



*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.*

April 10 - Cantata Service 10:00 am
 April 14 - Maundy Thursday Service with Holy Communion 7:30 pm
 April 15 - Good Friday Tenebrae 7:30 pm
 April 17 - Easter Sunday Services 7:30 am and 10 am

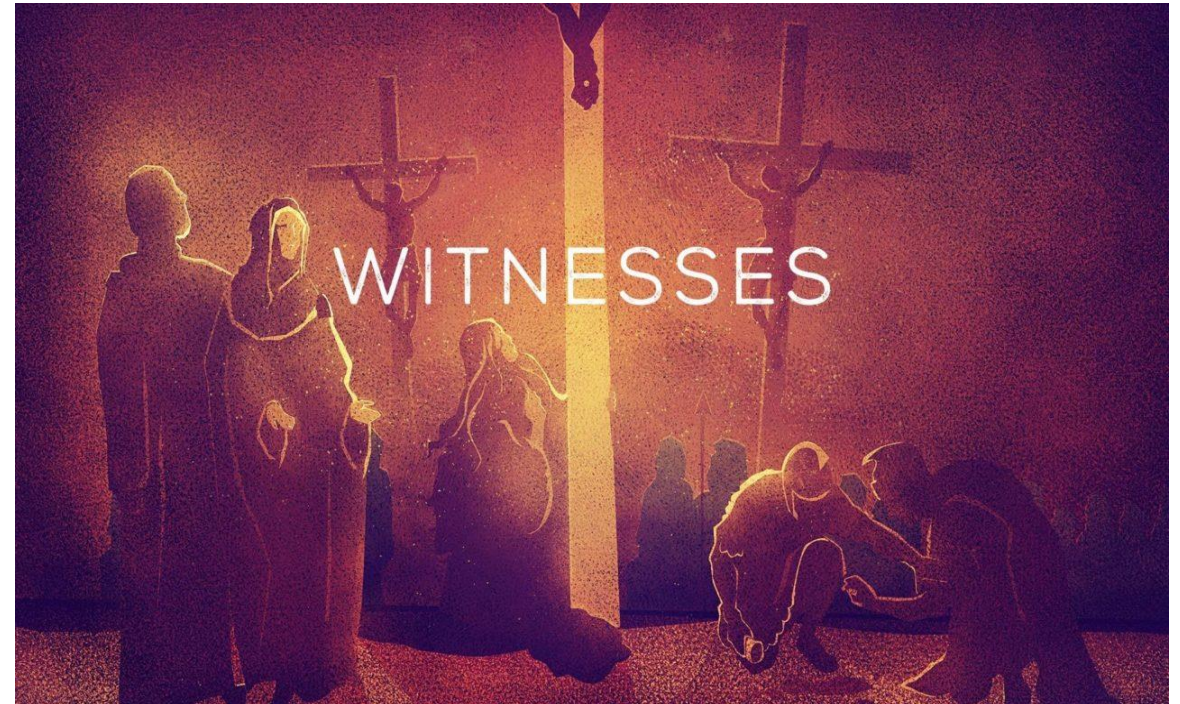
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March 13, 2022
10:00 am
Worship Series: Witnesses
Message: Pontius Pilate

10:00 am Worship, March 13, 2022
UMH – United Methodist Hymnal
***Stand as you are able**

Prelude *The King of Love My Shepherd Is*, Irish Tune/ Paxton June Shuffett

Welcome/Announcements Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

***Call to Worship**

Pastor: We follow Christ,

People: who says take up your cross.

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People: who bids us come and offer our lives.

Pastor: Come, let us worship Jesus,

People: as we draw near the cross.

***Hymn** *Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross* UMH 301

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

Pastor: Let us pray

People: Lord God,

Guide our lives and our steps

as we walk this Lenten journey, inward and outward.

Strengthen our courage and resolve

that we may hold to what is true

rather than be swayed by the voices of the crowd.

May our lives bear witness that Jesus is indeed king of our lives.

In Jesus' name, we pray. AMEN.

Children's Moment Linda Biscardo

Special Music *Lenten Meditation* Kevin Lackie

Prayers of the 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.

Gospel Reading Matthew 27:1-2, 11-26 Lily Owusu-Ansah

***Hymn** *O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High* UMH 267

Message Pontius Pilate Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

***Hymn** *Great is Thy Faithfulness* UMH 140

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

Postlude *Safe in the Arms of Jesus*, Doane/Loree June Shuffett