

THE WORSHIP OF GOD  
17TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2023  
11:00 A.M.

\*Please stand if you are able.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual lovingkindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgement, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREETING Charles Qualls

PRELUDE *Be Thou My Vision* ARR. DALE WOOD  
Will Viverette, organist/pianist

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP Trina Stout

Lord, in the wilderness you fed the people manna so that they would have enough. Your provision continues, over time, to prove enough.

**Yet we confess that we do not always trust you.  
We like to take your matters into our hands all too often.**

In Egypt you brought the people out and delivered them.  
We can look back and see that you have delivered us from life's hardships, too.

**Yet we confess that we do not always trust you.  
We like to take your matters into our hands all too often.**

Receive us into your presence once again.  
To worship and to gather up the old, old stories so that we might trust in your sufficiency. Forgive us and cleanse us of our ways.

**Amen.**

INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

Trina Stout

**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 30 God, the Revealer Trina Stout

PASTORAL PRAYER Charles Qualls

\*HYMN 63 *Lead On, O King Eternal* LANCASHIRE

OFFERTORY *Prelude in F* HEALEY WILLAN  
Will Viverette, organist/pianist

\*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 *Be the Light of Christ* WES CAMERON  
Chancel Choir  
Will Viverette, organist/pianist

SCRIPTURE READING Jonah 3:10-4:11 Charles Qualls  
Pew Bible Old Testament, Page 861  
This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON God Save Them All...Except Her Charles Qualls

\*HYMN 587

*Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound*  
(v. 1, 2, 5)

NEW BRITAIN

\*BENEDICTION

Charles Qualls

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**Trust and obey for there's no other way  
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.**

\*POSTLUDE

*Voluntary in C Major*  
Will Viverette, organist/pianist

CHRISTIAN CAPPELEN



The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God  
and in loving memory of Loretta Faison, in honor of her 86<sup>th</sup> birthday  
on September 25<sup>th</sup>, by her family.



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EVERY MEMBER A MINISTER

Dr. Charles. L. Qualls, *Senior Pastor*

William R. Viverette, *Organist/Pianist*

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 – September 24, 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](http://franklinbaptist.org/onlinegiving) or mail your offering to the church. Thank you for your faithful and generous support!

**Coffee Fellowship**

Come join us in the fellowship hall following the 11:00 AM service for our coffee fellowship! Hope to see you all there!

**Church Library**

The Church library is open on Wednesdays between 5:00 PM and 5:30 PM and also on Sundays between 12:00 PM and 12:30 PM.

**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.

**Everyone Knows Someone!**

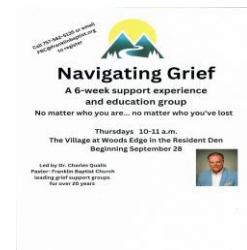
Everyone at Franklin Baptist knows that one friend, relative, neighbor or co-worker who would be here. That is, IF you invited them. Think of the one person who needs your prompting, and ask them to join you here next Sunday!



**Franklin Cooperative Ministry**

Franklin Cooperative Ministry is in need of the following items:

Shampoo and shaving cream.



**Navigating Grief – Beginning September 28<sup>th</sup> at the Village**

A 6-week support experience and education group. No matter who you are...no matter who you've lost. We will meet on Thursdays from 10:00 to 11:00 AM at The Village at Woods Edge in the Resident Den. To register, call 757-562-5135 or email [fbc@franklinbaptist.org](mailto:fbc@franklinbaptist.org).

Led by Dr. Charles Qualls, leading grief support groups for over 20 years!



**Faith on Draft Returns – Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM - The Village**

Forgiveness and reconciliation: How's it supposed to work? Come about 5:00 PM for an enjoyable meal in the Back Porch and Grill (reservations please: 757-516-0031). Or, drop by the bar for a beverage before you join us at 6:30 in The Great Room up front. Mark your calendar now for September 28<sup>th</sup>!



**Wednesday Morning Bible Study** will meet at 11:00 AM at the Village at Woods Edge. It will also be livestreamed on its own page.

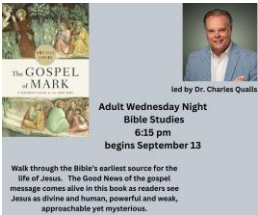
Look for **Franklin Baptist Weds Bible Studies** page on Facebook each time. Here's the link:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100089014699051>



**Wednesday Night Dinners** resume at 5:30 PM in the fellowship hall. To make a reservation, please CALL the church office at 757-562-5135 by **Tuesday at noon!** You will be responsible for paying for any meals not cancelled by Noon on Tuesday!

All meals will now be served on a dinner plate. If you need your meal to be a "takeout" meal, takeout containers will be available for you. The servers will fill the orders as you come through, and give it to you at the end of the line. You will be responsible for adding dessert and taking it from there.



**Wednesday Night Adult Bible Studies will meet at 6:15 PM in the fellowship hall** - The Gospel of Mark - Walk through the Bible's earliest source for the life of Jesus. The Good News of the gospel message comes alive in this book as readers see Jesus as divine and human, powerful and weak, approachable yet mysterious. Led by Dr. Charles Qualls.



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

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

Ron Cornwell, Dayton Crowder, Roy Duke, Bill Howell, Jeff Kinyo (Linda Vick's son-in-law), Gerald Roberts, Georgia Stainback

We express Christian sympathy to the family of Robert Kirk Whitley, who passed away on September 16, 2023.

Please remember to keep our community leaders in your prayers.

**Calendar of Events**

<b><u>Sunday, September 24</u></b>		
Sunday School	9:45 am	SS Classrooms
Worship (also Facebook Live/Radio)	11:00 am	Sanctuary
Coffee Fellowship	12:00 pm	Fellowship Hall
<b><u>Tuesday, September 26</u></b>		
AA Group	7:00 pm	Community Room
<b><u>Wednesday, September 27</u></b>		
Morning Bible Study	11:00 am	The Village
Wednesday Night Dinner	5:30 pm	Fellowship Hall
Adult Bible Study	6:15 pm	Fellowship Hall
Chancel Choir	7:00 pm	Choir Room
NA Group	7:30 pm	Community Room
<b><u>Thursday, September 28</u></b>		
Grief Support	10:00 am	The Village
High Street Seniors	10:00 am	Fellowship Hall
Faith on Draft	6:30 pm	The Village



**City of Franklin - Trick or Trot 5K and Pumpkin Dash**  
**Saturday, October 21st**

The City of Franklin will be hosting the inaugural City of Franklin Trick or Trot 5K & Pumpkin Dash in historic Downtown Franklin. Race from downtown, around the city cemetery and through residential areas. Join the fun by entering the costume contest and enjoying the music, food and post-race activities. Proceeds from the event directly benefit the Franklin and Southampton County communities.

For more information, visit <https://www.franklintrickortrot5k.org/>.