

THE WORSHIP OF GOD  
REFORMATION SUNDAY  
OCTOBER 29, 2023  
11:00 A.M.

\*Please stand if you are able.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, 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 *Fugue on "St. Anne"* H. ALEXANDER MATTHEWS  
Will Viverette, organist/pianist

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP Bill Howell

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

**Before the mountains were brought forth or ever you had formed the earth  
and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.**

Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,  
so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

**So teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart.**

Let your work be manifest to your servants  
and your glorious power to their children.

**Amen.**

INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

Bill Howell

**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 566 *O God, Our Help in Ages Past* ST. ANNE  
(v. 1, 2, 5, 6)

RESPONSIVE READING 557 I Am Alpha and Omega Bill Howell

PASTORAL PRAYER Charles Qualls

\*HYMN 400 *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* PRECIOUS LORD

OFFERTORY *Praeludium in E* GORDON YOUNG  
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 *Gracious Spirit, Dwell With Me* K. LEE SCOTT  
Chancel Choir  
Will Viverette, organist/pianist

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 22:34-46 Charles Qualls  
Pew Bible New Testament, Page 25  
This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *Fall Series: An Entrusted Church* Charles Qualls  
A Win-Win Proposition

\*HYMN 365 *More Love to Thee, O Christ* MORE LOVE TO THEE

\*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 *Grand Jeu* JEAN ADAM GUILAIN  
Will Viverette, organist/pianist



The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and  
in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Charles and Elizabeth Qualls.



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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 – October 29, 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!

### All Saints Sunday Remembrance – November 5th

Come join us on **Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at the 11:00 AM** service for All Saints Sunday where we remember our loved ones who have gone on before us.

### JuBELLation Ringers

JuBELLation Ringers meet on **Mondays at 6:00 PM** in the JuBELLation Ringers room in the Community area.

### Come Join the Chancel Choir!

Do you enjoy singing Christmas Music? If so, the Chancel Choir invites you to join us as we prepare for Christmas Music Sunday, **December 17<sup>th</sup>**. Rehearsals will be **every Wednesday from 7:00 PM to 7:40 PM**. This year we will be celebrating Lessons and Carols. We are excited to have our string quartet play again this year. Please speak to any choir member or Will for more information.

### Franklin Cooperative Ministry

Franklin Cooperative Ministry is in need of the following items (regular sizes, not travel or giant sizes): Boxes of tissues, dish liquid, hand soap and toothpaste.



### Annual Thanksgiving Dinner

Our annual Thanksgiving Dinner will be held on Sunday, **November 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM** in the fellowship hall. If you are planning to attend, please complete the form in the bulletin and place it in the offering plate, sign up in your Sunday School class or call the church office at 757-562-5135. The dinner is a **covered dish** with the church providing beverages, paper products and serving utensils. There is no charge for this meal. The deadline to sign up is **Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup>**!



### 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 at 757-562-5135.

1. Decorating the fellowship hall for our Thanksgiving Meal:  
**Date: Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM.**
2. Decorating the church for Advent:  
**Date: Monday, November 27<sup>th</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: Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM.**



**Nativity**

### Community Living Nativity

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

Franklin Baptist Church will once again sponsor the Community Living Nativity. We would love for you to participate in a scene, provide on-site assistance, or promote the event. We are working with the City of Franklin to again hold the event at the boat ramp at Barrett's Landing. **The dates are Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, December 13, 14 and 15. The times are 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM.**

There will be eight scenes: Angel speaking to Mary; Joseph's dream; Decree from Caesar Augustus; No room at the inn for Mary and Joseph; Shepherds watching over their sheep; Host of heavenly angels; Journey of three wise men; Nativity scene with baby Jesus.

If you would like to help area churches and organizations tell the Christmas story, please contact Kay Drumheller: [kayidrumheller@gmail.com](mailto:kayidrumheller@gmail.com), 757-377-6557; Eliza Rainey: [epr321@charter.net](mailto:epr321@charter.net), 757-377-7523 or Billie Turner: [billie@villageatwoodsedge.com](mailto:billie@villageatwoodsedge.com), 757-651-9137.

# Upcoming Events

- November 5 Daylight Saving Time Ends  
All Saints Day Service
- November 8 Annual Fall Business Meeting
- November 19 Thanksgiving Dinner Meal
- November 26 Christ the King Sunday
- December 3 Advent I: Hanging of the Green  
Christmas Communion  
Church Christmas Party
- December 10 Advent II
- December 17 Advent III: Christmas Music Sunday with Orchestra
- December 24 Advent IV
- December 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service – 4:30 PM  
Pre-service Music starts at 4:00 PM
- December 31 First Sunday of Christmas/New Year’s Eve



The Missions Team are doing something different this holiday season by combining two missions projects - Coats for Franklin High School students and the Salvation Army Angel Tree.

Last year, due to your generosity and our expert shopper, we purchased coats for 120 Franklin High students. We also collected and donated a great amount to the Salvation Army for the Angel Tree, helping area children have a wonderful Christmas.

If you would like to donate to assist with either of these missions projects, please have checks (made payable to Franklin Baptist Church with “**MISSIONS**” in the memo line, no need to specify which project) in by **Sunday, December 3, 2023**.

## PRAYER CONCERNS

Betsy Brantley, Ron Cornwell, Marleen Gilliam, Jenna Qualls (Charles and Elizabeth’s sister-in-law), Ron Rusnak, Danny Simonsen (Sue and Mike Johnson’s son-in-law)

We express Christian sympathy to the family of Linda Whitley Barnes (Randy Whitley’s sister), who passed away on October 20, 2023.

Please remember to keep our community leaders in your prayers.

## Calendar of Events

### Sunday, October 29

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

### Monday, October 30

JuBELLation Ringers	6:00 pm	JuBELLation Ringers Room
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### Tuesday, October 31

AA Group	7:00 pm	Community Room
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### Wednesday, November 1

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

### Thursday, November 2

Grief Support	10:00 am	The Village
High Street Seniors	10:00 am	Fellowship Hall



### Daylight Saving Time

Daylight Saving Time ends on **November 5, 2023**. Don’t forget to set your clocks back one hour!



### Annual Fall Business Meeting

Come join us for our annual fall business meeting on **Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 PM** in the fellowship hall. Hope to see you all there!