



FRANCONIA
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GRACE ABOUNDS



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UMH – United Methodist Hymnal
TFWS – The Faith We Sing
*Stand in body or in spirit

Prelude *Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring* June Shuffett

Welcome/Announcements Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Mission Moment Love Your Neighbor: Trail or Treat Linda Biscardo

***Call to Worship**

Pastor: We are branches, rooted in the vine of Christ

People: We come because we seek to abide in Christ.

Pastor: The branches that remain in the vine bear much fruit.

People: We come because we long to be spiritually vibrant and alive.

Pastor: If we abide in Christ, then Christ's words will abide in us.

People: We come because we strive to be faithful disciples, growing in faith.

***Hymn** *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing* UMH 400

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

Pastor: Let us pray

People: We come before You today with a desire to grow deeper in our faith.

You are the true vine, and we are the branches.

We thank You for the life and sustenance that flows from You.

Teach us to abide in Your love

and to cultivate a relationship that nourishes our spirits.

As we seek to grow in faith,

grant us the wisdom to understand Your teachings

and the courage to live them out,

enabling us to bear fruit in our lives;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

Children's Moment Linda Biscardo

Prayers of People Sarah Chambers

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	<i>Oh, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus</i>	Amy McCarthy Bob Shuffett
<u>*Doxology</u>	Praise God from Whom all Blessings flow! Praise Him all creatures here below! Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts! Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost! AMEN	UMH 95
*Prayer of Thanksgiving		Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
New Testament Reading	Galatians 5:22- <u>23</u>	Sandy Ross
Gospel Reading	John 15:1- <u>5</u>	Sandy Ross
<u>*Hymn</u>	<i>Grace Alone</i>	TFWS 2162
Sharing Our Story	Break Through Prayer	Peggy Owusu-Ansah
Message	<i>Grow in Faith</i>	Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
<u>*Hymn</u> UMH 583	<i>You Are the Seed</i>	
*Benediction		Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
Postlude	<i>Lead On, O King Eternal</i>	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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June Shuffett, piano

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