

March 22, 2026

10:00 A.M.

SERMON

“Bread for Community”

Rev. JongIn Lee

Order for Our Worship of God

(*those who are able are invited to stand)

*HYMN OF REFLECTION

“Take My Life, and Let It Be”

No. 399

WELCOME

PRAYER TIME

PRELUDE

“You Are My Hiding Place”

arr. Hayes

THE GIVING OF OUR OFFERING

CALL TO WORSHIP

Offering Song

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

arr. Thomas

Come down from the tree, Zacchaeus and friends. Come and worship together!

The bread of life satisfies our hunger and thirst.

You are witnessed, worthy, and welcomed today by Jesus, the bread of life.

The bread of life loves us and knows our needs.

Let us feast at the table of love and justice, where no one dines alone.

The bread of life has come to sustain us. Believing this promise, let us worship together! Amen.

*Presentation

“Bless Thou the Gifts”

No. 587

*Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, we offer these gifts as a sign of our gratitude for the bread of life that sustains us. May these offerings be used to feed the hungry, welcome our neighbors, and spread your love and justice throughout the world. Bless both the giver and the gift, that they may bear fruit for your kingdom. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

*CLOSING HYMN

“Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy” (vs. 1–3)

No. 340

Gracious God, as we gather in this season of reflection and repentance, you call us from our hiding places and invite us to the table of grace. You see us in our brokenness and meet us with mercy. You offer us the bread of life that nourishes our souls, heals our wounds, and strengthens us for the journey of faith. In this time of worship, open our hearts to your transforming love and lead us to greater humility and justice. May this sacred time draw us nearer to you and to one another. Amen.

*BLESSING

POSTLUDE

“The Spacious Firmament on High”

arr. McCluskey

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*OPENING HYMN

“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

No. 196

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

SHARING THE PEACE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God, may the scriptures we read today become living bread. May your Spirit empower them to shape us in Jesus’ likeness. Give us wisdom as we interpret these words of scripture; may they nourish our minds and souls. Amen.

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

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 19:1–10

SPECIAL MUSIC

“A Church”

Althouse

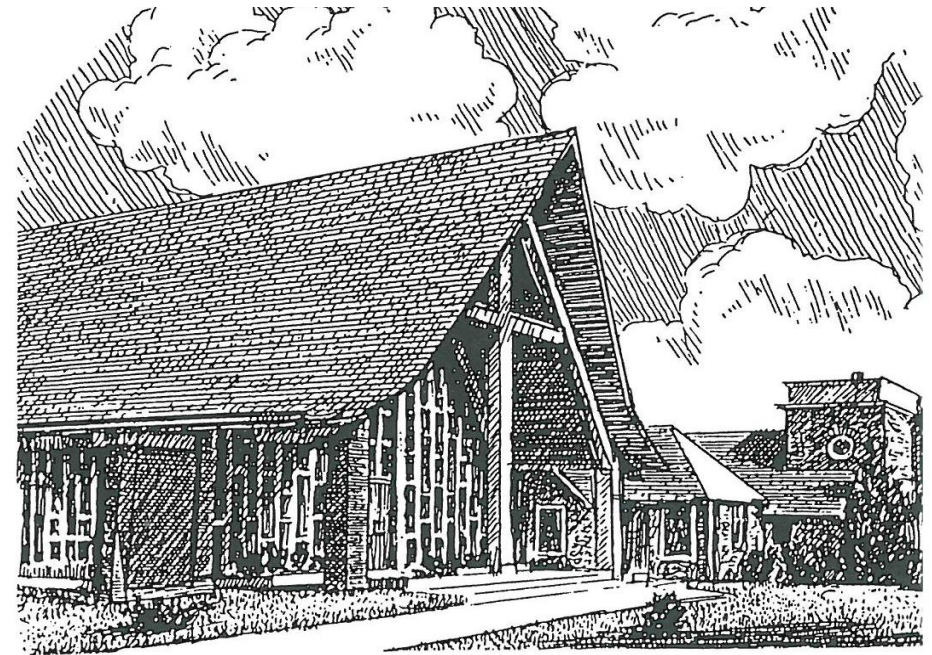
FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ~ Flowers are given by the Mann family in honor and celebration of Xiomra Mann’s first birthday.

ONE CAN A DAY ~ During this Lenten season, please save one can of food a day to support our neighbors through CUMAC in Paterson. Bring the cans to church and we will deliver them to CUMAC.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY ~ This Lent, join renowned author and theologian Will Willimon for a profound exploration of the road to Jerusalem in *The Last Supper*. Bible Study meets this Wednesday, March 25, 1:00 pm, and will conclude next Wednesday, April 1. All are welcome to attend.

MARCH BOOK CLUB ~ The March selection is *The Book Club for Troublesome Women* by Marie Bostwick. This historical fiction novel is the story of four dissatisfied sixties-era housewives who form a book club turned sisterhood after reading Betty Friedan's book *The Feminine Mystique*. All who would like to discuss this best-selling novel are welcome to attend the Book Club meeting on Thursday, March 26, at 10:30 a.m.

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE ~ Be sure to save the dates for our **Spring Rummage Sale** to take place on **Friday, May 1 (9:00am–5:00pm)** and **Saturday, May 2 (9:00am–3:00pm)**. It is certainly a great time to start your spring cleaning and consider donating your clean, gently used items to the sale. Donations can be dropped off **Monday, April 27** through **Wednesday, April 29 (9:00am–3:00)**; please note that we cannot accept large furniture, electronics, computers, books, artwork, or picture frames). Your help to make this event successful is greatly needed and appreciated. Any questions, please contact Pat Meyers at (201) 723-5128.



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!*

PASTOR: *Rev. JongIn Lee*

LAY LEADER: *Dave Murray*

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

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