

First Congregational Church of Frankfort

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Worship: Ann Osborn

Ministers: The Entire Congregation
Pastor: Rev. Dinah Haag
Worship Musician: Molly Morris Nguyen
Administrative Assistant: Molly Morris Nguyen

Sunday Morning Schedule
Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Worship followed by Coffee and Fellowship

We support the following Missions/Projects:

Benzie Area Christian Neighbors
(Local food, clothing, and services assistance)

Benzie Faith in Action (Local Collaboration of Churches)

Benzie Food Partners (Local food assistance of staples)

Benzie Senior Resources (Assistance for seniors)

Community Spirit (Local emergency assistance)

Eagle Village (Facility and camp for troubled youth)

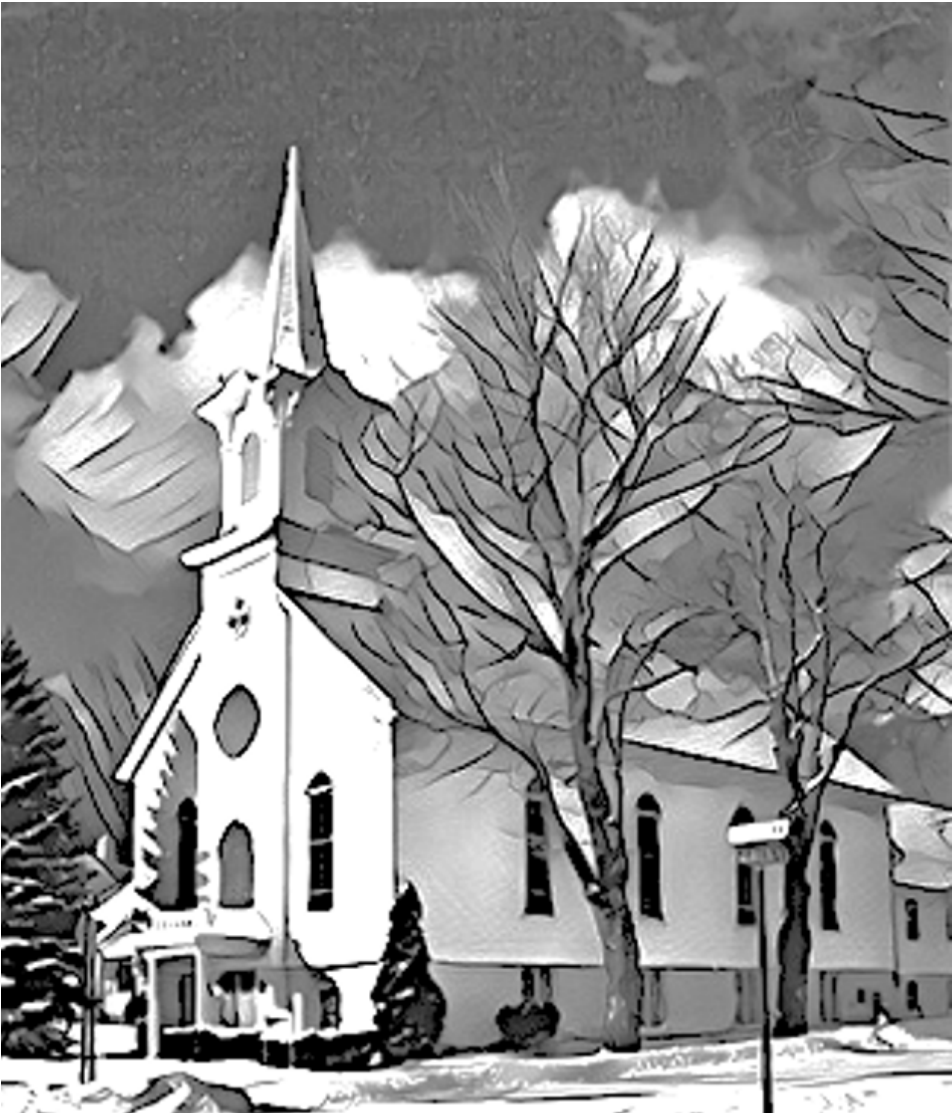
Habitat for Humanity (Local home building and purchase program)

One Great Hour of Sharing
(NACCC-National Assoc. of Congregational
Christian Churches for International Disaster Relief)

Operation Christmas Child (Christmas boxes for global children)

Water for Good (Clean water in the Central African Republic)

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First Congregational Church of Frankfort

"A lighted spire, the enlightened Word, a welcome haven."

