

FRANKLIN FIRST
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

STEEPLE BELL

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2026 NEWSLETTER

WHY DID JESUS HAVE TO DIE?

The Christian Church teaches that Jesus' death on the cross and his resurrection carry ultimate meaning for our salvation, but did you ever ask yourself the question, "Why did Jesus have to die?" The Gospel writers saw the crucifixion and resurrection as the climax of God's work in the life of Christ. As followers of the risen Lord, we cannot understand Jesus without understanding his crucifixion.

During Lent, I will be leading a Bible study on Rev. Adam Hamilton's book, "Why Did Jesus Have to Die?" The New Testament is surprisingly vague on precisely how Jesus' death saves or why, exactly, Jesus had to die. The New Testament authors, writing after Christ's death and resurrection, offer at least ten different metaphors to describe the meaning of his crucifixion, but these only offer glimpses as to how it accomplishes its saving work.

The atonement, the work of Jesus on the cross to reconcile and restore humanity to God, is often described as a mystery. Many Christians focus on one dimension of this atoning work, usually forgiveness, which is utterly important. But there is far more that Christ's death is affecting than our forgiveness.

The class will meet on Sunday evenings at 5:30, February 22 and March 1, 15, and 29 to discuss the various Theories of Atonement that address this important question. A light meal will be provided. Please register through the church office by February 15 so that we have enough materials available. You will not need to purchase the book (although it is available on Amazon), as we will be using handouts.

Join us and add meaning to your observance of Lent as we deepen our understanding of God's work through Jesus Christ.

Pastor Laura



NEW
BIBLE STUDY

**WHY DID JESUS
HAVE TO DIE?**

SUNDAYS
FEBRUARY 22
MARCH 1
MARCH 15
MARCH 29
5:30 PM



*Based on Adam
Hamilton's book "Why
Did Jesus have to Die"*

Second Semester, Same Mission: Helping First Graders Shine

We are ready to begin our second semester of tutoring first graders at Gerke Elementary. Our scheduled days are January 8, 15, 22, and 29, February 5, 19, and 26, and March 12 and 19. We are working with ten students on literacy skills, and the kids are excited about it. Our Thursday time begins with exercise and snacks and then tutors and students have 45 minutes of shared work.

The lessons are provided by the Title One teacher. What a great way to bless a child and build their self-esteem!



Christmas Blessings in Action

On December 18, Franklin's Christmas gift and food basket distribution blessed 75 families. We want to thank Tami Chamberlain and her willing crew for all their great work. We had many partners for this project. Sister churches St. Mary's Catholic and St. Paul's Lutheran also provided gifts for children. 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 the eggs and butter that went into the food baskets. The Franklin WalMart contributed \$250, and the Sugarcreek Target \$500. Riverview Packaging provided boxes. This is truly a community effort. Thank you!



*"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."
Matthew 25:40*



Warm Up with Our Chili Cook-Off

Mark your calendars for Saturday, February 28 from 4–6 PM at Franklin First UMC! For just \$10 at the door, you'll enjoy all-you-can-eat chili, a refreshing drink, and your choice of a slice of pie. It's a fun event for all ages, so bring your family and friends!

Think your chili is the best in town? Enter the competition! Judging begins at 4 PM, and prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.

We need at least 10 chili makers to make this event a success. Please have your chili ready to serve by 3:30 PM on February 28. Sign up for the competition on our website or contact the office.

Want to help in other ways? We're also looking for donations of needed items and volunteers to assist during the event. If you're interested, please contact the church office or the event coordinators.

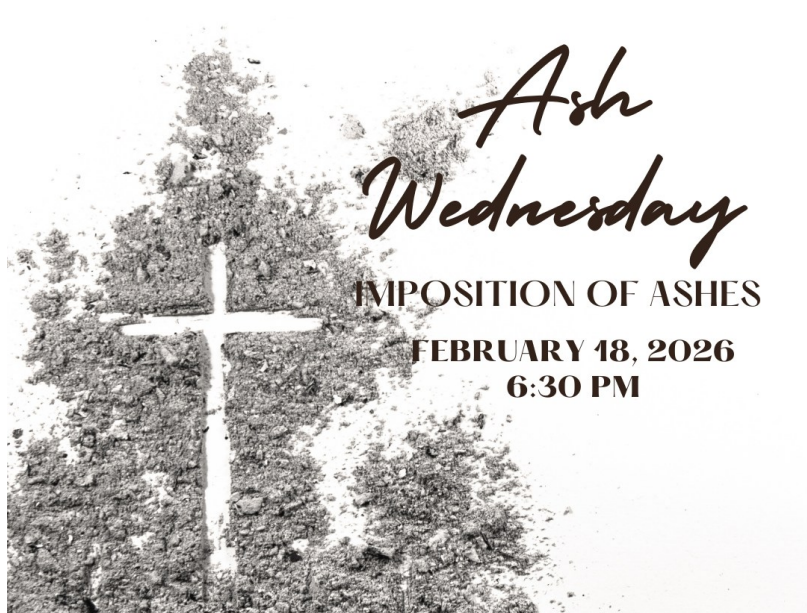
Let's make this a delicious day of fellowship and fun!

