



STEEPLE BELL

SEPTEMBER 2026 NEWSLETTER

PLANTING SEEDS THAT LAST

As summer gives way to fall, there is a familiar rhythm that returns to our lives. Children are back to school, calendars are full, and many of us settle into new routines. In the life of the church, September often feels like a new beginning, a season of fresh opportunities to grow, serve, and connect.

Scripture often compares our faith to planting and growing. Paul reminds us in Galatians 6:9, *"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."* Every act of kindness, every prayer offered, every lesson taught, and every hour spent serving is a seed that God can use for His purposes.

This fall at Franklin First, we are planting a lot of seeds.

We are investing in children through our newly envisioned Children's Christian Education Program (CCEP), planting seeds of faith that can take root and grow. We are also cultivating spiritual growth through Sunday worship and our Faith Seeker Bible Study class, where people gather to explore God's Word, encourage one another, and deepen their relationship with Christ.

We are planting seeds beyond our walls as well. Through our tutoring partnership at Gerke Elementary, volunteers will spend time supporting students who need a little extra help. Those moments may seem small, but a caring adult can make a lasting difference in a child's life. Through our newly formed Fishing Club, adults will have the opportunity to mentor young people and share God's love through time spent together outdoors. Whether helping a child with reading or casting a line at the pond, these simple acts of presence and encouragement can plant seeds that grow for years to come.

Through our partnership with St. Mary's Catholic Church, the Coffee Collab, and other outreach efforts, we continue to offer hospitality and hope to our neighbors. A meal shared, a conversation held, or a simple act of kindness can become a seed of God's love in someone's life.

The beautiful thing about planting seeds is that we don't always see the harvest right away. Sometimes God is working beneath the surface in ways we cannot see. Our role is simply to be faithful in planting, watering, encouraging, and trusting God to provide the growth.

As we begin this new ministry season, ask yourself: What seeds is God calling me to plant? Perhaps it's serving with children, tutoring students, joining a Bible study, supporting a ministry, inviting someone to worship, or simply praying faithfully for others.

Every seed matters. Every act of faithfulness matters. And when God's people come together to plant seeds of love, service, and discipleship, we can trust that He will bring forth a harvest in His perfect time.

Thank you for being part of what God is growing through Franklin First. We look forward with anticipation to all that this new season will bring.

*"I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth."
1 Corinthians 3:6*



GRANDPARENTS' SUNDAY: SEPTEMBER 13

Join us on September 13 as we celebrate Grandparents Sunday and give thanks for the grandparents and grandparent figures who have helped shape our lives and faith.

Our message, "Fan the Flame," from 2 Timothy 1:1-7, reminds us of the vital role grandparents, parents, and mentors play in passing faith from one generation to the next. Together with Psalm 90:1-6, we will reflect on God's faithfulness through every generation and the lasting impact of those who have shared His love, wisdom, and encouragement with us.

We invite you to join us for this special service as we honor the legacy of faith and celebrate those who help keep the flame burning bright.



A SEASON OF GRACE: UPDATES AND GRATITUDE

As we journey through this season, we are reminded of the strength of our church family. Through faith, fellowship, and a spirit of service, Franklin First continues to thrive and support one another in meaningful ways.

We want to express our gratitude for your patience, flexibility, and dedication during Pastor Laura's leave. A special thank you to everyone who has supported Laura and Lee, as well as those who have stepped in to help carry the many responsibilities of ministry. While we certainly miss Pastor Laura's presence, our congregation has continued to serve, worship, and grow together with grace and strength.

We are especially thankful for:

- The guest pastors and speakers who have graciously stepped in to lead worship and share God's Word each week.
- The many volunteers who have faithfully served behind the scenes to keep ministries and church life running smoothly.
- The prayers, cards, encouragement, and support that have been extended to Pastor Laura and Lee during this time.

Please continue to keep Pastor Laura and Lee in your prayers as they focus on healing and recovery. We look forward with joy and anticipation to welcoming Pastor Laura back.

Thank you for being such a caring and faithful church family. Your generosity, commitment, and love for one another are a true reflection of Christ's presence among us. Together, we continue to move forward in faith, trusting God's guidance every step of the way.



WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC: ADD YOUR NOTE TO OUR MELODY

There is something spiritual about lifting our praises to God through song and melody. Music is much more than a performance—it is a heartfelt act of worship that brings our community closer together.

