

THE WORSHIP OF GOD  
CELEBRATING 150 YEARS OF FAITHFUL MINISTRY  
FOR OUR LORD (1871-2021)  
SEPTEMBER 26, 2021  
11:00 A.M.

\*Please stand if you are able.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Generous God, your Son gave his life that we might come to peace with you. Give us an ample share of your Spirit, and empower us so that in all we do, your Spirit will sustain and encourage us, so that others may see that we bear the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREETING Charles Qualls

VISION REVITALIZATION SUNDAY UPDATE Peggy Morgan

VOLUNTARY *Morning Has Broken* DIANE BISH  
Steve Gibson, Organist

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP Burt Evans

If it had not been for God,

**we would have fallen prey to those who want to harm us;**

we would have been swept away by sadness and fear.

**Blessed be the Lord, our protector!**

God has broken the snare that took away our freedom.

**Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.**

**Blessed be God's holy name, now and forever!**

INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

Burt Evans

**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 27 *Morning Has Broken* BUNESSAN

RESPONSIVE READING 324 Bless God's Holy Name Burt Evans

VOLUNTARY *Etude* FREDERICK CHOPIN  
Jackie Arrington, Pianist  
Steve Gibson, Organist

PASTORAL PRAYER Steve Gibson

\*HYMN 249 *The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound* AZMON

SCRIPTURE READING Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22 Charles Qualls  
Pew Bible Old Testament, Pages 448 and 450  
This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM *Walk Worthy* JOSEPH MARTIN  
Chancel Choir

SERMON *Series: Living Well* Charles Qualls  
The Reason We Live

\*HYMN 34 *Word of God, Across the Ages* AUSTRIAN HYMN

\*BENEDICTION Charles Qualls

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Find Rest for Our Souls* FRANKLIN  
(Stanza 3, Back Page of Hymnal)

\*VOLUNTARY

*Postlude à la gigue*  
Steve Gibson, Organist

DAVID LASKY



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 – September 26, 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-19 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!

### Sunday School Groups Resume

Sunday School groups have the option to gather in person at 9:45 a.m. on Sundays. In light of prudent Covid-19 safety, we strongly encourage good physical distancing and optional mask-wearing as you share space. Group leaders are encouraged to reach out directly, as you do, with your own group members for info specific to your group. If you have any questions or concerns, or if your group is not prepared yet for any reason to gather, please have its leader call the church office at 562-5135.

### Disaster Kits

BGAV disaster relief has asked for hygiene kits, diapers, and feminine products for hurricane victims and refugees. Missions has completed 200 kits and is planning another 200 for this cause. They need your help. Huge demand!

Please consider making a donation of diapers (any size) and/or feminine products. These may be dropped off at church through **Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup>**. The mission members will be glad to purchase for you if you prefer a monetary donation.

**Volunteers are needed to help set up on Tuesday morning, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM in the fellowship hall and again at 5:30 PM for packing of kits. Volunteers needed for both time slots.**

### Flowers for the Altar

Each Sunday, the beauty of our Sanctuary shines through our livestreamed service and flowers on the Altar table. You can honor or remember a family member or friend by placing flowers on the Altar table.

To reserve your preferred date, simply call the church office to be added to the Sunday Flower List.

## October Highlights

### Lighting God's Path

The Vision Oversight/Leadership Committee has designated **Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>** as Vision Revitalization Sunday. As we begin our Fall programs, we would like to refocus on the Lighting God's Path Vision established by the church. We will have booths set up during the fellowship coffee representing the three vision committees - Discipleship, Missions, and Worship. Representatives from each team will be available to answer questions as well as have a sign-up sheet for members wishing to join or change a team. We hope to see you on October 3<sup>rd</sup> as we continue to do God's work in our church, community, and beyond.

### Luncheon to Celebrate the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Franklin Baptist Church

Our celebration of the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Franklin Baptist Church continues on Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup>. Immediately following worship, we will celebrate with a catered lunch in the fellowship hall. The menu includes: Pork BBQ, Slaw, Baked Beans, and Banana Pudding.

