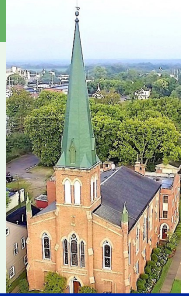




# The Steeple Bell—January 2025

Franklin First United Methodist Church

*"Under the Green Steeple"*



## POVERTY IN AMERICA MONTH

*"Jesus, looking at the man, loved him and said, 'You lack one thing; go, sell what you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come follow me.'" Mark 10:21-22*

In the Gospel of Mark, Jesus was approached by a wealthy man who inquired what he needed to do to inherit eternal life. Jesus said that he needed to obey the commandments, and the man responded that he was satisfied with his efforts to do that. Jesus went on to tell him that he needed to dispose of his possessions and give the proceeds to benefit the poor. Scripture tells us that the man went away grieving, unwilling to part with his wealth.

Did you know that January is designated as "Poverty in America" month? As we venture into the deep months of winter, many in our land struggle for the basic necessities of life. They work in full or part-time jobs that don't pay enough to make ends meet. Residents of impoverished communities have an increased risk of mental illness, chronic disease, a higher mortality rate, and a lower life expectancy.

Those most vulnerable to poverty are women (especially if a single parent), and religious or racial minorities. About 14%, or 10,000,000 children, live in poverty in the United States. One in six children under the age of five are in a poverty-stricken situation. The 2024 Federal Poverty Level Scale is as follows:

Family of 1	\$15,060
Family of 2	\$20,440
Family of 3	\$25,820
Family of 4	\$31,200

Some suggested means for lifting people out of poverty include:

- Access to quality education
- Improving food and nutrition security
- Increasing access to clean water, sanitation & hygiene services
- Provide quality & affordable healthcare

Jesus displayed a true heart for the poor during his time on earth. As his disciples, we must ask ourselves whether we share that same ethic. By worldly standards, most of us are considered rich. We typically don't have to worry about where our next meal will come from. Today is a good day to pray. *"God, show me the need around me and guide me how you want me to respond. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen"*

Pastor Laura



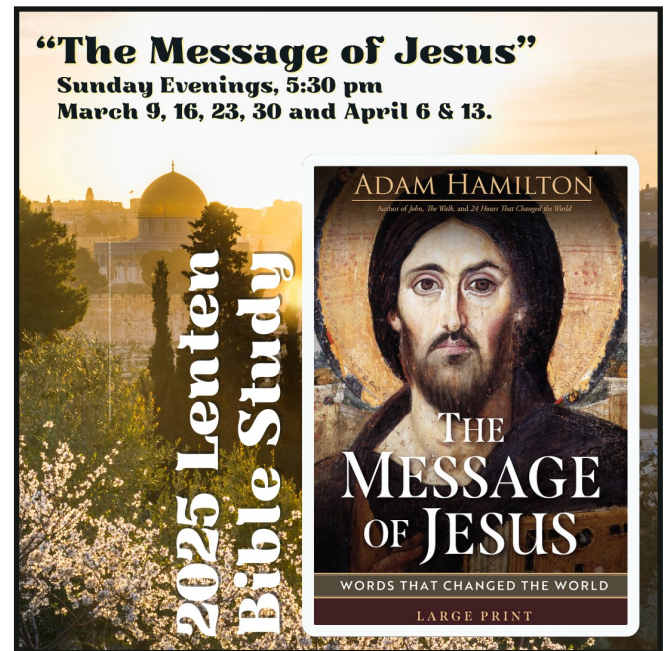
## “The Message of Jesus” Lenten Bible Study

Mark your calendars for this year’s Lenten Bible study on the book “The Message of Jesus” written by Rev. Adam Hamilton. This six week study will run on Sunday evenings beginning at 5:30 p.m., March 9, 16, 23, 30 and April 6 & 13. Our time will start with a light meal followed by a lesson.

