# FRANKLIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



# Stories of Faith The True King

July 20, 2025

# 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. Nonconfidential 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 **frank-linumc.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

The streets were crowded.

A parade mood filled the air.

Shouts came from deep in the heart.

Hosanna. Save us.

Save us from lukewarm faith.

Hosanna. Save us.

Save us from callous indifference.

Hosanna. Save us.

Save us from paltry hopes and petty dreams.

Hosanna. Save us.

Save us from unquenchable greed.

Hosanna. Save us.

Save us from lazy habits and faithless commitments.

Hosanna. Save us.

Save us from soft-mindedness and hard-heartedness.

Hosanna. Save us.

We cry from the depth of our hearts and the very pit of our souls. **Hosanna. Save us. Save us now.** 

SONG

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

No. 278, UMH (1989)

Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang; through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang. To Jesus, who had blessed them close folded to his breast, the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best. From Olivet they followed mid an exultant crowd, the victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud. The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state, nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.

"Hosanna in the highest!"
that ancient song we sing,
for Christ is our Redeemer,
the Lord of heaven our King.
O may we ever praise him
with heart and life and voice,
and in his blissful presence
eternally rejoice!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

THE TRUE KING

#### REFLECTION

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]

# **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

# "REJOICE, THE LORD IS KING" No. 715, UMH (1989)

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore; mortals, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love; when he had purged our stains, he took his seat above. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

His kingdom cannot fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven; the keys of earth and hell are to our Jesus given. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

Rejoice in glorious hope! Jesus the Judge shall come, and take his servants up to their eternal home.

We soon shall hear th'archangel's voice; the trump of God shall sound, rejoice!

# 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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# **UPCOMING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES**

# COMMUNITY COOKOUTS

# Saturday July 26, August 23, & September 27!

Free burgers, hot dogs, chips, and drinks will be served from 5:30-6:30p in the grassy area behind the church. Vegetarian options will be available. All are invited. In case of rain, these events are cancelled. To learn more, go to franklinumc.org/community/cookouts.

# CHARGE CONFERENCE

# Sunday July 27th after church. At this meeting we will:

- 1. Discuss/vote on a new lease agreement with Aprende Spanish Immersion.
- 2. Discuss/vote on the construction loan in the amount of four hundred and fifty thousand dollars, (\$450,000) and permanent loan terms being offered by the United Methodist Foundation of New England that will finance Phase III renovations.

# **COMMUNITY CLOSET: NEW HOURS!**

Looking for a closet refresh - or shopping for those with a need? The generosity of our community and the staffing by volunteers helps us provide pre-loved and new clothing to all. The closet is now open every Tuesday 12p-2p. You can shop or signup to volunteer at franklinumc.org/volunteer.

# MONTHLY FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION

It's summer! Assorted chips 8-10 oz or assorted cookies 8-12 oz. are asked for by the Franklin Food Pantry. Everything will be delivered to the Pantry at the end of the month. Thank you!

# FISH OF FRANKLIN SEEKS VOLUNTEERS:

FISH of Franklin's mission is is helping Franklin residents get to their medical appointments. Volunteers are needed to either answer telephone requests from those needing rides and volunteers willing to drive clients to medical appointments once a month. If you are interested in volunteering, call 508-528-2121, leave a message and a member of the Steering Committee will return your call.

# MEALS ON WHEELS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Franklin Meals on Wheels office is looking for onsite volunteers, weekday mornings at the church. Meals on Wheels provides nutritious meals to in-need, homebound seniors in Franklin, Bellingham, Blackstone, and Medway. If you are interested or want more information, please contact Jeanne (Monday through Friday, 10a-1p) by phone at 508-520-1422.