



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...*



Charge Conference

Sunday, November 6th
@ Aldersgate UMC
4pm

SEND
GOOD NEWS
AND
GREAT JOY

PACK A SHOEBOX!



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.

20th Sunday after Pentecost October 23, 2022



**Chicken Noodle,
Chili & Potato**

Gallon ~ \$25

Half Gallon ~ \$15

Quart ~ \$10

Place Order by Wednesday, November 2nd

Pick Up order Sunday, November 6th

Text order 812/632-1115

Benefits the 2023 Back to School Bash

Give all glory to God

By taking either compliments or criticism personally, we rob God of glory. Words go deep, either puffing up our pride or threatening our identity. But God intended better. Isaiah 60:21 (NLT) says, "All your people will be righteous. They will possess their land forever, for I will plant them there with my own hands in order to bring myself glory."

Our identity is in God, as his beloved children. Any comments (good or bad) must go through God first, and we can ask him to filter each word and speak his truth to our souls. We can pray: What do you want me to hear, God? Are you inviting me to do something different? How can I point others to you? Do I need to make something right?

This change in mindset provides peace. When we receive people's applause, we want to glorify God, who orchestrates all things. Likewise, constructive criticism can reflect God's work in us, making us teachable. Instead of being tossed to and fro by affirmations and critiques, let's rest secure and shift our focus to bring God glory!

—Janna Firestone

**Methodist Mountain
Mission
Pick Up
Tuesday, October 25th**



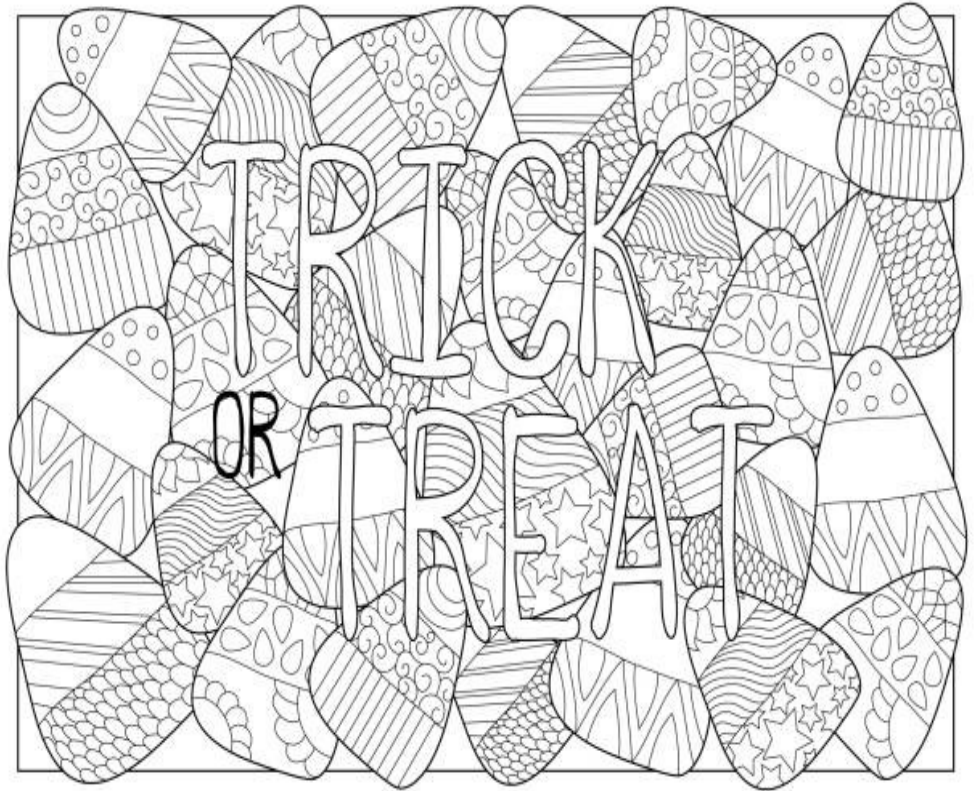
**Please use boxes when
collecting your donations and
stack neatly as possible in the
church garage.**



**Cold Sodas in the church
kitchen fridge and the basket
full of snacks in fellowship
hall all benefit the Back to
School Bash.**

Time to Celebrate!

