

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
19TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
OCTOBER 8, 2023
11:00 A.M.

*Please stand if you are able.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Beloved God, from you come all things that are good. Lead us by the inspiration of your Spirit to know those things that are right, and by your merciful guidance, help us to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREETING Charles Qualls

PRELUDE *Christians, We Have Met to Worship* ARR. MARY McDONALD
Will Viverette, organist/pianist

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP Dan Fowler

The heavens are telling the glory of God,
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.
Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

**There is no speech, nor are there words;
their voice is not heard; yet their voice goes out
through all the earth and their words to the end of the world.**

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;
the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple;
the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart.

**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.**

Amen.

INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

Dan Fowler

**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 52 *O Worship the King* LYONS

RESPONSIVE READING 16 God the Father: Dan Fowler
The Source of All Being

PASTORAL PRAYER Charles Qualls

*HYMN 71 *Be Thou My Vision* SLANE
(v. 1, 2, 4)

OFFERTORY *O God, Thou Faithful God* FLOR PEETERS
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 *The Word of God* EDWARD BROUGHTON
Chancel Choir
Will Viverette, organist/pianist

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 21:33-46 Charles Qualls
Pew Bible New Testament, Page 24
This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

SERMON *Fall Series: An Entrusted Church*
 A Trustworthy Church Charles Qualls

*HYMN 425 *How Firm a Foundation*
 (v. 1, 2, 5) FOUNDATION

*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 *The Heaven's Declare*
 the Glory of God B. MARCELLO
Will Viverette, organist/pianist



The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and
in loving memory of Aurelius and Walter Brantley, by their 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 – October 8, 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!

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 toothpaste.

Missions - Volunteers Needed

The Missions Committee is supporting the Franklin Cooperative Ministries by providing children's personal hygiene kits on an on-going basis. The kit consists of a fabric bag with drawstrings and is filled with shampoo/body wash, toothbrush and toothpaste, Band-Aids, ChapStick, wash cloth, and Kleenex. Our commitment is to provide 40 bags per month. Cooperative Ministries will handle the storage of the kits and will monitor to ensure that they are appropriately distributed.

Help is needed in making the bags. If you are willing to cut fabric and/or sew bags, we can use your help. Materials will be provided to you. If you have scraps of cotton material (at least ¼ yard or more) laying around and would like to donate them, there will be a box marked "Missions" at the entryway of the fellowship hall.

Please see Jackie Howell or Crissie Eubanks if you would like to "lend a hand" to this local mission project.



Please join us at Barrett's Landing in downtown Franklin, VA on **October 14, 2023** for our Luminaria Ceremony. Entertainment begins at 5:00 PM; Luminaria Ceremony opens with a Survivor Lap at 6:30 PM.

This year our Luminaria (votive candles/glow sticks in paper bags with sand) will be lining the venue area. The Luminaria will be lit in memory and honor of loved ones and friends who have had cancer.

Printable forms can be found on our website, Facebook page or in the church office. If you would like to participate in our candle lighting, please complete the form and return it to the address listed on the form. Please make all checks payable to the American Cancer Society. Completed luminaria will be placed around the track by volunteers and relay teams the day of the event. Please see Debbie Carter or Angela Denson for more information.

WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES



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.

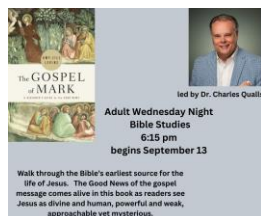
In October, we will study the Book of Matthew to understand God's invitation to us to be a part of His kingdom through parables and commandments told by Jesus.

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 are 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

Roy Duke, Mills Faison,
Janna Qualls (Charles and Elizabeth's sister-in-law),
Georgia Stainback

Please remember to keep our community leaders in your prayers.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, October 8

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 9

Library Committee Meeting	10:00 am	Library
Administrative Council Meeting	7:00 pm	Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, October 10

AA Group	7:00 pm	Community Room
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Wednesday, October 11

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, October 12

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

Saturday, October 14

Relay for Life	5:00 pm	Barrett's Landing
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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/>.