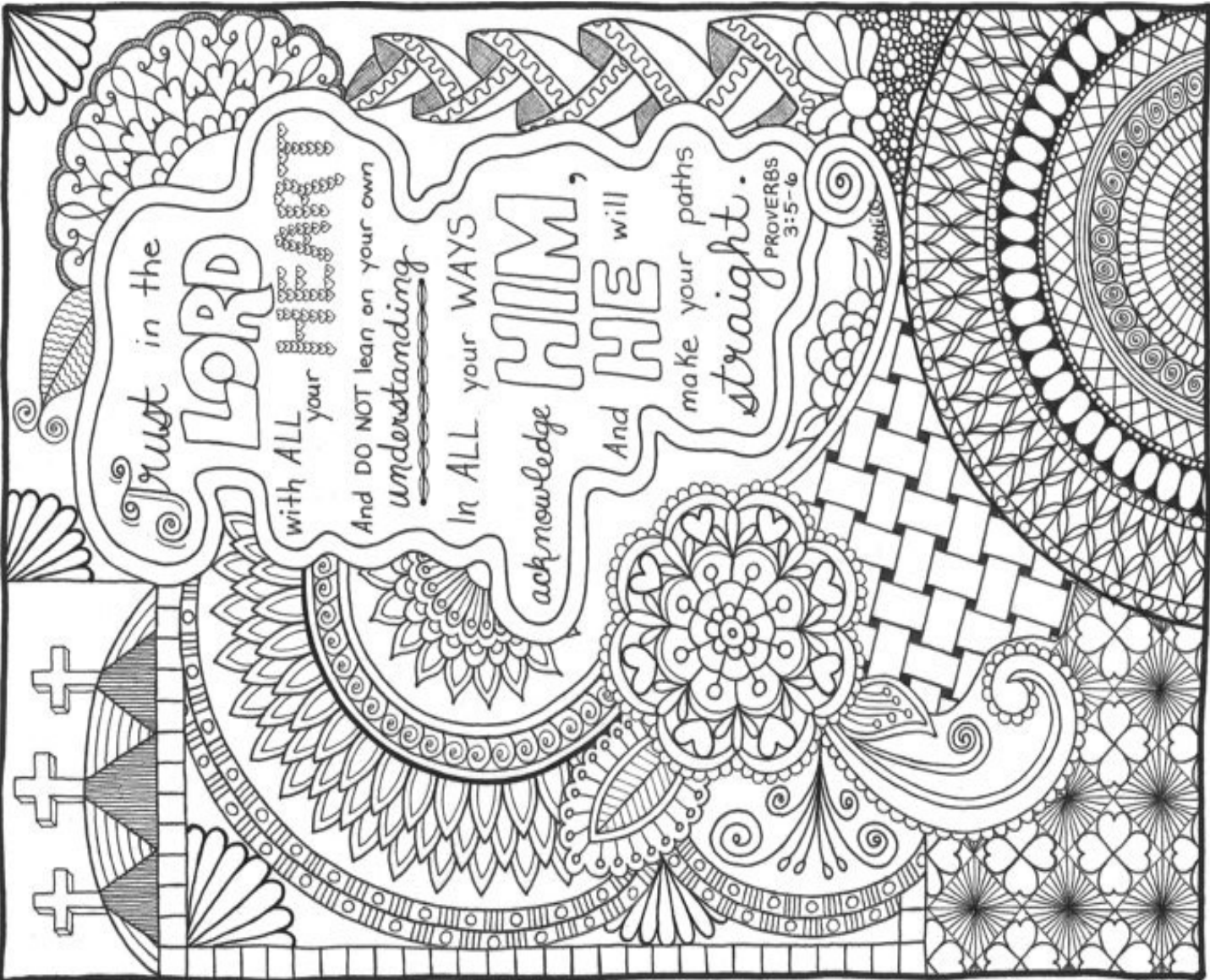
Accept God’s _____

Do God’s _____

Personal Application: “We seek to better understand the teachings of Jesus-and live those teachings.” In this Mission Statement an honest description of who we are as Fort Branch First and Blythe Chapel?



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JESUS Prays for His Disciples

I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours.
John 17:9 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on John 17:6-11 (NIV).



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EVERYTHING	KNOW	PRAY	MINE	GAVE
PROTECT	OBEYED	HOLY	NAME	SENT
LONGER	FATHER	COME	WORLD	REMAIN