Serving with Love: Community Dinners

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 2025, 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.

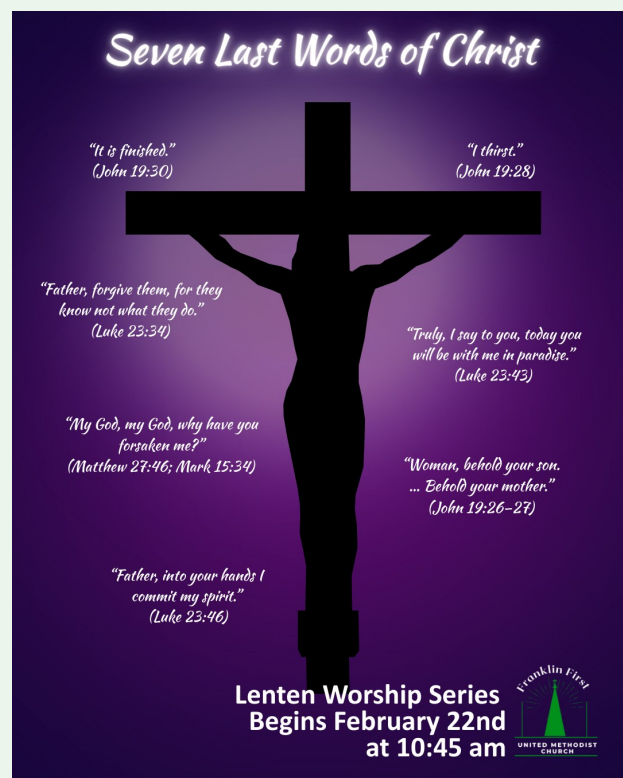


Faith is not the belief that God will do what you want. It is the belief that God will do what is right, even when the path seems unclear. Rest in that certainty today.



Ash Wednesday: A Sacred Beginning to Lent

Ash Wednesday ushers in the start of the season of Lent in the church. On this day, we confront our own mortality and confess our sin before God within the community of faith. We will be holding a short service at 6:30 PM on February 18, which will include the Imposition of Ashes. The use of ashes upon the forehead has been a sign of mortality and repentance within Jewish and Christian worship for generations. Lent is a time to prepare our hearts and souls before we remember the death and resurrection of Christ.



Lenten Series: The Seven Last Words of Christ

Jeff Sams and Pastor Laura will again be providing a dialogue series during the Lenten Worship services beginning February 22. This year's focus will be on the seven last statements made by Jesus while on the cross. Join us Sundays at 10:45 to experience the message of the season in a new, engaging way.



Noisy Bucket: Teaching Generosity Through Missions

Franklin First's kids will be passing the Noisy Bucket again during the season of Lent. Your donations of change will be pooled together to support the ministries of Heifer International. After Palm Sunday (the last week of Lent), the kids will choose which animals and other Heifer initiatives to enable with the funds. This is a great way to teach our children about world missions and the fact that the United States is a very wealthy nation compared to the vast majority of the world. Please save your coins!

Preparing the Heart: Three Practices for a Meaningful Lent

As we approach the season of Lent, many of us begin to think about what we might "give up." While fasting is a beautiful tradition, the heart of Lent isn't just about subtraction—it's about reorientation. It is a 40-day journey intended to thin the distractions between us and God as we prepare for the miracle of Easter.

If you are looking to deepen your spiritual walk this year, consider adopting these three simple yet profound practices:

1. *The Practice of "Holy Silence"*

Our world is increasingly noisy. This Lent, try to carve out ten minutes of intentional silence each day. This isn't just "quiet time" to think; it's time to listen.

The Goal: Turn off the podcast, the music, or the news during your morning commute or coffee.

