



We Seek to Better Understand
the Teachings of Jesus—
and Live those Teachings.

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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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 of Lent

March 19, 2023

Holy Week

Palm Sunday ~ April 2nd

9:00am ~ Blythe Chapel

10:30am ~ Fort Branch First
& Live Streaming

Easter Sunday ~ April 9th

7:00am ~ Sunrise Service w/Communion
@ Blythe Chapel UMC
w/ Easter Egg Hunt & Breakfast
following

Holy Thursday ~ April 6th

7:00pm ~ Communion
@ Fort Branch First UMC

9:00am ~ Easter Worship Service
w/Communion & Live Stream
@ Fort Branch First UMC

Good Friday ~ April 7th

6am-6pm ~ 12 Hour Prayer Vigil

8:00am ~ Easter Morning Breakfast



SPECIALTY DRINK SUNDAYS

This Sunday is
**Hot Coffee, Hot Chocolate
& Iced Coffee**

- * With a variety of added flavorings
- * served in a lidded cup to take into the sanctuary.
- * Donuts will be served to celebrate the **Sweet Sixteen** today!

*Thank you once again to our church family and others for
participating in our annual potato bar with donations of money,
yummy desserts, prepping and clean-up for the lunch, as well as
purchasing a meal. This is such a vital ministry to help spread the
love and knowledge of Jesus to children throughout the world through
the shoeboxes with Operation Christmas Child. Know there will be
more children blessed this Christmas due to your generosity.*

*We are so grateful for your kindness and
support. We hope you enjoyed meal!*

Linda & Marilee

thank you



Gibson General Hospital Auxiliary members will have their annual fundraising geranium sale this year at the Princeton Public Library on Monday and Tuesday, April 17th and 18th to benefit the charitable projects of the hospital auxiliary. Orders are being taken now and up until Thursday, March 23, 2023.



Please contact an Auxiliary member to order or go to the gift shop at the hospital. Geraniums are available this year for \$6.00 in the following colors: red, salmon, pink, hot pink, white. Method of payment is check or cash only.

Preordered geraniums may be picked up on April 17 (A thru M) or April 18 (N thru Z) from 9am to 4pm.

Darla Lewis 812-457-4683

Celebrating with you!



Laura Nurrenbern ~ 22nd

Kelton Edwards ~ 23rd

Mary Wallace ~ 24th

Chase Foster ~ 25th

random
Acts of kindness

*Bill & Janet McBee, loss of his father, Jerry
6555 W Evening Song Lane
Owensville, IN 47665*

*Margie Beal, surgery recovery & rehab
904 Blackfoot DR
Fort Branch, IN 47648*

*June Regenhold, hospice care
807 E Ulen ST
Fort Branch, IN 47648*

This 12 Hour Prayer Vigil is to center ourselves with God as we prepare to reflect on the gift Jesus gave us. Starting with Maundy Thursday services all through Easter Sunday, we will have several opportunities to hear what Jesus did for us. You may pray for the blessings and sacrifices given for you either at your home, in the church sanctuary or wherever you feel most comfortable.



The vigil is scheduled for 12 consecutive hours with specific prayer commitments in half-hour increments. Utilize the board in the Narthex or on our website www.fbfirst.org to reserve your desired prayer time.

Easter Breakfast

8_{am}

Worship @ 9_{am}



Everyone is invited to share breakfast at the buffet style gathering.

Sign up sheet for suggested food items to share is posted on the bulletin board & www.fbfirst.org



**Easter Lily Dedication
order form inside...
Last day to order.**

**Fort Branch First UMC
P. O. Box 116
Fort Branch, IN 47648**

Deliver to:

* -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 offer options. Following the Children's Sharing, children may attend Sunday School at Blythe Chapel or Nursery at Fort Branch First.



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

This Sunday Lent ~ week 4

9:00am † Worship
10:30am Ω Worship & Live
streaming worship

Monday: ~ Office Closed ~
6:30pm Ω Bible Study

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

3:30pm Ω Port Gibson 4-H

Thursday:

Friday: ~ Office Closed ~

Saturday

Next Sunday: Lent ~ week 5

9:00am † Worship
10:30am Ω Worship & Live
streaming worship

Complete Schedule @ www.fbfirst.org

Next Sunday's Message:

"LENT ~
JESUS' EXAMPLE OF FAITH,
Jesus' Faith in Death"



....May God's Word help us each see something or
someone in a new way today.

Rev. John Baylor, Jr.

PRELUDE

*THE LIGHT OF GOD IS PRESENT WITH US

*HYMN #338 9:00am *Where He Leads Me*
#2158 10:30am *Just a Closer Walk with Thee*

*GREETING AND PRAYER

*We offer a cordial greeting to all worshipers who have come to praise the Lord.
Your presence helps lift our spirits, and we welcome you in Christ's name.*

LENT REFLECTION & CANDLE LIGHTING

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.

PRAYERS

SHARING OF CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYER HYMN #338 9:00am *Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus*
#2152 10:30am *Change My Heart, O God*

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.

