

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
MARCH 11, 2018
FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
11:00 A.M.

*Please stand if you are able.

GREETING Charles Qualls

VOLUNTARY *Fantasy on Old Hundredth* GEORGE BRANDON
Steve Gibson, Organist

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP Jimmy Howell

The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in love.
The Lord of life is lifted up!
Let us look to him and live.
Let us worship God.

INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER Jimmy Howell

**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 303 *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly* HOLY MANNA

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 107:1-3; 17-22 Jimmy Howell
Pew Bible Old Testament Pages 559-560
This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION Charles Qualls

Merciful God, we confess the folly of our sin and the hypocrisy of our complaints. We grumble about the evils of the world, even as we ourselves commit injustice. We protest the problems of the world, but choose to not work to address them. Merciful God, expose our sins before the light of your grace. Heal our sins and free us from our foolish ways, that we may know the joy of eternal life found in Jesus Christ. Amen.

RESPONSE 73 *Nothing Can Trouble* NOTHING CAN TROUBLE

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS Charles Qualls

God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world,
but in order that the world might be saved through him.
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!

*RESPONSE 705 *Glory Be to the Father* GREATOREX

*HYMN OF OFFERING 74 *There is a Balm in Gilead* BALM IN GILEAD

OFFERTORY *Selah* MICHAEL CARD
Steve Gibson, Organist

*Doxology OLD 100TH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him, above ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication Charles Qualls


SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 2:1-10 Jimmy Howell
Pew Bible New Testament Page 192
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ANTHEM *My Soul, O God, Longs for Thee* MICHAEL MCCABE
Chancel Choir

As longs the deer for cooling streams in parched and barren ways,
so longs my soul, O God, for Thee and thy refreshing grace.
For Thee, my God, the living God, my thirsty soul doth pine;
O when shall I behold thy face, thou majesty divine?



March 25, 2018	<u>Palm/Passion Sunday</u> We begin Holy Week with the traditional Processional Hymn - All Glory, Laud and Honor. Our musical worship is led by the Congregation, Children's Choir and Chancel Choir.
March 29, 2018	<u>Seder Meal, 6:00 pm, Fellowship Hall</u> We share in a meal that represents our Lord's Last Supper. Following our meal, we share in Communion around our tables with friends and family.
March 30, 2018	<u>Tenebrae Service, 7:30 pm, Chapel</u> We relive the last moments of our Lord's earthly life with scripture and music.
April 1, 2018	<u>Easter Sunday, The Resurrection of our Lord</u> We celebrate the resurrection of our Lord with music, the spoken word and communion.

 Offering: Cooperative Ministry	Host Church: Emmanuel Episcopal Church 400 N. High Street, Franklin, VA					
	Schedule: 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (Lunch) 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM (Worship) 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (Lunch)					
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3/21/18	High Street United Methodist					

Blackwater Baptist Association	BBA Annual Spring Meeting - The annual spring meeting of the Blackwater Baptist Association will be hosted at Smithfield Baptist Church on Sunday, April 22, 2018, from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Guest speaker will be Rev. Matthew Johnson. If you would like to be a messenger to the meeting, please call the church office by April 3 rd . Dinner reservations need also to be made by April 3 rd . The cost is \$10 per person.
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PRAYER CONCERNS

Linda Edwards, Mac Edwards, Richard Edwards, Dawn Holland, Viola Johnson, Alyce Page Kitchen, Peggy Pearce, Nancy Shackelford, Susan Vick, Kirk Whitley, Everett Williams, Charles Wrenn

Calendar of Events

Sunday, March 11 (Daylight Savings Begins)

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
Youth Group	6:00 pm	Youth Room

Monday, March 12

JuBELLation Ringers	6:30 pm	Fellowship Hall
Administrative Council	7:30 pm	Conference Room

Tuesday, March 13

Blood Drive	11:30-5:30 pm	Fellowship Hall
AA Group	8:00 pm	Community Room

Wednesday, March 14

Bible Study	11:00 am	Fellowship Hall
Lenten Community Lunch	12:00 pm	Emmanuel Episcopal
Lenten Community Service	12:30 pm	Emmanuel Episcopal
Lenten Community Lunch	1:00 pm	Emmanuel Episcopal
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, March 15

Senior Citizens	10:00 am	Fellowship Hall
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Saturday, March 17

Spring Clean-Up Day	8:00 a.m.	Fellowship Hall
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Franklin Baptist Church – March 11, 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 a.m. in the Chapel; and our traditional service is at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. **There will be only one service at 11:00 am in the Sanctuary on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday.** The early service will return again on April 8, 2018.

Seder Meal

Our Seder Meal will be held on Thursday, March 29th, at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. If you are planning to attend the Seder meal, please fill out the reservation slip and return it to the church office no later than Friday, March 23rd. There will also be sign-up sheets in your Sunday school classrooms. Please do not duplicate your reservation. **Please bring a bag of food as a donation for the food pantry** for Cooperative Ministry. A specific list of food items can be found in the classrooms, bulletin boards or in the church office.

Missions

Help a local missions cause through your donation or add to the beauty of our sanctuary at Easter by purchasing a lily. Please complete the ordering form and return it to the office with your payment no later than March 19, 2018.



Sessions with Judges: *Colorful Characters and Powerful Tales*

led by Charles Qualls

Begins March 14th lasts 6 sessions

Judges is an adventurous read that covers a sometimes inspiring, sometimes disturbing chapter in Israel's history. Charles Qualls' book guides readers on a journey, highlighting characters such as Gideon, Samson and Deborah. We'll encounter these and other brave leaders who were entrusted with a distracted people in fragile times before there were any Kings. On balance, these stories inspire us to seek a more consistent, connected relationship of faithfulness to God.



Spring Cleanup Day – Our Spring Cleanup/Mulch Day will be on March 17, 2018. We will begin the day at 8:00 am with coffee, water and biscuits and then beautify the garden and grounds of our church. Sign-up sheets are in the Sunday School classrooms or you can call the church office if you are able to come and be a part of this worthwhile project.



LIGHTING GOD'S PATH: A VISION FOR OUR FUTURE

Please plan to attend an important congregational lunch on Sunday, March 25th, directly following the 11:00 worship service. We will begin the process of shaping the future of Franklin Baptist Church through feedback and discussions of trends and opportunities in our surrounding communities as well as nationally. Lunch will be provided at no cost, but we do need you to sign up so that we can plan appropriately. Sign-up sheets will be in the classrooms or you can call the office at 562-5135.

*Psalm 119:105: Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light for my path.*



Easter Egg Hunt - The Youth Group is planning an Easter Egg Hunt on Palm Sunday, March 25th, following the informative visioning committee luncheon. This will take place at the church with games set up in the Atrium area. Also requested are plastic eggs and donations of individually wrapped candy to place inside the Easter eggs. Please bring donations to the church office by Wednesday, March 21st.



Homemade Chocolate Covered Peanut Butter Easter Eggs

- Back by popular demand!! The Franklin Baptist "Relay for Life" team is now taking orders for homemade chocolate covered peanut butter Easter eggs. Personalized or decorated eggs are \$8.00 each. Orders are due by Tuesday, March 27th and must accompany payment. Eggs will be ready for pickup at Franklin Baptist Church on Thursday, March 29th from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Please make checks payable to the American Cancer Society. Order forms can be found in your Sunday school rooms or the church office.