

FRANKLIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Adam & Eve

STORIES OF THE FAITH

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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

“O Lord, our Lord, the majesty of your name fills the earth! Your glory is higher than the heavens.” We gather to praise you!

“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth...”

“O Lord, our Lord, the majesty of your name fills the earth! Your glory is higher than the heavens.” We gather to celebrate you!

“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth... And God saw that it was good...” We gather to celebrate our God.

“O Lord, our Lord, the majesty of your name fills the earth! Your glory is higher than the heavens.” We gather to worship you!

“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth... And God saw that it was very good.”

All praise, honor, majesty and power belongs to our Creating God! Amen.

SONG

“ALL THINGS BRIGHT AND BEAUTIFUL”

No. 147 , UMH (1989)

Refrain:

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful: the Lord God made them all.

1. Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings,
God made their glowing colors, and made their tiny wings.

2. The purple-headed mountains, the river running by,
the sunset and the morning that brightens up the sky. *Refrain*

3. The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruits in the garden: God made them every one. *Refrain*

4. God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell
how great is God Almighty, who has made all things well. *Refrain*

PRAY

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER OF THE DAY

REFLECT

MINI REFLECTION

READING

“ADAM AND EVE”

The Beginner's Bible

SONG

“GOD, WHO STRETCHED THE SPANGLED HEAVENS”

No. 150, *UMH* (1989)

1. God, who stretched the spangled heavens, infinite in time and place,
flung the suns in burning radiance through the silent fields of space;
we, your children in your likeness, share inventive powers with you.
Great creator still creating, show us what we yet may do.
2. Proudly rise our modern cities, Stately buildings, row on row;
Yet their windows, blank, unfeeling, Stare on canyoned streets below,
Where the lonely drift unnoticed In the city's ebb and flow,
Lost to purpose and to meaning Scarcely caring where they go.
3. We have ventured worlds undreamed of since the childhood of our race,
known the ecstasy of winging through untraveled realms of space,
probed the secrets of the atom, yielding unimagined pow'r,
facing us with life's destruction or our most triumphant hour.
4. As each far horizon beckons, may it challenge us anew,
children of creative purpose serving others, honoring you.
May our dreams prove rich with promise, each endeavor well begun.
Great creator, give us guidance till our goals and yours are one.

REFLECTION

SONG

“TOUCH THE EARTH LIGHTLY”

No. 3129, W&S (2011)

1 Touch the earth lightly, use the earth gently,
nourish the life of the world in our care:
gift of great wonder, ours to surrender,
trust for the children tomorrow will bear.

2 We who endanger, who create hunger,
agents of death for all creatures that live,
we who would foster clouds of disaster,
God of our planet, forestall and forgive!

3 Let there be greening, birth from the burning,
water that blesses and air that is sweet,
health in God's garden, hope in God's children,
regeneration that peace will complete.

4 God of all living, God of all loving,
God of the seedling, the snow, and the sun,
teach us, deflect us, Christ, reconnect us,
using us gently and making us one.

COMMUNE

INVITATION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

...And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

...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.

...Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
**all honor and glory is yours, almighty God,
now and for ever. Amen**

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.

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

RESPONSE

“PEACE BE TO THIS CONGREGATION”

Words by Charles Wesley TUNE: PROMISE (No. 707, *The UMH*)

1. Peace be to this congregation,
peace to ev'ry soul therein,
peace, which flows from Christ's salvation,
peace, the seal of cancelled sin,
peace that speaks its heavenly Giver,
peace, to earthly minds unknown,
peace divine that lasts forever
here erect its glorious throne.
2. Jesus, Prince of peace, be near us;
fix in all our hearts your home;
with your gracious presence cheer us;
let your sacred kingdom come;
raise to heav'n our expectation,
give our favored souls to prove
glorious and complete salvation,
in the realms of bliss above.

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

JULY FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION: DRY CAT/ DOG FOOD

We will be collecting 6-10 lb bags of dry cat/dog food 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

BOOK CLUB

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

LUNCH BUNCH

Lunch Bunch will meet at **noon on June 19 at Lowell's, 75 Cape Road, Mendon**. Please contact Nancy Boates (NancyBoates49@ hotmail.com, 508-654-2833) by 10 am the day before if you plan to attend.

NEXT COMMUNITY COOKOUT

Saturday July 22 5:30– 6:30

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