March 17, 2024

Fifth Sunday in Lent

An Order of Service Worshiping God at

First Congregational Church of Frankfort

March 17, 2024 Today’s service is streaming live. 10:30 a.m.

Prelude & Meditative Sentence

In three words I can sum up everything I've learned about life: it goes on. Robert Frost
We are masters of the unsaid words, but slaves of those we let slip out. Winston Churchill
Philosophy is common sense with big words. James Madison

Welcome, Announcements & Bringing in the Light of Christ

*Hymn “Near the Cross” #319

*Call to Worship

One: Be still and know that God is.
All: God was, also, in the beginning.
One: And when all human striving has ceased, God will still be.
All: From everlasting to everlasting, God is God, and is worthy to be worshiped.
One: Come, quiet yourselves in this haven of holiness and discern the Word which can set us free.
All: We have come to be still and know that God is our Hope, our Help, our Refuge, and our Redeemer and so much more.

*Doxology (a short hymn of praise)
Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above, you heavenly hosts. Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost.

*Greeting Our Neighbors (In the manner that feels comfortable to you.)

Special Music “See Gethsemane”

Worship in Tithes and Offerings
Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication, Offertory
(The brass plate is for regular offerings; the wicker basket is for missions.)

Time for the Younger Ones

*Hymn “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” #324

Worship in Prayer #631
Sharing Joys, Concerns, Pastoral Prayer, and Singing The Lord’s Prayer

Morning Message Rev. Dinah Haag, preaching
“Jerusalem at Passover: The Fortress Antonia”
Matthew 27:15-26, Mark 15:6-20, Luke 22:66-23:25, John 18:28-40

*Hymn “What Wondrous Love Is This” #314

*Benediction & Blessing “O Lord, You’re Beautiful” #643
O Lord, You’re beautiful, Your face is all I seek;
And when Your eyes are on this child, Your grace abounds in me.

Our Church Life This Week

Sun March 17	10:30 a.m.	Worship (Choir 9:30) and Lunch	Birthdays & Anniversaries
Mon March 18	6:00 p.m.	MOBBI	Susie Hughes
Tues March 19	8:30 a.m. 1:15 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	MOBBI (also at 4:00 p.m.) Coffee's on Dinah (Zoom) Coffee's on Dinah (@ Perks) Complimentary Dinner Al's Academy with Mike Morris	Sandy Campbell
Wed March 20	8:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	MOBBI (also at 5:30 p.m.) Choir Rehearsal	
Thurs March 21	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	MOBBI Yoga Group	Cheryl Acklin and James Daniel
Sat March 23			Dale Herscher
Sun March 24	10:30 a.m.	Worship (Choir 9:30) and Lunch	

<u>Prayer Concerns</u>	Ray Jarocki	*Chuck Towersey	<u>Youth</u>
*Added last week	John Keillor	Tim Welch	Wylie Gigous
+Hospice	Daniel Kinney	*Ann Wheeler	Charlotte Henry
Jerry Acklin	Roger Klabunde	Mark Wood	John Henry
Susie Anderson	Brady Lewis	Chris Young	Wesley Henry
Maddie Bodji	Robin MacKenzie	Peter Young	Emma Nuske
Mason Childs	Sharon McKinley		Owen Nuske
Reese Clifford	Victoria Mekas	<u>The Families of</u>	
Doug Erdman	+Doreen Miller	*Sabra Boyle	<u>Young Adults</u>
Margaret Forman	Dan Nostrandt	Sandy Gill	Carlisle Clevenger
Jim Gallogly	Ron Phillips	Dillon Miller	Peyton Clevenger
Cookie Godsey	Tim Rolfing		Reagan Clevenger
Mary Gunderson	*Scrib Sheafor		
*David Hagen	Jason Swein		
Marshel Holmgren			

We're glad you're here at
First Congregational Church of Frankfort!



May the love and the warmth of God's grace
be with you as you fellowship with us.
We are a church that loves visitors!
We believe that you are not here by accident.
Welcome to church, Friend.

Announcing...

