

WORSHIP TOGETHER

for the week beginning May 2, 2021



Franklin

United Methodist Church

*“...seeking to be a community
where all can experience
meaningful relationship with God,
grow in Christ, and
reach out in love to others;
a community where
all can love and be loved
and be accepted
as you are”*

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our gathering

Welcome

Call To Worship

Who among you is seeking the wisdom of God?

We long to hear God's Word spoken to our hearts.

Who among you is seeking God's bright and holy truth?

We long to learn the ways of wisdom and righteousness.

Who among you is seeking a Spirit-filled life?

We long to live lives of holiness and light.

God grants God's wisdom to all who ask.

Come near, people of God!

Let us worship in wisdom and truth.

“Jesus, Joy of Our Desiring”

No.644, *The United Methodist Hymnal* (1989)

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Jesus, joy of our desiring,
holy wisdom, love most bright;
drawn by thee, our souls aspiring
soar to uncreated light.

Word of God, our flesh that fashioned,
with the fire of life impassioned,
striving still to truth unknown,
soaring, dying round thy throne.

Through the way where hope is guiding,
hark, what peaceful music rings;
where the flock, in thee confiding,
drink of joy from deathless springs.
Theirs is beauty's fairest pleasure;
theirs is wisdom's holiest treasure.

Thou dost ever lead thine own
in the love of joys unknown.

our reading & reflection

Proverbs 4:1-13

Common English Bible

“Listen to Your Elders”

Pastor Jacob

“Wellspring of Wisdom”

No. 206, *The Upper Room Worshipbook* (2006)

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Wellspring of Wisdom, hear our cry.
The way ahead is parched and dry.
We seek a source to satisfy
our thirst for sanctifying waters,
wisdom for your faith-filled sons and daughters.

Dawn of a new day, put to flight
the terrors of a nuclear night.
As bearers of your loving light,
we huddle closer to your fire,
lift the lamp of hope a little higher

Garden of Grace, your gifts abound,
the sacred signs are all around,
the whole of earth is holy ground.
We learn, from all of life expressing,
how to grow in sowing seeds of blessing.

Call to Compassion, help us bring
our burning need for nurturing,
the emptiness of everything
to your embrace, as we endeavor
to proclaim your holy name forever.

communion

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The presider continues offering praise to God and concludes with an invitation for all to offer their thanks through song (No. 95, The United Methodist Hymnal):

**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.**

Your blessings overflow, help us to recognize and name them now...

You are invited to name things you are thankful for. Feel free to share with everyone verbally. You may also type your thanks in the chat. After all have been given an opportunity to share, the presider continues offering thanks for Jesus'. The presider concludes:

And so, in remembrance of these
your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving,
as a holy and living sacrifice,
in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died;
Christ is risen;
Christ will come again.**

The presider invokes the Holy Spirit asking that the church seek God's will in all things as it prays. You are invited to add your specific prayers silently, verbally, or in the chat (if worshipping virtually) following the prompts below:

Together let us pray for our world...
Together let us pray for our community and neighborhoods...
Together let us pray for our friends and family...
Together let us pray for ourselves...

The presider concludes the prayer.

The Lord's Prayer (spoken)

No. 895, *The United Methodist Hymnal* (1989)

**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.**

Sharing of the Bread & Cup

our going forth

Witness & Blessing

Amen

No. 2072 (Refrain ONLY), *The Faith We Sing* (2001)

Thank you for worshipping with us today!

You are welcome to stay (in whatever space you are joining us) and fellowship—get to know and check-in and enjoy the company of others.

