

# Franklin Methodist Church

December 4, 2022

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



## Prelude and Entrance of Acolytes

### Lighting of the Advent Candle

This is the second Sunday in Advent. Today, we light one blue candle for Peace. All over the world people are searching for peace. They look for it in books, music and special celebrations. They seek it in government, at work and in their homes. Sometimes we find it in quiet moments. In memories. In special locations. Perhaps you feel at peace now. However there is only one way to feel real, everlasting peace, and that is through Jesus Christ, that baby in the manger that was sent by our loving Father.

### Join in Singing

Light one candle for peace, one bright candle for peace.

He brings peace to every heart, he comes! He comes! (Repeat)

### Praise Songs

*"So Will I"  
"Raise a Hallelujah"*

### Children's Sermon

*Children are encouraged to join us at the front.*

### Announcements, and Church Family Celebrations

### Prayer and Scripture

**Olivia Campbell**  
**Matthew 3:1-12**

In those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is he who was spoken of through the prophet Isaiah: "A voice

of one calling in the wilderness, 'Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him.' "John's clothes were made of camel's hair, and he had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. People went out to him from Jerusalem and all Judea and the whole region of the Jordan. Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River. But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to where he was baptizing, he said to them: "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce fruit in keeping with repentance. And do not think you can say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' I tell you that out of these stones God can raise up children for Abraham. The ax is already at the root of the trees, and every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire. "I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me comes one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor, gathering his wheat into the barn and burning up the chaff with unquenchable fire."

### Offertory Music

*"Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"*

### 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**

**The Message      Reverend Polly Standing**

### 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.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

### Communion Hymn

*"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"*

### Prayer after Receiving

### Invitational

### Invitational Hymn

*"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"*

*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)

### 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 November 27:

General Offering

\$

Offering Fund

\$

Memorial-Designated-Other

\$

**INFORMATION WILL BE PRINTED NEXT WEEK.**

## December Mission of the Month



## Christmas Angels

Again this year we are looking to bless several children with Christmas gifts through the Christmas Angels ministry. There are a couple of Angel tags still available. Gifts are due back to the church by Sunday, December 18. For more information contact the church office at 979-828-3355 or Beth Vickers at 979-255-1406

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

All Week	Decorating/Preparing for the Cookie Walk on Saturday	
Tuesday, December 6	Bible Study	10:00am—Noon
	A.S.K. Tutoring	3:15—5:00pm
Wednesday, December 7	Women's Emmaus	8:00am—9:00am
	MOPS	10:00am—Noon
	SonShine Strummers at GEMS	12:15pm
	Choir	5:00pm
	Youth Group—Meeting place TBD	6:00pm
	BLAST—at Church Parsonage (503 N. Glass @ corner of Gay St.)	6:00pm
Thursday, December 8	Men's Emmaus	6:30—7:30am
Friday, December 9	SonShine Strummers at Arbor Oaks	6:15pm
<b>Saturday, December 10 COOKIE WALK</b>		<b>9:00AM—NOON</b>

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

**Vision:** Franklin Methodist Church 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

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