What did Jesus actually teach? What sayings have been attributed to him that he never said? Our curriculum will focus on Jesus’ words concerning:

1. The Kingdom of God
2. The Sermon on the Mount
3. The parables
4. The “I am” sayings in the Gospel of John
5. Jesus’ final words
6. The resurrection and the life

Pastor Laura will lead the class. Please sign up at <https://franklinfirstumc.breezechms.com/form/cde6da612> or through the office so that we have adequate materials prepared. We will use handouts in class. If you would like to purchase the book, it is available on Amazon.



## Heat Up with our Chili Cook-Off January 25th

Are you the mastermind behind a chili recipe that's second to none? Does your chili have the perfect balance of heat and flavor that leaves everyone wanting more? If you think your chili can beat the competition, then we want YOU!

Join us for our Annual Chili Cook-Off on January 25th and put your culinary prowess to the test. This is your chance to shine, share your delicious creations, and compete for the ultimate title of **Chili Champion**.

Sign up to join the Cook-Off [HERE](#) or visit our website:







## Tutoring Update

Pastor Laura has been working with Principal Jim Rhoades at Gerke Elementary about the possibility of resuming tutoring with first graders. Unfortunately, we will not be able to tutor this school year at Gerke due to some administrative complications.

We are exploring the possibility of working with third graders at the Intermediate level. Details are not finalized yet, but we hope to be able to provide a session of tutoring this winter. We will keep you informed.



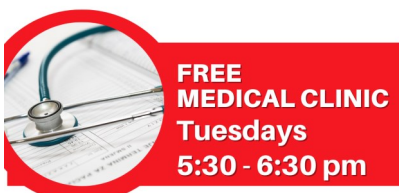
## Snack Pack Ministries

Many of the students at Gerke Elementary rely on school meals for daily nutrition. Without these resources on the weekends, Franklin First has chosen to provide weekly snack packs of shelf-stable food items. The current need at this first-grade level is 108 packs. In 2024, we will have given out

roughly 6,000 packs. We are grateful for the Great Miami River District UMC grant that pays for part of the expense for these provisions.

## Community Dinner Partnerships

Franklin First is the host church for two complimentary community dinners offered to our neighbors. We partner with St. Mary's Catholic Church every Thursday, and with the Coffee Collab Food Truck ministry on the fourth Tuesday of the month to provide nutritious meals to all who choose to join us. In 2024, about 4,000 dinners were distributed. Much of the food is donated from Gordon Foods, and we are also grateful for the Great Miami River District UMC grant that funds a portion of the meal expense.



To Benefit the Uninsured or Underinsured

## Free Medical Clinic

Our medical clinic took a hiatus the month of December and will continue through January to explore options to continue this ministry. Dr. Chamberlain and the volunteer staff stand ready to resume work if we can sort through some insurance issues.

## Thank You!

I am grateful for the outpouring of love and generosity shown this Christmas. It was a beautiful reminder of the strong and caring community we have here at Franklin First UMC.

You have truly touched my heart. Thank you for your ongoing support and for being a part of this wonderful community.

Pastor Laura



## Christmas Blessing Delivered

On December 19, Franklin's Christmas gift and food basket distribution blessed 59 families, serving 94 children and 35 teenagers. We want to thank Tami Chamberlain and her willing crew for all their great work. Sister church St. Mary's Catholic also contributed. A special thank you to Franklin City Schools for collecting food items and to Franklin City workers for transporting those items to Franklin First.



We also appreciate the Franklin Pantry for their purchase of eggs and potatoes to go into the food baskets.



### Women's Circle News

**NEXT MEETING:**

**MONDAY, JANUARY 13TH**

**6:30 PM**

**FELLOWSHIP HALL**

## Franklin First Permanent Endowment

Franklin First's Permanent Endowment Fund was established as a long-term way to invest in the future generations of Franklin First worshippers. Whether we give through an estate plan or as part of our regular giving, the Endowment Fund provides a way for future disciples to carry on the work of the Lord. If you are interested in learning more about contributing to the Franklin First Endowment Fund, please email us at: [office@franklinfirstumc.org](mailto:office@franklinfirstumc.org)



## Angel Shop— Successful Donation Day

We are overwhelmed with gratitude for the incredible support shown during our Donation Day for the Angel Shop. Thanks to your generosity, we received 14 dresses, 3 suits, and a bunch of accessories! We couldn't serve our local teens without the unwavering support of our amazing community. Your contributions make a significant difference in the lives of many young people.



