

THE WORSHIP OF GOD  
THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST  
AUGUST 22, 2021  
11:00 A.M.

\*Please stand if you are able.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Holy God, your word feeds your people with life that is eternal. Direct our choices and preserve us in your truth, that, renouncing what is false and evil, we may live in you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREETING Charles Qualls

VOLUNTARY *Trumpet Voluntary in C* DAVID LASKEY  
Steve Gibson, Organist

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP Suzanne Blythe

The living God has sent the living bread from heaven  
**to fill our hearts with strength!**  
In the name of the Father,  
**and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER Suzanne Blythe

**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 32 *God Has Spoken by the Prophets* HYMN TO JOY

RESPONSIVE PSALTER

Psalm 84

Suzanne Blythe

THE JOY OF WORSHIP IN THE TEMPLE

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!  
**My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the Lord;  
my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.**  
Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself,  
**where she may lay her young, at your altars,  
O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.**  
Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise. *Selah*

**Happy are those whose strength is in you,  
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.**  
As they go through the valley of Baca they make it a place of springs;  
the early rain also covers it with pools.  
**They go from strength to strength; the God of gods will be seen in Zion.**  
O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob! *Selah*

**Behold our shield, O God; look on the face of your anointed.**  
For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.  
**I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God  
than live in the tents of wickedness.**  
For the Lord God is a sun and shield; he bestows favor and honor.  
**No good thing does the Lord withhold from those who walk uprightly.**  
**O Lord of hosts, happy is everyone who trusts in you.**

PASTORAL PRAYER Steve Gibson

150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY HYMN *Find Rest for Our Souls* FRANKLIN  
*Matthew 11:28-30*  
Steve Gibson, Organist

“Come to me all you that are weary and carrying heavy burdens,  
and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart,  
and you will find rest for your souls.  
For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

SCRIPTURE READING	Luke 15:1-2, 8-10 Pew Bible New Testament, Page 78 This is the Word of the Lord <b>Thanks be to God.</b>	Charles Qualls
VOLUNTARY	<i>Holy, Holy, Holy</i> Jackie Arrington, Pianist Steve Gibson, Organist	DAN MILLER
SERMON	<i>Series: Jesus The Storyteller</i> You Wanna Talk About Good News?	Charles Qualls
*HYMN 494	<i>Take My Life, Lead Me, Lord</i>	LANGLEY
*BENEDICTION		Charles Qualls
*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE	<i>Find Rest for Our Souls</i> (Stanza 3) Celebrating Grace Hymnal, Back Cover	FRANKLIN
VOLUNTARY	<i>Postlude on Kirken</i> Steve Gibson, Organist	DAVID LASKEY

## **Cookies and Lemonade**

Please join us for Cookies and Lemonade in the Breezeway immediately following the worship service!



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**EVERY MEMBER A MINISTER**

Charles. L. Qualls, *Senior Pastor*  
Steven R. Gibson, *Associate Pastor/Music*  
Sharon James, *Associate Pastor/Education Emeritus*

This worship service is broadcast on radio WLQM - 1250 AM and PRAISE 99.1 FM  
Facebook Live @ 11:00 AM

## Franklin Baptist Church – August 22, 2021

### 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.

### Worship Service

In response to CDC and VA Adjustments in Covid policies, masks are optional for worship at 11:00 AM. We will have more doors and exits open for your convenience. We will continue to have pews marked for physical distancing should you choose.

### Church Offerings

Help our church remain vital this summer by remembering to give. You can give online on our website at [franklinbaptist.org/onlinegiving](http://franklinbaptist.org/onlinegiving) or mail your offering to the church. Thank you for your faithful and generous support!

### Relay for Life Luminaria

Please join us at Barrett's Landing on **September 18<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 to 9:00 PM** for Relay for Life. This year our Luminaria (votive candles/glow sticks in paper bags with sand) will be lining the venue area. The Luminaria will be lit in memory and honor of loved ones and friends who have had cancer. We want to give everyone an opportunity to pay tribute to their loved ones and friends and help fight the disease that claims so many lives. You do not need to be an actual participant in the celebration to take part in this tribute. With your donation, the name of the individual you designate will be placed on a luminaria bag to be lit. **Please make all checks payable to “American Cancer Society”.**

Forms for Luminarias may be found in the church office and on our website (under Sermons/Bulletins/Devotionals tab) and Facebook page.

