

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT
COMMUNION SUNDAY
DECEMBER 2, 2018
11:00 A.M.

*Please stand if you are able.

GREETING Charles Qualls
VOLUNTARY *Fantasy and Tocatta on Veni Emmanuel* AUSTIN LOVELACE
Steve Gibson, Organist

*CONGREGATIONAL CALL TO WORSHIP

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice IN DULCI JUBILO

**Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice!
Give ye heed to what we say: Jesus Christ is born today.
Ox and ass before Him bow, and He is in the manger now:
Christ is born today, Christ is born today!**

INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER Jane Best

**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.**

*CAROL 79 *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* VENI EMMANUEL

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH The Candle of Hope Jo Culpepper

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 60:2-3 Jo Culpepper

For darkness shall cover the earth,
and thick darkness the peoples;
but the Lord will arise upon you,
and his glory will appear over you.

Nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Hope, Peace, Joy and Love* BAUGH

**Hope, peace, joy, and love!
These are gifts You bring from above.
Jesus, Emmanuel, come to be
light of Your hope, reflected in me.**

PRAYER Jo Culpepper

*CAROL 83 *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus* HYFRYDOL

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Before the Marvel of This Night* CARL SCHALKT
Chancel Choir

Before the marvel of this night,
adoring, fold your wings and bow,
then tear the sky apart with light,
and with your news the world endow.
Proclaim the birth of Christ and peace,
that fear and death and sorrow cease;
sing peace, sing peace, sing gift of
peace, sing peace, sing gift of peace!

Awake the sleeping world with song,
this is the day the Lord has made.
Assemble here, celestial throng,
in royal splendor come arrayed.
Give earth a glimpse of heaven's bliss,
a teasing taste of what they miss:
sing bliss, sing bliss, sing endless bliss,
sing bliss, sing endless bliss!

The love that we have always known,
our constant joy and endless light,
now to the loveless world has shown,
now break upon its deathly night.
Into one song compress the love,
the love that rules above;
sing love, sing love, sing God is love,
sing love, sing God is love!

*Doxology LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**His name is called Emmanuel, more wonderful than words can tell.
God is with us! Alleluia!
Born in our darkness, He is Light; born in our weakness, He is Might.
God is with us! Alleluia! God is with us! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*Prayer of Dedication		Charles Qualls
SCRIPTURE READING	Jeremiah 33:14-16 Pew Bible Old Testament Page 738 This is the Word of the Lord Thanks be to God.	Charles Qualls
SERMON	I Will Keep My Promise	Charles Qualls
CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION INVITATION, BLESSING OF THE ELEMENTS, DISTRIBUTION		
*CAROL 96	<i>I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light</i>	HOUSTON
*BENEDICTION		Charles Qualls
*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE	<i>Emmanuel</i>	MCGEE

**Emmanuel, Emmanuel, His name is called Emmanuel;
God with us, revealed in us; His name is called Emmanuel.**

VOLUNTARY	<i>O Worship the King</i> Jackie Arrington, Pianist	HAYDN
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The flowers in the Narthex are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of
Reginald and Alyce Page Kitchen by their children,
grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

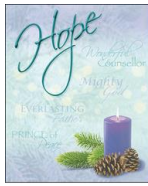
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EVERY MEMBER A MINISTER
Charles. L. Qualls, *Sr. Pastor*
Steven R. Gibson, *Associate Pastor/Music*
Sharon James, *Associate Pastor/Education Emeritus*

This worship service is broadcast on radio WLQM - 1250 AM

Advent Calendar

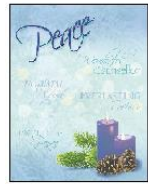


First Sunday of Advent

December 2, 2018 - Communion at both services

Hope, Peace, Joy and Love... (Celebrating Grace, # 80)

(Note: This is the last early service for 2018, the early service will return on January 6, 2019.)

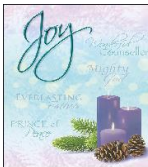


Second Sunday of Advent

December 9, 2018 - Hanging of the Green

Nowell, Born is the King of Israel! (Celebrating Grace, #124)

(Today's coffee is replaced with a Christmas Party with food provided by the congregation. Please take your food to the fellowship hall. The Christmas Party is hosted by the Social Committee.)

