



WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

FRANKLIN FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

July 30, 2026

VOLUNTEER FOR NATIONAL NIGHT OUT: TUESDAY, AUGUST 4TH

Join us at Community Park for National Night Out! We are hosting an interactive booth to welcome our neighbors and honor local first responders, and we need your help to make it a success.

Volunteer Details

- **Date:** Tuesday, August 4th
- **Time:** Short shifts available between 5:00 PM and 8:30 PM
- **Roles:** Set-up, running booth games, handing out prizes and information, and tear-down.

No special skills are needed—just a warm smile and a willingness to help!

How to Sign Up: Contact the church office, Linda Smith, or Karen today to reserve your shift.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
FRANKLIN, OHIO
5:30-8:30 PM
FRANKLIN COMMUNITY PARK
301 E. 6TH ST, 45005

JOIN US FOR A FUN, FAMILY-FRIENDLY EVENING FEATURES LIVE MUSIC, A DUNK TANK, RAFFLE GIVEAWAYS, FIRE DEPARTMENT DEMONSTRATIONS, A HANDPRINT PATROL CAR, CHARACTER APPEARANCES, A PETTING ZOO, AND MORE.

THIS ANNUAL COMMUNITY-BUILDING EVENT PROMOTES POLICE-COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS AND NEIGHBORHOOD CAMARADERIE TO MAKE OUR NEIGHBORHOODS SAFER, MORE CARING PLACES TO LIVE. NATIONAL NIGHT OUT ENHANCES THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN NEIGHBORS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT WHILE BRINGING BACK A TRUE SENSE OF COMMUNITY. IT PROVIDES A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO BRING POLICE AND NEIGHBORS TOGETHER UNDER POSITIVE CIRCUMSTANCES.

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Aug 2, 2026	Aug 9, 2026
JOINT WORSHIP WILL BE HELD AT HOPE UMC ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 2ND AT 10:30 AM AT 3642 SHAKER RD, FRANKLIN, OH 45005 FOR THE VBS CLOSING CELEBRATION WITH A PICNIC AFTERWARDS. ALL ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND	Greeters: Barb & Gary Ogdin
	Elevator Greeter: Cheryl Cyphers
	Ushers: Nancy Massey Dorothy Rayburg Jason Leffew Sally Fitzgerald
	Liturgist: Peggy Darragh-Jeromos
	Opening/Closing: Jim Martin

**Join Us for Joint Sunday Worship
& VBS Celebration at Hope UMC!**

Please note that there will be NO worship service at Franklin First UMC this Sunday. Instead, we are joining together for a special Joint Worship Service at HOPE UMC!

- **Date:** Sunday, August 2nd
- **Time:** 10:30 AM
- **Location:** HOPE UMC, 3642 Shaker Rd, Franklin, OH 45005

Come celebrate the VBS Closing Celebration with us, followed by a fellowship picnic afterwards. All are welcome!

Mark Your Calendar

Wednesday, August 5th

Finance Committee Meeting

2:30 PM

Sunday, August 9th

Fishing Club Organizational Meeting

Noon

Wednesday, August 12th

Endowment Meeting

2:30 PM

Women's Circle

Monday, August 24th

6:30 pm

Kids' Fishing Club Meeting — Rescheduled!

Mark your calendars! The Youth Fishing club is all about building community, fostering mentorship, and helping kids unplug so they can connect deeply with both faith and nature by pairing youth with adult mentors for cross-generational connections.

We are actively looking for adult volunteers! Whether you are an expert angler or simply want to be a supportive presence for our young people, we invite you to get involved.

What: Organizational Meeting

When: Sunday, August 9th, at Noon (right after service)

Where: Fellowship Hall



Kickoff Dinner & Meeting

We are getting together for a special organizing dinner and meeting to kick off our upcoming season, and we would love for you to join us:

Date: Monday, August 24th

Time: 6:30 PM

Where: Church Dining Room

Details: Meat and drinks are provided—just bring a dish to share!

Come on out for a relaxed evening of good food and conversation as we plan out a fun and purposeful season ahead.

We can't wait to see you there!



BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Franklin First is collecting school supplies for our local teachers and students. All supplies will be donated to a student, teacher, or school. Purchase any of the below items and drop off to 303 S. Main St, Franklin.

- Headphones
- Pencils
- Colored Pencils,
- Markers
- Crayons
- Pens - blue, black, red
- Highlighters
- Loose leaf paper
- Spiral notebook 1 & 5 -subject
- Folders - with pockets
- Binder - 1.5", 2"
- Composition notebook
- Backpack - no wheels
- Glue sticks 4
- Pencil Box/Pouch
- Scissors
- Erasers
- Dry Erase Markers
- Binder Tab Dividers



No Faith Seekers Group this Sunday, August 2nd, due to the VBS Closing and Celebration. They will meet on Sunday, August 9 at 9:15 am



Birthday Update: Kathy Eich celebrated her 91st birthday on July 25! A church member recently shared this photo, and thought our church family would enjoy seeing how well she is doing. If you'd like, consider sending Kathy a birthday card to help celebrate this special milestone. Happy Birthday, Kathy!
1702 Helen Ave
Hamilton, OH 45011

FFUMC Weekly Calendar

A current Franklin First Calendar can also be found on our [website](#).