If you enjoy singing, ringing handbells, or sharing your musical gifts, we invite you to join our musical family! Whether you have years of musical experience or are simply interested in trying something completely new, there is a place for you here.

Our weekly rehearsals for the school year kick off on Wednesday, September 9:

- Chancel Choir: Rehearses at 6:30 PM (Led by Chancel Choir Director Monica Rhude)
- Aspenleiter Handbell Choir: Rehearses at 7:30 PM (Led by Handbell Choir Director Tami Chamberlain)

If you have any questions or would like more information about joining, please reach out to the church office, Monica, or Tami. We would love for you to be part of our ministry as we lift our voices and bells in praise together!



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY LAUNCHES NEW VISION THIS FALL

This fall, Franklin First is excited to launch CCEP (Children's Christian Education Program), a renewed approach to children's ministry designed to help our young people grow in faith, build relationships, and become active participants in the life of the church.

Beginning this fall, CCEP will offer a Sunday School class from 10:00-10:30 a.m. before worship. Each week, children will enjoy Bible lessons, discussion, and crafts led by volunteers from across our church family. We are using the Simply Loved curriculum from Group Publishing, which provides engaging, age-appropriate lessons that help children connect Scripture to everyday life.

During worship, children will remain with their families in the sanctuary, with nursery care available for preschool-age children and younger. To help children stay engaged, we'll provide weekly Praise Packets featuring activities that reinforce the morning's lesson and encourage participation in worship.

Parents and grandparents are also invited to enjoy a time of fellowship during Sunday School. A coffee gathering in the Dining Room will provide an opportunity to connect with one another, prepare for worship, and receive a copy of the week's lesson so conversations can continue at home.

CCEP is designed to be a ministry supported by the entire church family. Whether you enjoy teaching, crafting, caring for children, preparing Praise Packets, or donating snacks, there are many ways to help. By sharing our time and gifts, we can create a welcoming environment where children feel valued, supported, and connected to Christ.

Thank you to everyone who has helped shape this new vision for children's ministry. Together, we are investing in the faith formation of our children because they are not just the future of the church, they are an important part of the church today. If you'd like to learn more or get involved, we'd love to have you join us!



FAITH, FELLOWSHIP, AND FUN: WOMEN'S CIRCLE!

Looking for friendship, fellowship, and opportunities to serve? Join the Women's Circle at Franklin First! We enjoy connecting with one another while supporting church ministries, community outreach, and special projects throughout the year.

Next Meeting:
Monday, October 12
6:30 PM
Church Dining Room

All women are
welcome.

We'd love to have
you join us!

ROLLING UP OUR SLEEVES FOR THE FALL MARKETPLACE



The autumn air brings the start of preparations for the Women's Circle's biggest fundraising event of the year: the Fall Marketplace at Franklin First United Methodist Church, coming up on Saturday, November 7, 2026, from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

A central part of this exciting effort is our annual homemade noodle-making tradition! Every fall —starting this year on September 28th—our Fellowship Hall and kitchen transform into a production hub where flour dusts the air, eggs are cracking, mixers roar, and rolling pins roll as laughter fills the room.

Get Involved: Noodle-Making Schedule

We invite everyone to join us for hard work and fellowship during our three-week noodle-making schedule:

- *Mondays at 9:00 AM:* The heavy lifting begins! Mixing and rolling out the dough gives everyone quite the workout.
- *Wednesdays at 9:00 AM:* The noodles are packaged and prepped for the marketplace.

Last year, the Women's Circle produced more than 425 batches of noodles! As we roll, cut, and dry these batches, we aren't just getting ready for the Fall Marketplace; we are creating memories and making a difference for our church. The fruits of our labor directly support the many ministries and outreach programs that define our mission.

Whether you come to lend muscle to the mixing bowls or help package the final product, every batch mixed and every noodle cut is a celebration of our faith in action. We hope to see you in the kitchen!

(Mark your calendars for the Fall Marketplace on November 7 to grab your favorites, including our famous dry homemade noodles by the one-pound bag, chicken and noodles, and more!)





YOUTH FISHING CLUB CASTS OFF THIS FALL!

We're excited to share that the Youth Fishing Club is officially underway! Our first organizational meeting was a great success, and there is already a lot of excitement surrounding this new ministry opportunity for children and families.

Our first Kids' Fishing Club event is scheduled for **Sunday, October 11th** at noon and is open to children ages 5-12. Whether your child is an experienced angler or has never held a fishing rod before, this is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy the outdoors, learn new skills, make friends, and have fun together.