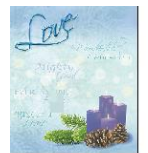


Third Sunday of Advent

December 16, 2018 - Christmas Music Sunday

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice! (Celebrating Grace, #122)

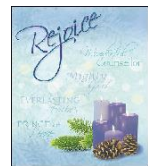
The voices of the Chancel Choir and Friends present "A Carol Suite" by Hal H. Hopson; Before the Marvel of this Night by Carl Schalk, and Away in a Manger by Mack Wilberg. This musical service will be accompanied by a string quartet, oboe, flute and organ and will include the singing of favorite Christmas Carols.



Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 23, 2018

Once in Royal David's City...(Celebrating Grace, # 104)



Christmas Eve - December 24, 2018

Candlelight Christmas Eve Service - 4:30 PM

On Christmas night the angels sing to hear the news the angels bring... (Celebrating Grace, # 133)

December 30th

Worship in the Chapel - 11:00 AM

PRAYER CONCERNS

Fannie Bristow, Britt Culpepper, Mac Edwards,
Richard Edwards, Marion Poole, Dot Saunders, Bill Scarboro

We express Christian sympathy to the family of Walter Aurelius Brantley who passed away on November 25, 2018.

The flowers at the fellowship coffee this morning are given in memory of Walter Aurelius Brantley by the Franklin Garden Club.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, December 2

Casual Worship (Last Early Service)	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
Discipleship Meeting	12:30 pm	Community Room
Worship Team Meeting	12:30 pm	Faithful Worker's Room
Youth Group	6:00 pm	Youth Room

Monday, December 3

JuBELLation Ringers	6:00 pm	Sanctuary
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Tuesday, December 4

Deacon's Social	6:30 PM	Qualls' House
AA Group	8:00 pm	Community Room

Wednesday, December 5

Bible Study	11:00 am	The Village-Activity Room
Children's Chimes	5:00 pm	Sanctuary
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
Christmas Choir	7:00 pm	Choir Room
NA Group	7:30 pm	Community Room

Thursday, December 6

Senior Citizens	10:00 am	Fellowship Hall
Faith on Draft	6:30 pm	Fred's Restaurant

Franklin Baptist Church – December 2, 2018

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. **Today will be the last early service for 2018 and will return on January 6, 2019.**

Missions

Coat Drive: Often older students are overlooked when coat drives are done. Therefore, we are partnering with Franklin High School on a coat drive. We have begun purchasing coats and any monetary donations would be greatly appreciated. When making a monetary donation, please put in the memo box of your check to School Missions. If you have any questions, you can contact Dawna Walton, Kristin Felts or Lola Gay. Thank you for your support in this very important mission project.

Year-End Contributions

In compliance with IRS regulations, all contributions for 2018 **must be received** by December 31, 2018. Any contributions received after that day will be posted to 2019. If you have any questions, please contact Melody Tayloe at 562-5135.

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.



ANGEL TREE

Please return your wrapped gifts to the church office no later than **December 3rd at 10:00 AM**. Remember to affix the tag containing the child's name to your package. (Isaiah 9:6...For a child has been born unto us...)



The youth are going to sponsor a holiday greeting mailbox. Simply bring your holiday cards and place them in the mailbox near the library. The youth will stamp and sort your mail for **fellow church members** for 25 cents a card.

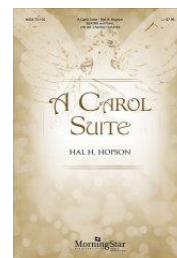


Advent's Power: *Stories of Christmas Grace* Wednesday Nights 6:15 pm

The season of our anticipation is upon us. Each year, we mark the birth of Christ with the celebration of Christmas! But, what are the biblical stories that can beckon us closer? Come this Advent and peer over the edge of the Manger as we welcome the Child.



The next Faith on Draft is **Thursday, December 6th at 6:30 PM**. Topic to be discussed, "Does Everything Happen For A Reason?" There is no food service upstairs, so remember to plan to eat before or after the discussion hour. Beverages are available upstairs. Join us any and every first Thursday of the month.



Christmas Music Sunday is **December 16, 2018**. The service will include arrangements of familiar carols including Joy to the World; What Child is This; Go Tell It On The Mountain; Once in Royal David's City; Still, Still, Still; Sing We Now of Christmas; and Angels We Have Heard on High. Plan now to attend and bring a friend!



Franklin Baptist Church 3D keepsake ornaments are on sale for \$10.00 each. You can pay for and pick them up at the church office. Please make checks payable to Franklin Cooperative Ministry. For more information, contact the church office at 757-562-5135.



Wednesday activities end on December 12, 2018 and will resume again on January 9, 2019.

Friends, Food and Fun will be every Sunday in December **except for December 30, 2018** and will resume again on January 6, 2019.