

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

MAY 4, 2025

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

COMMUNION SUNDAY

11:00 A.M.

*Please stand if you are able.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Healer of souls, we give you thanks for hearing our cries, for help and delivering us, and for removing what keeps us from seeing you. Fill us with your Holy Spirit so that we can call oppressors to repentance and give hope to those who are persecuted. Come and fill our hearts so that our whole being might sing praises to you and never stop. O Holy One, we will give thanks to you forever. AMEN.

GREETING

Charles Qualls

PRELUDE

He Hideth My Soul
Jeremy Poplin, Piano

ARR. MARK HAYES

THE CALL TO COME AND WORSHIP

Burt Evans

Today, our *One Story* journey takes us into the shortest scroll in the Old Testament. Obadiah consists of only 21 verses. Along with Jude in the New Testament, this is the most compact message in Scripture. In the short page of this book, we find a prophet who is not quietly sitting under his grapevine in a camel skin chair. Obadiah was on his soapbox, incensed and outraged. Through these words, we discover the truth that the taste of our tomorrows is flavored with the ingredients of our yesterdays.

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Burt Evans

We sing praises to you, O Holy One,
for you have healed us and brought us back to life.
God has turned our mourning into dancing.
Let us sing praises to the God of life!

INVOCATION AND LORD’S PRAYER		Burt Evans
<p>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.</p>		
*HYMN 692	Let Truth and Mercy Find Here	AURELIA
PASTORAL PRAYER		Charles Qualls
*HYMN 611	He Hideth My Soul	KIRKPATRICK
OFFERTORY	Our Father Who Art in Heaven Barbara Salter, Organ	DIETRICH BUXTEHUDE
*DOXOLOGY		OLD 100TH
<p>Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below; praise Him above ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. AMEN.</p>		
PRAYER OF DEDICATION		Charles Qualls
ANTHEM	O Love Women’s Quartet; Jeremy Poplin, Piano	ELAINE HAGENBERG
SCRIPTURE READING	Obadiah 1-4, 10-18, 21 Pew Bible Old Testament, Pages 858-859 This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!	Charles Qualls
MESSAGE	One Story What Goes Around Comes Around	Charles Qualls

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

INVITATION, BLESSING OF THE ELEMENTS, DISTRIBUTION

*HYMN 457

Come and Feast, for All Are Welcomed

REGENT SQUARE

BENEDICTION

Charles Qualls

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!

Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!

Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia!

Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Come Holy Spirit, God and Lord
Barbara Salter, Organ

J.S. BACH



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EVERY MEMBER A MINISTER

Dr. Charles L. Qualls, *Senior Pastor*

Jeremy Poplin, *Associate Pastor/Music*

Dr. Barbara Salter, *Organist*

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 and YouTube @ 11:00 AM

FRANKLIN BAPTIST CHURCH – MAY 4, 2025

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

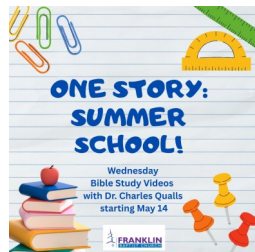
Help our church remain vital by continuing to give. Gifts can be made online on our website at franklinbaptist.org/onlinegiving or mail your offering to the church. Thank you for your faithful and generous support!

FRANKLIN COOPERATIVE MINISTRY

Franklin Cooperative Ministry will be collecting pads for their period packs and also laundry detergent for the month of May.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Each Sunday, the beauty of our Sanctuary shines through our livestreamed service and flowers on the Altar table. You can honor or remember a family member or friend by placing flowers on the Altar table. To reserve your preferred date, simply call the church office to be added to the Sunday Flower List. I have two Sundays available in May, including Mother's Day!



ONE STORY: SUMMER SCHOOL

We're nearing our customary summer break where Wednesday nights are concerned. But what about our well-attended *One Story* studies?

Beginning **Wednesday, May 14th**, watch each week for *One Story: Summer School*! These brief video studies will give an overview of some new material that follows up the Sunday Sermon. There is no set time to "tune in," but they will drop each Wednesday. Watch at your leisure once they release.

Join Dr. Qualls each week as we continue with helpful background and fresh insights!



RELAY FOR LIFE YARD SALE FUNDRAISER

The Missions team is collecting items for the Relay For Life yard sale fundraiser. If you have items you would like to donate, please drop them off at Century 21 on Armory Drive, or contact Angela Denson or Debbie Carter. Yard sale spots are also available for \$20 each. Call Angela @ 757-562-2295 to reserve yours today! Join us at the yard sale on May 3rd from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM @ Century 21!

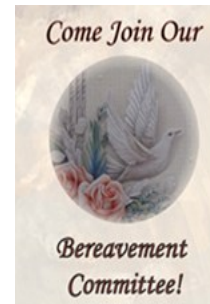


Scholarship applications for members of Franklin Baptist Church can be mailed or emailed to you by calling or emailing Eliza Rainey, scholarship committee chair, 757-562-2949, 757-377-7523 or epr321@charter.net. The deadline for returning applications is Wednesday, May 28th.

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.



BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The Bereavement Committee, led by Jo Culpepper, is composed of three teams who plan and prepare the event. Work involves preparing the food, setting up for the event, serving, as well as cleanup. Both men and women are needed! If you are willing to help, please call the church office so that you can be added to the group.



PRAYER CONCERNS

Johnny Avent, John Gregory Avent (Johnny Avent's son),
Beverly Brown, Betty Jo Ipock (Jo Culpepper's cousin),
Sharon James, Glenda Jervey, Brad Odom,
Tamara Sloop (Avis and Martin Shockley's daughter),
Bette Whitley (Jim Whitley's sister-in-law)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, MAY 4

Sunday School	9:45 am	SS Classrooms
Worship (also FB Live/YouTube/Radio)	11:00 am	Sanctuary
Organ Concert	2:00 pm	Sanctuary

MONDAY, MAY 5

Deacons Meeting	7:00 pm	Fellowship Hall
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TUESDAY, MAY 6

AA Group	7:00 pm	Community Room
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WEDNESDAY, MAY 7

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, MAY 8

High Street Seniors	10:00 am	Fellowship Hall
AA Group	7:00 pm	Community Room



WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES SUMMER BREAK

Starting on Wednesday, May 14th, Wednesday Morning Bible Study, Dinner and Adult Bible Study will begin our summer break. We will resume again in September!