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.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Derek Robicheaux ~ Lord, Is It I?

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 18:1-12 NLT

MESSAGE

"Lent, Jesus' Example of Faith:
Faith in Difficulty"

*HYMN #717

9:00am

The Battle Hymn of the Republic

#2146

10:30am

His Eye Is on the Sparrow

*BLESSING

Pastor

*THE LIGHT OF GOD LEADS US INTO THE WORLD

Acolytes

*DEPARTING SONG: (insert)

Rolled Away

*PASSING THE PEACE:

Let us greet one another with the peace of God.

POSTLUDE



Prayer Requests

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

*Jane Marginet, Richard Michel,
Becca Manolov, Carla Jackson,
Connie Osborn, Tommy Osborn,
Alec Taylor, Morgan Whitehead,
Terri Jarboe, Derek Barton,
Jo Eckert, Ruby Wilkerson,
Scotti Pitts, Deanna Wilson, Don
Colvin, Gretchen Young, Effie
Dilbeck, Frances Burns,
June Regenhold, Sam Smith,
Ruth Ann Sokeland, Margie Beal,
Lesa Prater, Brian Price
The family of Jerry McBee*

With the current tax laws,
not everyone will need to
itemize their

2022 Federal Income Taxes.



As to save our Financial
Secretary (aka volunteer)
a lot of extra work,
a financial statement
of your offerings and tithes
will only be prepared for you
upon request.

Please contact

Paul Cardinal

email: redbird937@hotmail.com

Jesus Is Betrayed and Arrested

¹After saying these things, Jesus crossed the Kidron Valley with his disciples and entered a grove of olive trees. ²Judas, the betrayer, knew this place, because Jesus had often gone there with his disciples. ³The leading priests and Pharisees had given Judas a contingent of Roman soldiers and Temple guards to accompany him. Now with blazing torches, lanterns, and weapons, they arrived at the olive grove.

⁴Jesus fully realized all that was going to happen to him, so he stepped forward to meet them. “Who are you looking for?” he asked.

⁵“Jesus the Nazarene,” they replied.

“I AM he,” Jesus said. (Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them.) ⁶As Jesus said “I AM he,” they all drew back and fell to the ground! ⁷Once more he asked them, “Who are you looking for?” And again they replied, “Jesus the Nazarene.”

⁸“I told you that I AM he,” Jesus said. “And since I am the one you want, let these others go.” ⁹He did this to fulfill his own statement: “I did not lose a single one of those you have given me.”

¹⁰Then Simon Peter drew a sword and slashed off the right ear of Malchus, the high priest’s slave. ¹¹But Jesus said to Peter, “Put your sword back into its sheath. Shall I not drink from the cup of suffering the Father has given me?”

Jesus at the High Priest’s House

¹²So the soldiers, their commanding officer, and the Temple guards arrested Jesus and tied him up.

SO **Judas**, HAVING
PROCURED A **band**
OF **soldiers**...
WENT THERE WITH
lanterns AND
torches
AND **weapons**.



JOHN 18:3, ESV

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

Listening Guide
“Faith in Difficulty”
March 19, 2023

How did Jesus show His faith when He was arrested?

He _____ (vs. 1-3)

He _____ (vs. 4-7)

He _____ (vs. 8-12)

Personal Application: Jesus even showed His faith in the midst of being arrested. How strong is your faith when you’re being attacked?