The Scripture: "Be still, and know that I am God." (Psalm 46:10)

2. *Creative Fasting*

While fasting from food is the biblical standard, many find spiritual clarity by fasting from things that clutter the mind. Consider a "Digital Fast" (limiting social media) or a "Grumbling Fast" (committing to zero complaints for the day).

The Goal: Replace the time spent scrolling or complaining with a short prayer of gratitude.

3. *Intentional Acts of Generosity*

Lent calls us to look outward. Beyond our usual tithes, look for "micro-opportunities" to show Christ's love. This could be writing a handwritten note of encouragement to a neighbor or keeping small gift cards in your car to give to those in need.

The Goal: To move from self-absorption to selfless action.

A Lenten Prayer: *Lord, as I enter this season, strip away the things that keep me from You. May my choices be a bridge to your grace and my practices a reflection of your love. Amen.*

Whatever path you choose this season, remember that Lent is not a test to be passed, but an invitation to be transformed. May your journey be quiet, prayerful, and full of hope.

Pastor Laura





Weekend Blessings

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 205 packs. In 2025, we will have given out roughly 5100 packs. We are grateful for the Great Miami River District UMC grant that pays for part of the expense for these provisions.

Style with a Smile: Making Teens Shine

Do you remember the milestone moments of your high school days? For many, the memories of Homecoming and Prom rank high in those recollections. Director Jenny Chamberlain and her “Angel Shop” workers seek to make these events accessible to every student by providing formal wear at no cost. This boutique-style shop opens January 11 each Sunday from 12:30 – 2:00 pm. Donations of gently-used clean items are also accepted. Can’t make the usual Sunday time slot? Call the church office and arrangements will be made by special appointment.



The Pantry —Help Provide Care Essentials

Franklin First is collecting **personal care items** for The Pantry this quarter. These everyday necessities make a big difference for families in need!

We are asking for donations of:

- Shampoo
- Soap
- Deodorant
- Toothpaste
- And other hygiene items

Your generosity helps stock The Pantry with items that promote dignity and health. Please drop off your donations in the designated bins at the church.



Faith Seekers

The Faith Seeker group will not be meeting the month of February and will resume on March 1st. at 9:15 am in the Fellowship Hall

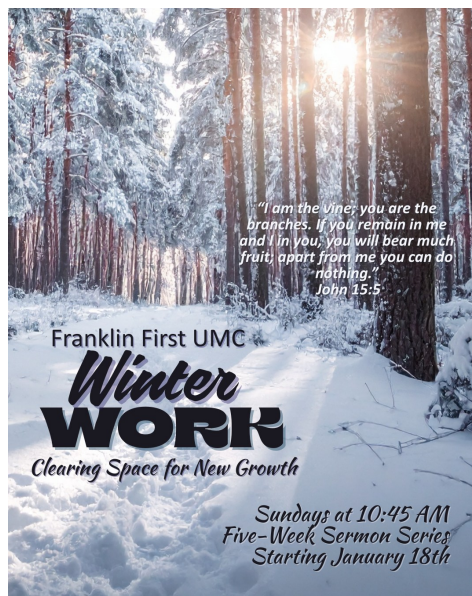
Winter Work: Clearing the Space of New Growth

Discover the Beauty of God's Work in Quiet Seasons

Winter often feels like a season of stillness—bare trees, shorter days, and quiet mornings. But beneath the surface, important work is happening. Roots grow deeper. Branches prepare for new life. In the same way, God uses the quieter seasons of our lives to shape us for what's ahead.

Our new worship series, Winter Work, invites you to embrace this season as a time of spiritual renewal. Together, we'll explore what it means to prune away distractions, listen for God's voice in silence, find true rest, ground ourselves in Scripture, and experience the warmth of Christian community. These rhythms prepare us for growth—not just in spring, but in every season of life.

Join us Sundays at Franklin First UMC, January 18 through February 15, as we discover how winter's lessons can lead to a flourishing soul. Because winter isn't wasted—it's preparation.



TIPS FOR SPIRITUAL PRUNING & REST

Pruning:

- Review your calendar and cut one unnecessary commitment this week.
- Ask: Does this activity bring me closer to Christ or pull me away?

Silence:

- Start your day with 5 minutes of quiet prayer—no phone, no distractions.
- Use Psalm 62:1 as a breath prayer: "My soul waits in silence for God alone."

Rest:

- Schedule a Sabbath hour this week—read Scripture, take a walk, or simply be still.
- Remember: Rest is holy, not lazy.

