

ABOUT THE FRANKLIN UMC

The Franklin United Methodist Church (UMC), located in downtown Franklin, Massachusetts, has a rich history dating back to 1853 when the first Methodist class meeting gathered in the Franklin Town Hall. The current facility, next to the historic Franklin Town Hall, was dedicated in 1873 and still retains much of its original charm.

Today, the Franklin UMC seeks to be a people and a place where relationships are strengthened, where all can love, be loved, and reach out in love to others.

The Community @FranklinUMC provides opportunities for neighbors to meet, serve, and share with one another; so that together we experience, build, and strengthen our shared community.

To learn more about the Franklin UMC and its programs, go to *franklinumc.org*.

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WAYS TO SUPPORT

COMMUNITY @FRANKLINUMC

MEETneighbors

We experience community when we gather with and meet our neighbors face-to-face. Join us at our next event! View the Community Calendar at franklinumc.org/community and subscribe to the site to get all the latest updates.



SERVEneighbors

Community is built as neighbors serve one another. Check out the many opportunities to volunteer and serve by going to franklinumc.org/community.



SHARE WITHneighbors

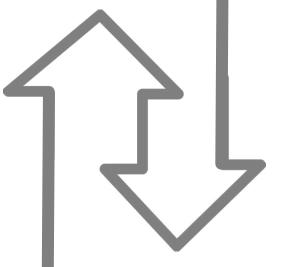
Communities are strengthened when neighbors share with one another. You're invited to share gently used clothing, food, talents and expertise, time, and financial resources to support your neighbors.

Financial contributions can be made online at franklinumc.org/community. Contributions can also be placed in the "We Can" or sent via USPS to

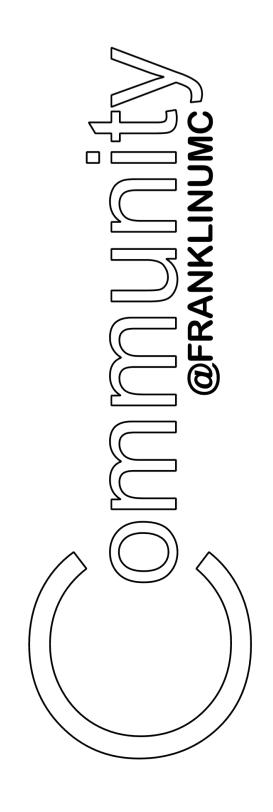
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MEET SERVE SHARE WITH neighbors



EXPERIENCE BUILD STRENGTHEN community



The Community @FranklinUMC seeks to provide programs and space for neighbors to meet, serve, and share with one another; programs and space that helps neighbors experience, build, and strengthen their community.



The Community Closet @FranklinUMC collects and distributes new and gently used clothing, *free of charge*, to anyone and everyone in the community. Donations can be dropped of inside the main entrance of the church.

The Community Closet is open regularly and as-needed to meet emergency needs. It is staffed by volunteers who help sort donations and assist neighbors as they look for clothing.

To get the latest updates and sign up to volunteer, go to **franklinumc.org/ community/closet**.



ommunity concerts

Community Concerts @FranklinUMC provide a venue for Franklin-related artists to share their creative talents with and inspire their neighbors. Franklin UMC provides an intimate venue with superior acoustics, a century-old tracker organ, and seating in-the-round. Volunteers help usher, provide and host refreshments following the concerts.

Interested artists and musicians are encouraged to contact the **office@franklinumc.org**. To get the latest updates and sign up to volunteer, go to **franklinumc.org/community/concerts**.



ommunity cookouts

Community Cookouts @FranklinUMC offer *free* hot dogs, burgers, and an inclusive environment for neighbors to meet and share a meal outdoors together. Community Cookouts are scheduled monthly during warm weather months and staffed by volunteers.

To get the latest updates and sign up to volunteer, go to





The Franklin UMC opens its doors to a variety of community groups that are open to and serve their neighbors. To learn about the community groups and organizations meeting at the Franklin UMC, go to **franklinumc.org/community/groups**.

To inquire about use of a space for your group, program, or organization, contact the **office@franklinumc.org**.



The Community @FranklinUMC hosts a variety of other events throughout the year including a Community Easter Egg Hunt and Community Trunk or Treat.

We are always looking for partners, sponsors, and new ideas to better serve our neighbors.

If you would like to help or if you have an idea for an event or program that meets the needs of and supports your neighbors, reach out to the **office@franklinumc.org**. We would love to hear your idea and find ways to build and strengthen our shared community .