

Franklin Methodist Church
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www.franklinmethodist.org

Purpose Statement

Franklin Methodist Church is a fellowship of believers who have come together as a family of faith. Together we have established the following purpose, vision, and mission statement:

Purpose:

Willing and ready to follow and serve Jesus Christ.

Vision:

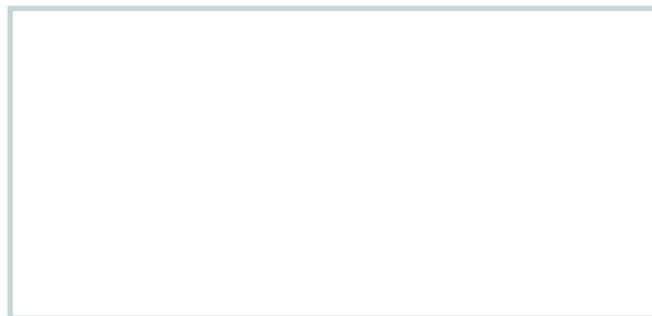
Franklin Methodist Church shares God's love, Christ's sacrifice, and our faith for the salvation of the world.

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



POLLY'S PONDERING

I have spent a lot of time lately pondering the amazing Community Clothes Closet ministry. You might not be aware of the incredible way this ministry impacts our community. Besides providing clothes at a rate of one dollar per item with name brands being sold at a two-dollar rate. The funds that are raised are used 100% to assist the community with emergency aid for utilities. This ministry also provides opportunities for Christians throughout the community to serve the Lord.

Individuals serve behind the scenes. Our clothing donations are dropped off by countless individuals who want to help make a difference by providing gently used clothing in all sizes for resale. We also take jewelry, belts, purses, and shoes. Without these donations our ministry is not able to operate. We are **currently in need of clothing donations**.

Other individuals faithfully help behind the scenes by sorting, hanging up and displaying the donations, Kathy Tomko oversees this ministry. Other helpers are Cathy Hayes, Jennie Reed, Tommie Engler, Tricia Martinez, Marina, Teri Wygle, Lucy Wiggins, Amy Thompson, B Bly, Sandra Hoegemeyer, Eilene Cross, Pam Plitt, and several others. We are grateful for their hard work.

It also takes many individuals to manage the shop and sales on Fridays and Saturdays. Some of these individuals include Elizabeth Reinhardt, Beth Vickers, Cynthia Hanks, Julie Jarrell, Olivia Campbell, Jillian Reed, Deborah Hicks, Laura Corn, Pam Darnell, Meredith Williams, Mary Kamas, Laura Russ, Christan Rawson and Meghan Moran. Their gift of time and service is appreciated greatly. We are also **currently in great need of more help**.

And just recently many youth and several adults helped to repaint the inside of the building. These include Meghan and Roye Moran, Barry and Jenny Cate, Kimberly Perez, Angela, Michael and Levi Golden, Luke, Andrew, and Caleb Moran, Reegan and Caysee Smith, Rylan Moeller, Waylon Worley, Emily Harris, and Eli Rotondo. They deserve a great big thank you!

Come in and see the changes! While you are at it, please donate clothes and purchase a thing or two. It truly is a ministry to the entire community.

Pastor Polly



Summer Schedule

July

- July 3~ Hot Dogs & Games~Ending at 7:30pm to attend community fireworks
- July 8-11~Vacation Bible School (No Wednesday night Youth Group)
- July 17~Family Night—Dinner and Bunco
- July 24~Relationship Project
- July 31~Relationship Project

August

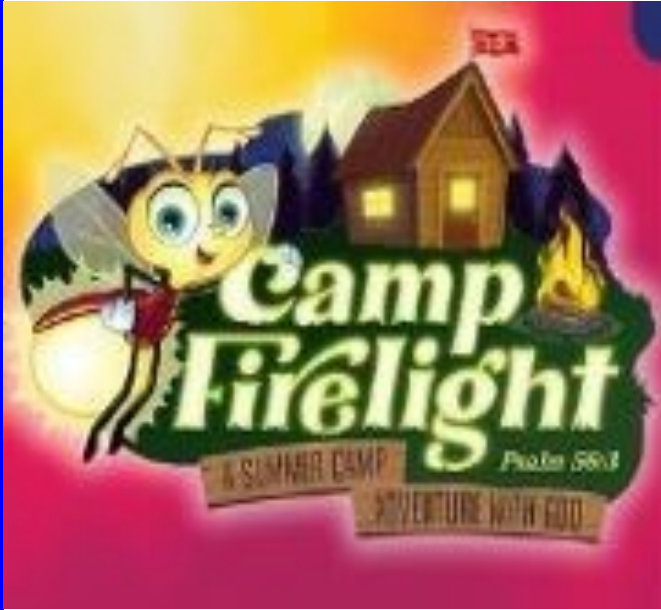
- August 7~Relationship Project
- August 10~Back to School Bash
- August 11~Parent and Volunteer meeting
- August 14~Relationship Project
- August 18~Parent and Volunteer meeting



**FOOD
PANTRY
SERVICE
DAY
JULY 13**

The Franklin Food Pantry gives food to more than 100 families each month. Area churches are responsible for distributing the food one Saturday morning every 9 weeks. Please join us from about 8:45 to noon to help distribute food to your neighbors in need. Just in case you do not know, the Food Pantry is located at 201 South Calvert Street here in Franklin. If you have any questions you can contact the church office or Laura Corn at 979-204-8593.

VBS CAMP DATES ARE HERE!!



JULY 8—11
9:00am until Noon

The tents are set up, the life preserves are in the canoes ready for our campers. Wood is ready to fire up the campfires. Now all we need is **YOU!!**

Camp Counselor Sam and our lightning bug puppet Lu are ready to lead campers on a daily adventure at Camp Firelight. Campers will begin each morning with music, a camp callout and a firelight focus before they go off to the first stop on their adventure.

Each day the Campers will explore timeless Bible stories showing how Old and New Testament Bible figures trusted God, faced their fears, and went on to do great things in God's name. The Camper's experiences will include storytelling, games, arts and crafts, science, and even snacks that tell a story. They will learn ways to connect with and trust God ANYWHERE and at ANYTIME.

There is still an opportunity for you and your campers to be a part of this year's Vacation Bible School. Contact Kim Perez at 832-754-1558 or the church office to sign-up for Camp Firelight!

Camp Theme Verse: *"Whenever I'm afraid, I put my trust in you."* Psalm 56:3

July Mission HOPE Missions



The Kondala School

After years of building partnerships and community through the installation of water filters, we began work on the Kondala School. A joint dream between Hope Missions and the village of Kondala Ethiopia

IN OCTOBER 2016 WE BROKE GROUND ON THE SCHOOL. THE SCHOOL ITSELF IS A COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE PEOPLE OF KONDALA, HOPE MISSIONS, LOCAL CONTRACTORS AND ARCHITECTS. CONSTRUCTION IS ESTIMATED TO FINISH LATE SUMMER 2018. WHILE THE SCHOOL OFFICE IS FULL TIME THE CHILDREN IN THE VILLAGE OF KONDALA ARE PARTICIPATING IN A FIRST GEN EDUCATION. IN ADDITION TO THEIR EDUCATION THEY WILL ALSO RECEIVE SUPPLIES, EMPLOYMENT, AND 2 WEEKS A YEAR THE SCHOOL IS FINANCED THROUGH HOPE MISSIONS, SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMS, PARTNERSHIP WITH SCHOOLS IN AMERICA, AND THE PEOPLE OF KONDALA.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING
Tuesday, July 16
11:30am
(Lunch will be provided)

PRAYER requests

To keep the prayer list as up-to-date as possible, please contact the church office with any changes to the specific need for each one on the list.

Denver Richard-Health Issues

Families in distress

Hudson Swinnea-Leukemia

Stacy Reeves-Recovering from stroke

The Hall Family-Max's Treatments

Kay Baker-Health Issues

All those suffering a loss in the family



Lay Readers

7th Jenny Cate
14th Brandi Pearce
21st Mila Peterson
28th

Ushers for July

Bob & Donna Otto

Giving for Last Month

General Offering	\$	19,745.00
Building Fund	\$	570.00
Memorial-Designated~Other	\$	740.00

We appreciate and need your continued faithful giving.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

1st	Cadie Martin	14th	Cynthia Hobart
	James Buckner		Evelyn Huggins
2nd	Natalie Garrett	15th	Louise Cates
4th	Hanna Westerman		Lee Ann Scasta
5th	Elizabeth Reinhardt	16th	Rylie McKinney
	Frank Cates		Mason Corn
	Justin Frieda	17th	Cade Rue
	Tessa Frieda	20th	Carlee Thompson
	Derik Stevens	22nd	John Harris
7th	Kevin Foltermann		Maloree Neichoy
	David Bailey	23rd	Toni Baxter
8th	Jill Foltermann	24th	Molly Dean
	Keith Kamas	27th	Kylie Caubarreaux
	Sissy Rawson	28th	Sadie Buckner
	Lloyd Scasta	29th	Hap Campbell
9th	Melvin Bailey		Karlie Kissinger
	Thad Allen		Addie Nelson
	Andrew Moran		Drew Neyland
10th	Bo Campbell		Marie Stem
	Aaron Huggins	30th	Brenda Davis
11th	Teri Wygle		

July MOPS Group!

- We are continuing our Gary Thomas study and will be meeting in July on Tuesday the 2nd and Wednesday the 17th in the church activity building. Come join us!
- Did you know MOPS is rebranding to The MomCo?!



THE MOMCO

This is a more inclusive name for the group as we welcome all mothers to join us! Here is what the MomCo webpage has to say:

WE ARE THE MOM COMMUNITY – MOMCO FOR SHORT

MomCo is a Christian Non-Profit Organization that encourages and equips moms of young children to realize their potential as mothers, women and leaders, in relationship with Jesus and in partnership with the local church.

MomCo— then, simply known as MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers)—was founded in 1973 when seven women in Colorado invited moms to meet regularly to grow together as women, parents, and leaders, with the ultimate goal of reaching women with the hope of Jesus.

Today, the small gathering they called MOPS now extends to over 104 countries, 25 languages, 72,000 meetings a year and influences over a million moms annually. Through the powerful impact of these groups, in the last seven years, more than 49,000 women have decided to follow Christ!

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

5th Scott & Amy Huggins
6th Howard & Sandra Hoegemeyer
28th Roye & Meghan Moran



Happy Independence Day