



We Seek to Better Understand
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.

22nd Sunday after Pentecost November 6, 2022

Living with God in a one-story house

We often think of the universe as a two-story house, notes Orthodox Christian priest Stephen Freeman. "We live here on earth, the first floor, where ... everything operates according to normal, natural laws, while God lives in heaven, upstairs, and is largely removed from the story in which we live." Most of the time we feel like we're all alone on our level of the world.

But, Freeman adds, God is "everywhere present and filling all things." Not that God's kingdom has fully come; we know that's not so. And not to discount the promise of eternity. But we don't live apart from God, even now. As Jacob said, "Surely the Lord is in this place. ... This is none other than the house of God" (Genesis 28:16-17).

How might our perceptions and behaviors change if we expected to run into God frequently, conversing and enjoying his company not only in prayer and worship but while working and relaxing? What a difference it makes when we live as roommates with God in a one-story world.

—based on *Hunting Magic Eels* by Richard Beck



A veteran's service

American hero Eddie Rickenbacker (1890-1973) led a life of daring and risk, from racing cars as a teen to piloting warplanes. Throughout his experiences, Rickenbacker grew in faith while discovering that "life had no meaning except in terms of helping others."

In the first issue of *Guideposts* magazine, Rickenbacker described spending four agonizing months of 1941 in the hospital after an accident. While recovering, he pondered life and death, concluding that he couldn't give up because he still "had work to do, others to serve."

Less than two years later, that ordeal came in handy. After crashing in the South Pacific, Rickenbacker and "seven other starving men" were adrift on a raft for 21 days. Most were "so young they needed the strength and understanding of a man who had been down in the valley of the shadow, who had suffered and made sense out of his suffering," he said. "It was clear to me that God had a purpose in keeping me alive. ... I had been saved to serve."



All Saints' Day

“But the
holy people
of the Most High
will receive
the kingdom
and will possess
it forever—yes,
for ever and ever.”

DANIEL 7:18, NIV



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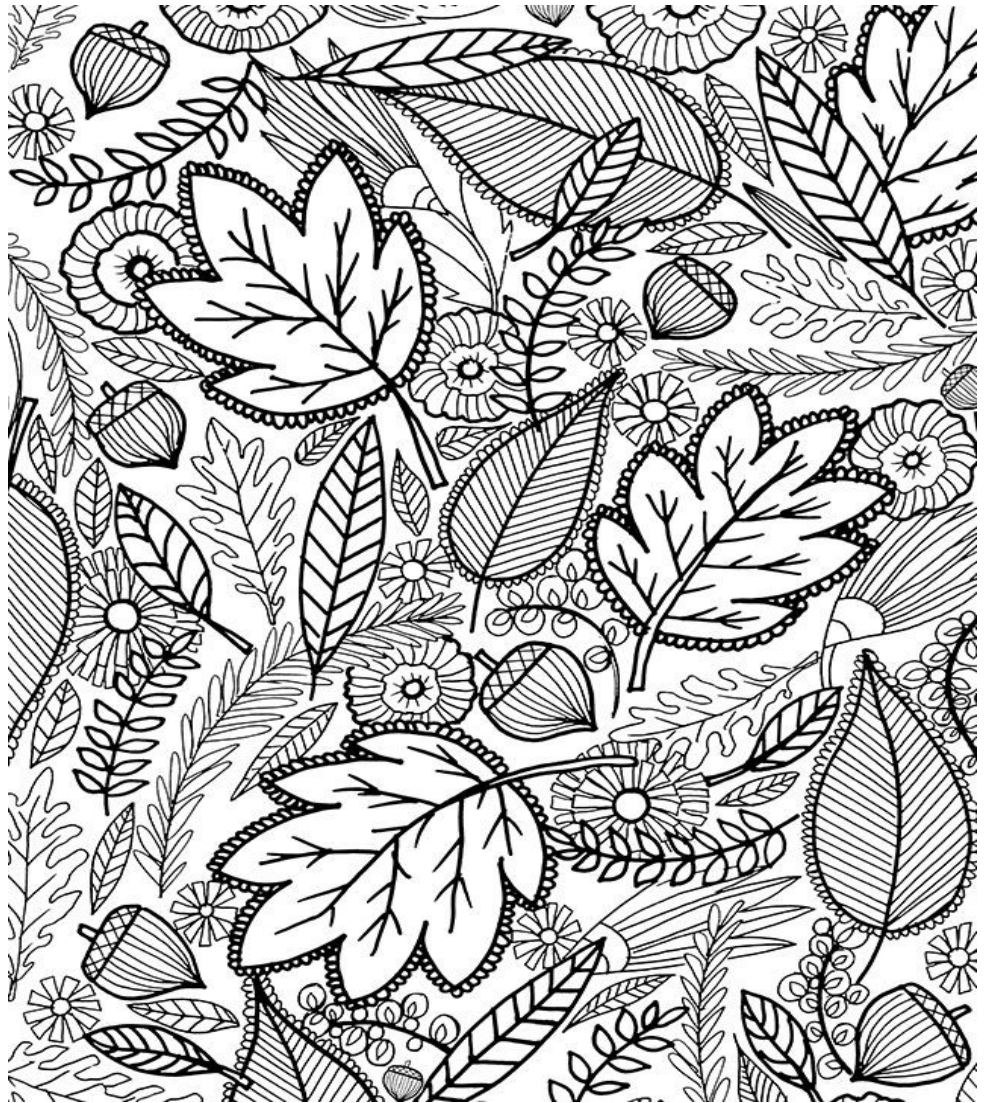
PACK A
SHOEBOX

