

January 11, 2026

10:00 A.M.

SERMON

“Standing on the Promises”

Rev. JongIn Lee

**Order for Our Worship of God**

(\*those who are able are invited to stand)

WELCOME

PRELUDE

“For Unto Us a Child Is Born”

Handel

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, celebrate the promises of God.

**From every generation, we will sing and shout praise for God’s enduring promise.**

Out of the mouths of our elders, to the songs of our children;

**We declare we have seen your salvation!**

We stand together in hope of the child born in Bethlehem.

**This child we have been waiting for is God’s light revealed. Amen.**

OPENING PRAYER

**Almighty God, help us to be faithful like your disciples Anna and Simeon who stood strong in their faith and did not give up hope in your word. Let us be wise in seeing how you speak to us and let us be faithful to believe and patient in waiting for your promises to come true. Amen.**

\*OPENING HYMN

“He Is Born”

No. 228

PASSING THE PEACE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 2:25–38

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Precious Promises”

arr. Fetke

\*HYMN OF REFLECTION

“Standing on the Promises” (vs. 1, 3, 4)

No. 374

PRAYER TIME

THE GIVING OF OUR OFFERING

Offering Song

“Comfort Ye, My People”

Handel

\*Presentation

“O Come, All Ye Faithful” (*refrain only*)

No. 234

\*Prayer of Dedication

**Loving God, today we bring not only our gifts but also our hearts and presence. With Simeon and Anna, we stand in hope, trusting your promises across every generation. Receive what we offer and bless it, so it may bring comfort, care, and your love to our community and beyond. Amen.**

\*CLOSING HYMN

“My Master, See, the Time Has Come”

No. 226

\*BLESSING

POSTLUDE

“Every Valley Shall Be Exalted”

Handel

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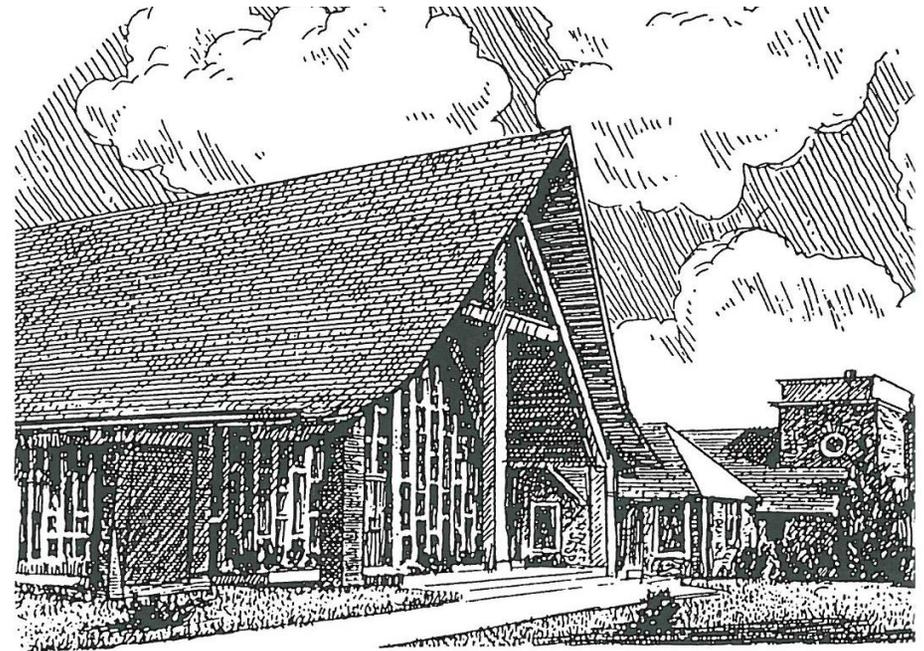
**WE WELCOME ALL** to this service of worship including newcomers and visitors among us.

**PARTICIPATING IN OUR SERVICE** ~ Participating this morning are Rev. JongIn Lee, Pastor; Dr. Russell Wagoner, Director of Music/Organist; and Diane Ribustello, Liturgist. We appreciate them sharing their gifts with us as we gather to worship and praise God today!

**JANUARY BOOK CLUB** ~ The next Book Club meeting will be on **Thursday, January 15, at 10:30 a.m.**, when the discussion will be about the book *The Names* by Florence Knapp. All who read the book are welcome to attend the discussion.

**STOP & SHOP BLOOMIN' 4 GOOD PROGRAM** ~ For the month of January, **Wyckoff** Stop & Shop (327 Franklin Avenue, Wyckoff NJ) will contribute \$1.00 to FLUMC for every \$11.99 bouquet purchased that is marked *Bloomin' 4 Good* in the sleeve. The money contributed to FLUMC will benefit our community garden, which helps CUMAC and other local food pantries fight hunger. We are grateful to Stop & Shop for selecting FLUMC to be January's beneficiary of this worthwhile program. The more bouquets sold, the more our Community Garden will benefit from this program. Thank you for your support!

**OLD STONE MUSIC & COFFEE HOUSE** ~ The Old Stone will next feature the band Sandy Stones that will be performing on **Friday, February 6, from 8–10 p.m.** Doors open at 7:30 p.m.; a \$15 cover charge includes entrance and unlimited coffee, tea, soft drinks, and a yummy dessert.



## THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF FRANKLIN LAKES

Organized 1855

Rev. JongIn Lee, Pastor

### AN INVITATION

*To all who would know God and do God's will;  
To all who would live and work to make  
To all who seek comfort and would find rest;  
To old and young, rich and poor, saint and sinner,  
This church opens wide its doors  
And—in the name of Jesus the Christ—  
Bids you welcome to this house of the Lord!*

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**PASTOR:** *Rev. JongIn Lee*

**LAY LEADER:** *Dave Murray*

**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC/ORGANIST:** *Dr. Russell Wagoner*

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