COME BE ENERGIZED

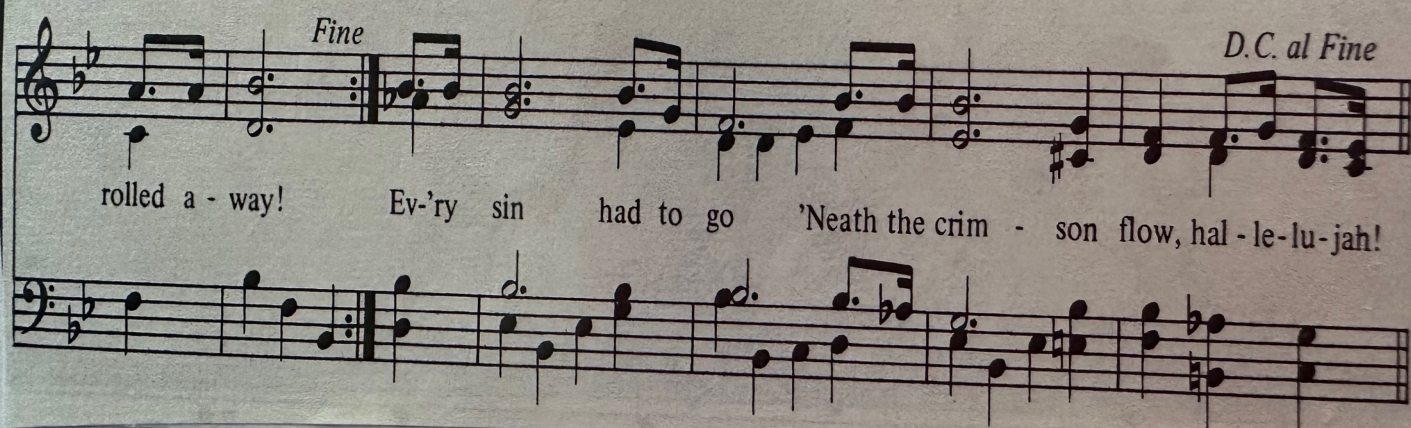
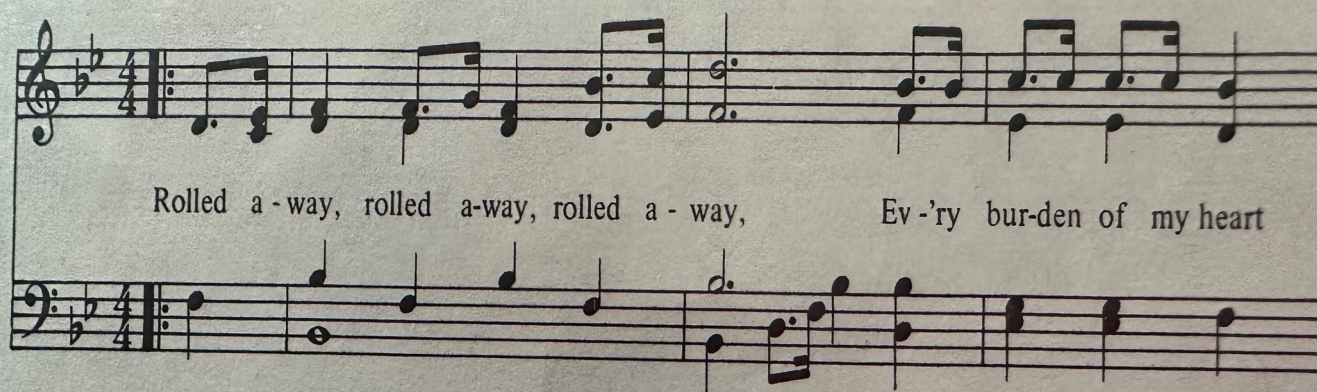
After some time away from the church, author Donald E. Miller returned to the fold. He writes: “One thing that brought me back ... was asking simply: What are the alternatives to the church? Where are the communities that sanction the pursuit of meaning and truth as a legitimate enterprise? that have material and personal resources to assist in this search? that provide regular occasions for confession of failures? that renew and inspire? that provide a setting where children are nurtured? where family members can be buried? where births can be celebrated? where social issues can be debated?”

Miller concludes: “There are a number of institutions that deal with one or several of these questions, but historically the church has demonstrated its ability to energize all of these activities.”

4. Rolled Away

W.D.K.

Traditional
Arr. by Norman Johnson



*Would you like to help decorate and grace the sanctuary with a special Easter Lily on
Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023*

*You may dedicate your flower to Honor or Remember someone. Please fill out the
order form and place with payment: in the offering plate, give to Zella Frey or Melissa
Foster or mail to First United Methodist Church PO Box 116, Fort Branch, IN 47648
The last day to order is Sunday, March 19, 2023*

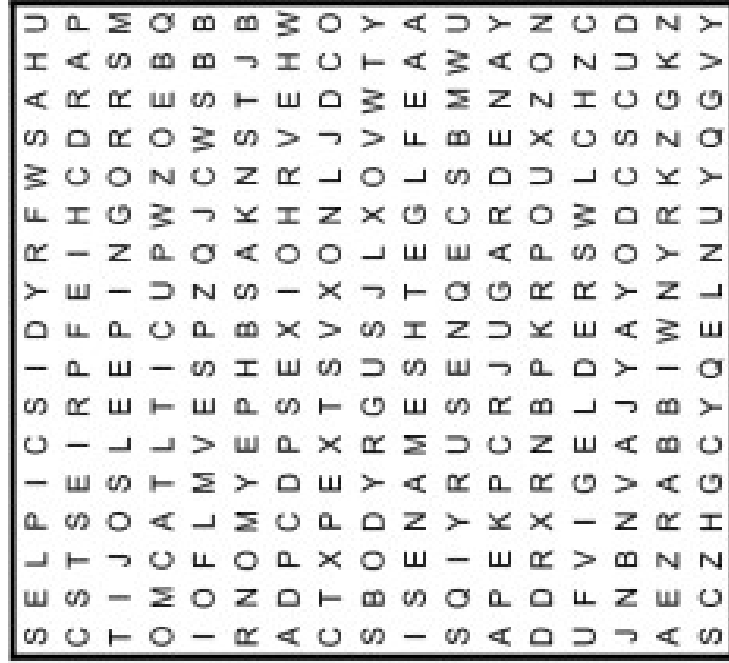
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The Garden of Gethsemane Word Search



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BETRAYED

CHIEF PRIESTS

CROWD

DISCIPLES

ELDERS

GARDEN

GETHSEMANE

JAMES

JESUS

JOHN

JUDAS ISCARIOT

KISS

PETER

PRAYED

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SIMON

SLEEPING

SON OF MAN

SWORDS

WATCH

