



**FRANCONIA**  
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UMH - United Methodist Hymnal  
TFWS - The Faith We Sing  
\*Stand in body or in spirit

**Prelude** *More Love to Thee* June Shuffett

**Welcome/Announcements** Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

**\*Call to Worship**

Pastor: Come, all who seek encouragement in Christ,  
comfort in His love, and unity in the Spirit—let us worship!

**People: We come, seeking the mind of Christ—  
humble, compassionate, and bold in love.**

Pastor: Do nothing out of selfish ambition,  
but in humility consider others above yourselves.

**People: Lord, give us the courage to serve, to speak, and to uplift others.**

Pastor: We come to follow the example of Jesus.

**People: Let us worship, united in Christ,  
strengthened in faith, and courageous in love!**

**\*Hymn** *I Surrender All* UMH 354

**\*Opening Prayer** Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Leader: Let us pray.

**People: Compassionate God, You give courage to Your children  
to uplift others and seek their good.  
Give us the mind of Christ that boldly stands up for others;  
the mind that dares to speak up and show compassion and mercy;  
the mind that seeks out and sees the overlooked.  
Unite us in humility and joy,  
that we may serve, grow, and walk in Your ways;  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. AMEN.**

**Children's Moment** Linda Biscardo

## 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 *There Is A Balm in Gilead* Amy McCarthy

\*Doxology UMH 95

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

New Testament Reading *Philippians 2:1-5* Jordan Biscardo

\*Hymn *Open My Eyes That I May See* UMH 454

Message *Courage to Be Last* Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

### 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.*

\*Hymn *Guide My Feet* TFWS 2208

\*Benediction Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Postlude *His Eye Is on the Sparrow* June Shuffett



*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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