Sunday 8/2/2026	Monday 8/3/2026	Tuesday 8/4/2026	Wednesday 8/5/2026	Thursday 8/6/2026	Friday 8/7/2026	Saturday 8/8/2026	Sunday 8/9/2026
NO Faith Seekers 10:30 am Worship at HOPE UMC VBS CELEBRATION & Picnic	Office Closed	Office Open 9—2:30 pm	Office Open 9—2:30 pm 2:30 pm Finance Committee	Office Open 9 —2:30 pm 4:00—5:00 pm St. Mary's Community Dinner	Office Closed	Office Closed	9:15 am Faith Seekers 10:45 am Worship Service Livestreamed
		5:30 - 8:30 pm National Night Out					

A CROPPIN' GOOD TIME

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2026 - 6 -11 PM
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2026 - 9 AM - 8 PM

SIXTEEN HOURS OF
SCRAPBOOKING & CRAFTING, FUN
WITH FRIENDS!

SATURDAY BRUNCH &
DINNER INCLUDED

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Birthdays

August 01 Cheryl Krasnonski
August 01 Callie Trout
August 02 Dorothy Rayburg
August 03 Linda Smith
August 03 Marna Rogers
August 05 Jim Martin
August 06 Nancy Massey
August 08 Mike Jarvis
August 09 Brian Graves
August 18 Arya Bell
August 19 Teresa Lass
August 19 Carol Sweney
August 22 Paul Anderson
August 22 Mallory Chilcutt
August 24 Donnie Rogers
August 24 Jennifer Schramm
August 25 Amanda Leffew
August 30 John Goodpaster

Anniversaries

July 16 Barbara & Gary Ogdin
July 20 Cheryl & Greg Cyphers
August 10 Bill & Cindy Kuntzman
August 27 Ryan & Regina Hynes
August 31 Jim & Kathy Martin



Faith Seekers
Bible Study meets at 9:15 am
on Sundays.



ALL ARE WELCOME!



PRAYER LIST

-Italicized green text indicates a new prayer request since last week's announcements.

Our confined members:

- JoAnn Achtermann – home (6734 Catskill Dr. Franklin 45005)
- Don Chamberlain – home (6338 Decker Rd. Franklin)
- Hiram Fullen – home (6649 Hamilton-Middletown Road, Franklin)
- Jackie Messmore – Carlisle Manor (730 Hillcrest Ave. Carlisle 45005)
- Dick Taylor – home (8096 E. Lawn Dr., Franklin, OH 45005)

Our weekly prayer list:

- War with Iran
- *For family & friends of Tom Proffitt following his death, especially Jonathan Jones; Funeral Service will be 10 am Friday, July 31, 2026 at Anderson Funeral Home, 40 N Main St, Springboro, OH*
- *Jo Steinberger – 2 specific lung infections, quarantine at home & getting meds*
- *For Charlotte Summer – healing for broken ribs, rehabbing at daughter's house*
- *Judy Bowman for husband Bob – scheduled for knee surgery August 3*
- *Monica Rhude for son Steve's fiancé Brooke Franks – hospitalized/dialysis*
- *For Lisa Dillon – cataract surgery scheduled for August 3, Rick's healing for toe injury*
- *Cindy Kuntzman for husband Bill – vertigo*
- *Julie Abell – PRAISE that Marshall is doing good after being hit by car on his scooter*
- Jan Truesdell for sister Judy Deal – radiation treatments – going well
- Cheryl Cypher for daughter Ashley's job search & depression
- Nancy Massey for friend Bill Myers – broke ankle; granddaughter Samantha – surgery recovery
- Ogdins – for Barb – kidney stones; unspoken request
- Shirley Berold – health challenges & black mold issues at condo
- Mary Harville – undergoing treatment for non-Hodgkins Lymphoma, sister Sheila under Hospice Care
- Gib Woody for sister-in-law Nancy Woody – undetermined health issues
- Linda Rose & family – in Hospice
- Mike Smith for Eddie & Michelle Wallace – Eddie on quality of life care
- Sherri Tutt - multiple family members in health crisis
- Mike & Vicki Jarvis – prayers needed for illness
- Judy Deskins for son Jared – unspoken request

Contact Theresa or Pastor Laura to make additions or changes to this list



IN NEED OF IMMEDIATE PRAYERS?

Text or call request sent to our Prayer Chain.

If you have an immediate prayer request, text Lee Saunders at 513-833-6920 & Lee will forward it to our prayer warriors.

SUBMIT A PRAYER REQUEST ANYTIME

Your church family cares for you. Whether you're carrying a burden or celebrating a joy, we are here to pray with you. Your request goes directly to Pastor Laura and will be added to our prayer list as indicated in your request.

[Click here](#) or visit our [website](#)—to share your Prayer Request.