

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
NOVEMBER 20, 2022
REIGN OF CHRIST
11:00 A.M.

*Please stand if you are able.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

O God, our true life, to serve you is freedom, and to know you is unending joy. We worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. Abide with us, reign with us, and make this world into a fit habitation for your divine majesty, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

GREETING Charles Qualls

VOLUNTARY *Variations on Doxology* SANDRA TUCKER
JuBELLation Ringers

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP Vince Holt

Worship Christ, Eternal Son of God;
honor Christ, Incarnate Son of Mary;
serve Christ, Glorious Ruler of Creation;
for to Christ belongs the power and the glory of the Almighty.
Praise be to God!

INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER Vince 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 61 *We Gather Together* KREMSER

RESPONSIVE READING 370 Give Thanks to God Vince Holt

RESPONSE 371 *Now Thank We All Our God* NUN DANKET
(stanza 3, seated)

PASTORAL PRAYER Steve Gibson

*HYMN 372 *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

OFFERTORY *We Gather Together* MATTHEW H. CORL
Steve Gibson, organ

*DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDREDTH
**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 Charles Qualls

ANTHEM *Hand Me Down My Silver Trumpet* WEBB
Chancel Choir
Britton Culpepper, trumpet

SCRIPTURE READING John 6:35-45 Charles Qualls
Pew Bible New Testament, Page 98
This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

SERMON Thanksgiving Charles Qualls

*HYMN 379 *Let All Things Now Living* ASH GROVE

*BENEDICTION Charles Qualls

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

**Even so, Lord, quickly come, bring Thy final harvest home;
gather Thou Thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin;
there, forever purified, in Thy presence to abide;
come, with all Thine angels, come, raise the glorious harvest home.**

*VOLUNTARY

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come
Steve Gibson, organ

MATTHEW H. CORL



The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of Jean Kirkland,
given by Jim Whitley and Gerry Lewis.



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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 20, 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 or mail your offering to the church. Thank you for your faithful and generous support!

Church Closings

The church office will be closed the following days for the Thanksgiving Holiday: Wednesday, November 23rd - Closing at Noon, Thursday and Friday, November 24th and 25th - Office Closed. Wishing everyone a Happy Thanksgiving Day!

Year-End Contributions

In compliance with IRS regulations, all contributions for 2022 must be received by December 31, 2022. Any contributions received after that day will be posted to 2023. 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.

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.)



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 church for Advent. **Date: Monday, November 21st from 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon and 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM.** Decorations include: Chrismon Tree, Banners, Garland and Candles.
2. Preparing for our Christmas Party. **Date: Tuesday, November 22nd from 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon.**



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 9th**. 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 10th**. 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

Volunteers are needed for this year's Community Living Nativity. The dates are Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, **December 14th, 15th, and 16th**. 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.



Our in-house Christmas message exchange (post office) will be back! The "post office" will be located in the narthex beginning on **Sunday, November 27th and will be available until January 2nd**! There will be a **25¢ donation fee** per card to benefit local missions.

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 each week!

Advent Calendar

- November 27 Advent I: Lighting the Candle of Hope
- Hanging of the Green
 - Church Christmas Party
- December 4 Advent II: Lighting the Candle of Peace
- Christmas Communion
- December 11 Advent III: Lighting the Candle of Joy
- Christmas Music Sunday featuring the Chancel Choir and Chamber Orchestra – *The Gift* by Lloyd Larson
- December 18 Advent IV: Lighting the Candle of Love
- JuBELLation Ringers
- December 24 Christmas Eve:
- 4:00 PM: Pre-Service Music
4:30 PM: Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
- Our Candlelight Service will include the premiere of a commissioned carol, *His Light*, by John S. Dixon, written in memory of those who have joined the heavenly choir: Loretta Drake Faison, Shirley Pope, Don William Scarboro.
- December 25 Christmas Day Service

150th Anniversary Ornaments

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



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 28th!**

PRAYER CONCERNS

Betsy Brantley, Linda Edwards, Edward Kinney, Tom Morgan, Virginia Lee Story

We express Christian sympathy to the family of Lynda Howell Bond, who passed away on November 14, 2022.

Please remember to keep our community leaders in your prayers.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, November 20

Sunday School	9:45 am	SS Classrooms
Worship (also Facebook Live/Radio)	11:00 am	Sanctuary
Thanksgiving Dinner	6:00 pm	Fellowship Hall

Monday, November 21

Decorating Church for Advent	9:00 am	Sanctuary
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Tuesday, November 22

Decorating for Christmas Party	9:00 am	Fellowship Hall
Faith on Draft	6:30 pm	Serve Restaurant
AA Group	7:00 pm	Community Room

Wednesday, November 23

Church Office Closing at Noon		
NA Group	7:30 pm	Community Room

Thursday, November 24

Church Office Closed

Friday, November 25

Church Office Closed

Fellowship Coffee

There will be NO fellowship coffee following today's service due to the Thanksgiving Dinner tonight.

Wednesday Activities

All Wednesday activities will resume again on November 30th!

Save
the
Date

You are cordially invited to a Retirement Reception for Steve Gibson on **Sunday, December 18th** after the worship service in the fellowship hall. We will be recognizing Steve's faithful service of 17 years to our church family and community. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend!