

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT
DECEMBER 17, 2017
11:00 A.M.

GREETING

Charles Qualls

VOLUNTARY

Adagio
String Quartet

FELIX MENDELSSOHN

*CONGREGATIONAL CALL TO WORSHIP

Hope, Peace, Joy and Love

BAUGH

Hope, peace, joy, and love!
These are gifts You bring from above.
Jesus, Emmanuel, come to be
light of Your joy, reflected in me.

INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

Nancy Bridges

**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.**

CHRISTMAS CAROL CELEBRATION

BENJAMIN HARLAN

**INTROIT AND PROCESSIONAL*
(Christmas Fanfare, O Come All Ye Faithful)
(Congregation Stands and Sings)

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come, ye, O come ye to Bethlehem!
Come and behold Him, born the King of angels!
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
O sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest!
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning,
Jesus, to Thee be all glory given;
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing!
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH THE CANDLE OF JOY Eliza Rainey and Children
Isaiah 35:10

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Light the Light, the Fire of Life* IL EST NE

**Light the light, the fire of life, let the candle reveal His glory.
Jesus Christ has come to earth and for us shall come again.**

**Light the candle of His joy, light the light of shepherds' coming,
light the candle of His joy, light the light that shows the way.**

**Light the light, the fire of life, let the candle reveal His glory.
Jesus Christ has come to earth and for us shall come again.**

NARRATION Nancy Bridges
Prophecy Fulfilled
(O, Come, O Come, Emmanuel;
Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming; He is Born)

NARRATION Nancy Bridges
The Angels Proclaim
(It Came Upon the Midnight Clear;
Hark! The Herald Angels Sing; The First Nowell)

(The congregation is asked to sing)

HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING

Hark! the herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King;
peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!”
Joyful, all ye nations rise, join the triumph of the skies;
with th’angelic host proclaim, “Christ is born in Bethlehem!”

Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings, risen with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth, born to give us second birth.

THE FIRST NOWELL

The first Nowell the angel did say,
was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
in fields where they lay keeping their sheep,
on a cold winter’s night that was so deep.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel.

*OFFERTORY HYMN 148 *What Child Is This* GREENSLEEVES

*OFFERTORY *American Quartet* ANTOIN DVORAK
 String Quartet

*The Doxology *He is Born* IL EST NE

He is born, the divine Christ Child; play the oboe and bagpipes merrily!
He is born, the divine Christ Child; sing we all of the Savior mild.

*Prayer of Dedication Charles Qualls

NARRATION Nancy Bridges

The Infant King
(O Little Town of Bethlehem; There’s a Song in the Air;
All my Heart this Night Rejoices)
Children’s Choir; Chancel Choir

NARRATION

Nancy Bridges

The Manger
(Still, Still, Still; Away in a Manger)
Children's Choir; Chancel Choir

NARRATION

Nancy Bridges

In The Bleak Midwinter
Children's Choir; Chancel Choir

NARRATION

Nancy Bridges

The Joyous News
(Wexford Carol; Joy to the World;
Go, Tell it on the Mountain)

JOY TO THE WORLD! THE LORD IS COME

**Joy to the world! The Lord is come;
let earth receive her King;
let every heart prepare Him room,
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.**

**He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of His righteousness, and wonders of His love,
and wonders of His love, and wonders, wonders of His love.**

GO, TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

**Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;
Go tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!**

**Down in a lowly manger the humble Christ was born,
and God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn.**

**Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;
Go tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!**

*HYMN 122

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

IN DULCI JUBILO

BENEDICTION

Charles Qualls

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VOLUNTARY

Angels We Have Heard
String Quartet; Organ

KENNETH KOSCHE

*Please stand if you are able.