Welcome members and guests! Please join us in the downstairs dining room after our Worship Service today for some freshment and fellowship, hosted by Jim and Robin MacKenzie. We've been waiting for you and are glad you're here.

The name, **Benzie Faith in Action**, has been floating around for a while, and we've been a part of that group quite since it's inception. While there are about three faithful lay people who have been a part of the work of BFIA, it would be great if there were a few more people that could lend a voice to the efforts that mainly concern housing and internet coverage, at the moment. Please see Pastor Dinah if you might join this important ministry.

When watching our services online, if you've not yet discovered it, there is an icon at the bottom of the video: CC which stands for **closed caption**. It prints the words being spoken.

Thank you, today's characters in our Lenten Dialogue:

Narrator/Tour Guide: Dinah Haag
Soldier/Mob Voice: Dale Herscher
Anonymous Individual: Judy Grant
Jailer/Mob Voice: Molly Harrison
Caiaphas/Soldier: Molly Morris
Soldier/Mob Voice: Leo Hughes
Pilate: Rob Jones

More scenes in and around Jesus' Jerusalem are being displayed on the Parlor TV after our Worship.

Our Lenten Itinerary:

- 1 The Temple
- 2 Passover
- 3 The Mount of Olives
- 4 The Palace of the High Priest
- 5 The Fortress Antonia
- 6 Skull Hill

JOIN US FOR ANOTHER INSTALLMENT OF

Al's Academy

with Mike Morris

"Earth Stewardship & Golf Courses"

Tuesday, March 19

5:30 Free Dinner

6:00 Program



The walls of Jerusalem were a high stone wall that surrounded the entire city, about 4 miles long. In the time of Jesus, it protected an area of about a square mile, inhabited by roughly 25,000 people.

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Katie Robinson
The Meadows, Texas
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FOR

JOIN US MARCH 21, 5-7 P.M.

THE GATHERING PLACE

SOUP BOWL SUPPER 2024

. SOUP, BREAD, BEVERAGE & DESSERT

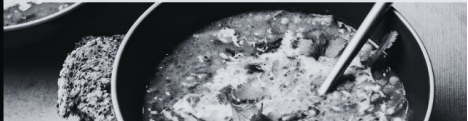
. CELEBRITY SERVERS

. SILENT AUCTION

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE GATHERING PLACE

SUGGESTED DONATION OF \$10 PER MEAL

GENEROUS DONATIONS ENCOURAGED!




Lenten Lunch

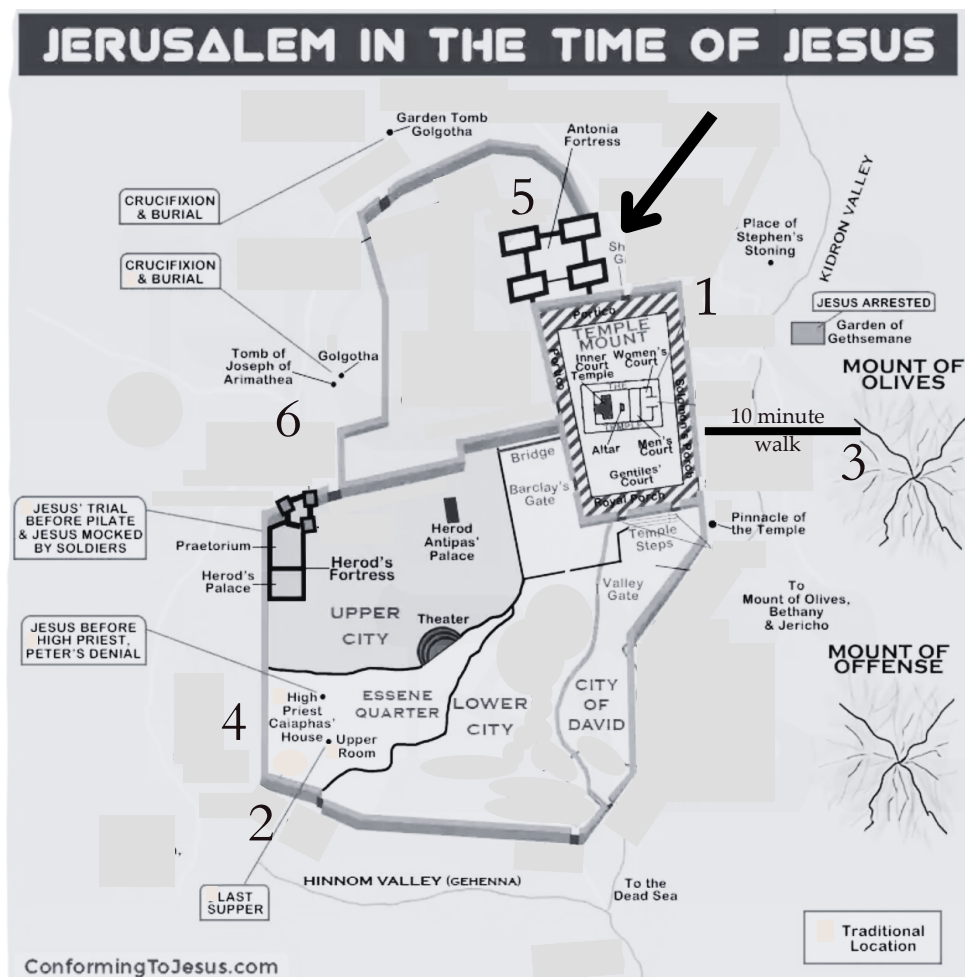
All are welcome to join together for a simple lunch following Worship each week through the end of March. Instead of any monetary exchange, get to know some of the folks with whom you worship. (If anyone would like to help prepare one of these lunches, please let Pastor Dinah know.)



