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Olympic Faith:

Faster, Higher, Stronger

August 11, 2024 at 10:00 AM

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Message: The Agony of Defeat, The Thrill of Victory

Order of Worship

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Gathering	<i>Arise My Soul, Arise Holy Is the Lord</i>	Praise Band
Welcome and Announcements		Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
Centering Moment		
*Centering Song	<i>Walk <u>By</u> Faith</i>	Praise Band
*Prayer		
Pastor: Let us pray		
People: All-wise, all-seeing God,		
we are so thankful that You see so much more deeply than we do.		
When all we can see in our lives and in ourselves		
is failure and defeat,		
You see possibilities and the potential for great things		
as we live for Your kingdom.		
Guide us, and make our lives successful by Your standards,		
that we might each receive		
an eternal winner's wreath from You. AMEN.		
Youth Mission Celebration		Sarah Chambers
Children's Moment		<u>Linda</u> 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 Song	<i>Resurrecting</i>	Praise Band
Prayer of Thanksgiving		Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
New Testament Reading	Hebrews 12:1-2	Karen Coltrin
Message		Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
	<i>The Agony of Defeat, The Thrill of Victory</i>	
*Closing Song	<i>Confidence</i>	Praise Band
*Benediction		Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
Postlude	<i>Confidence (Reprise)</i>	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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