

Franklin Methodist Church
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Franklin, Texas 77856



October 2026

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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

ROYE'S REVELATIONS

It is hard to believe that a whole month has passed since I stepped into this new role as your pastor. September has been a season full of blessings, and October is officially here. I am settling in well, and the transition has been remarkably smooth. I truly appreciate your support during this time.

Over the past four weeks, I have enjoyed every opportunity to sit down with many of you, as well as see the life of the church beyond Sunday mornings, from the Men's Emmaus Group to MomCo, and even the Turquoise Table Ladies, among others. It is inspiring to see discipleship happening in so many corners of our church and community. On top of that, I've been stopping in on Tuesdays and Thursdays to get the kids riled up at the preschool—which might just be the most energetic part of my week!

As we move deeper into the fall season, my prayer is that we remain intentional in our discipleship and outreach. In our study of the Book of Acts, we will continue to see the fundamental truths and vibrant faith that the early church lived by. Football games and hunting trips remind us of the beauty of fellowship, creation, and community. In the same way, our life as a church is at its best when we gather around God's Word, lift one another in prayer, and extend God's grace beyond our doors.

Hebrews 10:24–25 encourages us to "consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together... but encouraging one another." Whether we are gathering in small groups, studying Scripture, or serving our neighbors, let's keep leaning into where the Spirit is leading us.

Thank you for your ongoing prayers, your encouragement, and your commitment to the work God is doing in and through our church. Let's continue to walk boldly together in faith, rooted in Christ and reaching out in love.

Blessings,

Pastor Roye

Thank
You

John and I, along with the rest of our family, want to thank you all for the tremendous outpouring of love at the reception for my retirement and the gathering together in worship on Sunday. It was a great way to bookend the ministry that started so many years ago. Rhonda and gang, thanks for ending with a song as unique as the one performed on my first Sunday. Terrie,

thanks for remembering the hymn we started with so we could end with it as well. The food, the decor, the words spoken have all touched my heart! John and I are so grateful for your love and assure you that we are coming back soon. Until then *"May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious onto you. May the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace."*

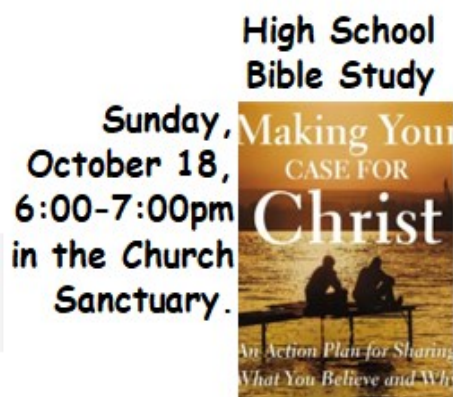
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Be sure to join us every Wednesday night for worship, fellowship, food, fun and games!!

Wednesday night Youth Group meetings are:
October 7, 14, 21 & 28



GUEST SPEAKER
Jason Rose



October 4, 2026



at 10:15 am
service

A love offering will be taken up at the conclusion of his presentations. There will also be a table with more information on the Chosen Peoples Ministry available in the Narthex of the church.

October Mission of the Month

Our Missionaries in Southeast Asia



Seth, Kailey, Samuel and Josie Kissinger

Seth and Kailey have been on their mission adventure for going on 5 years and are making an impact with the residents of their new island home. Working to make disciples of all those that they encounter they are bringing God's message of love for all people to their new neighbors and the friends that the Lord has given them in their new home. Their mission will continue for the next several years. Now they not only have Samuel to help in their mission but have added the precious Josie to the family. Who could resist those two.



Go therefore and *Make* disciples of all nations,

baptizing them in the name of the FATHER and of the SON and of the HOLY SPIRIT.

MATTHEW 28:19



Since we are waiting on the list of coats and sizes needed we will continue the Share the Warmth

mission into October. As soon as tags are available be sure to ~Grab a Coat Tag, Write your name on the list and then go shopping!

Last year over 60 coats/jackets were provided to children in need.

Please bring your donation by the Church office by the end of the month and we will distribute them later in the Fall.

Of course, cash donations are always appreciated to make sure all coat needs are met.

Any questions just contact the church office or Julie Jarrell at 979-255-2966

The FUMP CORNER



This year has been one of the best school's first few weeks. Separating from family takes a while for the little ones, but the children are settling in to the new routines as are all of the staff.

October 4-10 is Fire Prevention week which means our awesome Fire Department will be coming to teach our children about fire safety. The firefighters bring their trucks and put on all of their gear as they provide the children with important information.

The preschool does not celebrate Halloween but instead we have a FUMP Fall Festival filled with fun activities. This year the children may dress up as their favorite story book character.

The teachers will teach the children that God always keeps His promises to us, as demonstrated by the Old Testament stories of Abraham & Sarah and Noah.

Please continue to pray for a hedge of protection around our staff, children, and families as we teach the Word of God.

"The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never forsake you." Deuteronomy 31:8 NIV

In Christ,
Sherry Buchanan
Director FUMP



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Be an Onion

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Music Note:



"Praise to the Lord! How good it is to sing praises to our God; for He is gracious and a song of praise is fitting." Psalm 147:1

Want to join the Sonshine Strummers Ukulele Band? There are always open seats in the band. We practice every Monday starting at 4:00pm. You do not have to know how to play the ukulele, lessons/training is available.

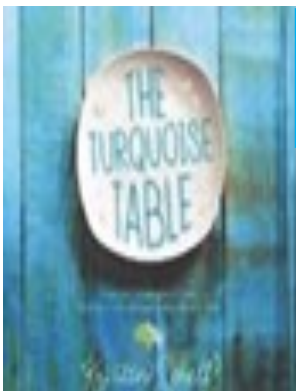
Contact Rhonda Miller for more info on joining the ukulele band. Sing"cerely, Rhonda

The Sonshine Strummers



**Turquoise Table Ladies Meets 1st Thursday every month
11am—Activity Building
Next meeting is October 1**

Come share lunch and stay for fun and games!! Bring your own sandwich (the chips, drinks and dessert are provided.) After lunch we will break out the games and you can have your choice from several fun activities. For more information contact Deborah Hicks at 979-255-8333 or Julie Jarrell at 979-255-2966.






Kids K-2nd & 3rd-5th are invited to join us from 6:00-7:30pm for dinner, worship, games, & small group time. BLAST meets at the Wesley House.

BLAST meets every Wednesday
October's dates are:
October 7, 14, 21 and 28

Believing, Living and Sharing Truth

MomCo is officially underway, and we are so thankful for the moms who have already joined us this year! Our theme, **Good Company**, is all about slowing down, building meaningful friendships, growing in faith, and reminding moms that motherhood was never meant to be done alone.

We'd love to welcome new moms at any point in the year, **you do not have to have attended our first meetings to join us!** Bring your favorite coffee and come as you are.

Want to support MomCo? We are still accepting community sponsorships to help cover childcare and ministry expenses throughout the year. Contact a MomCo leader for more information.



THE MOMCO

GOOD COMPANY

FRANKLIN MOMCO

REAL MOMS. REAL LIFE. TOGETHER.

October 14 + 28
9:30 - 11:30 AM
FRANKLIN METHODIST CHURCH

BREAKFAST PROVIDED

CHILDCARE PROVIDED

FRIENDSHIP THAT LIFTS YOU

FAITH THAT GROUNDS US

New moms are always welcome.
WE SAVED YOU A SEAT. ♥

Better Together ♥

Our Amazon Wish List

has had **NEW ITEMS** added. . These are items that are needed by the church and preschool. Please check it out at the following link.

FMC Amazon Wish List

This Wish List contains various items that might not be a priority in the church and preschool's budgets, but that are needed.

We will continue to add items that are needed but that are not included in the respectful budgets. Please consider this opportunity to help with the stocking of supplies or the purchase of new equipment.

You can purchase items and they will be delivered right to the church. Of course, we want to acknowledge all the gifts, so be sure to fill out the gift receipt. You can access the wish list by following the link above or searching in Amazon by the church's name or email address.





Sunday Small Groups at 9:00 am

ARK - Nursery, Pre-K & Kindergarten
Kingdom Kids - 1st thru 4th grade
Encounter - 5th thru 8th grade
Fusion Boys - 9th thru 12th grade
High School Girls - 9th thru 12th grade
Home Builders - Adult
Wisdom - Adult



Food Pantry Service Day October 10

The Franklin Food Pantry gives food to approximately 100 families each month. Nearly 200 families qualify for food assistance. Area churches are responsible for distributing the food one Saturday morning every 9 weeks.

Our next scheduled service day is October 10.

****Please note that all volunteers are required to view an informative video about volunteering at the pantry.**

If you would like to view the video prior to Saturday morning please follow the link below. The video is approximately 41 minutes long. The password to access the video is

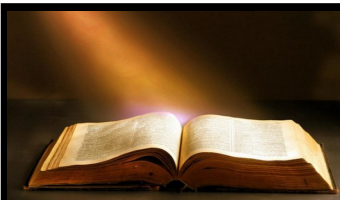
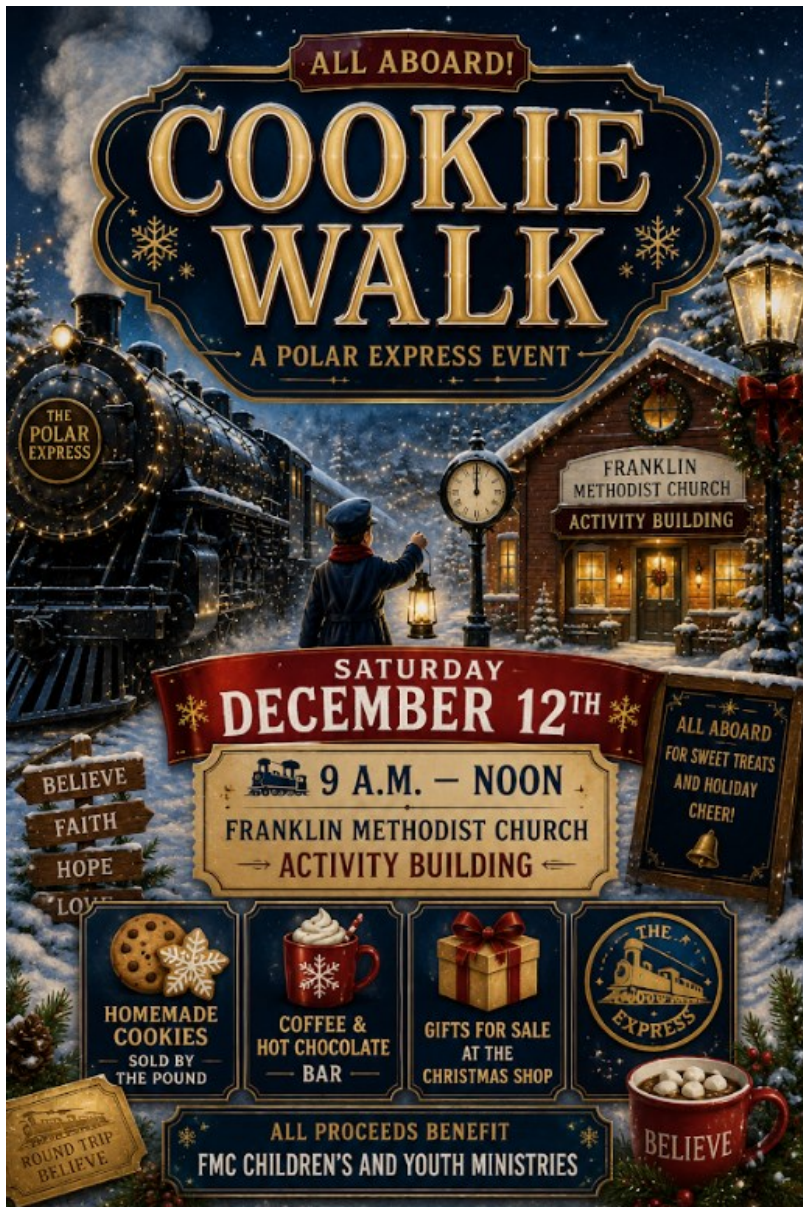
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VOLUNTEER TRAINING VIDEO

Please join us on the 10th as we help distribute food to your neighbors in need.

There is always a special need for male volunteers to help with some of the "heavy lifting."

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 **Laura Corn** at 979-204-8593 or LauraHCorn@gmail.com



Bible Study

This study is open to all—men, women, young and "seasoned" are encouraged to come. If you cannot make it one day, don't worry you can join us any time.