**ANGEL SHOP**  
GENTLY USED FORMAL  
DRESS & ACCESSORIES

**FREE!**  
DONATIONS  
ACCEPTED BUT  
OPTIONAL

**OPENS FOR  
PROM SEASON  
ON SUNDAY,  
FEBRUARY 2ND!**

**OPEN SUNDAYS  
12:30 - 2 PM**  
DURING HOMECOMING & PROM SEASON

**DONATIONS OF CLEAN  
GENTLY USED FORMAL WEAR  
ACCEPTED YEAR ROUND**

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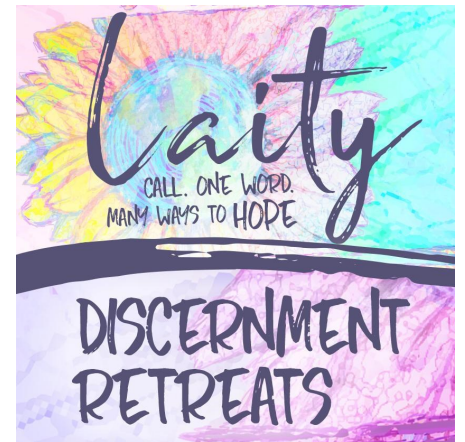
Missed our Donation Day? No worries! We accept donations year-round!

**Spread the word— the Angel Shop will open for Prom season on Sunday , February 2nd!**

## 2025 Virtual Laity Discernment Retreats

Do you feel God's call on your life but are uncertain how to discern that call or what to do next? If so, then this is the Retreat for you!

At the Laity Discernment Retreats, we will talk about call, discernment and what it means to be "called by our baptism." We will learn ways to intentionally enter into a time of prayer about discernment and we will discover Spiritual Rhythms that can help guide our journey. We will also discuss the variety of ways Laity can serve both in our churches and in our communities.



The virtual laity discernment retreat will consist of two, two-hour ZOOM sessions, followed 6 weeks later by a two-hour ZOOM debriefing. In the 6 weeks between sessions, there will be opportunities to read, reflect, and practice Spiritual Rhythms that will lead you to a better understanding of your own call. [Register Now!](#)

Dates (please plan to attend all 3 sessions):

- ◆ Tuesday, February 18, 2025, 6:30-8:30 pm
- ◆ Tuesday, February 25, 2025, 6:30-8:30 pm
- ◆ Tuesday, April 8, 2025, 6:30-8:30 pm

For more information, contact Kim LaRue at [kimlarue@powellumc.org](mailto:kimlarue@powellumc.org).

## Coping with Seasonal Affective Disorder: Tips for a Healthier Winter

The holidays are past, and wintertime is upon us. A good percentage (4-6%) of folks struggle with feelings of depression during the shorter daylight hours. Studies have shown that people with SAD have reduced levels of the brain chemical serotonin, which helps regulate mood. Research also suggests that sunlight helps maintain serotonin levels. A Vitamin D deficiency has been linked to reduced serotonin.

Symptoms include general or extreme feelings of depression, trouble with sleep (too little or too much), loss of interest in hobbies and pastimes, and difficulty concentrating, to name a few.

A health care professional can diagnose Seasonal Affective Disorder, and this would be a good first step in improving your situation. They might also suggest the use of an antidepressant that could counter the effects of serotonin deficiency.

