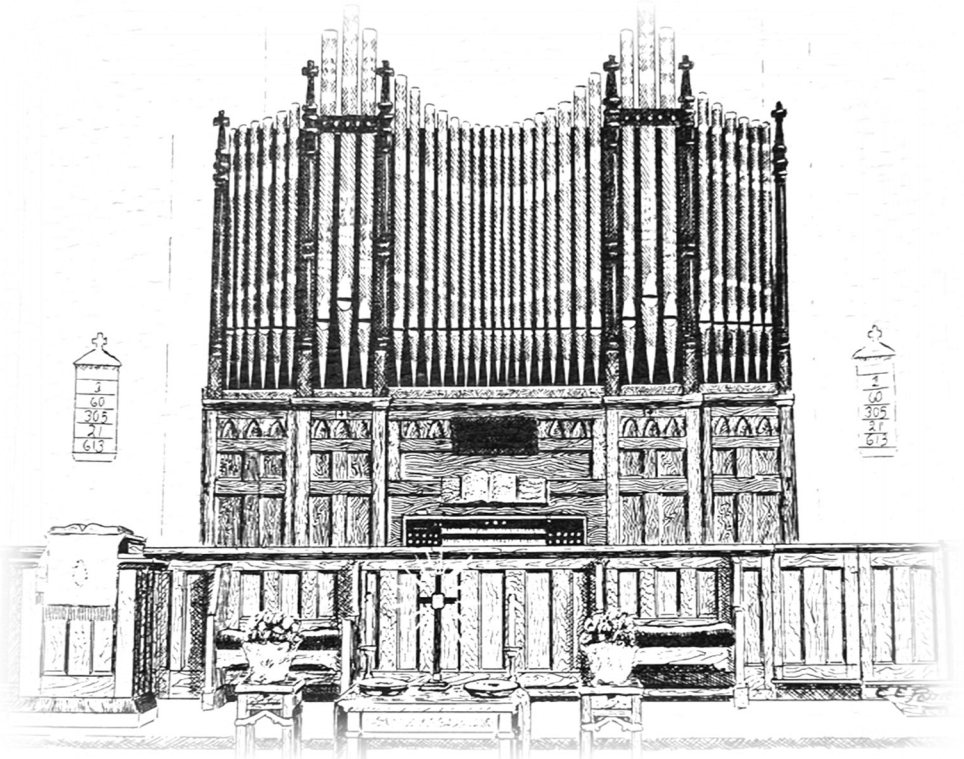


FRANKLIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Resurrection Hope

Sunday February 16, 2025

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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 sign up 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

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen, indeed!

Darkness has been vanquished!

The brilliant light of hope has come!

Come, let us worship and celebrate the Good News!

God is not dead. Christ is risen!

Alleluia!

Amen.

SONG

“CHRIST IS ALIVE”

No. 318, *UMH* (1989)

1 Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
His cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
His love in death shall never die.

2 Christ is alive! No longer bound
to distant years in Palestine,
he comes to claim the here and now
and dwell in every place and time.

3 Not throned afar, remotely high,
untouched, unmoved by human pains,
but daily, in the midst of life,
our Savior in the Godhead reigns.

4 In every insult, rift, and war,
where color, scorn, or wealth divide,
he suffers still, yet loves the more,
and lives, though ever crucified.

5 Christ is alive, and comes to bring
good news to this and every age,
till earth and all creation ring
with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.**

EPISTLE READING

1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-19

REFLECTION

J Caleb Duarte

SONG

“CHRIST IS RISEN”

No. 307, *UMH*(1989)

1 Christ is risen!
Shout Hosanna!
Celebrate this day of days.
Christ is risen!
Hush in wonder;
all creation is amazed.
In the desert
all-surrounding,
see, a spreading tree has grown.
Healing leaves of
grace abounding
bring a taste of love unknown.

2 Christ is risen!
Raise your spirits
from the caverns of despair.
Walk with gladness
in the morning.
See what love can do and dare.
Drink the wine of
resurrection,
not a servant, but a friend;
Jesus is our
strong companion.
Joy and peace shall never end.

3 Christ is risen!
Earth and heaven
nevermore shall be the same.
Break the bread of
new creation
where the world is still in pain.
Tell its grim,
demonic chorus:
"Christ is risen! Get you gone!"
God the First
and Last is with us.
Sing Hosanna everyone!

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY

No. 95, *UMH* (1989)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PRAYER

SONG

“HE LIVES”

No. 310, *UMH* (1989)

1. I serve a risen Savior, he’s in the world today;
I know that he is living, whatever foes may say.
I see his hand of mercy, I hear his voice of cheer,
and just the time I need him, he’s always near.

Refrain:

He Lives, he lives, Christ Jesus lives today.
He walks with me, and talks with me
along life’s narrow way.
He lives, He lives, salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know he lives?
He lives within my heart.

2. In all the world around me I see His loving care,
And though my heart grows weary, I never will despair;
I know that He is leading through all the stormy blast,
The day of His appearing will come at last. (Refrain)

3. Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing
Eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King!
The Hope of all who seek Him, the Help of all who find,
None other is so loving, so good and kind. (Refrain)

SENDING

THE PEACE

The peace of the Christ be with you always.
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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John Milot, Chair of Resource Committee
Inger Anderson, Chair of Committee on Ministry

UPCOMING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

FOOD PANTRY MONTHLY COLLECTION

This month we will continue collecting toothpaste and/or any other personal hygiene items to be donated to the Food Pantry.

HELP PLAN FELLOWSHIP & MEMBERSHIP CARE!

You're invited to join the Fellowship & Membership Care Team as they seek to develop opportunities for the church to fellowship with, support, and care for one another. If you have any questions about this team, or upcoming meetings, please contact Inger Anderson (inger1210@aol.com).

LUNCH BUNCH

Lunch Bunch is a monthly gathering where people talk and enjoy fellowship over a meal at area restaurants. The next gathering will be at **The Chateau, Franklin, on February 19 at 12 PM**. All are welcome. Please notify Nancy Boates by phone 508-654-2833 or email NancyBoates49@hotmail.com by 10 am if you plan to attend.

INTERESTED IN COMMUNITY OUTREACH?

Sunday March 9 after worship

You're invited to join the Community Outreach Team as they seek to build bridges between the church, other communities of faith, and the surrounding community. We'll be discussing the Community Closet, Concerts, and Cookouts, among other things. If you have any questions about this team or upcoming meetings, please contact Tricia Prewitt (pptricia198@gmail.com).

BOOK CLUB

March we'll read Ladies Midnight Swimming Club by Faith Hogan. The next meeting will be on **March 11 at 7pm**. The group will meet in a hybrid format or online (<https://meet.goto.com/richp/churchbookclub>), or phone (224-501-3412, access code 789-141-869).

FRANKLIN SENIOR RIDE ASSISTANCE

Attention Franklin Seniors: Need a Ride?

- Medical Appointments
- Available to Franklin Residents
- Local Errands (Walmart, Market Basket, etc.)
- Must be scheduled 48 hours in advance
- Events at The Senior Center & More

For more information, call Emily at 508-520-4945