

THE WORSHIP OF GOD  
NOVEMBER 13, 2022  
23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
11:00 A.M.

\*Please stand if you are able.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please welcome today's guest organist, Ron Cornwell.

GREETING Steve Gibson

VOLUNTARY *Prelude of Contemplation* ARR. DON WYRTZEN  
Ron Cornwell, organ

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP Bob Holt

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,  
**for God has looked favorably on God's people and redeemed them.**

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,  
**for God has called us God's own beloved and called each of us by name.**

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,  
**for God has blessed God's creation and called us to worship.**  
**Blessed be the Lord God of Israel!**

INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER Bob Holt

**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 32 *God Has Spoken by the Prophets* HYMN TO JOY

RESPONSIVE READING 284 Keep My Commandments Bob Holt

PASTORAL PRAYER Steve Gibson

\*HYMN *Find Rest for Our Souls* FRANKLIN  
(back page of hymnal)

OFFERTORY *O Lord, Our Refuge* LANI SMITH  
Ron Cornwell, organ

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**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise Him, all creatures here below;  
praise Him, above ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION Steve Gibson

ANTHEM *Festival Prelude on Thaxted* DAVID HOWARD PETTIE  
Britton Culpepper, trumpet  
Ron Cornwell, organ

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 12 Steve Gibson  
Pew Bible Old Testament, Pages 641-642  
This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON Stuck in the Middle With You Steve Gibson

\*HYMN 395 *Open My Eyes, That I May See* SCOTT

\*BENEDICTION Steve Gibson

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE    *God Has Spoken by the Prophets*                      HYMN TO JOY

**God is speaking by the Spirit, speaking to our hearts again;  
in the age-long Word declaring God's own message, now as then.  
Through the rise and fall of nations one sure faith is standing fast:  
God abides, the Word unchanging, God the first and God the last.**

\*VOLUNTARY                                      *Immortal, Invisible*                                      ARR. G. PETERSON  
Ron Cornwell, organ



The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God  
and in loving memory of Bessie and Everett Barrett,  
given by Linda Vick.



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EVERY MEMBER A MINISTER  
Charles. L. Qualls, *Senior Pastor*  
Steven R. Gibson, *Associate Pastor/Music*  
Sharon James, *Associate Pastor/Education Emeritus*

This worship service is broadcast on radio WLQM – 1250 AM and PRAISE 99.1 FM  
Facebook Live @ 11:00 AM

## Franklin Baptist Church – November 13, 2022

### 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.

### 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!

### Franklin Cooperative Ministry

Franklin Cooperative Ministry is in need of the following items: Lotion (8, 10 or 20 ounces have the best prices) lip balm in a tube, tissues (flat rectangle, cube or box) and hand sanitizer (3 oz. or purse/pocket size.)



The Missions Team, working with the Salvation Army, has decided that again this year as a church, we will make a monetary donation to the Angel Tree Program. We are thankful that the Salvation Army has volunteers who will do the shopping and prepare the gifts.

All contributions are due in to the church by **Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>**. Please make checks payable to **Franklin Baptist Church with Salvation Army on the notes line.**



### **CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!!**

We are looking for volunteers to help with the following events. If you are able to help, please call the church office.

1. Decorating the fellowship hall for our Thanksgiving Meal. **Dates: Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM and Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon.**
2. Decorating the church for Advent. **Date: Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup> from 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon and 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM.** Decorations include: Chrismon Tree, Banners, Garland and Candles.
3. Preparing for our Christmas Party. **Date: Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> from 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon.**



Our Annual Thanksgiving Dinner will be held on **Sunday, November 20, 2022 at 6:00 PM** in the fellowship hall. **The deadline to sign up is Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>.** The dinner is a **covered dish** with the church providing beverages, paper products and serving utensils. There is no charge for this meal.