*Melissa Foster ~ 24th
Darrin & Shawn Woehler ~ 26th
Sue Ann Steinmetz ~ 27th
Krissie Michel ~ 27th
David & Gayle Lewis ~ 28th
Julia Devine ~ 29th*



Count your blessing **A**nd **N**ame them **D**ay by day. **Y**ou'll be reminded **C**hrist Jesus's love **O**verflows to you, **R**ight now, in **N**early every way.

*All Saints Sunday
Sunday, November 6th*

*Special candle lighting
worship services
9 am & 10:30am*

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when found in the Order of Service
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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

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

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

Tuesday: Ω Mt. Mission Pick Up

Wednesday:

Thursday:

Friday: ~ Office Closed ~

Saturday:

Next Sunday:

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

Next Sunday:

*"How Do I Determine My
Values and Beliefs?:
Experience"*

1 Peter 1:13-25



Rev. John F. Baylor, Jr.

PRELUDE

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

***HYMN #400** 9:00am *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*
***#136** 10:30am *The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want*

*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 #367 9:00am *He Touched Me*
#171 10:30am *There's Something
About That Name*

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

Luke 14:25-35 NLT

MESSAGE How Do I Determine My Values and Beliefs?
“Reason”

*HYMN #374 9:00am *Standing on the Promises*
#77 10:30am *How Great Thou Art*

*BLESSING Pastor

*THE LIGHT OF GOD LEADS US INTO THE WORLD
Acolytes

*DEPARTING SONG: Hymn #2151
I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me

*I'm so glad, Jesus lifted me,
I'm so glad, Jesus lifted me,
I'm so glad, Jesus lifted me,
Singing glory, hallelujah,
Jesus lifted me.*

*PASSING THE PEACE:
Let us greet one another with the peace of God.

POSTLUDE

Dear friend, God may send you some valuable gifts wrapped in unattractive paper. But do not worry about the wrappings, for you can be sure that inside he has hidden treasures of love, kindness and wisdom. If we will simply take what he sends and trust him for the blessings inside, we will learn the meaning of the secrets of his providence, even in times of darkness.



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, Brooke & Josh Johnson, Lizzy

Fort Branch First, please keep in mind if you have special requests for music please let Rexanne or myself know. Also, Jenni has a calendar for the Ministry of Music, if you want to sing either individually or solo, please see her (my solo is "so low" you can't hear me...haha). Laura



Listening Guide
"Reason"
October 23, 2022



Scripture: Luke 14:25-35

How do we apply reason to our decision-making when it comes to determining our values and beliefs?

Requires _____ (vs. 25-26)

Requires _____ (vs. 27)

Requires _____ (vs. 28-33)

Requires _____ Society (vs. 34-35)

Personal Application: Jesus expects us to use thinking and reasoning not just emotion and experience to determine values and beliefs. What tools do you use to determine your beliefs and values? _____



Luke 14:25-35 NLT

The Cost of Being a Disciple

²⁵ A large crowd was following Jesus. He turned around and said to them, ²⁶ “If you want to be my disciple, you must, by comparison, hate everyone else—your father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters—yes, even your own life. Otherwise, you cannot be my disciple. ²⁷ And if you do not carry your own cross and follow me, you cannot be my disciple.

²⁸ “But don’t begin until you count the cost. For who would begin construction of a building without first calculating the cost to see if there is enough money to finish it? ²⁹ Otherwise, you might complete only the foundation before running out of money, and then everyone would laugh at you. ³⁰ They would say, ‘There’s the person who started that building and couldn’t afford to finish it!’

³¹ “Or what king would go to war against another king without first sitting down with his counselors to discuss whether his army of 10,000 could defeat the 20,000 soldiers marching against him? ³² And if he can’t, he will send a delegation to discuss terms of peace while the enemy is still far away. ³³ So you cannot become my disciple without giving up everything you own.

³⁴ “Salt is good for seasoning. But if it loses its flavor, how do you make it salty again? ³⁵ Flavorless salt is good neither for the soil nor for the manure pile. It is thrown away. Anyone with ears to hear should listen and understand!”

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

Thanks be to God!