# THE WORSHIP OF GOD 25<sup>™</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST NOVEMBER 19, 2023 11:00 A.M.

\*Please stand if you are able.

Greeting Dr. Charles Qualls

Prelude Fantasy on "Nun Danke alle Gott" Wayne Leupold

Will Viverette, organist/pianist

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP Dan Lakeman

To you we lift up our eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens!

As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master,

so our eyes look to the Lord our God, until he has mercy upon us.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us, for we have come to worship.

Our souls gather around you, O Lord, and we await your voice.

Bless us just now as we worship you. May you look favorably upon us, we pray.

#### Amen.

INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

Dan Lakeman

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

RESPONSIVE READING 414 Proclamation Dan Lakeman

PASTORAL PRAYER Charles Qualls

\*HYMN 415 Lift High the Cross CRUCIFER

OFFERTORY Meditation on "Kresmer" ANNA L. PAGE

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 For These Blessings NATALIE SLEETH

SCRIPTURE READING Philippians 4:4-9

Charles Qualls

Pew Bible New Testament Pages 198-199
This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

SERMON Fall Series: An Entrusted Church

Charles Qualls

Living Thanks for God's Generosity

\*HYMN 494 Take My Life, Lead Me, Lord LANGLEY

\*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 Now Thank We S. KARG-ELERT Will Viverette, organist/pianist



The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Virginia and S.A. Carr, given 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

#### Franklin Baptist Church - November 19, 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 as it passes.

### **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!

#### 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 17th. 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.

#### 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.

#### 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.

#### **Year-End Contributions**

In compliance with IRS regulations, all contributions for 2023 must be received by <u>December 31</u>, <u>2023</u>. Any contributions received after that day will be posted to 2024. 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.



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



Our in-house Christmas message exchange (post office) will be returning on <u>November 26th</u>! The "post office" will be located in the narthex and will be available until January 2nd! No postage is required! 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 <u>YOUR</u> mail each week!



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. Forms can be found in the bulletin, SS classrooms, Narthex or the

church office. 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 **Monday**, **December 4**, **2023**.

## **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 <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>Thursday</u>, <u>and Friday</u>, <u>December 13</u>, <u>14 and 15</u>. <u>The times are 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM</u>.

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: kayjdrumheller@gmail.com, 757-377-6557; Eliza Rainey: epr321@charter.net, 757-377-7523 or Billie Turner: billie@villageatwoodsedge.com, 757-651-9137.

#### **Prayer Concerns**

Betsy Brantley, Ron Cornwell, Linda Johnson, Georgianna Brabban Johnson, Janna Qualls (Charles and Elizabeth's sister-in-law), Ron Rusnak, Danny Simonsen (Sue and Mike Johnson's son-in-law), Virginia Stone

Please remember to keep our community leaders in your prayers.

#### **Calendar of Events**

Sunday, November 19		
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 20		
JuBELLation Ringers	6:00 pm	JuBELLation Room
Tuesday, November 21		
AA Group	7:00 pm	Community Room
Wednesday, November 22		
Church Office Closing at Noon		
NA Group	7:30 pm	Community Room

# Thursday, November 23

Church Office Closed

### Friday, November 24

Church Office Closed

#### Church Closing for Thanksgiving Holiday

The church office will be closed the following days for the Thanksgiving Holiday: Wednesday, November 22nd - Closing at Noon, Thursday and Friday, November 23rd and 24th - Office Closed. Wishing everyone a Happy Thanksgiving Day!

There will be NO Wednesday Activities on November 22<sup>nd</sup>!