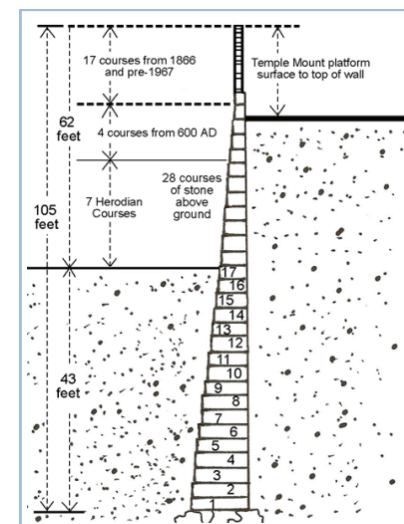
A RARE OPPORTUNITY

Join us, following Worship and Lunch on Sunday, March 17 in the Parlor to hear how we can Keep Each Other Safe. The Outreach Committee has invited Linda Solem, Prevention Specialist for Up North Prevention, a Catholic Human Services Initiative, to learn about human trafficking as it pertains to this little slice of God's Benzie. She is planning on a 20 minute presentation on this modern form of slavery, exploitation and forced labor that lies below the radar that can affect anyone of us.





THE FORTRESS ANTONIA is the local seat of Roman government. Here we will tour the military barracks of the occupation police force (the army which has brought Roman peace, law, and culture to the whole world!), visit the cell block where notorious criminals are incarcerated, and also observe THE PAVEMENT, the civil court where Roman justice is administered. If possible, this visit will be scheduled at a time when a civil trial is in progress.



- Ashlar: shaped (dressed) stone vs. raw from earth
- Course: layer
- West Wall: 17 Courses Buried
- Bottom Course: 50 feet wide

Our Speaker, after Lunch:

Linda Solem has an associate in applied sciences degree (AAS) in paralegal studies from Northwestern Michigan University and a Bachelor of Science in Organizational Management from Spring Arbor University. She has completed her certification for the MCBAP Development Plan for Certified Prevention Specialist. She works for Up North Prevention, advancing substance misuse prevention efforts in northern Lower Michigan. She is dedicated as a full-time staff person to this proposal, working to create awareness and collaboration within communities to meet the needs of the marginalized through drug misuse prevention and human trafficking awareness. She actively educates communities with an evidence-based curriculum and makes them safe from substance misuse. By collaborating with key community leaders, educators, and parents in preventing drug and alcohol misuse among at-risk youth, she is working to create safety and health for our children in assisting in reducing the at-risk population and combating human trafficking. Linda is on the board of the Coalition to Combat Human Trafficking, and she participates in the Community Advisory Group of the Grand Traverse County Wellness Center. She is a Grand Traverse County Drug-Free Coalition member and the Quick Response Team with the Traverse City Police Department. The website for the Coalition to Combat Human Trafficking is wefightforthem.org.