

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
SEPTEMBER 14, 2025
FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
11:00 A.M.
*Please stand if you are able.

PRAYER OF THE DAY
Almighty God, give me the mind of Christ: drive away any selfish ambition, fill me with compassion and love, and make me a humble servant, that all I do and all I desire may be pleasing to you. In my accomplishments this day, make me humble; for my failures, give me consolation. In your steadfast love and grace, uphold me, and for my sins, forgive me, that I may know your mercy and walk in the way of your salvation. AMEN.

GREETING Charles Qualls

PRELUDE *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* ARR. JOEL RANEY
Jeremy Poplin and Barbara Salter, Piano

THE CALL TO COME AND WORSHIP Doug Story

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP Doug Story

The God of glory awaits,
welcoming us to worship and praise.
The Christ of humility is here,
welcoming our needs and prayers.
The Spirit of love gathers us in,
binding us together as one.

INVOCATION AND LORD’S PRAYER Doug Story

**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 587 *Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound* NEW BRITAIN

PASTORAL PRAYER Charles Qualls

CALL TO CONFESSION Doug Story

Let us come together this morning, as one body, and confess our sins against God and our neighbor trusting in the promise of forgiveness and grace.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Doug Story

Righteous God, we confess that we have not lived as your obedient children. We have honored you with our words, but we have denied you with our actions. We have not pursued the mind of Christ, who took on the form of a servant, for we have acted with selfish ambition. We have put our interests before the interests of others and have not regarded them in humility. Forgive us our arrogance, awaken our hearts to sincere repentance, and enable us to will and to work for your good pleasure, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. AMEN.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS Doug Story

Sisters and brothers, God offers forgiveness of our sin and abundant life and grace to those who repent. Then, as we are forgiven,
we can turn and live in Christ, our Lord.
Thanks be to God!

*HYMN 352 *All Praise to Thee* SINE NOMINE

OFFERTORY *Chorale* JOSEF JONGEN
Barbara Salter, Organ

*DOXOLOGY **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.** OLD 100TH

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Charles Qualls

ANTHEM *At the Name of Jesus* CINDY BERRY
Chancel Choir; Barbara Salter, Organ

SCRIPTURE READING Charles Qualls

Philippians 1:1-2, 12-14, 21; 2:5-11; 3:4-14
Pew Bible New Testament, Pages 196; 197; 198
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE

One Story
A Love Letter to Europe's First Church

Charles Qualls

*HYMN 312

Rejoice, Ye Pure In Heart

MARION

BENEDICTION

Charles Qualls

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Christians, Let Us Go and Serve Him* HOLY MANNA

Christians, let us go and serve him, serve the one who gives us life.

Let us serve in love and power, in the name of Jesus Christ.

Serve in love and serve in wisdom, reaching all we know and see.

Christians, let us go and serve him, now and through eternity.

POSTLUDE

Allegro di molto
Barbara Salter, Organ

JOHANNES BRAHMS



The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God
and in honor of the Church Staff.



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EVERY MEMBER A MINISTER

Dr. Charles L. Qualls, *Senior Pastor*

Jeremy Poplin, *Associate Pastor/Music*

Dr. Barbara Salter, *Organist*

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

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

FRANKLIN COOPERATIVE MINISTRY

Franklin Cooperative Ministry will be collecting deodorant during the month of September.

MISSIONS TEAM PROJECT

The Missions Team is collecting pop-tops to benefit Ronald McDonald House Charities, in honor of Riley, a local eleven year old, who received a heart transplant when she was four. Riley is very thankful for the Ronald McDonald House and wants to help other families that need their services. A collection station is just outside the Fellowship Hall.



JUBELLATION RINGERS

JuBELLation Ringers meet on Mondays at 6:00 PM in the Ringer’s room. We are always on the lookout for additional ringers! Please contact Jeremy Poplin for further information.



“Faith on Draft-Franklin”, please join us.

FAITH ON DRAFT – SEPTEMBER 16TH

Every third Tuesday at 6:30 PM at Serve (private room). Come about 5:00 PM for an enjoyable meal.

Faith on Draft returns on Tuesday, September 16th at 6:30 PM at Serve (private room). If you haven’t joined the Facebook Group

CHRISTMAS CHOIR REHEARSALS

Christmas Choir rehearsals begin September 17th at 7:00 PM in the Choir Room. Come and join us as we prepare to bring "The Sounds of Christmas" on December 7th .



WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY – THE VILLAGE

Join our Wednesday Morning Bible Study each week at 11:00 AM at the Village at Woods Edge.

In September, we will study in the New Testament, reading from Philemon and 1 Timothy. The unit is entitled "Why We Do What We Do". Each reading in this unit affirms that the ultimate goal of God's law is love. God desires that all people will experience grace and salvation, so our interpretation and enacting of the law ought to lead more people to see and experience God's love.