### Wednesday Bible Studies

Wednesday Morning Bible Study **resumes again on Wednesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>** at 11:00 AM. We are tentatively scheduled to return to the Village at Woods Edge. We will study Galatians and Thessalonians by N. T. Wright. If you would like to order a book, please call the office and place your name on the list.

Join us for Wednesday School Adult Bible Study on **Wednesdays at 5:00 PM on Facebook Live.**

### Upcoming Worship Hymns

September 5 - Communion Sunday  
Anthem: In Remembrance of Me (Buryl Red)

September 12 - 150th Anniversary Kickoff  
George Corbett, Oboist  
Anthem: Commissioned Hymn (York/Schwoebel)

September 19  
Anthem: Assurance (John Ness Beck); The Church's One Foundation  
(Commissioned Handbell piece by Karissa Dennis)

September 26  
Anthem: Walk Worthy (Joseph Martin)



### **New Sermon Series: *Jesus The Storyteller***

Jesus was a marvelous storyteller who illuminated truths in creative ways. He challenged us with these stories in ways we needed to be challenged. His audience may be different today. We may live in a different time, place and culture. But the lessons and themes are timeless. Be sure to engage and let a fresh word come your way, courtesy of Jesus the Storyteller!



The Church picnic will be held on **Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup>** at the Bronco Club from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Rain or Shine! There will be indoor air-conditioned seating.

The church will supply hamburgers/hotdogs, buns, drinks and paper goods. Bring your favorite side dish and/or dessert.

Come and enjoy the fun and fellowship! Live entertainment and games!



Franklin Cooperative Ministry is in need of the following items:

- ◆ 16/18 oz. Peanut Butter
- ◆ Canned Spaghetti Sauce
- ◆ Mac and Cheese
- ◆ Crackers in Sleeve

Main Office Hours

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays: 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Fridays: 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

The Clothing Closet is accepting donations of clothing and linens on Monday mornings. At this time, they are not in need of kitchen items. They are unable to accept decorative items and knick-knacks.

Please bring items to the Clothing Closet at 511 N. Main Street (by the Franklin Post Office) on Monday mornings from 8:00 AM to 11:30 AM. **They cannot accept Clothing Closet donations at their main office.** If you have any questions, please call them at 757-516-6322.

The clothing closet is now opened to shoppers by appointment -- as always, this does not apply to emergencies -- to better accommodate for social distancing. Please call 516-6322 for a shopping time! A HUGE thank you to our donors who make it possible for us to offer free clothing.

Any food contributions should be taken directly to the Franklin Cooperative Ministry building on the corner of High Street and First Avenue, Monday through Friday, during their regular business hours.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Lynda, Bond, Gerald Elks, Opal Elks, David Flythe, Louise Hedgepeth, Ken Gay, Gerry Lewis, Nita McLemore (Harvey McLemore's sister)

Please remember to keep our community leaders in your prayers.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, August 22

Bible Study	9:45 am	Fellowship Hall
Worship (also Facebook Live/Radio)	11:00 am	Sanctuary
Lemonade and Cookie Fellowship	12:00 pm	Breezeway
Handbell Rehearsal	4:00 pm	Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, August 24

AA Group	8:00 pm	Community Room
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Wednesday, August 25

Adult Bible School	5:00 pm	Facebook Live
NA Group	7:30 pm	Community Room

Thursday, August 26

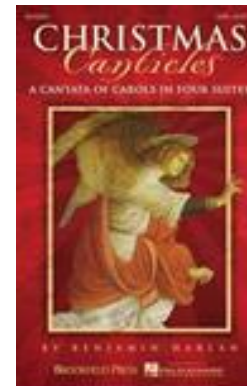
Senior Citizens	10:00 am	Fellowship Hall
Missions Team Meeting	5:30 pm	Fellowship Hall

Saturday, August 28

Deacon's Meeting	8:00 am	Fellowship Hall
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Christmas Canticles

We are anticipating a glorious Advent and Christmas Celebration. Christmas Canticles will be our Christmas Concert on December 12<sup>th</sup>. Maybe this year is the year that you sing Christmas Music at Franklin Baptist Church!



Sunday, August 29 - 4:00 to 5:30 PM, Fellowship Hall

Special Preview Rehearsal for those desiring to sing Christmas music.

Please let the office know if you plan to attend so music will be ready.

Everyone is encouraged to wear a mask and chairs will be distanced appropriately.