Self-care strategies include:

- \* Try light therapy. You can purchase electric “sun monitors” that mimic natural sunlight.
- \* Regular exercise, recommended 30 minutes per day. Yoga, tai chi, and meditation are great additions to more traditional choices. When sunlight is present, get some outside time.
- \* Eat regular healthy meals and stay hydrated. Consider Vitamin D supplements.
- \* Don’t try to medicate yourself with alcohol, which is itself a depressant.
- \* Monitor yourself for appropriate sleep practices.
- \* Engage in relaxing activities.
- \* Set achievable goals and work toward them.
- \* Focus on positivity.
- \* Stay connected socially. Don’t isolate.

If I am trying to support someone with Seasonal Affective Disorder, I might:

- \* Let them know I am there and see their struggle.
- \* Encourage them to see a health care professional.
- \* Avoid being critical and blaming. Don’t expect them to “just snap out of it.”
- \* Ask them what helps.
- \* Help them to plan ahead and be proactive about meeting their needs.
- \* Stay in touch and don’t encourage their isolation.

Good mental health is a concern for all. Let’s avoid any stigma and do what we can to lift others.

Pastor Laura

## Get Ready for “A Croppin’ Good Time”

Are you a scrapbooking enthusiast looking for an event to spark your creativity and meet fellow crafters? Look no further! Franklin First Women’s Circle is hosting “A Croppin’ Good Time” on Friday, March 7, 2025, from 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm, and Saturday, March 8, 2025, from 9:00 am to 8:00 pm. This 16-hour scrapbooking extravaganza promises to be a joyful and productive experience for all attendees.

### Event Details:

•**Location:** Franklin First UMC,  
303 South Main Street, Franklin,  
OH 45005

•**Registration Cost:** \$50

**Included:** A 5-foot round or  
rectangular table for your crafting needs

Saturday brunch and a salad & potato bar dinner

Electrical outlets and Wi-Fi (please bring your personal extension cord)

**Why Attend?** Not only will you have ample time to work on your scrapbooking projects, your registration is tax-deductible and will benefit the church.

### Important Information:

- Registration is non-refundable but can be transferred to another person.
- Unfortunately, no childcare is available.
- For more information, contact Pam Trout via e-mail at [pktmango@yahoo.com](mailto:pktmango@yahoo.com) or the Franklin First office at 937-746-5232/[office@franklinfirstumc.org](mailto:office@franklinfirstumc.org).
- Visit our website ([www.franklinfirstumc.org](http://www.franklinfirstumc.org)) to register and pay online or download a registration form and mail in.

Don’t miss out on this chance to indulge in your passion for scrapbooking while meeting like-minded individuals. Mark your calendars and get ready for “A Croppin’ Good Time”—it’s going to be a creative blast!



**Faith  
Seekers  
Sundays  
9:15 am**



Join our Faith Seekers group on Sunday mornings at 9:15 am.

All are invited!

## 2025 at Franklin First

### January

Missions Team begins to collect personal care items for The Pantry

#### Week of Jan. 5th

8-Jan	Finance Team	3:00 PM
8-Jan	Snack Packs Restart	3:00 PM
8-Jan	Choir Rehearsal	6:30 PM
8-Jan	Bells Rehearsal	7:30 PM

#### Week of Jan. 12th

12-Jan	Faith Seekers Group	9:15 AM
12-Jan	Fellowship Sunday	After Worship
12-Jan	Children's Church & Nursery Re-Opens	
12-Jan	Mission/Outreach Team Meeting	After Worship
13-Jan	Women's Circle Meeting	6:30 PM
15-Jan	Snack Pack Packing	1:30 PM
15-Jan	Permanent Endowment Meeting	2:30 PM
15-Jan	Choir Rehearsal	6:30 PM
15-Jan	Bells Rehearsal	7:30 PM

#### Week of Jan. 19th

19-Jan	Human Relations Sunday	
19-Jan	Faith Seekers Group	9:15 AM
19-Jan	Confirmation Class	After Worship
20-Jan	Church Council	6:30 PM
22-Jan	Snack Pack Packing; 1:30 pm	1:30 PM
22-Jan	Choir Rehearsal	6:30 PM
22-Jan	Bells Rehearsal	7:30 PM
25-Jan	Chili Cook Off	

