



Franklin United Methodist Church

March 27, 2022

Sunday Morning Worship online at <http://umc-franklin.org/sunday-morning-worship>



Offertory Music

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

Doxology

**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**

Second Scripture Reverend Polly Standing Luke 15:20-32

So he got up and went to his father. “But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him. “The son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ “But the father said to his servants, ‘Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let’s have a feast and celebrate. For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’ So they began to celebrate. “Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. So he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on. ‘Your brother has come,’ he replied, ‘and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.’ “The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. But he answered his father, ‘Look! All these years I’ve been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!’ ““My son,’ the father said, ‘you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’”

The Message Reverend Polly Standing *“Mercy in Relationships”*

Prelude and Entrance of Acolytes

Praise Songs

*“Graves Into Gardens”
“You Are My King”*

Children’s Sermon

Children are encouraged to join us at the front.

Announcements, and Church Family Celebrations

Prayer and Scripture **Bill Wygle** **Luke 15:1-3; 11-19**

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, “This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.” Then Jesus told them this parable: Jesus continued: “There was a man who had two sons. The younger one said to his father, ‘Father, give me my share of the estate.’ So he divided his property between them. “Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything. “When he came to his senses, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.’”

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

**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 for ever. Amen.**

Invitational

Invitational Hymn

“Softly and Tenderly”

*Now let us remind ourselves of what we believe
as we head out into the world.*

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

*(universal)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sunday, March 27	VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Volunteer Meeting in Activity Building	Following Worship
Tuesday, March 29	Bible Study—Activity Building A.S.K. Tutoring Sessions Praise Band	10:00am 3:30—5:00pm 6:30pm
Wednesday, March 30	Women's Emmaus Brown Bag Devotional— Activity Building Choir BLAST Kid's Ministry Youth Group	8:00—9:00am 12:00—1:00pm 5:00pm 6:00pm 6:00pm
Thursday, March 31	Men's Emmaus	6:30—7:30am

Remember those who serve in our Military

Eric Michael (Air Force)	Benjamin Standing (National Guard)
PFC Joseph Pawley (Army)	All Others, known by God

Worship Attendance for Last Sunday: 65

Many are also watching the Sunday Worship Live or on the videos posted on the church's website, Facebook page or YouTube. Views recorded for Sunday, March 20 (as of Thursday 3/24) 67

Giving Totals for Last Week

General Fund Offering	\$ 7,803.00
Building Note Fund	\$ 500.00
Memorial—Designated	\$ 450.00

Purpose: Willing and ready to follow and serve Jesus Christ.

Vision: Franklin UMC shares God's love, Christ's sacrifice, and our faith for the salvation of the world.

Mission: We believe in Jesus Christ whom we follow, serve and share.

Key Verse: "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved." - John 3:16-17