Giving Made Simple: Online Stewardship

Life moves fast, but your generosity doesn't have to slow down. Support the ministries you love from anywhere with Franklin First's updated **Online Giving platform**.

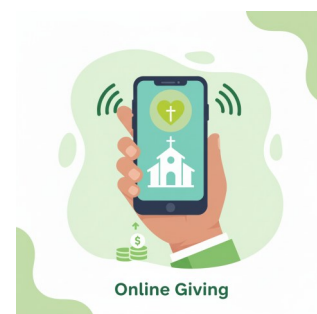
Why Give Online?

- **Quick & Convenient:** Set up one-time or recurring gifts in seconds—no cash or checks required.
- **Consistent Impact:** Steady giving helps our ministries plan effectively and serve our community better.
- **Safe & Secure:** Our trusted platform ensures your information and transactions are always protected.

Every gift fuels life-changing ministry. Ready to make the shift?

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

Thank you for your faithfulness and for helping us share God's love!



Let us Embrace Humble Discipleship

By: Bishop Hee-Soo Jung

Walking Together into God's New Work

As we begin the new year, my first word is gratitude.

I give thanks for the people of Ohio – pastors, lay leaders, congregations, and communities – who have walked faithfully through seasons of change. Across this State, I have witnessed quiet courage, generous service, and love that sought no recognition. These moments have stayed with me, strengthening my hope and deepening my trust in what God is doing among us.

With gratitude for the past and with expectancy for the year ahead, we pause to listen.

“See, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?” (Isaiah 43:19)

God’s word through Isaiah reminds us that the future does not begin with our plans, but with God’s faithful action. The question before us is not whether God is at work, but whether we are attentive enough to notice it. This new year invites us to listen carefully for what God is already bringing into being.

The God who makes a way in the wilderness and streams in the desert (Isaiah 43:16-18) continues to lead us – often quietly, often unexpectedly – calling us to walk by faith rather than familiarity.

The Way of Humble Discipleship

At the heart of God’s new work is humility. The coming of Jesus Christ teaches us again that God chooses the way of self-giving love. “The Word became flesh and lived among us” (John 1:14) – not in power but in presence, and not in spectacle but in nearness.

Humility opens our hearts to see what fear and certainty often obscure. When we make room through



self-emptying, we become attentive to God’s presence in ordinary days. As Paul reminds us, Christ “emptied himself, taking the form of a servant” (Philippians 2:7). This is not weakness, but the strength of love.

My hope for this year is simple: that following Jesus will feel less like a burden and more like a source of life – less like obligation and more like joy. May humble discipleship quietly renew and steady us for the journey ahead.

Turning Toward Our Neighbors

Humble discipleship always turns us outward. Again, and again, Scripture calls us to a life that is open and generous toward the neighbor. Jesus tells us plainly, “Just as you did it to one of the least of these ... you did it to me” (Matthew 25:40). In caring for our neighbors, we encounter Christ himself.

In a time when our society feels weary and divided, the Church is invited to embody openness – listening across differences, caring without conditions, and choosing compassion over fear. God’s abundance is not discovered by holding tightly to ourselves, but by offering ourselves in love.

When the Church lives not for its own preservation, but for the sake of others, Christ is made visible again.

We hold our churches, our leaders, and our communities across Ohio before God, trusting that we do not walk into this new year alone. As we pray for one another, we lift our eyes to see the light God is revealing among us. In this season of Epiphany, we move for-

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ward together – guided not by fear, but by the light of Christ already shining across Ohio.

An Epiphany Prayer

God of light,
in this season of Epiphany,
we give you thanks for the light we have already seen
in faithful people, quiet courage, and grace
that has carried us this far.

Where our vision has grown dim,
shine upon us again.
Where our hearts have grown crowded,
make room for your presence.

As the star once led the wise ones to Christ,
lead us now into your new work.
Teach us the way of humble discipleship:
to follow Jesus with trust,
to recognize his face in our neighbors,
and to walk as children of your light.

May your light be made known
in our lives, in our churches,
and throughout Ohio,
until your love is revealed for all to see.
Amen.

Crop, Create, Connect: Two Days of Crafting Fun!

Looking for a creative getaway? A Croppin' Good Time is back! Join us for 16 hours of scrapbooking, crafting, and fellowship with friends who share your passion for creativity.

Friday, March 6, 2026 | 6:00 PM – 11:00 PM

Saturday, March 7, 2026 | 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM

Bring your projects and enjoy plenty of space and time to work, swap ideas, and get inspired. Saturday includes a delicious brunch and dinner, so you can focus on creating without worrying about meals.