#### Week of Jan. 26th

26-Jan	Faith Seekers Group	9:15 AM
29-Jan	Snack Pack Packing; 1:30 pm	1:30 PM
29-Jan	Choir Rehearsal	6:30 PM
29-Jan	Bells Rehearsal	7:30 PM

### February

#### Week of Feb. 2nd

2-Feb	Faith Seekers Group	9:15 AM
2-Feb	Angel Shop Opens for Prom Season	12:30 pm-2pm
5-Feb	Snack Pack Packing	3:00 PM
5-Feb	Choir Rehearsal	6:30 PM
5-Feb	Bells Rehearsal	7:30 PM

#### Week of Feb. 9th

9-Feb	Faith Seekers Group	9:15 AM
9-Feb	Angel Shop Open for Prom Season	12:30 pm-2pm
9-Feb	Heart Wellness Awareness Sunday	
10-Feb	Women's Circle	6:30 PM
12-Feb	Snack Pack Packing	3:00 PM
12-Feb	Choir Rehearsal	6:30 PM
12-Feb	Bells Rehearsal	7:30 PM

#### Week of Feb. 16th

16-Feb	Faith Seekers Group	9:15 AM
16-Feb	Confirmation Class	After Worship
16-Feb	Angel Shop Open for Prom Season	12:30 pm-2pm
19-Feb	Snack Pack Packing	1:30 AM
19-Feb	Choir Rehearsal	6:30 PM
19-Feb	Bells Rehearsal	7:30 PM

#### Week of Feb. 23rd

23-Feb	Faith Seekers Group	9:15 AM
23-Feb	Children's Choir	During Worship
23-Feb	Angel Shop Open for Prom Season	12:30 pm-2pm
26-Feb	Snack Pack Packing; 3 pm	1:30 PM
26-Feb	Choir Rehearsal	6:30 PM
26-Feb	Bells Rehearsal	7:30 PM



## Birthday

January 03	Debbie Banks
January 05	Rhonda Roberson
January 06	Vicki Jarvis
January 11	Karson Kelly
January 12	Richard Taylor
January 17	Bill Kuntzman
January 27	Jerry Truesdell
January 28	Lee Saunders
February 02	Regina Hynes
February 09	Kaylee Glossip
February 13	Monica Rhude
February 15	Emelia Glossip
February 23	Samantha Womack
February 25	Lori Hemmelgarn
February 25	Tracy Easter
February 26	Brad Lorton
February 27	Kaylee Womack
February 29	Madelyn Lang

## Anniversary

January 13	Sue & Hiram Fullen
January 31	John & Teresa Lass
February 26	Mike & Vicki Jarvis

## Support "The Pantry" Personal Care Items Needed

This quarter, our Missions Team is dedicated to collecting essential

personal care items for "The Pantry." Items like shampoo, soap, deodorant, toothpaste, and more are often challenging for The Pantry to obtain, yet they are crucial for those in need.

Your donations of these personal care items can make a significant difference in the lives of many, supplementing the valuable food items already provided by The Pantry.

Let's unite to support our community! Please drop off your contributions at Franklin First UMC, 303 South Main Street, Franklin, OH 45005 on Sunday or during office hours.

**Every little bit helps.** Thank you for your generosity!



## Fellowship Sunday

**JANUARY 12TH**

*Homemade treats and refreshments immediately after Worship in the Dining Room*

*After Worship in the Dining Room*



## Homemade Dry Noodles Still Available

The Women's Circle still have a few 1 lb. bags of dry noodles available for \$6.50 each. If you would like to purchase some reach out to the office

or a Women's Circle member.

