

October 4, 2017

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First Baptist Church  
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## Fall Sheppard Lecture with Amanda Tyler

Our Fall Sheppard Lecture will feature Amanda Tyler, the Executive Director of the Baptist Joint Committee for Religious Liberty (BJC). The Baptist Joint Committee is a leading voice in Washington, D.C., fighting to uphold the historic Baptist principles of religious freedom and separation of church and state. The BJC's mission is to defend and extend God-given religious liberty for all, furthering the Baptist heritage that champions the principle that religion must be freely exercised, neither advanced nor inhibited by government. Amanda will be leading the session on Saturday, preaching in both Awakening and Traditional Worship on Sunday and leading the combined Small Group hour on Sunday.



### Saturday, October 28

10-Noon in the parlor:

*How the Baptist Joint Committee Defends Religious Liberty for All*

Child care will be available Saturday for infants in the nursery and Yvette Chambers, Director of Children's Ministry, will coordinate a fun filled morning for children, including fall canvas painting, cookie decorating, and pumpkin painting! To register for child care contact Yvette Chambers at [chambers@fbc-columbia.org](mailto:chambers@fbc-columbia.org).



### Sunday, October 29

9:15 Awakening and 11:15 Traditional Worship:  
*Loving and Knowing our Neighbors*

### Sunday, October 29

10:15 Combined Small Group and brunch in the fellowship hall:  
*Politics in the Pulpit*



# Upcoming Events

## First Baptist 101

If you sense that God is drawing you to the community at First Baptist, we celebrate that and we want you to have a chance to get to know our church! First Baptist 101 is a short-term class open to adults who are new members or who are interested in learning more about First Baptist. We will address questions such as:

*What does it mean to be a member of First Baptist?*

*What does it mean to be Baptist?*

First Baptist 101 meets for two more one-hour classes on October 8 and 15 at 4:00 pm, in the Parlor, which is located on the 2nd Floor across from the church offices. Here is an overview of each week:

- Sunday, October 8- Understanding First Baptist leadership structure, the church staff, committees, goals and vision of the church taught by Pastor Carol McEntyre
- Sunday, October 15- Overview of First Baptist ministries, opportunities to serve and a building tour

For more information or to sign-up for child care, contact Pastor Carol McEntyre at [mcentyre@fbc-columbia.org](mailto:mcentyre@fbc-columbia.org) or 573-442-1149.



*November 12*  
*9:15 am*

*Worship, Brunch and  
Business Meeting*

Wednesdays 6- 7:15pm, Youth Suite

**the calling**

Students 6th- 12th Grade

### Youth Bible Study

Wednesday Nights, 6:00-7:15pm: The Calling is our mid-week Bible study designed for students grade 6-12. Join us in the Youth Suite on 3rd floor!

### A Standing Invitation for College and Young Adults

Sunday nights, 5:30-7:00pm Community Dinner and Bible Study- This is our weekly Bible Study where we study Scripture and discuss life to better understand our relationship with Christ and each other. As we study the Incarnation this semester, we will look for ways that our faith impacts our everyday life and why that is important. Join us in the youth suite on the 3rd floor!



## Child Development Center Ninth Annual Auction November 6 – November 10

It's time to start fall cleaning! Search your home for treasures you would like to donate to the auction. Business gift certificates, products, and services are also excellent items for the auction. A brief description and/or picture can be sent to Trudy Clevenger at [momcleve@rocketmail.com](mailto:momcleve@rocketmail.com). All proceeds will be used to enhance the CDC's operating budget.



## Halloween Party Wednesday October 25th



The Child Development Center at First Baptist is hosting a Halloween Party on Wednesday, October 25th. **First Baptist Families are invited to join the fun.** All children are welcome to come in costume, but please no masks, no weapons, and nothing scary. An optional viewing of "The Great Pumpkin Charlie Brown" will begin at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall, followed by a costume parade around FBC and CDC, and then activities and games from 6:30 pm-7:30 pm. A supervised Halloween movie will also be played on the third floor for older children who wish to watch it.

## Breaking News! Children's Music and Christmas Dinner Prep

We've got a great program lined up for our children to present at the annual Christmas dinner, which will take place on Sunday, December 10. To help us prepare for "**Breaking News,**" a drama about the best news ever, the coming of Jesus, we will begin meeting with preschool children (ages 4 - 5) and elementary aged kids (grades 1 - 5) on Sunday afternoons at 4:00 pm to get the music prepared.

Our first session will take place on Sunday, October 15. Both groups will meet separately in the sanctuary to make music, sing songs, laugh and prepare for **Breaking News!** Both groups will join together at 4:30 for 20 minutes to prepare music for the Christmas dinner. Many thanks to Yvette Chambers, Betty Felts, Julie Walker, Lilian Hoell, Jen Boeckman, Mary Beth Ming, and Colleen Ostercamp for their help in getting this fun opportunity planned for our children.



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# Afternoon at the Farm

Sunday, October 22

3 p.m. - Hayrides and Conversations

4:30 p.m. Trunk-or-Treating

5 p.m. Dinner

Please bring a bag or two of candy for trunk-or-treating, and a side dish to share.  
Meat, beverages and table service are provided.

**Directions:**

- ◆Columbia on I-70 to Exit 121 (the Midway exit).
- ◆Turn right on Highway 40.
- ◆Turn right on Route J.
- ◆Make a hard right onto Boothe Lane at the water tower.
- ◆Continue straight until this road bears left – the gate to the farm will then be on your right – look for the balloons!