As we prepare for our first outing, we have a couple of important reminders. Any adults who would like to volunteer with the club must complete a Permission to Obtain a Background Check Form so the church office can process the required background check before October 10.

We also need your help spreading the word! Invite children, grandchildren, neighbors, and friends to join us for this exciting new adventure. Registration is required, and families can visit our website or contact the church office to sign up.

We can't wait to see what God has in store as we launch this new ministry and spend time building friendships, learning together, and enjoying His creation one cast at a time!

SNACK PACK MINISTRY EXPANDING TO SERVE MORE STUDENTS

Thank you to everyone who helped pack our first Snack Packs of the school year during Fellowship Time on August 16! Your generosity and willingness to serve are already making a difference in the lives of local students.

This year, we are excited to expand the ministry by providing weekend Snack Packs for students at both Gerke Elementary and Schenck Elementary. Together, we will distribute approximately 200 snack packs each week to help ensure children have nutritious food available over the weekend, so they can return to school nourished, focused, and ready to learn.

As this ministry continues to grow, additional packing opportunities will be scheduled throughout the year. Stay tuned for details about our next Snack Pack Packing Day. We hope you'll join us as we continue sharing God's love in a practical and meaningful way with children in our community



GERKE ELEMENTARY TUTORING STARTS SEPTEMBER 17

Our tutoring ministry is almost ready to begin, but we still need a few more volunteers to help support local students.

Tutors are matched with students identified by teachers and commit to just one hour per week during the school year. No teaching experience is required, and training is provided.

If you would like to make a lasting difference in a child's life, we'd love to have you join the team! Contact the church office for more information or to sign up. Together, we can encourage, support, and help local students succeed.

THE ANGEL SHOP OPEN FOR HOMECOMING SEASON!

The Angel Shop is already welcoming teens who are finding great outfits for Homecoming and other special events. Thanks to the generosity of our community, students can shop for free and choose from a wonderful selection of dresses, dress pants, suit coats, shirts, ties, and accessories.

If you haven't seen it yet, stop by on Sunday and take a look at how great the shop looks! The Angel Shop is open Sundays from 12:30-2:00 PM (closed Labor Day weekend) and will continue through October 11. As you're cleaning out closets, remember that donations of clean, gently used formal wear help keep this ministry going and ensure every teen has the opportunity to look and feel their best.



COFFEE COLLAB FAMILY COOKOUT!

Get ready for some great food, fun, and fellowship! Our friends at Coffee Collab are taking their regular monthly community dinner up a notch this September with a FREE Family Cookout Party here at Franklin First United Methodist Church.

Mark your calendar for Tuesday, September 22nd, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. The church's backyard will be packed with family-friendly fun, including games, face painting, and—best of all—hot dogs, hamburgers, and all the fixings straight off the grill.

If you joined us for last year's cookout, you already know how special it is to see over 100 neighbors come together for an evening of laughter and connection. This year is shaping up to be even better!



Wonderful Partnership

Coffee Collab serves a free community meal at our church every fourth Tuesday of the month. We are so grateful for their heart for serving, and this expanded cookout is a fantastic way to welcome our neighbors, build relationships, and share God's love through hospitality.

Can You Lend a Hand?

We need a few extra hands to help make the night a success. If you're willing to help out with setup, serving food, or welcoming guests, please reach out to the church office. Even just an hour of your time makes a huge difference!

Bring your friends, your neighbors, and your appetite. We can't wait to see familiar faces, meet new friends, and celebrate our community together on September 22nd!





A CROPPIN' GOOD TIME

- Only a Few Spots Left!
Sign up now for our upcoming crafting and scrapbooking weekend.
- When: Friday, September 11 (6:00 PM – 11:00 PM) and Saturday, September 12 (9:00 AM – 8:00 PM).
- Where: Franklin First UMC, 303 South Main Street.
- Cost: \$50 (includes 16 hours of dedicated workspace with your own 5-foot table, Wi-Fi, power outlets, Saturday brunch, and dinner).
- How to Register: Sign up online at franklinfirstumc.org.
- Questions? Contact Pam Trout at pktmango@yahoo.com.

A FANTASTIC NIGHT AT NATIONAL NIGHT OUT!

Franklin First United Methodist Church had a wonderful time connecting with our community at this year's National Night Out on Tuesday, August 5th, in Community Park!