GUEST MUSICIANS

Violin I: Jonathan Spence
Violin II: Chris Taylor
Viola: Alex Takasugi
Cello: Ian Robinson

THESE POINSETTIAS HAVE BEEN GIVEN IN LOVING MEMORY OF THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

In Memory Of:

Charles Arrington
Mr. and Mrs. William Tracy
(Smiley) Atkinson, Jr.
Mr. and Mrs. Edward R. Baker
Sheppard C. Bell, Jr.
Edward Owen Bond, Sr. and
Edward Owen Bond, Jr.
Herman J. and Bessie Bradshaw
William M. Bradshaw and
Armored B. Johnson
Mr. and Mrs. Carl and Catherine Clark
L.C. and Becky Copeland
Britton Culpepper, Sr.
Mr. and Mrs. E.A. Davis
Roger Wilson Drake, III
Fred and Essie Edwards
Tonya Faison
Mr. and Mrs. Dwight M. Hardee
W.A. (Bo) and Wilhelmina Harrison
Mr. and Mrs. D. Hildreth
Jeffrey David Holt
Millie Hotchkiss
Dewey and Josephine Howell
Mr. and Mrs. James Edward Howell
Jeff Joyner
Ed and Martha Kinney, Sr.
Karen Kinney
Reginald Kitchen
Michael Kostelnik
Sidney, Earl and Fannie L. Long
Cecil E. Lowe
Mr. and Mrs. John J. Magee, Jr.
Mr. and Mrs. John J. Magee, Sr.
Mr. and Mrs. John W. Moody
John and Elizabeth Moody

Given By:

Jackie Arrington
Mr. and Mrs. Roger Wilson Drake, Jr.

Kaye and Donnie Wade
Mrs. Sheppard C. Bell
Lynda H. Bond

Warren and Nancy Bridges
Brenda B. Daughtrey

Carlyn Clark
Bill and Becky Scarboro
Britt and Jo Culpepper
Joyce Davis
Mr. and Mrs. Roger Wilson Drake, Jr.
Robert G. Edwards, MD
Mills and Loretta Faison and Family
Jimmy and Marti Howell
Paul and Joyce Kaplan
Mrs. Sheppard C. Bell
Mr. and Mrs. Vince Holt
Edward A. Hotchkiss
Everett and Amelia Spivey
Jimmy and Marti Howell
Rhonda Joyner and Family
Edward Kinney
Edward Kinney
Alyce Page Kitchen
Bonnie Kostelnik
Britt and Jo Culpepper
Sylvia Lowe
Mike Magee
Mike Magee
Michael and Sarah Milteer
Bobby and June Duck

In Memory Of:

Oscar and Elizabeth Owen
Mr. and Mrs. Daniel K. Peak
W. Wayne Pixley
Dick C. Poole
Ann and Harvey Pope
Liza Pope
Farley and Clara Powers

Eula Rowe
Don Scarboro
Archer and Christine Spivey
Spurgeon Spivey
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W. Stone
Vicki Turner
Claude Vinson, Jr.
John and Liz Underwood
Hal Whitley
Mr. and Mrs. Alfred George Williams
Carolyn G. Williams
Stephen Ashley Wrenn

Given By:

Rendy, Bill, Rusty, Amy, Will and
Brandy Powers
Dr. and Mrs. Daniel K. Peak, Jr.
John and Nancy Hopkins
Marion Poole, Rick Poole, Beth Drake
Pat and Ed Hartman
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Rendy, Bill, Rusty, Amy, Will and
Brandy Powers
Peggy D. Blythe
Bill and Becky Scarboro
Everett and Amelia Spivey
Joyce Spivey
Margaret and Bobby Vick
Bruce and Lisa Turner
Shirley Hachey
Amy and Lance Simms
Gerald and Jeannie Whitley
Mrs. Sheppard C. Bell
Everett C. Williams
Roberta and Charles Wrenn

THESE POINSETTIAS HAVE BEEN GIVEN IN HONOR OF THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

In Honor Of:

