

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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**Office Hours**  
Tuesday & Wednesday,  
9:00 am– 2:00 pm  
Closed Monday, Thursday  
and Friday

One Church  
Two Locations

November 23, 2025



**Advent Is Almost Here:  
Prepare Your Heart**

The season of Advent begins  
November 30! Join us each  
week in worship as we prepare  
our hearts for the  
coming of Christ with hope,  
peace, joy and love.

“A Christ-centered Christmas”  
was written by Pastor Randy for  
each of you as a daily tool keep  
Jesus in focus this Christmas.  
Your copy is available near the  
bulletins.



Blythe Chapel  
December 24th @ 8pm  
Live music + Candlelight  
A Message of Hope

Bring family & friends—  
everyone is welcome!



On this national day of  
gratitude, our hearts are  
overflowing in thanks —  
for our families, our  
communities and all the  
ways God blesses us. As  
Psalm 118 reminds us,  
“O give thanks to the Lord,  
for he is good; his steadfast  
love endures forever!” May  
our voices and spirits lift in  
praise and gratitude  
together this day.



# Missions

IN

# Motion

109 ROLLS OF TOILET  
TISSUE DONATED IN  
OCTOBER!!!  
THANK YOU!

NOVEMBER:

CEREAL  
&  
PEANUT BUTTER

Cleaning  
Crew  
Needed



Seeking volunteers to maintain the church property by sharing tasks. Please utilize the sign up sheet and select a chore commitment from December to May.



Anyone interested in joining to sing an anthem for the Christmas season please get in touch with Carla Conklin or Susan Ahlfeld as soon as possible. We plan to sing in the December 14<sup>th</sup> church service. Practices will likely be directly after church services in the weeks before.

PACK A  
SHOEBOX

National Collection Week

NOV.

17 - 24, 2025



seeking  
*Advent*  
CANDLE LIGHTERS & READERS



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Deliver to:

\* -This symbol,  
when found in the Order of Service  
invites you to stand - if able.

CCLI #2446518  
Streaming License # 20701562

#### 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 ~  
6:30pm ~ Faithful: Joseph  
Advent Bible Study

Tuesday: ~ Office Closed ~

Wednesday: ~ Office Closed ~

Thursday: HAPPY  
THANKSGIVING

Friday: ~ Office Closed ~

Saturday:

#### Next Sunday:

10:30am ~ Worship & Live  
streaming worship

Give thanks in all  
circumstances; for  
this is God's will for  
you in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:18 (NIV)



## 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.

#### WORSHIP THROUGH GATHERING

\*THE LIGHT OF GOD IS PRESENT WITH US

\*HYMN #437

*This Is My Song*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP & RESPONSE

Hymn 102

Now thank we all our God,  
**with heart and hands and voices,**  
**who wondrous things has done,**  
**in whom this world rejoices;**  
**who from our mother's arms**  
**has blessed us on our way**  
**with countless gifts of love,**  
**and still is ours today.**

#### WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYING

PRAYER HYMN #2056

*God Is So Good*

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

***A psalm of thanksgiving***

*Psalm 100, NLT*

- <sup>1</sup> Shout with joy to the LORD, all the earth!*
- <sup>2</sup> Worship the LORD with gladness.  
Come before him, singing with joy.*
- <sup>3</sup> Acknowledge that the LORD is God!  
He made us, and we are his.  
We are his people, the sheep of his pasture.*
- <sup>4</sup> Enter his gates with thanksgiving;  
go into his courts with praise.  
Give thanks to him and praise his name.*
- <sup>5</sup> For the LORD is good.  
His unfailing love continues forever,  
and his faithfulness continues to each generation.*

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

### MESSAGE

***"Three Things to be Thankful For"***

### **WORSHIP THROUGH RESPONDING**

\*HYMN #697

**America**

\*BLESSING

## *Prayer Requests*

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

***Jane Marginet, Mark  
Fear, Terri & Steve  
Jarboe, Liz & Alan  
Creamer, Paul & Jeanie  
Cardinal, Zach Anderson,  
Morgan Whitehead,  
Roger & Nancy Jones,  
Julie Anderson,  
Carolyn Jones, Jim  
Feutz, Kathy  
Trowbridge, Kelsey  
Holder, Mona Davis,  
Kenny Ferenbacher***



***Steve & Terri Jarboe ~  
26th***

***Anna Robinson ~ 27th  
Dylan Steinmetz ~ 28th  
Elisabeth Canizo ~ 29th  
John & Bev Boss ~ 29th***





A long tradition for Advent is to purchase individual plants for dedication to loved ones and enjoy them through the month of December during morning worship service. We tried something new last year with great success and enjoyment that we are going to do it again this year!

An array of live Christmas plants will be purchased for our sanctuary. By completing the DEDICATION FORM at the bottom and returning it with a \$10 donation, you will have the opportunity to honor loved ones. You can place your dedication in the offering plate, leave in Melissa's mailbox in the hallway or drop off during office hours.

Thank you for considering your participation in what may become our new tradition during the Advent Season.

The last day to submit dedications with donation will be

**Sunday, November 30th**

**In Memory    or    In Honor**  
(please select one)

Dedicated to: \_\_\_\_\_

From: \_\_\_\_\_

Requested Donation of \$10 each \_\_\_\_\_

FBFUMC Worship Committee



Just for

KIDS

## Psalm 100

Find these words from Psalm 100.  
Write the name of each picture on the lines.  
Transfer the letters to the lines of the verse.



1 2 3



16 17 18 19 20 21 22



34 35 36 37



4 5 6 7 8



23 24 25 26



38 39 40 41



9 10 11 12 13 14 15



27 28 29 30



31 32 33



42 43 44 45

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7 4 2 6 12 27 2 16 31 2 42 12 21 12 4 37 10 2 16 1

17 10 10 12 4 8 8 17 16 12 13

22 2 16 7 13 18 26 12 13 8 23 2 16 34 22 18 12 4

3 10 24 1 19 14 7 7

9 35 25 14 20 14 27 11 16 8 4 18 25 22 18 12 4

31 5 44 27 6 23 7 5 19 3 15 14 19 12 14 16 13 18 7

3 24 33 8 7 22 18 12 13 12 4 24 19 38 7 3 18 36 18 19 3

17 19 1 4 18 7 9 5 6 16 12 7 22 18 12 13 26 16 17 18 7 8

3 18 36 14 33 13 24 19 38 7 12 5 4 18 25 17 19 1

26 16 17 18 7 8 13 18 7 19 17 25 32



"Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. ... Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name!"

Dog, House, Clothes, Rainbow, Lamp, Jet, Dove, Kite, Yo-Yo