

Franklin Baptist Church



Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost
October 4, 2026

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
OCTOBER 4, 2026
NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
11:00 AM

*Please stand if you are able.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Today is World Communion Sunday. Created in 1933, this day is marked by churches around the globe to celebrate Christian unity and connectiveness through the ordinance of Holy Communion. World Communion Sunday emphasizes that the Christian table extends beyond any single congregation, symbolizing unity across borders, cultures, and denominations. This morning as we come to the table, we gather with countless other followers of Christ in this sacred act.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Creator God, the heavens radiate your glory! You have set a tent for the sun, which comes out like a joyful bridegroom from his wedding canopy. May we emerge from night's waiting with such rampant joy that we too radiate your glory throughout the day. In the name of the Son of righteousness who has risen with healing in his wings. AMEN.

GREETING

Charles Qualls

PRELUDE

Presto from Slavonic Dances Op. 46
Jeremy Poplin & Barbara Salter, Piano

ANTONIN DVORAK

THE CALL TO COME AND WORSHIP

Ann Stephens

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Ann Stephens

Whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ.

**I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing
value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.**

As the scriptures promise: the stone that the builders
rejected has become the cornerstone.

This is the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes.

**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 345

When Morning Gilds the Skies

LAUDES DOMINI

PASTORAL PRAYER

Jeremy Poplin

*HYMN 422

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners

HYFRYDOL

OFFERTORY

Meditation
Barbara Salter, Organ

JEAN LANGLAIS

*DOXOLOGY

OLD 100TH

**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.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Charles Qualls

ANTHEM

Communion
Chancel Choir; Barbara Salter, Organ

DOUGLAS WAGNER

SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 3:4b-14
Pew Bible New Testament, Page 198
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

Charles Qualls

MESSAGE

Not That I Have Already Obtained This

Charles Qualls

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

INVITATION, BLESSING OF THE ELEMENTS, DISTRIBUTION

THE INVITATION TO CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP

If you desire membership or associate membership in this beloved community, you are invited to come forward at this time, and our pastor will greet you. Franklin Baptist Church is a community of faith that is open and welcoming to all who wish to be a part of our family. You can join by transfer of membership from another church or by statement of faith. If you have not made a confession of faith, we invite you to do so and receive Christian baptism. Church members are invited to commit themselves anew to Christ and to Christ's service in the world.

*HYMN 466

Jesus, at Your Holy Table

BEACH SPRING

BENEDICTION

Charles Qualls

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *God of Grace and God of Glory* CWM RHONDDA

**Set our feet on lofty places; gird our lives that they may be
armored with all Christlike graces in the fight to set all free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, that we fail not man nor Thee!
That we fail not man nor Thee!**

POSTLUDE

Carillon-Sortie
Barbara Salter, Organ

H. MULET

FRANKLIN BAPTIST CHURCH – OCTOBER 4, 2026

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.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Narthex are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Judy and Holt Livesay's 62nd wedding anniversary.

FRANKLIN COOPERATIVE MINISTRY

Franklin Cooperative Ministry will be collecting toothbrushes and toothpaste during the month of October.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

You can pick up a copy of the new church directory at the church office during working hours. If you are a shut-in and are unable to come to the church office, please contact your deacon and they will get a copy to you.



BUILT ON THE ROCK
 A JOURNEY OF GRACE, LOVE, FAITH, LIGHT AND HOPE

VIRGINIA BAPTIST MALE CHORALE

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 12TH
AT 6:30PM**



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 208 N. High Street
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 Community Fine Arts Series
 2026-2027

Children's Book Donation Drive

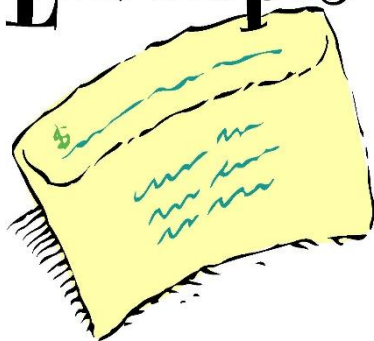
The Missions Team is collecting new and gently used children's books for Franklin Cooperative Ministries.

A good book can take you anywhere!



Donation bin outside Fellowship Hall

Offering Envelopes



Contribution Offering Envelopes are purchased by the church and sent to our membership on a monthly basis to assist with regular giving to support the annual operating budget. There are many ways to make your contribution without using the envelopes such as on-line giving, a designated distribution from an investment account, or mailing a check directly to the church office.

If you are currently receiving the envelopes but do not use them, you may call the church office (757-562-5135) to remove your name from the distribution list. Otherwise, there is nothing for you to do. We appreciate all faithful contributions to support the ministries of Franklin Baptist Church.

FRANKLIN
BAPTIST CHURCH

Wednesday Night Dinners

5:30 PM IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

**Make Your Reservations No Later Than
Tuesdays at Noon!**

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4
Lasagna	Fried Chicken	Meat Loaf	Soup & Ham Rolls
			

Meals Catered By
FRED'S
RESTAURANT

Adults - \$9.00
Children - \$6.00
Family Max - \$20.00

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

11:00 AM At The Village

This unit - The Law of the Lord - takes us back to the Old Testament. Moses was chosen by God to lead the Israelites out of Egypt after their long enslavement. He was the mediator between God and the people, speaking to God on their behalf and delivering God's Law to them. This law was important to the Jewish people in their worship, to the New Testament disciples and the early Christians, and it is foundational for Christian faith today.

October 7 - The Law is Good
Exodus 20:18-21; Psalm 19

October 14 - The Law is Lasting
Exodus 32:1-4, 7-14

October 21 - The Law is Personal
Exodus 33:9-23

October 28 - The Law is Life
Deuteronomy 34; Psalm 90:1-6

Livestreaming on Franklin Baptist Weds
Bible Studies page on Facebook

HANDBELL

Choir

REHEARSALS MONDAY
AT 6PM

Markers Along the Way

A study of John's gospel
Begins September 16

FRANKLIN
BAPTIST CHURCH

ADULT BIBLE STUDY THIS FALL

Jesus was walking into his public ministry as John's gospel opens. But were there signs -- markers really -- as to where he was taking us?

Join us on Wednesday nights at 6:15 PM in the fellowship hall. We'll explore this gospel and rediscover the markers of our own faithfulness

along the way. Led by Dr. Charles Qualls.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Dot Bunting, Betty Edwards, Sandy Edwards, Dan Fowler, Maggie Swain

Please remember to keep our community leaders in your prayers.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4

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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5

Staff Meeting	9:00 am	Conference Room
JuBellation Ringers	6:00 pm	Ringers Room
Deacons Meeting	7:00 pm	Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6

AA Group	7:00 pm	Community Room
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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 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
Christmas Choir	7:00 pm	Choir Room
NA Group	7:30 pm	Community Room

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8

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



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EVERY MEMBER A MINISTER

Dr. Charles L. Qualls, *Senior Pastor*

Rev. Jeremy Poplin, *Associate Pastor/Music*

Dr. Barbara Salter, *Organist*

Rev. 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