Peggy Blythe
Elizabeth Bond Brinster
Dayton and Carolyn Crowder
Rinda Edwards
Stell and Horace Pierce
Joyce B. Suiter

Given By:

Bruce and Lisa Turner
Lynda H. Bond
Anne Banfield
Richard and Linda Edwards
Marion Poole, Rick Poole, Beth Drake
Ghi Suiter Family

THESE MISSION DONATIONS HAVE BEEN GIVEN IN LOVING MEMORY OF THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

In Memory Of:

Mr. and Mrs. Edward R. Baker
James E. Barnes
Clayton Louis Best
Edward Owen Bond Sr. and
Edward Owen Bond, Jr.
Don L. Boynton
Wallace E. (Buddy) Butler
Britton Culpepper, Sr.
Margaret Ann Joyner Cunningham
Mary M. Babb and Charlie Drewry
Bill and Martha Drumheller
Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Francis Ellington
Tena Goodson
Dewey and Josephine Howell
Robert Cobb Howell
W.H. Howell, Jr.
William H. Howell, Jr.
Ann and Eddie Johnson
Mary Jane and Raymond Johnson
Olean Jones
Mr. and Mrs. William Tall Jones
Bob and Oma Joyner
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Mr. and Mrs. J. Allen Minetree, Jr.
Mr. and Mrs. Daniel K. Peak
Mr. and Mrs. W.T. Pond, Jr.
Ann and Harvey Pope
Liza Pope
Stanley Pope
Rev. and Mrs. L.J. Rainey
Olivia Rose
Olivia Rose
Martin Shockley
Archer and Christine Spivey

Given By:

Kaye and Donnie Wade
Martha Barnes
Bessie F. Best
Lynda H. Bond

Charles and Elizabeth Qualls
Jane Butler and Family
Britt and Jo Culpepper
Mark, Kay and Harrison Drumheller
David Drewry
Mark, Kay and Harrison Drumheller
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas R. Ellington
W.H. Howell III Family
Everett and Amelia Spivey
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Helen R. Howell
Sue and Mike Johnson
Sue and Mike Johnson
Robert L. Jones
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas R. Ellington
Mark, Kay and Harrison Drumheller
Britt and Jo Culpepper
Jim and Eliza Rainey
Dr. and Mrs. Daniel K. Peak, Jr.
Jim and Eliza Rainey
Pat and Ed Hartman
Pat and Ed Hartman
Shirley Pope and Family
Jim and Eliza Rainey
Helen R. Howell
W.H. Howell III Family
Avis Shockley and Family
Everett and Amelia Spivey

In Memory Of:

Bobby Stephens
JT and Myra Stewart
Arthur Suiter
Mr. and Mrs. Archie L. Turnipseed

Given By:

Ann Stephens
W.H. Howell III Family
Ghi Suiter Family
Carlyn Clark

THESE MISSION DONATIONS HAVE BEEN GIVEN IN HONOR OF THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE

In Honor Of:

Elizabeth Bond Brinster
Henry Jacob Gibson
Steve Gibson
Helen R. Howell
Holt Livesay
Judy Livesay
Our New Church Family
Our Parents
Charles and Elizabeth Qualls
Josephine Rabito
Eliza Rainey
Melody Tayloe
The Christ Child
Donnie Wade, Sr.
Kaye Wade
Carolyn Whitley

Given By:

Lynda H. Bond
Rev. and Mrs. Steven R. Gibson
Sue and Mike Johnson
W.H. Howell III Family
Jake and Virginia Stone
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Charles and Elizabeth Qualls
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Sue and Mike Johnson
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Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Elks
Jake and Virginia Stone
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Sue and Mike Johnson

The wreaths on the High Street entrance have been given in loving memory of *Elizabeth Camp Smith* by Mr. and Mrs. Peter A. Agelasto, III.

The swag on the Third Avenue entrance has been given in loving memory of *Wallace E. "Buddy" Butler* by his family.

