

THE WORSHIP OF GOD  
CELEBRATING 150 YEARS OF FAITHFUL MINISTRY  
FOR OUR LORD (1871-2021)  
DECEMBER 5, 2021  
SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT – LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF PEACE  
COMMUNION SUNDAY  
11:00 A.M.

\*Please stand if you are able.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming, give to all the people of the world knowledge of your salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

GREETING Charles Qualls

VOLUNTARY *In Excelsis Deo* CHARLES ELLIS  
Jackie Arrington, Pianist; Steve Gibson, Organist

\*CONGREGATIONAL CALL TO WORSHIP BAUGH

**Hope, peace, joy, and love!  
These are gifts You bring from above.  
Jesus, Emmanuel, come to be  
light of Your peace, reflected in me.**

INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER Jim Rainey

**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.**

\*HYMN 106 *He is Born* IL EST NE

LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF PEACE Bob and Sandy Holt

A voice cries out in the wilderness  
**“prepare the way of the Lord.”**  
A choir sings in the silence,  
**“come, Emmanuel.”**  
Every valley shall be filled.  
**Every heart shall be made whole, for peace is stronger  
than turmoil, and love is louder than hate.**

**As we light our Second Advent candle, we pray for the holy peace of God.  
Come now, O child of Mary. Come now, O Prince of Peace.**

SUNG RESPONSE *Emmanuel* MCGEE

**Emmanuel, Emmanuel, His name is called Emmanuel;  
God with us, revealed in us; His name is called Emmanuel.**

RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READING Malachi 3:1-4 Jim Rainey

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me,  
**and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple.**  
The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—  
**indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts.**

But who can endure the day of his coming,  
and who can stand when he appears?  
**For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap;**  
he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver,  
**and he will purify the descendants of Levi and  
refine them like gold and silver,  
until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness.**

\*HYMN 112 *Child in the Manger* BUNESSAN

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 3:1-6 Charles Qualls  
Pew Bible New Testament, Page 60  
This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**



## Franklin Baptist Church – December 5, 2021

### Welcome Guests

We are always grateful to welcome guests who worship with us! Please complete the brief information card found in the pew rack, directly in front of you and place it in the offering plate.

### Worship Service

In response to CDC and VA Adjustments in Covid-19 policies, masks are optional and pews are marked for physical distancing guidelines.

### Church Offerings

Help our church remain vital by continuing to give. Gifts can be made online on our website at [franklinbaptist.org/onlinegiving](http://franklinbaptist.org/onlinegiving) or mail your offering to the church. Thank you for your faithful and generous support!

### Year-End Contributions

In compliance with IRS regulations, all contributions for 2021 must be **received** by December 31, 2021. Any contributions received after that day will be posted to 2022. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

Anyone interested in donating stock to the church prior to the end of the year may use our accounts at Wells Fargo or Edward Jones in Franklin. If you have any questions, please call Bill Howell at 757-650-8893.



The worship committee is working with the City to have the Community Living Nativity again this year. Amanda Jarratt said it well, “It was a fabulous event and wonderful for the City.” The plans include changes to ensure the safety of our participants while still providing this ministry to Franklin and surrounding areas.

The Living Nativity will be held 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM Wednesday, December 15<sup>th</sup> through Friday, December 17<sup>th</sup>.

We are in need of volunteers to participate in scenes and to help with the set up. Please call or text Kay Drumheller, 377-6557 or Eliza Rainey, 377-7523 if you would like to participate.

## *Advent Calendar*



### Second Sunday of Advent

December 5, 2021; 11:00 AM; Sanctuary

Christmas Communion Service

Lighting the Advent Candle of Peace



### Third Sunday of Advent

December 12, 2021; 11:00 AM; Sanctuary

Christmas Music Sunday - Join the congregation and choir as we sing carols accompanied by our chamber orchestra.

Lighting the Advent Candle of Joy



### Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 19, 2021; 11:00 AM; Sanctuary

The JuBELLation Ringers will premiere *As Lately We Watched* by Cathy Moglebust written in memory of Dr. J. Floyd Clingenpeel, Jr.

Lighting the Advent Candle of Love



### Christmas Eve – December 24, 2021

Candlelight Christmas Eve Service

4:00 Pre-Service Music

4:30 Processional



Thank you for participating in this year's Angel Tree. Through your generosity, Franklin Baptist collected \$5,445.00.



If you would like to purchase an ornament to commemorate our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, please contact the church office. The cost of each ornament is \$20.00.

Please make checks payable to Franklin Baptist Church with 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in the memo line.

**150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reminder**

If you have family that are no longer members or friends that are returning for one of our services between now and the end of April, let the church office know at least ten days in advance and we will recognize them in the bulletin and Charles will greet them in his opening sentences that Sunday morning. Check our website for upcoming events!



If anyone has any memorabilia pertaining to the church, please contact Dan and Patsy Fowler at 757-562-4795.



Franklin Cooperative Ministry is in need of the following items for homeless bags: small canned food with pop-tops, single-serve meals such as tuna in a pouch or little tuna and cracker combos, individually wrapped items such as Pop Tarts, nabs, cheese and crackers and granola bars.



Our in-house Christmas message exchange (post office) is back! No postage is required! The “post office” will be located in the narthex beginning this Sunday morning. This is the perfect time to take a minute to let someone know you are thinking of them, or that you appreciate their hard work. Just place your cards/messages in the box by last names. Please remember to check for YOUR mail! The “post office” will be available until January 2<sup>nd</sup>!

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

Aldia Carter (Debbie Carter’s mother-in-law),  
Opal Elks, David Flythe, Susan Vick, Dawna Walton, Randy Whitley

We express Christian sympathy to the family of Edwin Parker Daughtrey, Jr., who passed away on November 25, 2021.

Please remember to keep our community leaders in your prayers.

**Calendar of Events**

**Sunday, December 5**

Bible Study	9:45 am	SS Classrooms
Worship (also Facebook Live/Radio)	11:00 am	Sanctuary

**Monday, December 6**

JuBellation Ringers	6:00 pm	Fellowship Hall
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**Tuesday, December 7**

AA Group	8:00 pm	Community Room
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**Wednesday, December 8**

Morning Bible Study	11:00 am	Fellowship Hall/FB Live
Adult Bible School	6:15 pm	Fellowship Hall/FB Live
Chancel Choir	7:00 pm	Choir Room
NA Group	7:30 pm	Community Room

**Thursday, December 9**

High Street Seniors	10:00 am	Hayden Village
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**Saturday, December 11**

Orchestra Rehearsal	10:00 am	Sanctuary
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**Wednesday Bible Studies**

Join us for Wednesday Morning Bible Study at 11:00 AM in the fellowship hall (will also be live-streamed on Facebook). We are studying Galatians and Thessalonians by N. T. Wright.

Wednesday Night Adult Bible Studies, led by Dr. Charles Qualls, on December 8<sup>th</sup> and December 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 PM (also live-streamed on Facebook) will be focused on our journey of preparation for Christmas. Join us as we watch Jesus, and those closest to Him.

**Chancel Choir**

Join the Chancel Choir as we prepare Christmas carols for worship and also for Christmas Eve. Rehearsals will be on Wednesdays, December 1, 8, 15 and 22 at 7:00 PM in the choir room. **Because the choir room and choir loft are confined spaces, everyone singing must wear a mask. Masks are available in the choir room.**