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CONNECTION



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***Stand in body or in spirit**

Gathering	<i>Good Grace</i>	Praise Band
Welcome and Announcements		Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
Mission Moment	Rise Against Hunger	Suzanne Ackely
Centering Moment		
*Centering Song	<i>Move</i>	Praise Band
*Opening Prayer		
Pastor: Let us pray.		
People: Creator God, You are the vine, and we are the branches.		
Help us prune away hatred, division, strife, and discord.		
Keep us connected to Your love and joy		
that we might bear much fruit		
in sharing Your Good News with the world.		
In Christ's sacred name, we pray. AMEN.		
Children's Moment		Linda Biscardo
Prayers of People		Sarah Chambers
Offering Song	<i>Lord I Need You</i>	Praise Band
Prayer of Thanksgiving		Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
Gospel Reading	John 15: 1-12	Dan Upp
Message	<i>Connection with God</i>	Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
Invitation to Communion		Sarah Chambers

Prayer of Confession See Screen

Assurance and Pardon See Screen

The Great Thanksgiving UMH 13 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.

Breaking of the Bread

Giving the Bread and Cup

Music During Communion *I Could Sing of Your Love Forever* Praise Band

Prayer Following Communion

Eternal God,

we give You thanks for this holy mystery

in which You have given Yourself to us.

Grant that we may go into the world

in the strength of Your Spirit,

to give ourselves to others

in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

***Closing Song** *Take You at Your Word* Praise Band

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

Postlude *Take You at Your Word (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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