It was a joy to meet so many of our neighbors, share information about our church's outreach ministries, and have some great fun—which certainly included our crowd-favorite (and always hilarious) Toilet Seat Toss!

We were thrilled by the incredible response to our back-to-school efforts. More than 100 kids signed up for our backpack and supply giveaway, and four lucky students received a brand-new backpack packed with supplies through our drawing to help them start the school year strong.

A massive thank you goes out to everyone who made this event happen and spent time working the booth, greeting families, and helping out. We couldn't have done it without your dedication, time, and welcoming spirits!



LIVING FAITHFULLY:

JOHN WESLEY'S THREE GENERAL RULES FOR A CHRISTLIKE LIFE

By Joseph Yoo

Here's the thing: living faithfully must go beyond how much we know and how many Bible verses we have memorized. All that is important, for sure. But as we may have been taught growing up: actions speak louder than words.

Knowing is only half the journey. What also matters just as much (if not more) is what we do with what know: how we love.

FAITH LEADS US TO DO GOOD THINGS.

Sometimes doing good things leads to faith. But faith and actions rooted in love go together like... rice and kimchi (or whatever are solid pairs in your culture). One of the things (or guidelines) that help me live faithfully are John Wesley's Three General Rules of Methodism. I believe the General Rules help me live out Jesus' greatest commandments: Love God and love neighbor.

THE FIRST RULE: DO NO HARM.

This rule helps me be less self-involved and self-absorbed because I have to be intentionally mindful of how my words and actions may impact the people around me. As Bishop Reuben Job wrote, "When I am determined to do no harm to you, I lose my fear of you; and I am able to see you and hear you more clearly." If I am able to see you — in the manner of how God sees people — it is impossible to dehumanize you. I am able to see the Imago Dei (image of God) reflected in you. Perhaps we may never be friends, but what you no longer are to me is an enemy.

Doing no harm extends not to just interpersonal relationships. Doing no harm may point us to systems of oppression and discrimination and the work needed to dismantle such systems and advocating for justice and policies that protect and uplift the vulnerable. Doing no harm extends to Creation Care as well, reminding us that we are stewards of this earth and we should be faithful stewards by not harming God's creation.

By committing to do no harm, we embody Jesus's invitation to "love your neighbor as yourself" and work towards a world where all can thrive.

THE SECOND RULE: DO GOOD.

With the first rule, we can rationalize that we should do nothing in order to avoid doing any harm. "I'll just stay home and pray and read the Bible so that I don't risk harming anyone or anything." But the rule of do good prevents us from being isolated from the world God so loves. We do good by engaging in acts of kindness, charity, love, and justice — intentionally seeking out opportunities to serve and love.

It reminds us and urges/invites/pushes/compels us to be a blessing — helping someone breathe a little bit easier, even if it's for a second.

FINAL RULE: STAY IN LOVE WITH GOD.

The final rule (as Bishop Job stated) is stay in love with God. This rule focuses on nurturing a deep relationship with God through spiritual disciplines such as worship, prayer, reading the Bible, fasting, and partaking in the sacraments. Basically, do the things that keep you in love with God (hence stay in love with God.)

Being intentional about staying in love with God continues to lead us to do no harm and do good. Spiritual disciplines are not just rituals, but an avenue for transformation helping deepen our love and commitment to follow Jesus' teachings and examples. The more we love God, the more we are led to love our neighbors by

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SPECIAL DAYS!

BIRTHDAYS

SEPTEMBER 15 CINDY KUNTZMAN

SEPTEMBER 16 DERIC LUCAS

SEPTEMBER 16 JOE JEROMOS

SEPTEMBER 17 GRAYSON LEFFEW

SEPTEMBER 20 ERNESTINE CHAMBERLAIN

SEPTEMBER 23 TOM STEINBERGER

ANNIVERSARIES

SEPTEMBER 22 PAM & GREG TROUT

SEPTEMBER 30 PAM & DARAN BISHOP

UPCOMING FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY

Join us for
homemade treats
and fellowship
after service on
September 13th



GIVING MADE SIMPLE: SUPPORTING OUR MINISTRY ANYTIME, ANYWHERE

Life can get busy, but your generosity can stay steady. With Franklin First's updated Online Giving platform, supporting the ministries you care about is easier than ever—anytime, anywhere.



Why Give Online?

