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.

15" Sunday after Pentecost September 5, 2021

ADUT Sunday School

9:30am CHILDREN'S Sunday School



Serving 10-10:30am September 12<sup>th</sup>



# **Sat., Sept 18<sup>th</sup> 4-7pm**

First UM Church 100 W. Vine Street, Fort Branch

# Pulled Pork Dinner with all the trimmings

\$9/ Adults \$5/ ages 8 and under

Proceeds to benefit: \*2022 Women's Conference

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#### Our help — past, present and future

This month, America marks the 20th anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attacks, which ended almost 3,000 lives and changed life forever for millions more. The nation was shaken to its very roots, with violence jolting out of us any assumption that "it can't happen here." September 11 banished any lingering notion that being on the side of "liberty and justice for all" served as insulation against mass tragedy. We now had more to fear than fear itself.

Psalm 46 reminds us that "though the earth should change" (v. 2) — as it did on 9/11 —God remains "our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble" (v. 1). We are never alone or without hope, even on life-altering days.

How have God's presence and power sustained you through life's changes? How might sharing your story help someone else when their world or faith gets shaken?

—adapted from *The Wired Word* 



@ 11:45am

RR First



"We're tailgating."

# CHARGE CONFERENCE

Sunday, October 31st 2021

Submission deadline Thursday, October 14th

# SNACK BASKET & SODA SALES

New candy and snack items have been added to make your selection a little more difficult!





Javier Canizo ~ 8th Alyssa Moskos ~ 9th Mike Pflug ~ 9th Kasey Jo Breshear ~ 9th Next meeting on Saturday, September 11th @ 9am

All women of the church are invited.

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\* -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 First.

Nursery Attendant:



† Indicates location is Blythe Chapel  $\Omega$  Indicates location is First UMC

This Sunday:

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

Monday: ~ Labor Day ~ Tuesday: Wednesday:

T<u>hursday:</u>

7:00pm Ω Joint SPRC Friday: ~ Office Closed ~

<u>Saturday:</u>

9:00am Ω Women's Group

Next Sunday:

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

www.fbfirst.org for more dates!

Next Sunday Worship:

"Focusing on Jesus"

Hebrews 12



Welcome to worship this Labor Day weekend! The Lord gives a wide array of talents and knowledge to us all so we may serve one another through both paid and unpaid work. Thanks be to God!

## Rev. John Baylor, Jr.



#### **PRELUDE**

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

\*HYMN #697 9:00am #711 10:30am America
For All the Saints

#### \*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 # 431 9:00am Let There Be
Peace on Earth
#576 10:30am Rise Up, O Men
of 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.

#### MINISTRY OF MUSIC

\*SCRIPTURE LESSON insert

Genesis 7

**MESSAGE** 

"Amazing Faith"

\*HYMN #454 9:00am Open My Eyes, That I May See #569 10:30am We've a Story to Tell to the Nations

\*BLESSING Pastor

\*THE LIGHT OF GOD LEADS US INTO THE WORLD

Acolytes

\*DEPARTING SONG: Hymn ##557 Blest Be the Tie That Binds

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

#### \*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** 





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, Mark Fear,
Joyce Kruse, Poppy Petry, Judy
Basham, Connie Collins, Ray
Kifer, Linda McKimmy, Kim,
Connie Osborn & Tommy
Osborn, Alec Taylor, Connie
Dunn, Aimee Emmons, Morgan,
Lisa & Bill, Linda Reed,
Ryan Steele, Jerry McBee,
Al & Elizabeth Rostron,
John Boss. Marry Wallace,
Karen Windell



Lord on this Labor Day, we thank You for the blessing of work. We ask for strength to complete each day. We ask for rest when we are weary. We ask for Your guidance and hope for everyone seeking employment. We ask that You be with those whose faces we might never see but who work tirelessly each day for the good of all of us.

"Come to me, all you who labor and are heavy burdened, And I shall give you rest."



Listening Guide
"Amazing Faith"
September 5, 2021

**Scripture:** Genesis 7

What are the attributes of faith?	
(vs 1)	
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(vs. 7)	
(vs. 16)	
<b>Personal Application:</b> What is your flood today are drowning? Do you need to climb into the ark "right" before God? Do you trust Him? Do you amazing faith?	of safety and allow God to rescue you? Are you

### Genesis 7 NLT The Flood Covers the Earth

7 When everything was ready, the LORD said to Noah, "Go into the boat with all your family, for among all the people of the earth, I can see that you alone are righteous." Take with you seven pairs—male and female—of each animal I have approved for eating and for sacrifice, and take one pair of each of the others. 3 Also take seven pairs of every kind of bird. There must be a male and a female in each pair to ensure that all life will survive on the earth after the flood. 4 Seven days from now I will make the rains pour down on the earth. And it will rain for forty days and forty nights, until I have wiped from the earth all the living things I have created."

<sup>5</sup>So Noah did everything as the LORD commanded him.

Noah was 600 years old when the flood covered the earth. <sup>7</sup> He went on board the boat to escape the flood—he and his wife and his sons and their wives. <sup>8</sup> With them were all the various kinds of animals—those approved for eating and for sacrifice and those that were not—along with all the birds and the small animals that scurry along the ground. <sup>9</sup> They entered the boat in pairs, male and female, just as God had commanded Noah. <sup>10</sup> After seven days, the waters of the flood came and covered the earth.

"When Noah was 600 years old, on the seventeenth day of the second month, all the underground waters erupted from the earth, and the rain fell in mighty torrents

from the sky. 12 The rain continued to fall for forty days and forty nights.

<sup>13</sup> That very day Noah had gone into the boat with his wife and his sons—Shem, Ham, and Japheth—and their wives. <sup>14</sup> With them in the boat were pairs of every kind of animal—domestic and wild, large and small—along with birds of every kind. <sup>15</sup> Two by two they came into the boat, representing every living thing that breathes. <sup>16</sup> A male and female of each kind entered, just as God had commanded Noah. Then the LORD closed the door behind them.

<sup>17</sup> For forty days the floodwaters grew deeper, covering the ground and lifting the boat high above the earth. <sup>18</sup> As the waters rose higher and higher above the ground, the boat floated safely on the surface. <sup>19</sup> Finally, the water covered even the highest mountains on the earth, <sup>20</sup> rising more than twenty-two feet above the highest peaks. <sup>21</sup> All the living things on earth died—birds, domestic animals, wild animals, small animals that scurry along the ground, and all the people. <sup>22</sup> Everything that breathed and lived on dry land died. <sup>23</sup> God wiped out every living thing on the earth—people, livestock, small animals that scurry along the ground, and the birds of the sky. All were destroyed. The only people who survived were Noah and those with him in the boat. <sup>24</sup> And the floodwaters covered the earth for 150 days.

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