## Organizing is Spiritual & Can Lead to Wellness

Did you ever think about how much time it takes to organize and take care of your stuff? Every purchase you bring through the front door has strings attached and demands attention. Organizing the spaces in your home can be spiritual and is an important part of your journey to wellness and living your best life. Make more time for you, not the stuff in your home. Let's break it down:

First, organizing takes you on a spiritual journey because organizing:

- ◆ brings order and balance to the chaos of life. Change is inevitable and it can be good and bad; organizing honors the organic flow of life.
- ◆ honors the sacred importance of our daily lives: every moment, every detail of our lives is precious and shouldn't be wasted.
- ◆ honors the sacredness of the spaces in which we live; they are containers of our lives. Every home should have a personal space away from the outside world.
- ◆ honors ourselves when we respect our time and get organized. When we take the time to organize, we are saying "I'm important, I matter, my spaces matter, and I respect both."

Second, the benefits of organizing can contribute to your well-being and to your life in several ways:

- ◆ Organizing saves time. Uncluttering simplifies life; you don't waste time looking for things and when you go to find something, it's there because everything has a "home."



- ◆ ".Organizing saves money. When you take stock of what you have or make a list of what you need, you save money. Have you ever bought something twice because you couldn't find it or bought something and realized you already had it?
- ◆ Organizing improves health. Having a lot of clutter can be stressful—mentally and physically. Physical clutter is overwhelming and it's a magnet for dust. Mental clutter stops us from moving forward and living in the present.
- ◆ Organizing improves relationships. When everything has a home, you won't be arguing with your mate about where the keys are and family and neighbors can stop by unannounced because there's no need to hide the clutter!
- ◆ Organizing improves the quality of life. Having just enough of the right things is a privilege rather than a compromise and when you remove the clutter or CRAP (Clutter that Robs Anyone of Pleasure), the Chi can flow freely and you have time to go forward and make new plans.

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The word Chi means an unobstructed movement of cosmic energy. If your home is full of clutter, this Chi or energy cannot flow freely in your home. Our homes should be a sanctuary from the outside world and make us feel welcome, not stressed. 2021 .

***“The less clutter you have, the more your favorite items can be featured and radiate their life enhancing energies.” Jami Lin, feng shui consultant.***

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## Key Steps for Home Organization:

- **Declutter:** Remove items you don't use, need, or want.
- **Walkthrough:** Identify and list tasks for each room.
- **Room-by-Room:** Focus on one area at a time (closet, kitchen, bathroom).
- **Group Items:** Store similar items together.
- **Use Containers:** Invest in baskets, bins, and shelves.
- **Label:** Clearly label containers and shelves.
- **Vertical Space:** Maximize storage with hanging organizers.



ing organizers.

- **Accessibility:** Keep frequently used items within reach.
- **Donate/Discard:** Donate items to charity or discard them.
- **Maintain:** Regularly declutter and organize.

## Specific Areas to Focus On:

- **Kitchen:** Organize pantry items and drawers.
- **Bathroom:** Declutter toiletries and under-sink storage.
- **Closet:** Sort clothes by season and type.
- **Bedroom:** Tidy dresser drawers and nightstands.
- **Living Room:** Organize surfaces and media devices.
- **Charity Support:** Consider donating items to an appropriate charity to help those in need.

## Franklin First Online Giving

Online giving is a great choice for when you are unable to join us for Worship to continue to support the church. You can either set-up a recurring payment or give each time you visit the site.

Connect by using this link:

<https://franklinfirstumc.org/giving-%26-member-resources>



## Kroger Community Rewards

Have you checked the bottom of your Kroger's Receipt? If it does not list our church as your designated Community Rewards Beneficiary, follow the instructions on the back and get signed up now! *Please note our*

*new church number! You do not need to change your current account; this is for new sign-ups.*

Go to:  
[www.krogers.com](http://www.krogers.com)

New account users:  
go to "Register"  
Create Account  
Or Sign-in  
Go to: Community –  
Community Rewards  
Click: Enroll now  
Church #: RK151