- Quick & Convenient: Make one-time or recurring gifts in just seconds—no cash, checks, or Sunday-morning rush needed.
- Consistent Impact: Regular giving helps our ministries plan wisely and serve our community with confidence.
- Safe & Secure: Our trusted system protects your personal information and ensures every transaction is secure.

Your gifts make life-changing ministry possible. Ready to take the next step?

Start today: franklinfirstumc.org/giving-%26-member-resources

Thank you for your faithful generosity and for helping us share the love of Christ in powerful ways!

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doing no harm and doing good. The more we love our neighbors, the more we love God — and it's a holy cycle. Each rule complements the others, giving us a holistic approach to living faithfully.

By practicing these three rules in our daily lives, we can create spaces and places where love, justice, and wholeness can be realized because it can (and does) guide us to be Christlike.

When we truly embody the teachings of Christ; when we intentionally set out to be imitators of Christ — being Christlike — the revolution becomes contagious and gives us more opportunities to make disciples of Christ for the transformation of the world.

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SUNDAY MORNING HOSPITALITY



Did you know that one of the easiest ways to serve is by helping create a welcoming atmosphere on Sunday mornings? Whether greeting at the door, serving as an usher, or simply introducing yourself to a visitor, your friendly smile can make all the difference. If you're interested in serving on a hospitality team, contact the church office.

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Thursday, September 3, 2026

4-5 pm Community Dinner (St. Mary's K of C)

Sunday, September 6, 2026

9:15 am Faith Seekers Study Group

10:45 am Livestream of Worship on Facebook

10:45 am Worship Service

Monday, September 7, 2026

Labor Day

Thursday, September 10, 2026

4 pm Community Dinner (St. Mary's K of C)

Friday, September 11, 2026

Croppin' Good Time

Saturday, September 12, 2026

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Sunday, September 13, 2026

9:15 am Faith Seekers Study Group

10:00 am Children's Christian Ed Program (CCEP) Starts

10:45 am Livestream of Worship on Facebook

10:45 am Worship Service

12:30 pm Angel Shop

Tuesday, September 15, 2026

6:30 pm Mission/Outreach Team Meeting

Thursday, September 17, 2026

3 pm Gerke Tutoring

4 pm Community Dinner (St. Mary's K of C)

Sunday, September 20, 2026

9:15 am Faith Seekers Study Group

10:00 am Children's Christian Ed Program (CCEP)

10:45 am Livestream of Worship on Facebook

10:45 am Worship Service

12:30 pm Angel Shop

Monday, September 21, 2026

6:30 pm Church Council Meeting

Tuesday, September 22, 2026

5 pm Family Cookout Party (Coffee Collab)

Thursday, September 24, 2026

3 pm Gerke Tutoring

4 pm Community Dinner (St. Mary's K of C)

Sunday, September 27, 2026

9:15 am Faith Seekers Study Group

10:00 am Children's Christian Ed Program (CCEP)

10:45 am Livestream of Worship on Facebook

10:45 am Worship Service

12:30 pm Angel Shop

Monday, September 28, 2026

9:00 am Noodle Making

Wednesday, September 30, 2026

9:00 am Noodle Packaging

UMC - DID YOU KNOW?

The cross and flame symbol of the United Methodist Church represents both Christ and the Holy Spirit. The cross symbolizes Jesus Christ, while the flame recalls the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

The two flames also represent the union of The Methodist Church and the Evangelical United Brethren Church in 1968.



EASY WAY TO SUPPORT FRANKLIN FIRST: CHECK YOUR KROGER RECEIPT!

Did you know your weekly grocery run can support the ministries of Franklin First—at no extra cost to you?

When you shop at Kroger, linking your account to our Community Rewards helps fund ministry all year long. It's free, takes just a minute, and if you're already enrolled, no action is needed—this is only for new sign-ups with our new church number.

How to enroll:

- Visit www.kroger.com
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- Community Rewards
- Enroll Now
- Enter RK151



Thank you for supporting Franklin First in this easy and meaningful way!

