#### First Congregational Church of Frankfort

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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)

The (case-sensitive) password for the church's internet MySpectrumWIFI28-5G (OR 2G) is pinkberry420



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"A lighted spire, the enlightened Word, a welcome haven." April 28, 2024 Fifth Sunday of Easter

#### **Council Officers:**

Chair: Linda Schweyer

Vice-Chair Myra Elias

Financial Secretary: Kathy Sheridan

Assistant Financial Secretary: Jennifer Osborn

Treasurer: Scott Harrison

Assistant Treasurer: Kelly Ottinger

Clerk: Kris Richards

#### Council Representatives to Committees:

Constitution and By-Laws: Betty Webb

Finance & Stewardship:

Investment: Leo Hughes

Missions:

Nominating: Council Chair

Outreach: Kelly Ottinger

Personnel: Council Chair

Property: Tom Hafer

Religious Education:

Women's Fellowship: Myra Elias

Worship: Ann Osborn

An Order of Service Worshiping God at

First Congregational Church of Frankfort								
A	pril 28, 2024	Today's service	is streaming live.	10:30 a.m.				
<b>Prelude &amp; Meditative Sentence</b> "Between stimulus and response there is a space. In that space is our power to choose our response. In our response lies our growth and our freedom." — Viktor E. Frankl								
Wel	come, Annou	ncements & Bri	nging in the Lig	ht of Christ				
*Hyı	mn	"Joyful, Joyful, V	<b>#</b> 90					
*Cal	l to Worship							
One:	ne: God's love plants us in the soil of God's grace,							
All:	We are nurtured with the strength of Christ.							
One:	Enlightened with the wisdom of the Spirit,							
A11:	We abide in love, watered with the prayer that Christ gave us. 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever, Amen.							

### \*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

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

**Special Music** 

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"The Lily of the Valley"\* \* See Announcement Page

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** "Open My Eyes That I May See" #563

Worship in Prayer: The Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Morning Message Rev. Dinah Haag, preaching "Holy Joy: Living As a Response" John 15:1-8, p. 1676-1677, and 1 John 4:7-21, p. 1902-1903 read by Leo and Susie Hughes

Hymn	"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"	#355
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\*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 April 28	10:30	a.m.	Worship (Choir	9:30)	Birthdays & Anniversaries Sally Lavender, Susan Lavender, Pat Luedders, Steve Rath, Kim Scripps, Nick Somero	
Mon April 29	6:00 p.m.		MOBBI		Bill Frostic	
Tues April 30	8:30 a	.m.	MOBBI (also at 4:00 p.m.)		Doug Somero Myra Elias	
Wed May 1	8:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.		MOBBI (also at 5:30 p.m.) Choir Rehearsal		Kerry Buzzell, Jackson Deloria, Tyler Grant, Richard Henry, Dylan Prance-Jewell	
Thurs May 2	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.		MOBBI (and 11:30) Yoga Group		Michael Grant, Julie Hirschfeld, Amber Holmgren, Nicole Holmgren	
Fri May 3					Mary Bateman, Katie Gokey, Mariah Manning, Beth McNamara, Candace Nostrandt	
Sat May 4	<u>.</u>				Diance Tracy	
Sun May 5	10:30	a.m.	Worship (Choir	9:30)	Janet Pearce, Betty Webb	
Prayer Concerns *Added last week +Hospice Paul Acklin Nancy Call Doug Erdman Sarah Fought Jim Gallogly Cookie Godsey Eileen Gross Shawn Gunning David Hagen Marshel Holmgren Alma House Ray Jarocki John Keillor		*Sue Dani Roge Mari Steve Victo Robi	ld Kennedy King el Kinney er Klabunde lyn Koenig e Loveless oria Mekas n MacKenzie	Dawn Schulz Scrib Sheafor Jim Stevens Josh Stoltz Jason Swein Carol Webb Charlie Welch Tim Welch	Benjamin Buzzell Ezra Buzzell Henry Buzzell Oliver Buzzell Eva Strom Jack Strom	
		Mich +Dor Dan Ron Katie	el Matthews ael Matthews reen Miller Nostrandt Phillips e Robinson Rolfing	Ann Wheele Mark Wood Chris Young Peter Young <u>The Familie</u> *Brent Bradle *Beverly Sch	Brandon Osborn Zachary Osborn Dakota Parriott Genevieve Pomerlea ey	

## Welcome!

We're so glad you've chosen to worship at First Congregational Church of Frankfort!



# Announcing...

Welcome members and guests! We are excited to invite you to join us in the downstairs dining room for refreshments after our Worship Service today. Betty Webb is sharing samples of a future Women's Fellowship fundraiser. You'll want to try these, for sure! We are glad to have you with us and hope you will enjoy the gathering.

By pastoral decree (hear ye, hear ye!), **April has been declared "Wear Your Nametag" Month!** Please wear your new nametag to help us get to know each other better. It is also the month that we are celebrating Holy Joy, so check out the video in the Parlor, like dessert on top of Worship.

If you would like to contribute to our church family by providing food and assistance for funeral luncheons, please sign up on the kitchen counter. This usually involves preparing a salad, some cookies or cake, etc. You will be contacted when the need arises. Thank you so much for all that you do for our church family, from prayers to pasta and beyond!

The Benzie Area Christian Neighbor's **(BACN)** Clothing Pantry is in need of some items. They require queen-size sheet sets, towel sets (bath towel, hand towel, and washcloth), and sleeping bags for the migrant farmers who are arriving. These items may be brand new or gently used. The sleeping bags do not need to be 40 or below rated gear.

We are still collecting Family Fare UPC codes. We don't anything other than the code, i.e., no yellow seals, no complete labels. Easy-peasey. There are jars in the Dining Room for collection. For each 500 codes we collect, we get a \$25 gift card.

Whoever wrote "Easy Like Sunday Morning" obviously never had to get kids ready for church....

\* "The Lily of the Valley," its botanical name meaning 'belonging to the month of May', and also called May Lily or May Bells, isn't a true lily as it is related to asparagus. The flower is said to bring luck, happiness, and love, making it a wedding favorite. It was included in the bouquets of Princess Diana, Kate Middleton, and Meghan Markle, which Prince Harry picked himself. Somehow associated with Pentecost, they are also called Our Lady's Tears, referring to Mary's tears at her son's death, which turned into lilies of the valley. The name also means sweetness, purity of heart, trustworthiness, and humility. Although poisonous, it has been a common source of essential oils for perfumes and cosmetics, added to bathwater in the hope of deepening one's spiritual connection and lifting spirits. In some rituals, the flowers are thought to cleanse one's energy and improve mental clarity. A tonic made from these blooms has been said to relieve symptoms of urinary tract infection. It was used against gas poisoning in WWI, utilized in treating skin burns and epilepsy, and has been an aid for irregular heartbeats and many other heart disorders.

