

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
SEPTEMBER 23, 2018
11:00 A.M.

*Please stand if you are able.

GREETING Charles Qualls

MISSION MOMENT

VOLUNTARY *Seasons of Life* MARK HAYES
Steve Gibson, Pianist

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP Betty Britt

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.
God's steadfast love endures forever.
All those who delight in God will be delivered;
the least are welcomed in Jesus' name.
Let us worship God!

INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER Betty Britt

**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 OF PRAISE 619 *Blessed Assurance* ASSURANCE

BLESSING AND DEDICATION OF LINDA MARIE CULPEPPER (SEE INSERT CENTER) Steve Gibson

PRAYER Charles Qualls

*HYMN OF OFFERING 603 *Jesus Loves Me* CHINA

OFFERTORY *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* MARK HAYES
Steve Gibson, Pianist

*Doxology

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**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

*Prayer of Dedication Charles Qualls

ANTHEM *Praise His Holy Name!* KEITH HAMPTON
Chancel Choir

Sing to the power of the Lord come down.
Shout Hallelujah! Praise His Holy Name! {Refrain}

Amazing grace how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me;
I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind but now I see.
Jesus how I love Thee! Shout Hallelujah! Praise His Holy Name! {Refrain}

Must Jesus bear the cross alone and all the world go free?
No there's a cross for everyone and there's a cross for me.
Jesus how I love Thee! Shout Hallelujah! Praise His Holy Name!
Holy Jesus, Praise His Name, Oh! Hallelujah!
Praise His Holy Name! Praise His Name! Praise His Holy Name!

SCRIPTURE READING James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a Charles Qualls
Pew Bible New Testament Pages 230-231
This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

SERMON *Fall Series: "A Work in Progress"* Charles Qualls
Wisdom, Wise-talking Wise-guys...
and the God Who Knows the Difference

*HYMN OF RESPONSE 436 *Seek Ye First* LAFFERTY

*BENEDICTION Charles Qualls

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Blessed Assurance

ASSURANCE

**Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.**

**This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.**

VOLUNTARY

'Tis the Gift to Be Simple
Steve Gibson, Pianist

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EVERY MEMBER A MINISTER

Charles. L. Qualls, *Sr. Pastor*

Steven R. Gibson, *Associate Pastor/Music*

Sharon James, *Associate Pastor/Education Emeritus*

This worship service is broadcast on radio WLQM - 1250 AM

Dedication of Linda Marie Culpepper

Parents: Scott and Jennifer Culpepper
Siblings: Amanda and Thomas
Grandparents: Britton and Jo Culpepper
Ann Schmidt

God delights and takes great pleasure in children. Children are one of the greatest gifts God gives to husbands and wives. [Psalm 127:3](#) proclaims that "Children are a heritage from the Lord, children are a reward from Him." Because children are a gift from God, it is natural that Christian parents present and dedicate their child to God. In the Gospels we read that people brought little children and babies to Jesus so that he might place his hands on them and pray for them.

In the same way, today Scott and Jennifer bring their daughter, Linda Marie Culpepper, presenting first themselves and then Linda before the Lord our God. Accompanying them in making this commitment are grandparents Britton and Jo Culpepper and Ann Schmidt, and siblings Amanda and Thomas witness this as well.

Scott and Jennifer, I call your attention to the commands of God recorded in [Deuteronomy 6:4-7](#) : "Hear O Israel: The Lord our God is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on their children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up."

The best thing Moms and Dads can teach their child is the knowledge and love of the Lord." [Proverbs 1:7](#) tells us this is "the beginning of knowledge." In other words, the successful application of all that Linda learns in life depends on her first learning to love and follow God. So your church urges you, Scott and Jennifer, to love God with every ounce and fiber of your being and teach Linda to do the same. As you love God and love one another, you will model before Linda the wonderful love that God has for all his children.

Scott and Jennifer, in the presence of God and these witnesses, do you hereby declare your desire to dedicate yourselves and your daughter Linda to the Lord?

If so, please respond by saying "we do."

We do.

So that Linda may walk in the abundant life that Christ offers, do you, Scott and Jennifer, pledge by God's help and in partnership with the church, to provide Linda a Christian home of love and peace, to raise her in the truth of our Lord's instruction and discipline, and to encourage her to one day trust Jesus Christ as her Savior and Lord?

We do.

For encouragement in fulfilling these vows, Scott and Jennifer will call upon Britton, Jo and Ann. There is great pride in seeing a new generation of family and how that joy is reinforced when children are raised to love God. To this end, I ask you the following question.

Britton and Jo, in the presence of God and these witnesses, do you hereby declare your desire to dedicate yourselves and your granddaughter Linda to the Lord?

If so, please respond by saying, "we do."

We do.

Finally, I ask that the church make a commitment as well. As believers in the body of Christ, we have a responsibility to teach the Gospel story to our younger generation. In fact, the Old Testament prophet Joel commands us to tell of God's work "to your children, and let your children tell it to their children, and their children to the next generation" (1:3).

