

THE BULLETIN

FRANKLIN UMC

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lections

Readings for this week

GENESIS 18:1-15 (21:1-7)

New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition

1 The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. 2 He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them and bowed down to the ground. 3 He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. 4 Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. 5 Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." 6 And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." 7 Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. 8 Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared and set it before them, and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. 9 They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." 10 Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. 11 Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. 12 So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I be fruitful?" 13 The Lord said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?'" 14 Is anything too wonderful for the Lord? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son." 15 But Sarah denied, saying, "I did not laugh," for she was afraid. He said, "Yes, you did laugh."

PSALM 116:1-12, 12-19

ROMANS 5:1-8

MATTHEW 9:35-10:8

reflections

Why did Sarah laugh? Is anything too wonderful for the Lord (v.14)? What makes us laugh at and question the impossible God is wanting to work in your life?

worship

Sunday at 10am in-person in-the-sanctuary and via Google Meet, also livestreaming/archived on YouTube

CALL TO WORSHIP

From a world replete with your great and confounding works,

we come through these doors to focus our wonder, God, on you.

O Lord, our God, we fall at the feet of that we cannot comprehend.

Grant us, Almighty God, the wisdom to recognize you in the world around us and the vulnerability to sit in awe of it.

Let the light of your infinite faithfulness inspire us and move us .

God, we stand and sit and sing here today to encounter your awesome power and to rejoice together in our wonder!

"Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee"

No. 175, *The United Methodist Hymnal* (1989)

PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

No. 895, *The United Methodist Hymnal* (1989)

READ

REFLECT

Caleb Duarte

"O Thou, In Whose Presence"

No. 518, *The United Methodist Hymnal* (1989)

GIVE

No. 95, *The United Methodist Hymnal* (1989)

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

"All My Hope Is Firmly Grounded"

No. 132, *The United Methodist Hymnal* (1989)

GO IN PEACE

NEWS & EVENTS

FRANKLIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

FOOD PANTRY

For June we will be collecting cleaning supplies: Disinfectant wipes, all purpose cleaning sprays (32 oz) and Ajax or Comet Cleaners. All items will be brought over to the Franklin Food Pantry at the end of the month. Thank you!

LUNCH BUNCH

We will meet on June 17th at Prezo, 229 ½ East Main St, Milford. All are welcome. Please notify Nancy B by phone or email by 10 am if attending.

BOOK CLUB

The Book Club is reading *The Irish Goodbye* by Heather Aimee O'Neill. The next meeting is Monday July 13th at 6:30 pm. The group will meet in a hybrid format at Nancy B's. For the address and link, view the group's page in Realm Connect.

REALM CONNECT

The Franklin UMC uses a church management and communication database called Realm. Realm Connect is your personalized portal into the life of the church—a place where you can connect with other people and groups, keep up with what's going on, and manage your personal information so that together we can grow as a more connected community. Realm Connect is accessible by computer and a downloadable app. If you need a login to Realm Connect and/or instructions on how to use it, email the office@franklinumc.org.

PASTOR'S STUDY

The Pastor's Bible Study meets Wednesday evenings via Google Meet to discuss the scripture readings and themes coming up in worship. All are welcome and invited to attend. The Google Meet link can be found on the Church Calendar, in Realm Connect, or by emailing the office@franklinumc.org.

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