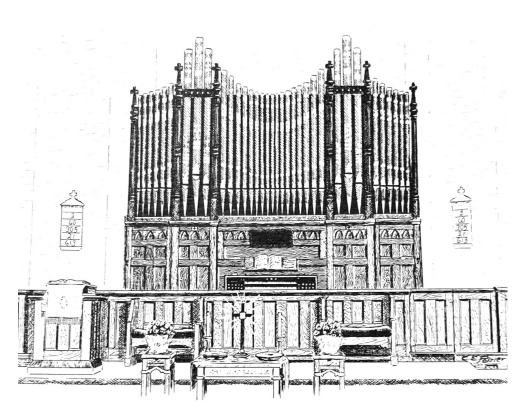
FRANKLIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



God, What Do You Want to Do Through Me? Live Faithfully (Join the Procession)

Sunday March 24, 2024

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WELCOME TO FRANKLIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH!

This service of worship is gathering in-person at the church building, in-person via Google Meet, and streaming on YouTube.

This worship aid, or "bulletin," will guide you through this service, offering you a brief outline and instructions for the service along with the responses, prayers, and lyrics to the songs we will sing together. Congregational responses are typically **bolded**.

Prayer requests can be made by filling out the offering form enclosed with the print bulletins, or by going to **franklinumc.org/pray**. Confidential requests will be sent to the pastor. Non-confidential requests will be distributed to the Prayer Team.

Financial contributions can be made in the offering plate (cash or check made payable to "Franklin United Methodist Church") or online by going to **franklinumc.org/give**.

To learn about ways you can volunteer, and sign up, go to **franklinumc.org/volunteer**. You can also signup to volunteer by filling out the offering form enclosed with the print bulletins. All persons who sign up to volunteer will receive an email confirmation of your volunteer registration.

Welcome Prelude Call to Worship

We come to prepare for the holiest of weeks. We will journey through praise, with joy on our lips; we will travel through betrayal and death, cradling hope deep in our hearts. Jesus leads us through this week, and we will follow, for he is the life we long for, he is the Word who sustains us. We wave leafy branches in anticipation, we lay our love before him, to cushion his walk. Setting aside all power, glory, and might, he comes: modeling humility and obedience for all of us. Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is the One who brings us the kingdom of God.

Song

"Who Is He"

No. 3082, W&S (2011)

Who is he who comes in triumph? Who is he who comes to die, comes in peace and comes in power, hidden One now lifted high? Jesus, Jesus, Lord Messiah, mighty Master of the grave! See him ride, the King of glory! God himself has come to save!

See him there in humble splendor. Hear them shouting all around. Joy explodes in wild procession. Praise is now the victor's crown. "Glory, glory in the highest!" Like the angels hear them sing, dancing 'round the Long-awaited- once their hope, and now their King.

Rise and join the glad procession! Hear them passing by again all the ransomed, all his children, marching to Jerusalem! Look ahead the gates of splendor! Hear the everlasting hymn! Open wide your hearts in worship! Let the King of glory in!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Collect Lord's Prayer

No. 895, UMH (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.

SCRIPTURE READING

MARK 11:1-11

The New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition

SONG

"ALL GLORY, LAUD, AND HONOR"

No. 280, UMH (1989)

Refrain: All glory, laud, and honor, to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son, who in the Lord's name comest, the King and Blessed One. [Refrain]

The company of angels are praising thee on high, and we with all creation in chorus make reply. [Refrain] The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went; our prayer and praise and anthems before thee we present. [Refrain]

To thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise; to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise. [Refrain]

Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring, who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King. [Refrain]

Reflection

Pastor Jacob

OFFERING& PROCESSIONAL

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Song

"REJOICE, YE PURE IN HEART"

No. 160, UMH (1989)

Rejoice, ye pure in heart; rejoice, give thanks, and sing; your glorious banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.

Refrain: Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.

Your clear hosannas raise, and alleluias loud; whilst answering echoes upward float, like wreaths of incense cloud. [Refrain] Yes, on through life's long path, still chanting as ye go; from youth to age, by night and day, in gladness and in woe. [Refrain]

At last the march shall end; the wearied ones shall rest; the pilgrims find their heavenly home, Jerusalem the blest. [Refrain]

Praise God who reigns on high, the Lord whom we adore, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God forevermore. [Refrain]

Sending

THE PEACE

The peace of the Christ be with you. And also with you.

Postlude

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US!

We hope that you found, 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

LENT/ EASTER SERVICES & EVENTS

Holy Week is the last week of Lent and the final week of preparation before Easter Sunday. It is during this week that we remember the events of Jesus' suffering ("passion") and death in preparation for the celebration of his resurrection on Easter. Below are the services we'll be offering during Holy Week 2024.

Maundy Thursday Service Good Friday Tenebrae Service Easter Sunrise Service

Easter Sunday Worship Community Easter Egg Hunt Thursday March 28, 7pm Friday March 29, 7pm Sunday March 31, 6am on the common Sunday March 31, 10am Sunday March 31, 11:15 am

MARCH COLLECTION

This month's Food Pantry item is **baking mixes (brownies, cakes, cookies).** Donations can be brought on Sunday's. At the end of the month all items will be brought over to the Franklin Food Pantry.

BOOK CLUB

For March, the Book Club will be reading "Still Life" by Louise Perry . The next meeting will be on **April 9 at 7pm.** The group will meet in a hybrid format, Cynthia will be hosting at 123 Dean Ave #3310 in Franklin for those who would like to meet in person, online (https://meet.goto.com/richp/churchbookclub), or by phone (224-501-3412, access code is 789-141-869).