Members of the congregation, I ask now that you make the following commitment before God. Do you promise to be faithful in your calling as members of the Body of Christ to encourage Scott and Jennifer as they raise Linda in the ways of God's love?

If so, please respond by saying, "we do."

We do.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Judy Avent, Ed Daughtrey, Mac Edwards, Richard Edwards,
Shelby Parker, Margie Shirley (Diane Rusnak's mother), Jake Stone, Kirk Whitley

We express Christian sympathy to the family of Chip Kingery
who passed away on September 10, 2018.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, September 23

Casual Worship	8:45 am	Chapel
Friends, Food and Fun	9:30 am	Middle School Classroom
Bible Study	9:45 am	
Sunday School for Children/Youth	10:00 am	
Worship	11:00 am	Sanctuary
Fellowship Coffee	12:00 pm	Fellowship Hall
Youth Group	6:00 pm	Youth Room

Monday, September 24

Frances Hudgins Group	12:30 pm	The Village
JuBellation Ringers	6:30 pm	Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, September 25

AA Group	8:00 pm	Community Room
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Wednesday, September 26

Bible Study	11:00 am	The Village-Activity Room
Children's Chimes	5:00 pm	Chimes Room
Dinner	5:30 pm	Fellowship Hall
Children's Choir	6:00 pm	Choir Room
Adult Bible Study	6:15 pm	Fellowship Hall
Children's Missions	6:30 pm	Kindergarten Room
Chancel Choir	7:00 pm	Choir Room
NA Group	7:30 pm	Community Room

Thursday, September 27

Senior Citizens	10:00 am	Fellowship Hall
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Friday, September 28

Securing the Faithful Seminar	9:00 am	Fellowship Hall
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Wednesday Night Bible Study: Prayer in the Life of Jesus

Each week...two concepts. A Bible study around one episode of Jesus praying. Compelling stories that show Jesus connecting with God the Father. Then, each week, we'll explore one ancient technique that gives us a new practice for our prayer. Don't worry; no weird stuff! These sessions are supported by two books: Prayer in the Life of Jesus by Dr. Paris Donehoo and Beginning Prayer by Dr. John Killinger.

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Welcome Guests

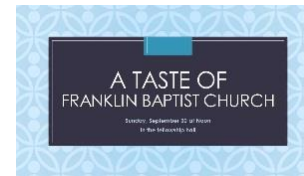
We are always grateful to welcome guests who worship with us! Please complete the brief information card found in the pew rack, directly in front of you and place it in the offering plate as it passes.

Worship

Franklin Baptist Church offers two services. Our casual service is at 8:45 AM in the Chapel; and our traditional service is at 11:00 AM in the Sanctuary.

Missions

- Please contact Dawn Holland at 653-1219 or the church office if you know of anyone in need of a chemo kit. To date, 14 people have been reached by the program. Our next chemo kit workshop will be on **Friday, October 19th** from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please contact Dawn Holland or Peggy Morgan (562-3345) for more information.
- Opportunity for volunteers to help Franklin High School at football/volleyball games as ticket takers and at concession stands. Contact lola Gay at 757-377-7166 for more information.



Be sure to stay with us on **Sunday, September 30th** for "A Taste of Franklin Baptist Church".

Sample a variety of tasty treats as you walk the room and enjoy the fellowship. Leaders from our 3 "Lighting God's Path" ministry teams will be there to sign you up for your chosen avenue of service. We are excited to kick off our new season of mission and ministry.

Be a part of God's work as we serve faithfully -- and as we reintroduce our church to our community.



In response to the needs of those suffering from the impact of Hurricane Florence, Franklin Baptist Church will assemble disaster hygiene kits as we did last year. We will accept donations of individual items (listed below) which are needed; however, please ensure that they are of the size requested, as they MUST all fit in a gallon-sized zip lock bag. Items may be dropped off at the church.

Monetary donations are much appreciated; we have members who are prepared to shop for the items. If you write a check to Franklin Baptist Church, note on the memo line "Disaster Kits".

We will publicize the date and time when we are ready to pack the kits, once items have been collected.

We have had numerous requests from members and non-members to be involved in this important ministry. Thank you for your willing generosity.

Individual items needed: (stores listed are where items can be found, but all stores have the items.)

- Bar of soap (Dollar Tree had several brands that were 3 for \$1)
- Lotion (3 oz works well—Dollar Tree had several kinds)
- Shampoo (Walmart had several kinds that were 3 oz)
- Deodorant (travel size - Dollar Tree had a number of different brands)
- Washcloth (Dollar Tree had decent ones 3 for \$1)
- Small hand towel (Dollar Tree or Walmart)
- Comb/small brush (Walmart had small brush)
- Shaving cream/disposable razors (travel size, Dollar Tree had disposable razors of several kinds)
- Facial tissues (individually wrapped packs - Dollar Tree carries package of 8 for \$1)
- Toothbrush/toothpaste (travel size toothpaste)
- Gallon-sized zip lock bags (with slide zipper tabs)
- Quart-sized zip lock bags



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