Reservations are required by completing the form in the bulletin or calling the church office at 562-5135. You can also find a form on the church's website and on our Facebook page.

**Reservations must be made by October 1<sup>st</sup>**. There is no cost for this celebration.

### Wednesday Bible Studies

Join us for Wednesday Morning Bible Study at 11:00 AM in the fellowship hall (will also be live-streamed on Facebook). We will study Galatians and Thessalonians by N. T. Wright. If you would like to order a book, please call the office. Books are \$13.00. Please make checks payable to Franklin Baptist Church and put Wednesday Bible Study Book on the memo line.

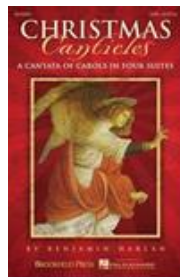
Join us for Wednesday School Adult Bible Study at 6:15 PM (will also be live-streamed on Facebook). We will be studying The Revelation of John, led by Dr. Charles Qualls. Let's unlock truth so that the mystery becomes relevant!



### Fall Sermon Series: Living Well

Life doesn't just happen. Every choice and every decision is a part of what brought us to this moment. How can we live in ways that will one day allow us to reminisce and say, "That was good!"? The Wisdom Literature of the Bible has a lot to lend us.

Join us on Sundays at 11 a.m. as we lean in and listen to what Proverbs, Esther and even Job have to teach us! Dr. Charles Qualls, preaching.



### Christmas Canticles Rehearsals - Coming Soon!

Wednesdays - Christmas Choir - Choir Room -7:00-7:40 PM beginning October 6<sup>th</sup>.

December 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>

Cantata Weekend (Accompanied by Chamber Orchestra)

December 11- Dress Rehearsal with Chamber Orchestra  
10:00 AM -12:00 PM

December 12<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Canticles

December 24<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Eve (Singing a portion of Christmas Canticles during Candlelight Service)

### PRAYER CONCERNS

Howard Boone, Opal Elks, David Flythe, Louise Hedgepeth,  
Gerry Lewis, Glenn Pierce, Susan Vick, Earl Warren

Please remember to keep our community leaders in your prayers.

Welcome New Members: Bob and Sandy Holt

We express Christian sympathy to the family of Connie Vick,  
who passed away on September 20, 2021.

### Calendar of Events

#### Sunday, September 26

Bible Study	9:45 am	SS Classrooms
Worship (also Facebook Live/Radio)	11:00 am	Sanctuary
Lemonade and Cookies	12:00 pm	Breezeway

#### Monday, September 27

JuBELLation Ringers	6:00 pm	Fellowship Hall
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#### Tuesday, September 28

Disaster Kits - Setup	9:00 am	Fellowship Hall
Disaster Kits - Packing	5:30 pm	Fellowship Hall
AA Group	8:00 pm	Community Room

#### Wednesday, September 29

Morning Bible Study	11:00 am	Fellowship Hall/FB Live
Dinner	5:30 pm	Fellowship Hall
Children's Music	6:00 pm	Choir Room
Adult Bible School	6:15 pm	Fellowship Hall/FB Live
Chancel Choir	7:00 pm	Choir Room
NA Group	7:30 pm	Community Room

#### Thursday, September 30

High Street Seniors	10:00 am	Fellowship Hall
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#### Upcoming Worship Music

October 3 - World Communion Sunday - Anthem: As the Deer (Martin Nystet)

October 10 - Elizabeth Szilagyi, Guest Pianist  
Anthem: Blest Are the Pure in Heart (John S. Dixon)

October 17 - Anthem: God's Gifts (Bobby Jones)

October 24 - Anthem: Premiere of Love Divine (John S. Dixon)  
Commissioned in Memory of Barbara Duck Johnson

October 31 - Trumpet Duet - Anthem: As the Deer (Lloyd Larson)  
Britton and Scott Culpepper, Trumpets