

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 21, 2023
11:00 A.M.

*Please stand if you are able.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, 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

PRELUDE *How Firm a Foundation* ARR. EDWARD BROUGHTON
Ron Cornwell, organ

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP Britton Culpepper

On this Lord's Day, we begin our week by gathering here faithfully.
O God, we come into your presence with the intent to worship you.

**Steer us away from thoughts of ourselves, this hour.
Pull us from the self-absorbed thoughts and the fleeting matters.
Help us avoid the tug of other things, Lord.**

Instead, may we meet you here with attentive hearts.
Eager to let you be the God of our lives and glad that we do not have to be.
We worship you on this day.

Humble us now as we gather in your presence, O God.

Amen.

INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

Britton Culpepper

**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 418 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* EIN' FESTE BURG

PASTORAL PRAYER Charles Qualls

RESPONSIVE READING 245 You Shall Be My People Britton Culpepper

*HYMN 246 *The Church's One Foundation* AURELIA

OFFERTORY *Sweet Hour of Prayer* ARR. GENE CLARK
Ron Cornwell, 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 *We Are Travelers on a Journey* BEACH SPRING
Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 1:6-14 Charles Qualls
Pew Bible New Testament, Page 118
This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

SERMON	Just Like Old Times?	Charles Qualls
*HYMN 215	<i>Rejoice, the Lord is King</i>	DARWALL
*BENEDICTION		Charles Qualls
*CHORAL RESPONSE	<i>A Celtic Blessing</i> Chancel Choir	ARR. JOSEPH MARTIN
*POSTLUDE	<i>Enter His Courts with Praise</i> Ron Cornwell, organ	ADAM MASO



The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Sue and Mike Johnson, by a friend.



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EVERY MEMBER A MINISTER

Charles. L. Qualls, *Senior Pastor*

Sharon James, *Associate Pastor/Education Emeritus*

Steven R. Gibson, *Associate Pastor/Music Emeritus*

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

Franklin Baptist Church – May 21, 2023

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!

Help Us Help You

We want to serve you pastorally. But we can only go where we know to go. Help us to help you. If you end up hospitalized or have a surgery scheduled, if you wish for the church office to know, please notify us personally. Often, we end up either not hearing what is happening with our members or hearing all too late. Call our office Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM at 757-562-5135.

Franklin Cooperative Ministry

Franklin Cooperative Ministry is in need of the following items: Vienna sausages, peanut butter and smaller/single serve shelf-stable milk.



Today will be our final fellowship coffee before our summer break. We will return again in September!



Everyone at Franklin Baptist knows that one friend, relative, neighbor or co-worker who would be here. That is, IF you invited them. Think of the one person who needs your prompting, and ask them to join you here next Sunday!



Chancel Choir

Chancel choir meets on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM in the choir room.



Scholarship applications for members of Franklin Baptist Church can be mailed or emailed to you by calling or emailing Eliza Rainey, scholarship committee chair, at 757-562-2949, 757-377-7523 or epr321@charter.net. **The deadline for returning applications is Wednesday, May 31st.**

If the application is emailed to you, please print it out, complete it and return with documents by mail to:

Eliza Rainey
321 Meadow Lane
Franklin, VA 23851

If you have questions, you may call or text Eliza.

Summer Schedule



Wednesday morning bible study, dinner and night time bible study will resume again in September after our summer break!



Please note the change in the church office hours during the summer months. The office will close at Noon on Fridays beginning on **May 26th** and will resume normal hours on Friday, September 8th. For the Memorial Day weekend, we will re-open on Tuesday, May 30th.



VBS 2023 – Hero Hotline – Called Together To Serve God!

Dates: July 16th to July 20th

Time: 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM

We will be serving dinner for the children at 5:30 PM.

Watch for registration on our website as the time nears.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Bill Earley, Cindy Jackson,
Carter Lyda (son of De Ann and James Lyda and
grandson of Roy and Carolyn De Brand),
Jeff Trowbridge, Jeannie Whitley, Rochelle Worrell

Please remember to keep our community leaders in your prayers.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, May 21

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

Tuesday, May 23

AA Group	7:00 pm	Community Room
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Wednesday, May 24

Chancel Choir	7:00 pm	Choir Room
NA Group	7:30 pm	Community Room

Thursday, May 25

High Street Seniors	10:00 am	Fellowship Hall
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Friday, May 26

Church Office Closes at Noon