Bring your Bible and a notebook and come join us in the kitchen of the activity building as we continue to explore several of the "Minor" Prophets.

For more information contact John "Carty" Hicks or the church office.



Fall is officially upon us and hopefully cooler temperatures!
As we go through October, we are already gearing up for a busy November!

November 1 – All Saints Sunday – A day of remembrance of those we lost

November 8 – Veterans Day

November 22 – Christ the King Sunday

November 24 – Decorate the Sanctuary for Christmas

November 29 – First Sunday of Advent

Stay tuned for further information about worship opportunities.

As always, if you have any ideas or suggestions, or would like to participate or volunteer to help the Worship Committee with these special opportunities of worship, please contact the church office and we would be happy to have your input and participation. --Kristie Kissinger

TAILGATE AT THE Church
FRANKLIN METHODIST CHURCH

ATM vs. SC
TEXAS A&M AGGIES vs. SOUTH CAROLINA GAMECOCKS

GIG 'EM AGGIES!

EVERYONE WELCOME!

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF
TAILGATING, DELICIOUS FOOD, AND GREAT FELLOWSHIP
AS WE WATCH THE GAME ON THE BIG SCREEN!

FAITH ★ FOOD ★ FOOTBALL FELLOWSHIP

TAILGATE FOOD | BIG SCREEN FOOTBALL | CORNHOLE & YARD GAMES | ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS | SNACKS & FELLOWSHIP

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7 | TIME: TO BE ANNOUNCED | FREE! EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

WEAR YOUR FAVORITE TEAM COLORS, BRING A LAWN CHAIR, and invite your family, friends, and neighbors FOR AN EVENING OF FOOTBALL, FOOD, AND FELLOWSHIP!

WE'RE #1



Prayer Committee

We are blessed to be a praying church who cares about all people and their needs. Thank you for faithfully sharing your prayer concerns with the church family. Your concerns are important and we want them to be shared and lifted up specially, appropriately and complete. Using the Prayer Cards helps the church to get the information accurate, person's name and spelling, family, relationship to person sharing and situation. Pastor Roye will read the cards aloud so the congregation is made aware of the concerns.

If you forget to pick up a Prayer Card before the service or can't find one in the seat in front of you please write your prayer on a piece of paper and put it into the collection plate and it will get to Pastor Roye.

Thank you for helping to keep our prayer ministry accurate, caring and effective.

We are always wanting to add members to our prayer committee~Do you feel the calling to lift others up in prayer? Questions or want to join the committee please contact Eileen Cross at 281-468-4665.

Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.
Mark 11:24

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.

Families of all recently deceased

Families in Distress

All Cancer Patients

All those suffering from undiagnosed health issues

Those suffering from back issues and pain

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

1st	Billy Davis	13th	David Homann
	Cooper Harper	16th	Cindy Caubarreaux
	Andy Harris	17th	Laura Corn
	Rachel Knight		Joe Callaway
2nd	LeAnn Lennie	18th	Elijah Sifuentes
6th	Jacob Janacek	20th	Rev. Polly Standing
	Preston Thompson	27th	Drew Reed
8th	Brandon Kellum		Darcy Lorenz
12th	Teressa Callaway	29th	Bowen Campbell
	Cindy Briggs		Hunter Rawson



Lay Readers

4th	Andy Herring
11th	Kip Kissinger
18th	
25th	Meghan Moran

Ushers for October

Kip and Kristie Kissinger

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

4th	Kevin & Christan Rawson
5th	David & Cindy Welty
15th	Rex & Beth Vickers
21st	Gary & Sherry Buchanan
22nd	Shane & Stephanie Broadus
24th	James & Lacey Buckner



Giving for Last Month

General Offering	\$	28,409.00
Building Fund	\$	1,370.00
Memorial-Designated~Other	\$	2,280.00

**We appreciate and need your
continued faithful giving.**

Preliminary Financial report for the month of September & Year-to-Date (as of September 30, 2026)

	Current Month	Year-to-Date
Funds received for the General Budget	\$ 28,409	\$230,483
Expenses Paid	<u>\$ 28,739</u>	<u>\$247,073</u>
Net for Period(s)	<u>\$ —330</u>	<u>\$—16,590</u>