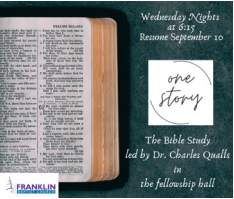
It will also be livestreamed on its own page. Look for Franklin Baptist Weds Bible Studies page on Facebook each time. Here’s the link: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100089014699051>



WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER, 5:30 PM, FELLOWSHIP HALL

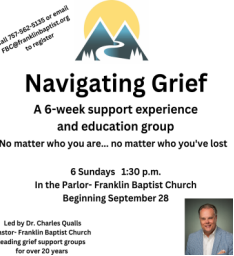
To make a reservation, please CALL the church office at 757-562-5135 by Tuesday at noon! You will be responsible for paying for any meals not cancelled by Noon on Tuesday!

If you need your meal to be a "takeout" meal, takeout containers will be available.



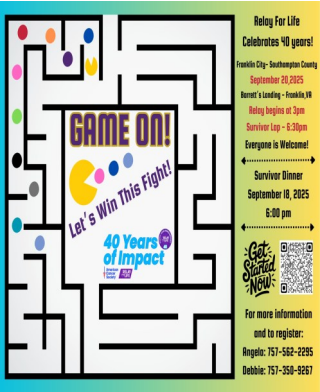
WEDNESDAY NIGHT ADULT BIBLE STUDY, 6:15 PM, FELLOWSHIP HALL

Each week, we're going to continue the *One Story* theme by drilling down a little deeper in each book. We'll try to survey each book of the Bible with material that didn't make it into the sermon. We'll dialogue around key themes and see what questions you might have.



GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP STARTING SOON!

You've lost a loved one and found that the hurt lingers. The world around you has moved on, but you're still lingering. Come join in on a 6-week support experience with others who are ready to learn more about their pain. No fee, but please do register. We'll begin at 1:30 PM on Sunday September 28th in the Parlor. Group size is limited, so don't wait! Please call the church office at 757-562-5135 or email Josephine at fbc@franklinbaptist.org. Dr. Charles Qualls, leading.



RELAY FOR LIFE — SEPTEMBER 20TH

Come join us on Saturday, September 20th at Barrett’s Landing. Relay begins at 3:00 PM with the Survivor Lap at 6:30 PM. All are welcome!

Printable Luminaria 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.

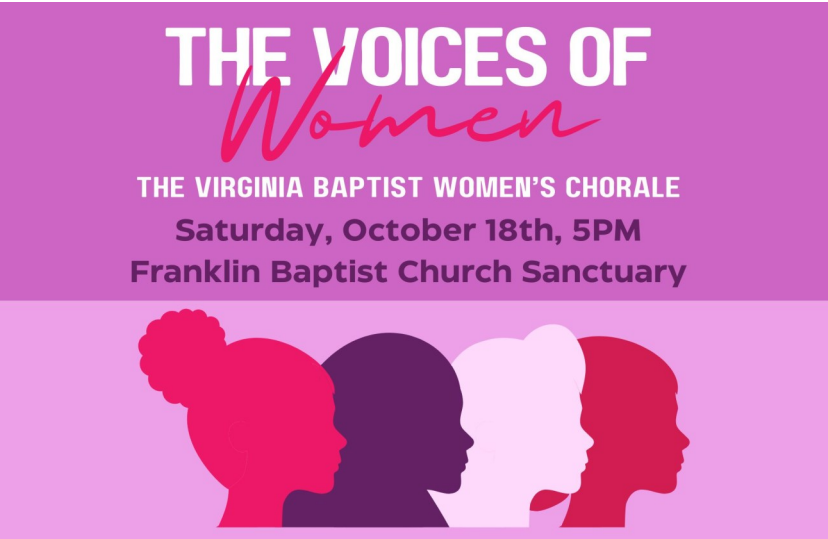


CHURCH PICNIC — SEPTEMBER 21ST

The Church picnic will be held on **Sunday, September 21st** at the Bronco Club from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Rain or Shine! There will be indoor air-conditioned seating.

Bring your favorite side dish and/or dessert, lawn chair and we will supply the rest!

Come and enjoy the fun and fellowship!



PRAYER CONCERNS

Mark Dillon (Gerry Lewis’ son), Patty Murphy, Carol Simms (Peggy Morgan and Dot Bunting’s sister), Amelia Spivey, Everett Williams

We express Christian sympathy to the family of Jennifer Maynard, who passed away on September 9, 2025.

Please remember to keep our community leaders in your prayers.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

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

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

JuBELLation Ringers	6:00 pm	JuBELLation Ringers Room
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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Faith on Draft	6:30 pm	Serve
AA Group	7:00 pm	Community Room

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Wednesday Morning Bible Study	11:00 am	The Village
Wednesday Night Dinner	5:30 pm	Fellowship Hall
Adult Bible Study	6:15 pm	Fellowship Hall
Christmas Choir Rehearsals	7:00 pm	Choir Room
NA Group	7:30 pm	Community Room

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

High Street Seniors	10:00 am	Fellowship Hall
Relay for Life Survivor Dinner	6:00 pm	Fellowship Hall
AA Group	7:00 pm	Community Room

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Relay for Life	3:00 pm	Barrett’s Landing
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