

WORSHIP TOGETHER

Sunday, October 31, 2021



*"...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

Are any among you suffering?

Then let us pray.

Are any cheerful?

Then let us sing songs of praise.

Are any among you sick?

Then let us turn to each other for God's healing touch.

The prayer of faith will save us.

And God will lift us up.

"Sweet Hour of Prayer"

No. 496, *The United Methodist Hymnal* (1989)

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Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer!
that calls me from a world of care,
and bids me at my Father's throne
make all my wants and wishes known.
In seasons of distress and grief,
my soul has often found relief,
and oft escaped the tempter's snare
by thy return, sweet hour of prayer!

Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer!
the joys I feel, the bliss I share
of those whose anxious spirits burn
with strong desires for thy return!
With such I hasten to the place
where God my Savior shows his face,
and gladly take my station there,
and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer!

Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer!
thy wings shall my petition bear
to him whose truth and faithfulness
engage the waiting soul to bless.
And since he bids me seek his face,
believe his word, and trust his grace,
I'll cast on him my every care,
and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer!

our reading & reflection

Scripture

1 Thessalonians 5:14-24

Common English Bible

Reflection

“A Methodist Prays Constantly”

Pastor Jacob

“O Gracious of Father of Mankind”

No. 305, *The Methodist Hymnal* (1935)

TUNE: KINGSFOLD (No. 606, *The United Methodist Hymnal*)

**O gracious Father of mankind, Our spirits unseen Friend,
High heaven's Lord, our heart's dear guest, to Thee our prayers ascend.
Thou dost not wait till human speech Thy gifts divine implore;
Our dreams, Our aims, Our work, Our lives Are prayers Thou lovest more.**

**Thou hearest these, the good and ill, Deep buried in each breast;
The secret thought, the hidden plan, Wrought out or unexpressed.
O cleanse our prayers from human dross, Attune our lives to Thee,
Until we labor for those gifts We ask on bended knee.**

**Our best is but Thyself in us, Our highest thought Thy will;
To hear Thy voice we need but love, To listen and be still.
We would not bend Thy will to ours, But blend our wills to Thine;
Not beat with cries on heaven's doors, But live Thy life divine.**

**Thou seekest us in love and truth More than our minds seek Thee;
Through open gates Thy power flows in Like flood tides from the sea.
No more we seek Thee from afar, Nor ask Thee for a sign,
Content to pray in life and love And toil, till all are Thine.**

Amen

our thanks & prayers

Giving Thanks

Voice 1: God be with you.

Cong: **And also with you.**

Voice 1: Lift up your hearts.

Cong: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Voice 1: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Cong: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Voice 1: Blessed are you, God of all creation,
Source of all mercies...

Voice 2: **And now with the confidence of those who know
they are loved by God, let us pray the prayer Jesus
taught:**

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 the Bread and Cup

Prayer After Receiving

**We thank you, God, for inviting us to this table
where we have known the presence of Christ
and have received all Christ's gifts.
Strengthen our faith,
increase our love for one another,
and let us show forth your praise in our lives;
through Jesus Christ our Savior.
Amen.**

our sending

Witness & Blessing

Benediction Hymn Go in Peace, Walk in Love

No. 444, Upper Room Worshipbook (2007)

Go in peace, walk in love, gentle Shepherd, guide us.
Through the calm, through the storm, Shepherd walk beside us.

Go in peace, walk in love, Spirit wings enfold us.
Holy Dove, keep us safe; Strengthen and uphold us.

Go in peace, walk in love. May your path be pleasant
till we meet, meet again. God is ever present.

Depart

Upcoming Events & Opportunities

To view the church calendar, go to franklinumc.org/calendar.

Midweek Discussion w/ Pastor Jacob

Join Pastor Jacob on **Wednesday at 7pm** as we discuss upcoming readings and themes for Sunday worship. This group meets in-person in the vestry *and* virtually.

Virtual participants can join the gathering by going to <https://meet.google.com/txp-ndfa-ivu>) or by calling 1-440-467-1448, the PIN is 220 679 745#.

Trunk or Treat TODAY

Franklin United Methodist Church is organizing a Trunk or Treat for **Saturday, October 30 from 4-6p**. We need volunteers to decorate their trunks and handout candy. We also need volunteers to help setup, teardown, and grill “hallo-weiners.” If you would like to help, please contact Pastor Jacob (jacob@franklinumc.org).

Charge Conference TODAY

The Charge Conference is scheduled for Sunday October 31st after the service. More details to come.

Thanksgiving Basket Collection

The church will again participate in the Franklin Food Pantry’s Thanksgiving Food Baskets. The Interfaith Council is coordinating this effort. We are asked to donate 75-“12oz bags of **Dunkin Donuts Medium Roast Ground Coffee**.” The brand and bag size are important. All items should be to the church by Sunday, October 31. All extras will be donated to the Food Pantry. There are collection baskets set up in the front pews. There will also be a donation basket set up at the Trunk Or Treat.

Book Club

The Book Club meets monthly on the second Monday of the month at 7pm. The Book Club will meet (virtually) on **November 8 at 7pm**. We will be reading *We Begin At The End* by Chris Whitaker .

Thank you for joining us for worship!

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**All of us are ministers
called to share God's love and grace
with our community and world!**