As you are aware, our beloved Rev. Steve Gibson will be retiring at the conclusion of the Christmas Eve service this year. If you would like to make a love offering to honor him, please send a check or other method of payment to Franklin Baptist Church. Please make checks payable to **Franklin Baptist Church** and indicate on the memo line **“to honor Rev. Gibson.”** The cut-off for donations will be **December 9<sup>th</sup>**. If you have any questions, please call Bill Howell at 757-650-8893. Let’s all send Steve off with a nice remembrance from Franklin Baptist Church. **CORRECTION: Your gift will be a tax deductible contribution.**



### **Help Our Missions Team!**

Looking for a project to support as the holidays approach? The Blackwater Library is sponsoring “Santa for Seniors”. For your convenience, we will have collection bins in the narthex and at the entrance of the fellowship hall. **Deadline to donate is December 10<sup>th</sup>**. Senior’s wishlist items include: Puzzle books, adult coloring books, cross stitch kits, puzzles, playing cards, personal care items, socks, slippers, lap blankets/throws, notepads/pens, walker organizer, knitted gloves/hats/scarves, window bird feeder, costume jewelry, handwritten cards, gift cards.

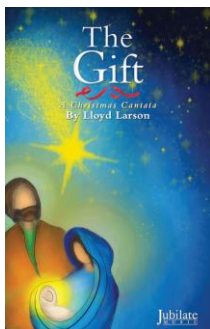


### **Community Living Nativity**

Drive through the journey to Bethlehem, where Jesus Christ was born.

Volunteers are needed for this year’s Community Living Nativity. The dates are Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, and 16<sup>th</sup>. The times are 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM. Please let us know if you are willing to participate in a scene, help with set up and break down, or distribute posters. Contact Kay Drumheller, Eliza Rainey, or Billie Turner to see how you can help FBC tell the Christmas story.

# Upcoming Musical Highlights



Wednesdays, 7:00 PM to 7:45 PM  
Choir Room - Rehearsals for **The Gift** by Lloyd Larson

December 10: Dress Rehearsal with Orchestra  
10:00 AM to 12:00 PM - Sanctuary

December 11: **The Gift** in Worship with Orchestra  
11:00 AM Service - Sanctuary

## Upcoming Events

November 20	Thanksgiving Dinner Meal
November 27	Advent I: Hanging of the Green Church Christmas Party
December 4	Advent II: Christmas Communion
December 11	Advent III: Christmas Music Sunday with Orchestra
December 18	Advent IV: JuBELLation Ringers
December 24	Christmas Eve Service
December 25	Christmas Day Service

### 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Ornaments

We still have some 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary ornaments available! If you would like to purchase one, please contact the church office. The cost of each ornament is \$20.00.

### PRAYER CONCERNS

Beverly Brown, Linda Edwards, Donna Evans,  
Edward Kinney, Tom Morgan, Virginia Lee Story, Sonny Vick

Please remember to keep our community leaders in your prayers.

### Calendar of Events

#### Sunday, November 13

Sunday School	9:45 am	SS Classrooms
Worship (also Facebook Live/Radio)	11:00 am	Sanctuary
Coffee Fellowship	12:00 pm	Fellowship Hall

#### Monday, November 14

JuBELLation Ringers	6:00 pm	Fellowship Hall
Administrative Council Meeting	7:00 pm	Fellowship Hall

#### Tuesday, November 15

AA Group	7:00 pm	Community Room
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#### Wednesday, November 16

Morning Bible Study	11:00 am	The Village
Wednesday Night Dinner	5:30 pm	Fellowship Hall
Wednesday Night Bible Study	6:15 pm	Fellowship Hall
Chancel Choir	7:00 pm	Choir Room
NA Group	7:30 pm	Community Room

#### Thursday, November 17

High Street Seniors	10:00 am	Fellowship Hall
Decorating for Thanksgiving	1:00 pm	Fellowship Hall
Missions Team	5:30 pm	Community Room

#### Friday, November 18

Decorating for Thanksgiving	9:00 am	Fellowship Hall
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Again this year, you have the option of donating a gift to missions or purchasing a poinsettia. The cost of either is \$25.00 and can be given in honor of or in memory of a loved one. Please complete a form and place it along with payment in the offering plate, bring it to the church office, or send it by mail. **The deadline to submit a form is November 28<sup>th</sup>!**