

# WORSHIP TOGETHER

for the week beginning August 15, 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

Though we could be resentful,

**we come to give thanks.**

Though we could be complaining,

**we come to offer appreciation.**

Though we could be upset about what we lack,

**we come in gratitude for what we have.**

We enter now into this time of worship

**carrying seed to sow, singing songs of joy, rejoicing together.**

### “For the Fruits of This Creation”

No. 97, *The United Methodist Hymnal* (1989)

For the fruits of this creation,  
thanks be to God;

for good gifts to every nation,  
thanks be to God;

for the plowing, sowing, reaping,  
silent growth while we are sleeping,  
future needs in earth's safekeeping,  
thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labor,  
God's will is done;  
in the help we give our neighbor,  
God's will is done;  
in our worldwide task of caring  
for the hungry and despairing,  
in the harvests we are sharing,  
God's will is done.

For the harvests of the Spirit,  
thanks be to God;  
for the good we all inherit,  
thanks be to God;  
for the wonders that astound us,  
for the truths that still confound us,  
most of all, that love has found us,  
thanks be to God.

## our reading & reflection

**“Ruth and Naomi”**

Ruth 1-4

*The Beginners Bible*

### Reflection

**“The Family We Choose”**

Pastor Jacob

**“When God Restored Our Common Life”**

No. 2182, *The Faith We Sing* (2001)

When God restored our common life,  
our hope, our liberty,  
At first it seemed a passing dream,  
a walking fantasy.  
A shock of joy swept over us,  
for we had wept so long;  
The seeds we watered once with tears  
sprang up into a song.

We went forth weeping, sowing seeds  
in hard, unyielding soil;  
With laughing hearts we carry home  
the fruit of all our toil.  
We praise the One who gave the growth,  
with voices full and strong.  
The seeds we watered once with tears  
sprang up into a song.

**Great liberating God, we pray  
for all who are oppressed.  
May those who long for what is right  
with justice now be blest.  
We pray for those who mourn this day,  
and all who suffer wrong;  
May seeds they water now with tears  
spring up into a song.**

## **Giving our thanks**

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.*

## **“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

No. 95, *The United Methodist Hymnal* (1989)

**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.**

*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 their thanksgivings, the presider continues in prayer giving thanks for Jesus.*

# Communion and prayers

*The presider recalls the events of Jesus' last supper with his disciples.. 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, and all are invited to pray together.*

## **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**

### **Offertory**

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## **our going forth**

### **Witness & Blessing**

### **Amen**

*No. 2072 (Refrain ONLY, 2x's)  
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.*

# your thoughts & notes

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