Whether you're a seasoned scrapbooker or just starting out, this event is the perfect opportunity to relax, laugh, and make something beautiful.

Register today and learn more at franklinfirstumc.org. Don't miss out—spots fill quickly!



Building a Legacy That Lasts

Looking for a meaningful way to make a difference in our church's future? A gift to our Permanent Endowment Fund is a powerful way to ensure your generosity lives on. Your contribution will be carefully invested to support our mission and bring hope to those we serve—today and for generations to come.

Be part of something enduring. Reach out to Pastor Laura to learn how you can help shape a brighter tomorrow.

Women's Circle— Upcoming Meeting

Looking for connection, purpose, and friendship this fall? The Women's Circle is a vibrant group of faith-filled women who would love for you to join us!

Our next meeting is **Monday, January 12th at 6:30 PM** in the Church Dining Room. All women are welcome! Contact the church office with any questions.



What's Happening in January 2026



11-Jan-26 Sunday	
9:15 AM	Faith Seekers Study Group
10:45 AM	Children's Church & Nursery for Worship
10:45 AM	Livestream of Worship on Facebook
10:45 AM	Worship Service
12:30—2:00 PM	Angel Shop
12-Jan-26 Monday	
6:30 PM	Women's Circle Meeting
14-Jan-26 Wednesday	
2:30 PM	Endowment Meeting
3:00 PM	Snack Pack Packing
6:30 PM	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
15-Jan-26 Thursday	
2:45 PM	Gerke Tutoring
4:00 – 5:00 PM	Community Dinner (St. Mary's K of C)
18-Jan-26 Sunday	
9:15 AM	Faith Seekers Study Group
10:45 AM	Children's Church & Nursery for Worship
10:45 AM	Livestream of Worship on Facebook
10:45 AM	Worship Service
After Service	Fellowship
12:30—2:00 PM	Angel Shop
19-Jan-26 Monday	
6:30 PM	Church Council Meeting
20-Jan-26 Tuesday	
6:30 PM	Mission/Outreach Team Meeting
21-Jan-26 Wednesday	
1:30 PM	Snack Pack Packing
6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
7:30 PM	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
22-Jan-26 Thursday	
2:45 PM	Gerke Tutoring
4:00 – 5:00 PM	Community Dinner (St. Mary's K of C)

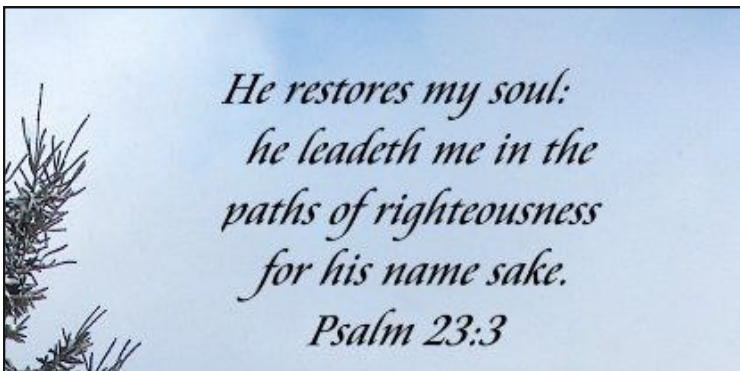
25-Jan-26 Sunday	
9:15 AM	Faith Seekers Study Group
10:40 AM	Children's Church & Nursery for Worship
10:45 AM	Livestream of Worship on Facebook
10:45 AM	Worship Service
12:30—2:00 PM	Angel Shop
27-Jan-26 Tuesday	
5:00 – 6:00 PM	Community Dinner (Coffee Collab)
28-Jan-26 Wednesday	
1:30 PM	Snack Pack Packing
6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
7:30 PM	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
29-Jan-26 Thursday	
2:45 PM	Gerke Tutoring
4:00 – 5:00 PM	Community Dinner (St. Mary's K of C)

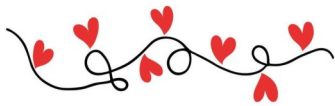
Birthdays

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 26	Brad Lorton
February 27	Kaylee Womack
February 29	Madelyn Lang