Samaritan's Purse
INTERNATIONAL RELIEF

Time to Celebrate!

Paige Lewis ~ 10th

Will Scott ~ 12th



WOMEN'S
Bible Study
Mondays @ 6:30pm

Methodist Women's Group
Next meeting on
Saturday, November 12th @ 9am
All women of the church are invited.

Fort Branch First UMC
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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 First.



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

This Sunday All Saints' Day

9:00am † Worship
9:30am Ω Sunday School
10:30am Ω Worship & Live
streaming worship
4:00pm Charge Conference @
Aldersgate UMC

Monday: ~ Office Closed ~
6:30 pm Ω Women's Bible study

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Thursday:

Friday: ~ Office Closed ~

Saturday:

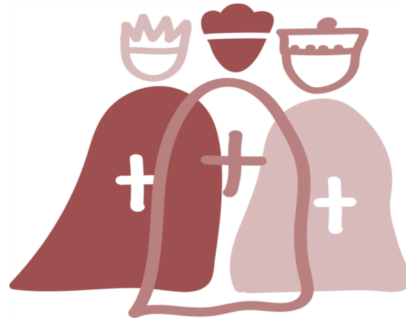
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Philippians 4:2-9



All Saints' Day

Welcome to worship this All Saints' Sunday. As we remember the faithful who have gone before us, we also rejoice to be called saints of God through baptism.

Rev. John F. Baylor, Jr.

PRELUDE

***THE LIGHT OF GOD IS PRESENT WITH US**

***HYMN #701**

When We All Get to Heaven

***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.

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 #723

Shall We Gather

at the River

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalms 23; John 14:1-14 NLT

MESSAGE

“All Saints’ Day”

We call the roll this morning of those who have passed on to the next life over this past year: Elizabeth Rostron, Cameron Foster, Max Jackson, Alva Rostron and Kyle Stone

*REMBRANCE THROUGH CANDLE LIGHTING

*ALL SAINTS DAY PRAYER

God of Abraham and Sarah, God of Miriam and Moses, God of Joshua and Deborah, God of Ruth and David, God of the priests and the prophets, God of Mary and Joseph, God of the apostles and the martyrs, God of our mothers and fathers, God of our children to all generations: We pause this day to remember those of our congregation who have gone before us this past year. Renew our communion with all your saints, especially those who we name before you: *Elizabeth Rostron, Cameron Foster, Max Jackson, Alva Rostron and Kyle Stone* along with others who we now name in our hearts (*silent remembrance*). With them, and all your saints, may we run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ever looking to Jesus, the Pioneer and the Perfector of our faith; in whose name we pray. Amen.

