



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.

19th Sunday after Pentecost October 3, 2021

Blythe Chapel's Annual Weenie Roast

October 23rd
@ 5:00pm



Fun for all...chili, wiener roast, fish sandwiches
& marshmallows provided.

Bring your own drinks and lawn chairs and join in!

*I will praise the name
of God with a song,
And will magnify
Him with thanksgiving.*

Psalms 69:30



Fort Branch First
Annual
Incorporation
Meeting

Thursday, Oct. 7th
6:30pm

CHARGE CONFERENCE

Sunday, October 31st 2021 @ 11:45am
FB First

Submission deadline Thursday, October 14th

Appreciating your pastor

Many people have complex relationships with their pastors because faith, church and God involve a mix of emotions. We have particular ideas about church practices, congregational priorities, the minister's use of time, money, authority and more.

But most pastors are deeply devoted to Christ and believe that God has called them to serve in a certain place. They have the best of intentions and work hard to share the good news of the gospel. So in honor of Pastor Appreciation Month in October, consider the following:

God doesn't call the qualified; he qualifies the called.

Your pastor may need time to learn and develop certain skills. (Everyone does!) Bless pastors with your patience.

We don't change the message; the message changes us.

You probably won't like all your pastor's sermons or newsletter columns. But instead of complaining, ponder that something may rub you the wrong way because God is trying to change you. Keep an open mind and heart.

If a church wants a "better" pastor, it just needs to pray for the one it has. Pray often and caringly for your pastors, church leaders and their families. The role is challenging, so support them spiritually and ask God to reveal his love and grace to these special servants.

The Back Pew - Jeff Larson

This is my body.. do this in my remembrance of me.



When it was discovered the communion crackers and juice was in short supply.. communion stewards Ted & Bill quickly nabbed up from the fellowship center a large tray of DONUTS and 2 liter bottles of POP.



Lil Titans Daycare Fundraiser

Pre-Orders now until October 7th with pick up on October 12th
All proceeds going towards a new playground. Sign-up sheet on bulletin board.



Methodist Women's Group

Next meeting on
Saturday, October 9th @ 9am

All women of the church are invited.

Methodist
Mountain
Mission
Pick Up



Tuesday, November 2nd

October Celebrations

Bill Ahlfeld ~ 3rd
Effie Dilbeck ~ 6th
Tona Smith ~ 8th
Debra Stephenson ~ 9th
Rick & Deanna Wilson ~ 9th

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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.

Nursery
Attendant:



10/3 : Sherry Michel
10/10 : Jenni Schleter

† 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 ~
6:30pm Ω Women's Bible Study
7:00pm Ω Finance Meeting

Tuesday:
6:00pm Ω Nominations Meet

Wednesday:

Thursday:
6:30pm Ω Annual Inc. Meeting

Friday: ~ Office Closed ~

Saturday:
9:00am Ω Methodist Women

Next Sunday:

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

Next Sunday Worship:

"Returning to God"
2 Chronicles 7:11-18



Welcome



Rev. John Baylor, Jr.

PRELUDE



*THE LIGHT OF GOD IS PRESENT WITH US

*HYMN #61 9:00am *Come, Thou Almighty King*
#98 10:30am *To God Be the Glory*

*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

PRAYERS

SHARING OF CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYER HYMN # 189 9:00am *Fairest Lord Jesus*
#382 10:30am *Have Thine
Own Way, Lord*

PASTORAL PRAYER

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

*SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 9:1-19

MESSAGE

"Qualifying the Disqualified"

*HYMN #368 9:00am
#77 10:30am

*My Hope Is Built
How Great Thou Art*



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 & Betty*
- Michel, Becca Manolov,*
- Carla Jackson, Kyle Stone,*
- Joyce Kruse, Poppy Petry,*
- Judy Basham, Connie Collins,*
- Linda McKimmy, Kim, Connie*
- Osborn, Tommy Osborn,*
- Alec Taylor, Connie Dunn,*
- Aimee Emmons, Morgan*
- Whitehead, Lisa & Bill,*
- Linda Reed, Ryan Steele,*
- Al & Elizabeth Rostron,*
- John Boss, Marry Wallace*

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
THE INVITATION
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 AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
THE COLLECT

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are opened, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts, by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You, and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION OF THE ELEMENTS
THE SERVING OF THE BODY AND BLOOD

In this church, all are welcome to the Lord's Table.

***BLESSING** Pastor

***THE LIGHT OF GOD LEADS US INTO THE WORLD** Acolytes

***DEPARTING SONG: Hymn #95**
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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.

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

***THE OFFERING**
Please place your tithes and gifts in the offering plates located at any of the three main sanctuary exits.

POSTLUDE



Prayers of GRATITUDE

Hand of God IN MY LIFE

Requests

Listening Guide
“Qualifying the Disqualified”
October 3, 2021

Scripture: Acts 9:1-19

How can the disqualified become qualified for service?

_____ **Your Disqualification (vs. 1-2)**

_____ **is Required (vs. 3-9)**

_____ **Help (vs. 10-19)**

Personal Application: Today as you look at your life, do you feel disqualified for service in the Kingdom? Do you believe you have done something so wrong that you aren't worthy to be qualified to be used by God? Let me encourage you today to make peace with your past so you can release it and be used by Him and for Him.



Acts 9:1-19 NLT

Saul's Conversion

⁹ Meanwhile, Saul was uttering threats with every breath and was eager to kill the Lord's followers. So he went to the high priest. ² He requested letters addressed to the synagogues in Damascus, asking for their cooperation in the arrest of any followers of the Way he found there. He wanted to bring them—both men and women—back to Jerusalem in chains.

³ As he was approaching Damascus on this mission, a light from heaven suddenly shone down around him. ⁴ He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul! Saul! Why are you persecuting me?"

⁵ "Who are you, lord?" Saul asked.

And the voice replied, "I am Jesus, the one you are persecuting!" ⁶ Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do."

⁷ The men with Saul stood speechless, for they heard the sound of someone's voice but saw no one! ⁸ Saul picked himself up off the ground, but when he opened his eyes he was blind. So his companions led him by the hand to Damascus. ⁹ He remained there blind for three days and did not eat or drink.

¹⁰ Now there was a believer in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord spoke to him in a vision, calling, "Ananias!"

"Yes, Lord!" he replied.

¹¹ The Lord said, "Go over to Straight Street, to the house of Judas. When you get there, ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul. He is praying to me right now. ¹² I have shown him a vision of a man named Ananias coming in and laying hands on him so he can see again."

¹³ "But Lord," exclaimed Ananias, "I've heard many people talk about the terrible things this man has done to the believers in Jerusalem! ¹⁴ And he is authorized by the leading priests to arrest everyone who calls upon your name."

¹⁵ But the Lord said, "Go, for Saul is my chosen instrument to take my message to the Gentiles and to kings, as well as to the people of Israel. ¹⁶ And I will show him how much he must suffer for my name's sake."

¹⁷ So Ananias went and found Saul. He laid his hands on him and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road, has sent me so that you might regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸ Instantly something like scales fell from Saul's eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he got up and was baptized. ¹⁹ Afterward he ate some food and regained his strength.

Saul in Damascus and Jerusalem

Saul stayed with the believers in Damascus for a few days.

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