

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
 JANUARY 7, 2018
 COMMUNION SUNDAY
 11:00 A.M.

Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain,
**To receive power and wealth
 And wisdom and strength
 And honor and glory and praise!**

GREETING Charles Qualls

VOLUNTARY *Aria* JAMES BIERY
 Steve Gibson, Organist

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP Cody Billups

Sing to the Lord a new song.
Sing to the Lord, all the earth.
 The heavens opened, the Spirit descended,
and a voice sounded: This is my beloved Son.
Let us worship God!

INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER Cody Billups

**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 457 *Come and Feast, for All Are Welcomed* REGENT SQUARE

RESPONSIVE READING Cody Billups

Praise the Lord, O my soul;
All my inmost being, praise his holy name.
 Praise the Lord, O my soul,
And forget not all his benefits –
 Who forgives all your sins
And heals all your diseases,
 Who redeems your life from the pit
And crowns you with love and compassion.

HYMN OF OFFERING 463 *From Every Race, From Every Clime* ST. PETER

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *The Gift of Love* HAL H. HOPSON
 Chancel Choir
 (Text is found in the Celebrating Grace Hymnal, # 440)

*Doxology *All Creatures of Our God and King* LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Let all things their Creator bless,
 and worship Him in humbleness,
 O praise Him, alleluia!
 Praise, praise the Father,
 praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One,
 O praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

*Prayer of Dedication Charles Qualls

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:25-38 Cody Billups
 Pew Bible New Testament Page 59
 This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION Free to See Charles Qualls

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION
 INVITATION, BLESSING OF THE ELEMENTS, DISTRIBUTION

*HYMN OF RESPONSE 163 *Wonderful Words of Life* WORDS OF LIFE

*BENEDICTION Charles Qualls

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Blest Be the Tie* DENNIS

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

VOLUNTARY

Marti Howell, Pianist

*Please stand if you are able.

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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



Grief Support Group

Led by Dr. Charles Qualls

3 Sundays in January (7, 14 and 21)

1:30 p.m. in the Franklin Baptist Church Parlor

Friends mean well. They'll tell you to get back into your routine, but you've found that you can't "busy" your way through the pain of loss.

You've searched for answers, maybe even to questions about where God is in the trouble you've seen. You've heard that "everything happens for a reason," but it doesn't add up.

Don't let 'em see you sweat has been your watchword. But the pain is real.

In this group, we'll:

- develop an understanding of some possible stages/ steps in grief
- hear more about what is fair to expect from yourself in this time
- share our stories, feelings, thoughts.
- Hear from scripture about God's presence and promise, and more!

You've heard it said--**Time heals all wounds.** This is not always true. Time well spent can help, though.

If you are interested, please call the church office at 757-562-5135 to register or email Charles.qualls@franklinbaptist.org. Invite a friend who may benefit from this experience!

PRAYER CONCERNS

Lynda Bond, Elizabeth Brinster (Lynda Bond's daughter),
Mac Edwards, Richard Edwards, Dawn Holland, Al Johnson, Alyce Page Kitchen,
Kirk Whitley, Lessie Whitley

Calendar of Events

Sunday, January 7

Casual Worship	8:45 am	Chapel
Friends, Food and Fun	9:30 am	Atrium
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
Grief Support Group	1:30 pm	Church Parlor
Missions Committee Meeting	2:00 pm	Library
Youth Group	6:00 pm	

Monday, January 8

Library Committee Meeting	10:00 am	Library
JuBELLation Ringers	6:30 pm	Fellowship Hall
Administrative Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Conference Room

Tuesday, January 9

Blood Drive in Memory of John Lee	11:30 am - 5:30 pm	Fellowship Hall
AA Group	8:00 pm	Community Room

Wednesday, January 10

Bible Study	11:00 am	Fellowship Hall
Children's Chimes	5:00 pm	Chimes Room
Vesper Dinner	5:30 pm	Fellowship Hall
Children's Choir	6:00 pm	Choir Room
Adult Vespers	6:15 pm	Fellowship Hall
Children's Missions	6:30 pm	Kindergarten Room
Chancel Choir	7:00 pm	Choir Room
NA Groups	7:30 pm	Community Room

Thursday, January 11

Senior Citizens	10:00 am	Fellowship Hall
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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.

Deacon Installation

Please join us next Sunday, January 14^h at 11:00 am for our Deacon Installation.

Wednesday Activities

All Wednesday activities will resume on January 10th.

Community-Wide Church Security Meeting

A community-wide security briefing for all churches is currently being planned for Saturday, January 20, 2018, from 10:00 am until noon, to be held in our Fellowship Hall. Franklin Baptist Church is spearheading this informational meeting for our community and the Blackwater Association. Watch for further details.



There will be a blood drive on Tuesday, January 9, 2018 from 11:30 am to 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall in memory of John Lee which is sponsored by Franklin Baptist. Any Sunday School Class or individual who would like to contribute to the canteen expenses can give it to the church treasurer.



Our Spring study includes a five-week study of Jude and then will include the Lenten study "Seven Words to the Cross" by J. Ellsworth Kalas. Come and join us!



New Paths: *Christians Engaging Israel*
led by Charles Qualls

Begins January 10

lasts 6 weeks

Journey to the Holy Land as we experience the sights, sounds and voices of Israel. *New Paths* empowers North American Christians with a robust learning experience about Israel, in all its complexity, while bringing Christian theology and values to bear. Brief videos in each session will lead us into important discussions.



**CHARLES QUALLS TO BE INTERVIEWED AND HEARD
WORLDWIDE ON DAY1 RADIO**

Catch two sermons in January by Dr. Qualls on Day1 Radio or Day1 online. Day1 Radio (formerly "The Protestant Hour") has been broadcasting worldwide since 1945. Today, Day1 is distributed via their website (<http://day1.org/radio>) or their Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/day1online/>). Still a mainstay on radio as well, Day1 is carried on over 220 stations especially in the U.S., but also the Caribbean, Canada, Africa and New Zealand. Local stations include WPMH 1010 AM / 96.9 FM: Chesapeake/Norfolk and WEVA 860 AM: Emporia.

Day1 programs will last 30 minutes with two interviews and a sermon each. He will preach these sermons here at Franklin Baptist on January 21 ("Warning or Promise?") and 28 ("What is This?"). Listening electronically is easy to do, but a username and password will need to be established. See Charles with questions!