

At-One-Ment

A CROSS IN THE HEART OF GOD \parallel MARCH 12, 2023

This service of worship is gathering in-person in the sanctuary, in-person using Google Meet, and streaming on YouTube.

GATHER

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather to remember Jesus our Savior who loved us and gave himself for us. Let us draw near in full assurance of God's endless love and mercy.

We give our thanks and praise to Jesus Christ who carries our sorrows, heals our wounds, and redeems us from sin and death.

SONG

"HALLELUJAH! WHAT A SAVIOR"

No. 165, UMH (1989)

1.

Man of Sorrows! what a name for the Son of God, who came ruined sinners to reclaim. Hallelujah! What a Savior!

3.

Guilty, vile, and helpless we; spotless Lamb of God was he; full atonement can it be? Hallelujah! What a Savior!

5.

When he comes, our glorious King, all his ransomed home to bring, then anew this song we'll sing:
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
SILENT PRAYER
COLLECT

2.

Bearing shame and scoffing rude, in my place condemned he stood; sealed my pardon with his blood.
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

4.

Lifted up was he to die; "It is finished!" was his cry; now in heaven exalted high. Hallelujah! What a Savior!

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.

REFLECT

SCRIPTURE READING

Leviticus 16:2A, 5, 7-10, 15, 21-22

REFLECTION

SONG

"DEPTH OF MERCY"

No. 3097, Worship & Song (2011)

1.

Depth of mercy! Can there be mercy still reserved for me? Can my God his wrath forbear, me, the chief of sinners spare, me, the chief of sinners spare?

3.

I my Master have denied, I afresh have crucified, oft profaned his hallowed name, put him to an open shame, put him to an open shame.

5

Now incline me to repent, let me now my sins lament, now my foul revolt deplore, weep, believe, and sin no more, weep, believe, and sin no more. 2.

I have long withstood his grace, long provoked him to his face, would not hearken to his calls, grieved him by a thousand falls, grieved him by a thousand falls.

4

There for me the Savior stands, shows his wounds and spreads his hands.

God is love! I know, I feel; Jesus weeps and loves me still, Jesus weeps and loves me still.

BAPTISM Caleb (Cal) Duarte

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power, and love, whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.

We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the Father's unfailing grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.

We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need.

We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

LAYING ON OF HANDS

COMMENDATION AND WELCOME

Now it is our joy to welcome our new sibling in Christ.

Through baptism you are incorporated by the Holy Spirit into God's new creation and made to share in Christ's royal priesthood. We are all one in Christ Jesus. With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you as members of the family of Christ.

OFFERING

Doxology

PRAYER

Hymn

"I STAND AMAZED IN THE PRESENCE"

No. 371, The United Methodist Hymnal (1989)

1.

I stand amazed in the presence of Jesus the Nazarene, and wonder how he could love me, a sinner, condemned, unclean.

2.

For me it was in the garden he prayed: "Not my will, but thine."

He had no tears for his own griefs, but sweat-drops of blood for mine.

4.

He took my sins and my sorrows, he made them his very own; he bore the burden to Calvary, and suffered and died alone. Refrain:

How marvelous! How wonderful! And my song shall ever be: How marvelous! How wonderful is my Savior's love for me!

3.

In pity angels beheld him, and came from the world of light to comfort him in the sorrows he bore for my soul that night. (Refrain)

5.

When with the ransomed in glory his face I at last shall see, 'twill be my joy through the ages to sing of his love for me.

(Refrain)

SENDING

THE PEACE

The peace of the Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

POSTLUDE

WELCOME TO FRANKLIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH!

Thank you for joining us for worship. We hope that you find, in our community, a place to experience meaningful relationship with God, grow in Christ, and reach out in love to others. We hope that this community has been a place where you feel welcome, acceptance, and love. If you have questions about the church, or are interested in becoming a member of the church, please feel free to contact any of the leaders listed below.

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UPCOMING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

SAVE THE DATE

New children's programming will begin on Palm Sunday, April 2 during worship. This new monthly opportunity will encourage kids to learn the stories of our faith and find faith for themselves.

EASTER FLOWER DEDICATIONS

We have the following flowers available to decorate the sanctuary for Easter morning. A signup sheet is in the vestry. See Dawn Harlow with any questions. 8 Lilies \$20 each 4 Pansy Bowls \$17.75 each 4 Mums (2 yellow 2 purple) \$15 each

MARCH FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION: FAMILY SNACKS

The Franklin Food Pantry offers assistance to neighbors in need. *For March we will be collecting family-sized snacks for the Food Pantry*. Donations can be placed on the table in the sanctuary.

BOOK CLUB

The Book Club will meet (virtually) on **Tuesday March 14 at 7pm**. We will be reading *The House at Cerulean Sea* by TJ Kline. Joining information can be found on the church calendar.

LUNCH BUNCH

Lunch Bunch will meet at **noon on March 15th** at Box Seats, 391 East Central St, Franklin on March 15 at noon. Please contact Nancy Boates (NancyBoates49@ hotmail.com, 508-654-2833) by 10 am the day before if you plan to attend.

GAME NIGHT

On March 25th we will have board game night at the church @ 5-7pm. More info to come!

SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

We are looking to restart our Sunday School ministry. We will begin by offering it once per month during worship. If there is enough interest, we will expand it to twice per month. As we make preparations, we are looking for volunteers to help teach. Are you interested in volunteering? If so, please contact Inger Anderson, Chair of the Committee on Ministry (inger1210@aol.com).

LENT & EASTER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday April 2 10am Worship Service Good Friday April 7 7pm Worship Service

Easter Sunday April 9 6:30am Sunrise Service on the Common 10am Worship Service & Eater Egg Hunt