

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST
COMMUNION SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 5, 2021
11:00 A.M.

*Please stand if you are able.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Gracious God, throughout the ages you transform sickness into health and death into life. Open us to the power of your presence, and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world, through Jesus Christ, our healer and Lord. Amen.

GREETING Charles Qualls

VOLUNTARY *Trumpet Tune* TOMASO ALBINONI
Steve Gibson, Organist

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP Elizabeth Qualls

Merciful God, maker of us all,
plead the cause of the poor and afflicted.
Open our hearts to demonstrate God's grace
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER Elizabeth Qualls

**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 278 *We Are Travelers on a Journey* BEACH SPRING

RESPONSIVE PSALTER Psalm 125:1-4 Elizabeth Qualls

Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion,
which cannot be moved, but abides forever.
As the mountains surround Jerusalem,
**so the Lord surrounds his people,
from this time on and forevermore.**

For the scepter of wickedness shall not rest
on the land allotted to the righteous,
**so that the righteous might not stretch out
their hands to do wrong.**

Do good, O Lord, to those who are good,
and to those who are upright in their hearts.

150TH ANNIVERSARY HYMN *Find Rest for Our Souls* FRANKLIN
Steve Gibson, Organist
(Back Page of Hymnal)

ANTHEM *In Remembrance of Me* BURLY RED

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 14:15-24 Charles Qualls
Pew Bible New Testament, Page 77
This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION *Series: Jesus The Storyteller* Charles Qualls
An Eventful Banquet

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION
INVITATION, BLESSING OF THE ELEMENTS, DISTRIBUTION

*HYMN 587 *Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound* NEW BRITAIN

*BENEDICTION Charles Qualls

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Blest Be The Tie

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**Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;
the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above. Amen.**

VOLUNTARY

Toccata in F
Steve Gibson, Organist

S.R. GIBSON



In observance of Labor Day, there will be no Cookies and Lemonade this Sunday.
The church office will be closed on Monday, September 6th.
We wish you a safe and happy holiday!



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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 5, 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 or mail your offering to the church. Thank you for your faithful and generous support!

Sunday School Groups Resume on September 12!

Sunday School groups will have the option to gather again at Franklin Baptist Church at 9:45 a.m. on Sunday, September 12th. In light of prudent Covid-19 safety, we strongly encourage good physical distancing and optional mask-wearing as you share space. New study books are awaiting you in your rooms already. 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.

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.

Relay for Life Luminaria

Please join us at Barrett's Landing on **September 18th 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.

Lighting God's Path

The Vision Oversight/Leadership Committee has designated **Sunday, October 3rd** 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 3rd as we continue to do God's work in our church, community, and beyond.

Wednesday Bible Studies

Wednesday Morning Bible Study **resumes again on Wednesday, September 15th** 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. 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 on September 8th at 5:00 PM on Facebook Live. **Wednesday nights will return on September 15th** with dinner at 5:30 PM in the fellowship hall, bible study (also on FB Live), rehearsals and children's activities. Masks are optional! Come join us!

Upcoming Worship Music

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)

Music Ministry Rehearsals

Rehearsals resume the week of September 12th.

Mondays	JuBellation Ringers	Fellowship Hall	6:00-7:00 PM
Wednesdays	Children's Music	Children's Area	5:00-5:30, 6:00-6:30 PM
	Chancel Choir	Choir Room	7:00-8:00 PM



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!

Series begins on September 19th. Dr. Charles Qualls, preaching.



The Church picnic will be held on **Sunday, September 12th** 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!

PRAYER CONCERNS

Howard Boone, Opal Elks, David Flythe, Louise Hedgepeth, Ken Gay, Gerry Lewis, Bea Ross, Earl Warren

Please remember to keep our community leaders in your prayers.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, September 5

Bible Study	9:45 am	Fellowship Hall
Worship (also Facebook Live/Radio)	11:00 am	Sanctuary

Monday, September 6

Church Office Closed

Tuesday, September 7

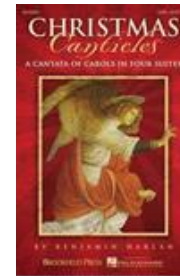
Missions Team - Hygiene Kits	5:30 pm	Fellowship Hall
JuBELLation Ringers	6:15 pm	Atrium
AA Group	8:00 pm	Community Room

Wednesday, September 8

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

Thursday, September 9

Senior Citizens	10:00 am	Fellowship Hall
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Christmas Canticles Rehearsals - Coming Soon!

Wednesdays - Christmas Choir - Choir Room - 7:00-7:40 PM beginning October 6th.

December 11th and 12th
Cantata Weekend (Accompanied by Chamber Orchestra)

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

December 12th - Christmas Canticles

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