FRANKLIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Stories of Faith

Jesus Is Arrested & Crucified

August 3, 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

It's all done! Finished! Settled!

God took the whole, long list of our sins and forgave them!

God nailed them to the cross.

Every crime, violation, and sacrilege! Every shortcoming, disgrace, and failure! God eliminated every single record of our godless behavior!

God nailed them to the cross.

There is nothing else to do, but worship and praise God!

And to be careful not to pull out any of God's nails!

SONG

"When I Survey the Wonderous Cross"

No. 298, UMH (1989)

1.

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

2.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

3.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down. Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

4.

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were an offering far too small; love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SILENT PRAYER

RESPONSIVE PRAYER

Lord, when we feel sorry for ourselves and think we have sacrificed so much for others:

Remind us of what you did for us on the cross.

Lord, when our patience wears thin and we are ready to give up:

Speak to us through the example of your endurance on the cross.

Lord, when we get angry and feel like fighting back against those who would be our enemies:

Help us remember your words to your enemies from the cross, "Father, forgive."

Lord, whenever we suffer in any way:

Keep us near the cross.

Lord, when we are afraid to stand up for what is true and honorable.

Strengthen us with the courage with which you went to the cross.

Lord, when we come to times of death:

Uphold us with the assurance that life did not end for you on the cross.

Fill us with the hope of resurrection and new life which your cross continue to teach us each day. Amen.

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

JESUS IS ARRESTED & CRUCIFIED

REFLECTION

Allen Smith

SONG

"O How He Loves You and Me" No. 2108, FWS (2001)

1.

O how he loves you and me!
O how he loves you and me!
He gave his life.
What more could he give?
O hoe he loves you;
O how he loves me!
O how he loves you and me!

2.

Jesus to Calv'ry did go; his love for sinners to show. What he did there brought hope from despair. O hoe he loves you; O how he loves me! O how he loves you and me!

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

No. 77, UMH (1989)

1.

O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder consider all the *worlds thy hand have made, I see the stars, I hear the *rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Refrain:

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art!

2

When through the woods and forest glades I wander, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze; [Refrain]

3

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in; that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin; [Refrain]

4

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.

Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art! [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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UPCOMING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

NO CHURCH OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

Deidre will not be holding regularly scheduled office hours this coming week, August 5–7.th. She will be available via email and appointment if needed.

LUNCH BUNCH

The next gathering will be at **The Railery in** Frnklin Village Plaza, on **Wednesday, August 20 at 12 PM**. All are welcome. Please notify Nancy Boates by phone 508-654-2833 or email NancyBoates49@ hotmail.com by 10 am if attending.

COMMUNITY COOKOUTS

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.

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.