The wreaths on the Second Avenue entrance have been given in loving memory of *Dick C. Poole* by his family.

The wreaths on the Third Avenue sanctuary entrance are homemade and are given in loving memory of *S. A. and Virginia Carr* by their family.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Ray Bradshaw, Elizabeth Brinster (Lynda Bond's daughter),
Mac Edwards, Richard Edwards, Bobby Eubanks,
Dick Hachey (Shirley Hachey's father-in-law), Dawn Holland,
Al Johnson, Alyce Page Kitchen, Horace Pierce, Jim Whitley

We express Christian sympathy to the family of Clayton Louis "Trey" Best, III who passed away on December 10, 2017.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, December 17

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

Tuesday, December 19

AA Group	8:00 pm	Community Room
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Wednesday, December 20

NA Groups	7:30 pm	Community Room
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Thursday, December 21

Senior Citizens	10:00 am	Fellowship Hall
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Friday, December 22

Office Closing 12:00 pm



Wednesday activities will resume again on January 10, 2018.

Franklin Baptist Church – December 17, 2017

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. **The early service will return again on January 7, 2018.**

Christmas Eve Services:

11:00 AM – Sanctuary

4:00 PM – Pre-Service Music

4:30 PM – Candlelight Christmas Eve Service

December 31st: 10:00 AM - Worship in the Chapel.

Building Security

Our Security Committee, in concert with the Administrative Council, are reviewing current guidelines and practices. We want you to be assured that we are operating as safely and reasonably as possible. As adjustments in practice are suggested, we will keep you informed.

Year-End Contributions

In compliance with IRS regulations, all contributions for 2017 must be received by December 31, 2017. Any contributions received after that day will be posted to 2018. If you have any questions, please contact Melody Tayloe at 562-5135.

Anyone interested in donating stock to the church prior to the end of the year may use our accounts at Wells Fargo or Edward Jones in Franklin. If you have any questions, please call Bill Howell at 757-650-8893.

Everyone Knows ❶ Everyone at Franklin Baptist knows that one friend, relative, neighbor or co-worker who would be here. That is, IF you invited them. Think of the one person who needs your prompting, and ask them to join you here next Sunday!



Franklin Baptist Church 3D keepsake ornaments are on sale for \$10.00 each. You can pay for and pick them up at the church office. Please make checks payable to Franklin Cooperative Ministry. For more information, contact the church office at 757-562-5135 or Trina Stout at 757-653-8417.



The church office will be closed the following days:

Christmas:

Friday, December 22nd – closing at 12:00 noon;
closed December 25th and 26th

New Year's: Closed January 1, 2018

Regular office hours resume January 2, 2018



January 2	Deacon's Meeting	7:30 pm	Conference Room
January 3	JuBellation Ringers	6:30 pm	Fellowship Hall
January 7	Early Worship Returns Communion at both services	8:45 am	Chapel
January 10	Wednesday Activities Resume		
January 14	Deacon Installation	11:00 am	Sanctuary

ADVENT
EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



December 17th

Christmas Music Sunday

**Good Christian Friends Rejoice!
(Celebrating Grace, #122)**

The combined voices of the Chancel Choir and Children's Choir present **Christmas Carol Celebration** by Benjamin Harlan and Ragan Courtney. This musical service will be accompanied by a string quartet and organ and will include the singing of favorite Christmas Carols.



December 24th

Christmas Eve

Once in royal David's city...(Celebrating Grace, # 104)



Candlelight Christmas Eve Service - 4:30 PM

**On Christmas night the angels sing to hear the news
the angels bring... (Celebrating Grace, # 133)**

December 31st

**Worship in the Chapel - 10:00 AM
No Sunday School Today**



The staff of Franklin Baptist Church extends our sincere wishes for a most joyous Christmas season! Our prayer is that God will continue to bless us in the New Year!



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!



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!

Franklin Baptist Church

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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