

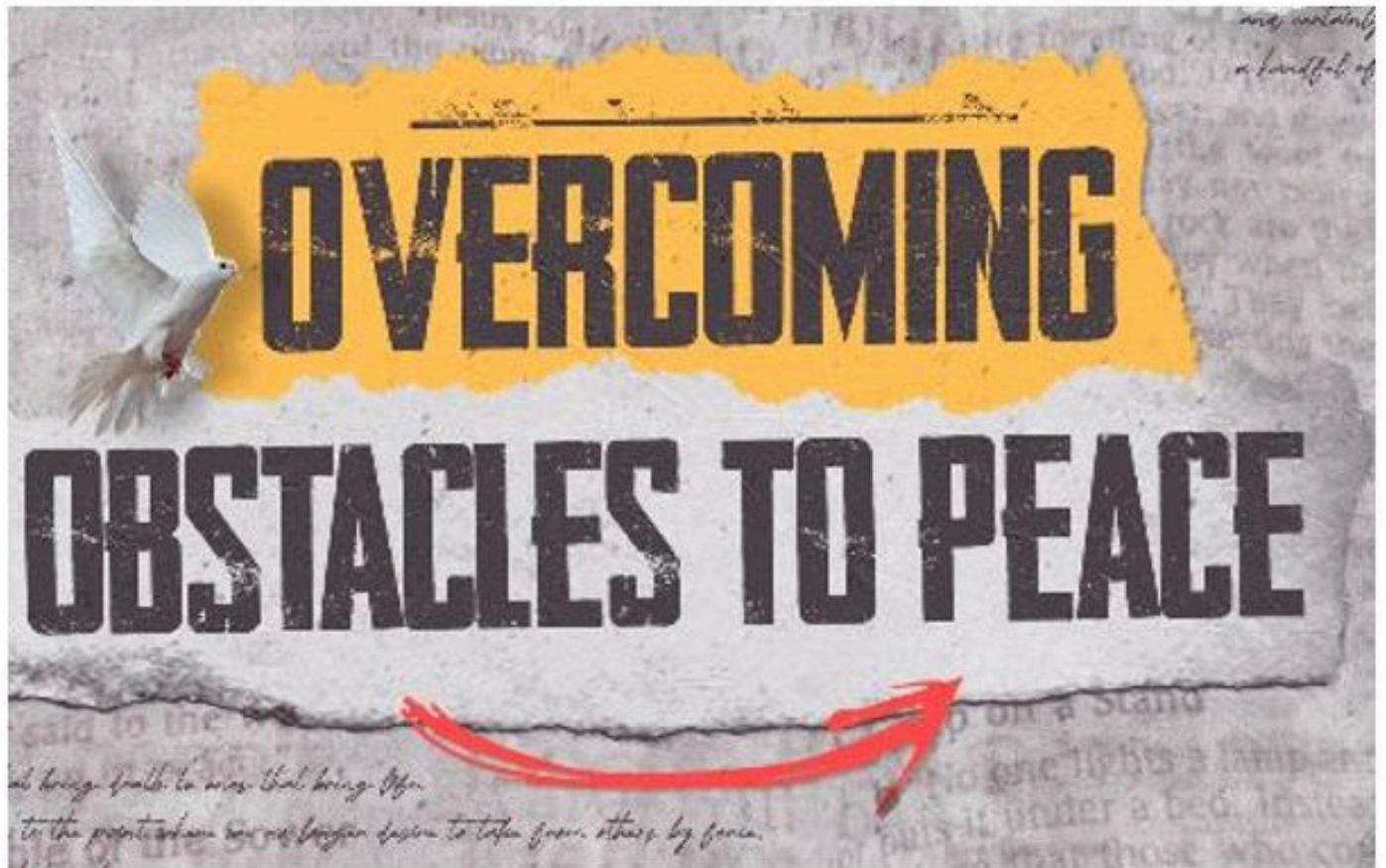


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TFWS – The Faith We Sing
***Stand in body or in spirit**

***Gathering** *Lay Me Down* Praise Band
Peace Be Still

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Centering Moment

***Centering Song** *One Day* Praise Band

***Prayer**

Pastor: Let us pray.

People: Holy God,

we gather in Your presence, seeking Your peace.

Infuse our hearts with the peace that only You can provide,

and guide us in cultivating an inner peace in our lives.

Teach us to embody the mindset of Your Kingdom,

where love and grace prevail.

Help us to be agents of peace in a world filled with discord and strife

that our actions and words

may bring healing and reconciliation in the world,

mirroring the life of Jesus, who came to bring peace to all. AMEN.

Children's Moment Linda Biscardo

Mother's Day Video *Happy Mother's Day*

Prayers of People Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done,
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread
And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom,
and the power and the glory. Forever. AMEN.**

Offering Song *Ever Be* Praise Band

Prayer of Thanksgiving Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Gospel Reading Matthew 5: 1-2, 9 Robert Miller

New Testament Reading Romans 5: 1-2; Philippians 4: 4-7 Robert Miller

Message *Blessed Are the Peacemakers* Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Song of Reflection *Make Me A Channel of Your Peace* TFWS 2171

Breakthrough Prayer

God, guide Franconia United Methodist Church to become a community of Christ's love, where *Your grace abounds and all people know that they are loved, respected for their diversity, grow in faith, and reflect Jesus by actively sharing their God-given gifts.* AMEN.

***Closing Song** *Forever* Praise Band

***Benediction** Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Postlude *Lay Me Down (Reprise)* Praise Band



*Franconia United Methodist Church believes that everyone is a child of God.
We welcome all people to worship, join in membership, serve in lay leadership,
and actively participate in the life of the church.*

*We welcome and affirm all persons without regard to gender, gender identity, race,
sexual orientation, faith tradition, age, marital status, family structure,
economic background, political affiliation, physical or mental ability or life experience.*

We commit to extend Christ's hospitality, creating a place of safety and sanctuary for all people.

*We recognize there are differences among us and although we may not think or look alike,
we commit to respect and love one another as we are all the family of God.*

*We further commit ourselves to loving acts of invitation, hospitality, and community,
providing ministry to, for, and with all persons without exception,
fostering a sense of belonging where people are respected and valued as beloved children of God.*

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