# Franklin First United Methodist Church

## 2025 Lay Leadership Ministry

*Making disciples... Building Christian community... Transforming lives!*



### Church Council:

Church Council Chair	Mike Smith
Church Council Secretary	
Lay Leader	Mike Smith
Lay Member of Annual Conference	Tami Chamberlain
Lay Member of Annual Conference Alternate	Kim Chewning
Treasurer	Tami Chamberlain
Membership Secretary	Cheryl Cyphers
Financial Secretary	Theresa Fultz
Church Historian	Robert Bowman
Pastor	Laura Saunders

### Ministry Team Representatives:

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

### Staff-Parish Relations Committee:

Chair: Peggy Darragh-Jeromos	Lay Leader: Connie Bolinger
Terms expiring 2025	Cheryl Cyphers, Mishelle Dicken
Terms expiring 2026	Sue Fullen, Peggy Darragh-Jeromos, Pam Trout
Terms expiring 2027:	Sally Fitzgerald, Karen Anderson, Cindy Kuntzman

### Trustees: Co-Chairs: Jim Martin, Mike Runyan

Terms expiring 2025:	Cody Chilcutt, Mike Runyan, Connie Bolinger
Terms expiring 2026:	Gary Ogden, Joe Chamberlain, Joe Wright
Terms expiring 2027:	Jan Abell, Jim Martin, Trisha Dicken

### Committee on Lay Leadership (Nominations):

Chair: Pastor Laura Saunders	Lay Leader: Connie Bolinger
Terms expiring 2025:	Kathy Martin, Peggy Darragh-Jeromos
Terms expiring 2026:	Sally Fitzgerald, Karen Anderson
Terms expiring 2027:	Barb Ogden, Charlotte Summer, Brian Graves

### Finance Committee: (By virtue of office.)

Chair	Paul Anderson
Treasurer:	Tami Chamberlain
Financial Secretary:	Theresa Fultz
Church Council Chair:	Mike Smith
Trustees Co-Chairs:	Jim Martin, Mike Runyan
Staff Parish Chair:	Peggy Darragh-Jeromos
Lay Leader:	Connie Bolinger
Lay Member of Annual Conference:	Tami Chamberlain
Pastor:	Laura Saunders

### Permanent Endowment Fund Committee

Chair of Finance Committee	Paul Anderson
Church Treasurer	Tami Chamberlain
Chair of Board of Trustees	Jim Martin
Chair of Church Council	Mike Smith
Lay Leader	Connie Bolinger
Member at Large (Term: 2024-25)	Ken Smith
Member at Large (Term: 2025-26)	Jerry Truesdell
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:	Connie Bolinger
Pastor:	Laura Saunders

### Mission & Outreach Team:

Co-Chairs: Linda Smith, Karen Anderson
Madelyn Lang, Karen Anderson, Tami Chamberlain, Marna Rogers, Sally Fitzgerald,

### Technology Team: Chair: Joe Chamberlain

Joe Chamberlain, Trisha Dicken, Andy Kuntzman, Tami Chamberlain, LeeAnn Lee, Paul Anderson, Rick Chamberlain

### Christian Education Team:

Co-Chairs: Joe Wright (Adult) Rhonda Roberson (Children)  
Jan Truesdell, Rachel Chamberlain, Madelyn Lang, Carol Runyan, Mike Smith, Rhonda Roberson

### Care Team: Chair: Lee Saunders

Lee Saunders (phone contact); Charlotte Summer, Dorothy Rayburg, Jan Truesdell, Judy Deskins (visitation team)

Franklin First  
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Pastor  
Laura Saunders

**Sunday Worship Service**  
10:45 am  
Livestreaming on Facebook

**Faith Seekers Bible Study**  
Sundays, 9:15 am

## Upcoming Events

**JANUARY 25**

**CHILI COOK OFF**

**FEBRUARY 2**

**ANGEL SHOP OPENS FOR PROM SEASON**

**FEBRUARY 9**

**HEART WELLNESS AWARENESS SUNDAY**

**MARCH 5**

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE, 7 PM**

**LENT BEGINS**

**MARCH 7 & 8**

**A CROPPIN' GOOD TIME**

**MARCH 9**

**SCOUT SUNDAY**

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