

Franklin Methodist Church

December 3, 2023

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



Prelude and Entrance of Acolytes

Lighting of the Advent Candle

This is the first Sunday in Advent. Today, we light one blue candle for Hope. We wait for the day when we celebrate the birth of our Savior and we hope that all will come to know and worship God.

Join in Singing

Light one candle for hope, One bright candle for hope.

He brings hope to every heart, He comes! He comes! (Repeat)

Announcements and Church Family Celebrations

Praise Songs

"God So Loved" "What a Beautiful Name (O Come Let Us Adore Him)"

Children's Sermon *Children are encouraged to join us at the front.*

Prayer and Scripture

Jeff Ripley Zechariah 9:9 ESV

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. Zechariah 12:10 ESV

"And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and pleas for mercy, so that, when they look on me, on him whom they have pierced, they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for an only child, and weep bitterly over him, as one weeps over a firstborn.

Matthew 23:37

"Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, and you were not willing.

Revelation 21:1-4

Then I saw "a new heaven and a new earth," for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. 'He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death' or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away."

Offertory Music

"Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus" (page 196 in hymnal, verse 1)

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

The Great Thanksgiving

Communion Hymn *"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"*

Prayer After Receiving

Invitational

Invitational Hymn

"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" (page 218 in hymnal~~Verses 1, 2 & 4)

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)

Worship Attendance for last Sunday: 76 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, November 26 (as of Thursday 11/30) 15 **Giving Totals for Last Week** The Offering information is for the 2 weeks ending 11/23 & 11/30/2023 **General Offering** \$ 8.826.06 \$ **Building Fund** 775.00 Memorial~Designated 2,049.79 \$

Mission of the Month



Christmas Angels

The re are still a couple of Angel Tags available on the Missions Board in the sanctuary or you can make a monetary donation to purchase gifts for those tags that might not be chosen. Gifts are due back to the church by Sunday, December 17. For more information contact the church office at 979-828-3355 or Beth Vickers at 979-255-1406.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Saturday, December 9	COOKIE WALK	9:00am—Noon
Thursday, December 7	Men's Emmaus Turquoise Table Ladies	6:30am—7:30am 11:00am—2:00pm
Wednesday, December 6	Women's Emmaus MOPS/MOMSNext Ukulele Band Performance at GEMS Youth Group BLAST	8:00am—9:00am 10:00am—Noon 11:00am 6:00pm 6:00pm
Monday, December 4	Cookie Walk Christmas Tree Delivery & Assembly ESL in Activity Building	1:00pm 6:00pm
TODAY	Admin Council Meeting Christmas Cheer Basket Assembly at the Wesley House	After Worship After Worship

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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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