

FRANKLIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



God Watches Over Elijah

STORIES OF THE FAITH || JUNE 18, 2023

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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

Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to your name give glory,
for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness.
Why should the nations say, “Where is their God?”

**Our God is in the heavens;
he does whatever he pleases.
Their idols are silver and gold,
the work of human hands.**

They have mouths, but they do not speak;
they have eyes, but do not see.
They have ears, but they do not hear;
they have noses, but they do not smell.

**They have hands, but they do not feel;
they have feet, but they do not walk;
they make no sound in their throats.**

Those who make them are like them;
so are all who trust in them.

Trust in the Lord!
**He will bless those who fear the Lord,
both small and great.**

SONG

“LET US WITH A JOYFUL MIND”

No. 2012 , FWS (2001)

1. Let us with a joyful mind
praise our God forever kind,
rich with mercies that endure, ever faithful, ever sure.

2. New-made earth was filled with light
through God’s all commanding might,
rich with mercies that endure, ever faithful, ever sure.

3. Dazzling bright the sun obeys
God who shines with brighter rays,
rich with mercies that endure, ever faithful, ever sure.

4. Stars and moon that spangle night
all depend on heaven’s light,
rich with mercies that endure, ever faithful, ever sure.

5. Creatures of the sea and land
all are fed by God's own hand,
rich with mercies that endure, ever faithful, ever sure.

6. Therefore with a joyful mind,
praise our God forever kind,
rich with mercies that endure, ever faithful, ever sure.

PRAY

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SILENT PRAYER

COLLECT

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

REFLECT

READING

“GOD WATCHES OVER ELIJAH”

The Beginner's Bible

REFLECTION

SONG “SING PRAISE TO GOD WHO REIGNS ABOVE”

No. 126, *UMH*(1989)

1. Sing praise to God who reigns above,
the God of all creation,
the God of power, the God of love,
the God of our salvation.
With healing balm my soul is filled
and every faithless murmur stilled:
To God all praise and glory.
2. The Lord is never far away,
but through all grief distressing,
an ever present help and stay,
our peace and joy and blessing.
As with a mother's tender hand,
God gently leads the chosen band:
To God all praise and glory.
3. Thus, all my toilsome way along,
I sing aloud thy praises,
that earth may hear the grateful song
my voice unwearied raises.
Be joyful in the Lord, my heart,
both soul and body bear your part:
To God all praise and glory.
4. Let all who name Christ's holy name
give God all praise and glory;
let all who own his power proclaim
aloud the wondrous story!
Cast each false idol from its throne,
for Christ is Lord, and Christ alone:
To God all praise and glory.

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER

SONG

“TO GOD BE THE GLORY”

No. 98, *UMH* (1989)

1. To God be the glory, great things he hath done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Refrain:

- Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

2. O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
to every believer the promise of God;
the vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives. (Refrain)

3. Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done,
and great our rejoicing thru Jesus the Son;
but purer, and higher, and greater will be
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. (Refrain)

GO

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

JUNE FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION: BAKED BEANS

We will be collecting 28 oz cans of baked beans for the Food Pantry.
Donations can be placed on the table in the sanctuary.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Held the first Sunday of every month. Children ages 4-12 (preschool—6th grade) will be dismissed during worship and will be returning to the sanctuary for communion. There is no need to RSVP or register.

The curriculum we are using is [Mini Revolutions from Illustrated Ministry](#). In addition to the (current) once-per-month class during worship at the church, we will be providing supplementary materials for persons who would like to use the curriculum for family devotions. Print materials will be made available each week at the church. We can also email you materials in a monthly packet, if you're interested in using them in your home. If you are interested in volunteering please see Inger Anderson

LUNCH BUNCH

Lunch Bunch will meet at **noon on June 21 at The 45, 45 Milford Street, Medway**. Please contact Nancy Boates (NancyBoates49@hotmail.com, 508-654-2833) by 10 am the day before if you plan to attend.

Community Cookout Saturday June 24 5:30– 6:30

Burgers, hot dogs, chips & drinks. Bring a lawn chair or blanket.

BOOK CLUB

The Book Club will meet (virtually) on **Tuesday August 11 at 7pm**. We will be reading *Someone Else's Shoes* by Jojo Moyes. Joining information can be found on the church calendar.

THANK YOU!

Franklin United Methodist Church Community Garden raised \$159 in the Bloomin' 4 Good Program during the month of May 2023.