*HYMN #733

Marching to Zion

*BLESSING

Pastor

*THE LIGHT OF GOD LEADS US INTO THE WORLD

Acolytes

*DEPARTING SONG: *Hymn #186 *Alleluia*

*Alleluia, alleluia,
Alleluia, alleluia,
Alleluia, alleluia,
Alleluia, alleluia*

*PASSING THE PEACE:

Let us greet one another with the peace of God.

POSTLUDE

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER REQUESTS

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

*Jane Marginet, Jake Prieshoff,
Lynn Prieshoff, Richard Michel,
Becca Manolov, Carla Jackson,
Connie Osborn, Tommy Osborn,
Alec Taylor, Morgan
Whitehead, Derek Barton,
Jo Eckert, Ruby Wilkerson,
Terri Jarboe, Scotti Pitts,
Deanna Wilson, Jeff Gentry,
Patti Knowles, Austin, Don
Colvin, Gretchen, Bev Boss,
Effie Dilbeck, Ida Miller,
Chris Small, Debra Stephenson,
Lizzy. Riley Bryant*

Fort Branch United Methodist Church Family Traditional Caroling

Come celebrate the birth of Jesus with us by singing traditional carols and Christmas songs. Carry-in dinner to follow. Sign-up to sing or hear all of your favorites and to tell us what food you would like to bring.



Saturday, December 17th | 3:00pm
Fort Branch United Methodist Church

Listening Guide
“All Saints Day”
November 6, 2022



Scripture: Psalm 23; John 14:1-12

How do we draw comfort in our loss?

God's our _____ (Psalm 23:2-4)

God _____ for Us (John 14:1-4)

We _____ Him (vs. 5-12)

Personal Application: Let me challenge you to figure out what you want your life legacy to be. Maybe it is something that you have seen in one you have lost this year or maybe it is a goal that you have set in following Jesus. What do you want your life legacy to be? Will you be bold enough to live it out?

Rejoice in that day,



and **leap for joy,**



for behold, your reward is great in heaven.

Luke 6:23, ESV

Psalm 23 NLT

A Psalm of David.

¹ The LORD is my shepherd; I have all that I need.

² He lets me rest in green meadows; he leads me beside peaceful streams.

³ He renews my strength. He guides me along right paths, bringing honor to his name. ⁴ Even when I walk through the darkest valley, I will not be afraid, for you are close beside me. Your rod and your staff protect and comfort me. ⁵ You prepare a feast for me in the presence of my enemies. You honor me by anointing my head with oil. My cup overflows with blessings. ⁶ Surely your goodness and unfailing love will pursue me all the days of my life, and I will live in the house of the LORD forever.

John 14:1-14 NLT

Jesus, the Way to the Father

¹⁴ “Don’t let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, and trust also in me. ² There is more than enough room in my Father’s home. If this were not so, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? ³ When everything is ready, I will come and get you, so that you will always be with me where I am. ⁴ And you know the way to where I am going.”

⁵ “No, we don’t know, Lord,” Thomas said. “We have no idea where you are going, so how can we know the way?”

⁶ Jesus told him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you had really known me, you would know who my Father is. From now on, you do know him and have seen him!”

⁸ Philip said, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.”

⁹ Jesus replied, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and yet you still don’t know who I am? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father! So why are you asking me to show him to you? ¹⁰ Don’t you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words I speak are not my own, but my Father who lives in me does his work through me. ¹¹ Just believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me. Or at least believe because of the work you have seen me do.

¹² “I tell you the truth, anyone who believes in me will do the same works I have done, and even greater works, because I am going to be with the Father. ¹³ You can ask for anything in my name, and I will do it, so that the Son can bring glory to the Father. ¹⁴ Yes, ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it!

RESPONSE: The Word of God, for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!