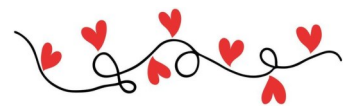
Anniversaries

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





Mark Your Calendar! February 2026



1-Feb-26 Sunday	
10:45 AM	Children's Church & Nursery for Worship
10:45 AM	Livestream of Worship on Facebook
10:45 AM	Worship Service
12:30—2:00 PM	Angel Shop
4-Feb-26 Wednesday	
All Day	Gerke Elementary Conference Meal
3:00 PM	Snack Pack Packing
6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
7:30 PM	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
5-Feb-26 Thursday	
2:45 PM	Gerke Tutoring
4:00 – 5:00 PM	Community Dinner (St. Mary's K of C)
8-Feb-26 Sunday	
10:45 AM	Children's Church & Nursery for Worship
10:45 AM	Livestream of Worship on Facebook
10:45 AM	Worship Service
12:30—2:00 PM	Angel Shop
9-Feb-26 Monday	
6:30 PM	Women's Circle Meeting
11-Feb-26 Wednesday	
1:30 PM	Snack Pack Packing
6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
7:30 PM	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
12-Feb-26 Thursday	
4:00 – 5:00 PM	Community Dinner (St. Mary's K of C)

15-Feb-26 Sunday	
10:45 AM	Children's Church & Nursery for Worship
10:45 AM	Livestream of Worship on Facebook
10:45 AM	Worship Service
After Service	Fellowship
12:30—2:00 PM	Angel Shop
18-Feb-26 Wednesday	
3:00 PM	Snack Pack Packing
6:30 PM	Ash Wednesday Imposition of Ashes
7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
8:00 PM	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
19-Feb-26 Thursday	
2:45 PM	Gerke Tutoring
4:00— 5:00 PM	Community Dinner (St. Mary's K of C)
22-Feb-26 Sunday	
10:45 AM	Children's Church & Nursery for Worship
10:45 AM	Livestream of Worship on Facebook
10:45 AM	Worship Service
12:30—2:00 PM	Angel Shop
5:30 – 7:00 PM	"Why Did Jesus Have to Die?" Bible Study
24-Feb-26 Tuesday	
5:00 – 6:00 PM	Community Dinner (Coffee Collab)
25-Feb-26 Wednesday	
1:30 PM	Snack Pack Packing
6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
7:30 PM	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
26-Feb-26 Thursday	
2:45 PM	Gerke Tutoring
4:00 – 5:00 PM	Community Dinner (St. Mary's K of C)
28-Feb-26 Saturday	
4:00 – 6:00 PM	Chili Cook Off

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

New account users:

go to "Register"

Create Account

Or Sign-in

Go to: Community – Community Rewards

Click: Enroll now

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Franklin First United Methodist Church

2026 Lay Leadership Ministry

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



CHURCH COUNCIL:

Church Council Chair	Karen Anderson
Church Council Secretary	(Appointed by Council Chair)
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
<i>Terms expiring 2026</i>	
Sue Fullen, Peggy Darragh-Jeromos, Pam Trout	
<i>Terms expiring 2027</i>	
Sally Fitzgerald, Cindy Kuntzman	
<i>Terms expiring 2028</i>	
LeeAnn Lee, Cheryl Cyphers, Joe Chamberlain	

TRUSTEES: Co-Chairs: Jim Martin, Mike Runyan

<i>Terms expiring 2026:</i>	Joe Chamberlain, Chris Womack Lorton
<i>Terms expiring 2027</i>	Jim Martin, Trisha Dicken, Jan Abell
<i>Terms expiring 2028</i>	Mike Runyan, Brian Graves, Jason Leffew

COMMITTEE ON LAY LEADERSHIP (NOMINATIONS):

Chair: Pastor Laura Saunders	Lay Leader: Cindy Kuntzman
<i>Terms expiring 2026:</i> Sally Fitzgerald, Karen Anderson	
<i>Terms expiring 2027:</i>	
Barb Ogden, Charlotte Summer, Brian Graves	
<i>Terms expiring 2028:</i>	
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 (<i>Term: 2025-2026</i>)	Jerry Truesdell
Member at Large (<i>Term: 2026-2027</i>)	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
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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

FEBRUARY 18

ASH WEDNESDAY

IMPOSITION OF ASHES, 7 PM

FEBRUARY 22

“WHY DID JESUS DIE?”

BIBLE STUDY STARTS

FEBRUARY 28

CHILI COOK-OFF

MARCH 6 & 7

CROPPIN’ GOOD TIME

MARCH 29

PALM SUNDAY

APRIL 5

EASTER SUNDAY

STEEPLE BELL NEWSLETTER

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