"LORD MY GOD, I CALLED TO YOU FOR HELP,
AND YOU HEALED ME."
PSALM 30:2 (NIV)

Franklin First United Methodist Church

2026 Lay Leadership Ministry

Church Council

Church Council Chair	Karen Anderson
Church Council Secretary	Cheryl Cyphers
Lay Leader	Cindy Kuntzman
Lay Member of Annual Conference	Tami Chamberlain
Treasurer	Tami Chamberlain
Financial Secretary	Theresa Fultz
Membership Secretary	Cheryl Cyphers
Church Historian	Robert Bowman
Pastor	Laura Saunders

Ministry Team Representatives

Staff-Parish	Peggy Darragh-Jeromos
Finance & Endowment	Paul Anderson
Trustee Co-Chairs	Jim Martin, Mike Runyan
Worship	Monica Rhude
Technology	Joe Chamberlain
Committee on Lay Leadership	Laura Saunders
Christian Education Co-Chairs	Mike Smith, Kaylee Glossip
Missions & Outreach Co-Chairs	Linda Smith, Karen Anderson
Hospitality & Events	Carol Runyan
Care Team	Lee Saunders
Welcoming Ministry	Dorothy Rayburg
Women's Circle	Monica Rhude
Member at Large	Amanda Leffew

Staff-Parish Relations Committee

Chair: Peggy Darragh-Jeromos
Lay Leader: Cindy Kuntzman
Terms expiring 2026
Sue Fullen, Peggy Darragh-Jeromos, Pam Trout
Terms expiring 2027
Sally Fitzgerald, Cindy Kuntzman
Terms expiring 2028
LeeAnn Lee, Cheryl Cyphers, Joe Chamberlain

Trustees

Co-Chairs: Jim Martin, Mike Runyan
Terms expiring 2026:
Joe Chamberlain, Chris Womack Lorton
Terms expiring 2027
Jim Martin, Trisha Dicken, Jan Abell
Terms expiring 2028
Mike Runyan, Brian Graves, Jason Leffew

Committee on Lay Leadership (Nominations)

Chair: Pastor Laura Saunders
Lay Leader: Cindy Kuntzman
Terms expiring 2026:
Sally Fitzgerald, Karen Anderson
Terms expiring 2027:
Barb Ogden, Charlotte Summer, Brian Graves
Terms expiring 2028:
Peggy Darragh-Jeromos, Pam Bishop, Kathy Martin

Finance Committee (By virtue of office.)

Chair: Paul Anderson
Treasurer: Tami Chamberlain
Financial Secretary: Theresa Fultz
Church Council Chair: Karen Anderson
Trustees Co-Chairs: (one vote) Jim Martin, Mike Runyan
Staff Parish Chair: Peggy Darragh – Jeromos
Lay Leader: Cindy Kuntzman
Lay Member of Annual Conference: Tami Chamberlain
Pastor: (non-voting member) Laura Saunder

Permanent Endowment Fund Committee

Chair of Finance Committee Paul Anderson (**Chair**)
Church Treasurer Tami Chamberlain
Chair of Board of Trustees Jim Martin
Chair of Church Council Karen Anderson
Lay Leader Cindy Kuntzman
Member at Large (Term: 2025-2026) Jerry Truesdell
Member at Large (Term: 2026-2027)
Peggy Darragh-Jeromos
Pastor (non-voting member) Laura Saunders

Worship Ministry Team

Chair: Monica Rhude
Choir Director: Monica Rhude
Bell Choir Director: Tami Chamberlain
Altar Design: Pam Bishop, Shari Tutt, Carol Runyan
Technology: Joe Chamberlain
Lay Leader: Cindy Kuntzman
Pastor: Laura Saunders

Mission & Outreach Team

Co-Chairs: Linda Smith, Karen Anderson
Madelyn Lang, Karen Anderson, Tami Chamberlain,
Sally Fitzgerald, Cindy Kuntzman

Technology Team

Chair: Joe Chamberlain
Joe Chamberlain, Trisha Dicken, Andy Kuntzman, Tami Chamberlain, Rick Chamberlain, LeeAnn Lee

Christian Education Team

Co-Chairs: Adult: Mike Smith/Children's: Kaylee Glossip
Jan Truesdell, Rachel Chamberlain, Madelyn Lang, Carol Runyan, Mike Smith, Kaylee Glossip

Care Team

Chair: Lee Saunders
Lee Saunders, Dorothy Rayburg,
Jan Truesdell, Judy Deskins



FRANKLIN FIRST
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Pastor Laura Saunders

Sunday Worship Service
10:45 am
Livestreaming on Facebook

Faith Seekers Bible Study
Sundays, 9:15 am

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 11 & 12 Croppin' Good Time

September 13 Grandparents' Sunday

October 4 World Communion Sunday

November 7 Fall Marketplace

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