

January 23, 2019

# the SPIRE



**First Baptist Church**  
columbia



## Upcoming Events

January 27

College / YA Resumes / Kick Off

February 2

Chili Cook-Off and Laser Tag

February 7-9

Church Directory Pictures

February 8-10

CBF College Pause Retreat

February 17

11:15 am Combined Worship and Brittany McDonald Null's Ordination Service

February 18 - March 3

First Baptist Hosts Room at the Inn

February 24

Lent Sermon Series: *Did God Kill Jesus?*  
*Understanding the Crucifixion*



## Ordination of Brittany McDonald Null

Sunday, February 17 at 11:15 am

Combined Service in the Sanctuary

In Baptist life, ordination is a church's recognition of God's calling and gifting on a person. By ordaining Brittany, we are affirming that we see God's call on her life and that we have witnessed her giftedness for ministry. We are, in the name of God, setting apart and blessing her for gospel ministry. You are all invited to come and take part in this special worship service.



# Did God Kill Jesus?

## UNDERSTANDING THE CROSS

Sermon Series

Feb. 24

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April 21



Okay, I admit that I was trying to be provocative with the title Did God Kill Jesus? I promise, during the series, we will talk about why I used this question, but hopefully, you also noticed that subtitle of the sermon series: Understanding the Cross. Throughout history, Christians have contended that through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, humans are reconciled to God. The cross has been considered a focal point of that reconciliation.

In theological terms, this is called the atonement. The word atonement literally means at-one-ment. Atonement is the process by, which God makes humanity one with God; it is the process of reconciliation. So, Christians agree that through Jesus we are reconciled to God but exactly how that act of God actually works- its mechanics- has never been agreed on in Christian history. There is no consensus about how it works!

Some Christians have taught that reconciliation happens because Jesus Christ died as a ransom sacrifice, paid either to Satan (the most dominate view), or to God. And, Jesus' death then acts as a payment to satisfy the debt on the souls of the human race. Because this debt is paid, we are reconciled. Other Christians have taught that reconciliation happens because Jesus Christ death defeated the powers of evil (such as sin, death, and the devil) in order to free humankind from their bondage. Throughout Christian history, different models or lenses have been used to explain how reconciliation happens-- the two I just mentioned are called The Ransom Model and Christus Victor Model.

So, this sermon series is going to be a serious theological study of the cross and atonement. I think you will find it informative, fascinating and hopefully it will deepen your appreciation for what Christ did for us. At the same time, because of how weighty the series is, we are going to offer some small group opportunities to unpack what we are learning about. You will hear more about these in the coming weeks. I really hope you will participate!

*Carl McIntyre*





## New Children's Ministry Curriculum Begins this Sunday!

The Children's Ministry team is excited to announce that we will be using a new, enriching, and fun Sunday School hour curriculum. We will start using the Spark House Lectionary curriculum on Sunday, January 27.

This is an interactive program that has lessons to help children at their own developmental level to connect with the Bible, engage in games and crafts, and provides our leaders and volunteers with some awesome content. The lessons we will use are for ages 3 (pre k)- 5th grade.

Our leaders, Ms. Marylin, Ms. Lillian, Ms. Janet and Ms. Lisa, along with Ms. Chelsea and myself are excited to get this started.

-Yvette Chambers, Director of Children's Ministry



## Child Development Center

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### \$50 For 50!

In celebration of our 50th year of quality preschool education, we are asking church members to donate \$50 during the month of February to help replenish our scholarship fund.

This fund provides educational experiences for disadvantaged youth, contributes to our technology initiative which will enhance our overall program and safety, and for new tricycles to replace our broken ones. Donations can be made to the Child Development Center and left at the CDC office, church office, or left in the offering plates during Sunday service.

### Now Enrolling

The Child Development Center is now enrolling for June and July session! Summer school is a fun, educational experience for children ages 2 - 6 years.

Space is limited, so don't delay in turning in your enrollment forms. Enrollment forms may be found in the CDC office or on the bulletin board in the CDC hallway.

Contact Jess at 660-728-0158 or [cddirector@fbc-columbia.org](mailto:cddirector@fbc-columbia.org) for more information.



OFFERING FOR  
GLOBAL MISSIONS

SEEKING  
**TRANSFORMATIONAL**  
DEVELOPMENT



## CBF Offering for Global Missions

February 2019

During the month of February, First Baptist members will have the opportunity to support the work of Cooperative Baptist Field Personnel around the world by giving to the CBF Offering for Global Missions. Your support of the Offering for Global Missions will share the Gospel message and provide tangible gifts of God's grace and mercy. 100% of your gifts to the offering goes to missions funding, including the work of our very own Keith Holmes and Mary Van Rheenen. Your gifts can be placed in one of the Global Missions envelopes in worship or indicated on the memo line of the check. Checks should be made out to First Baptist Church. The church will send one check to CBF following the offering. Thank you for your generosity.

## Room at the Inn

Still needs volunteers

There has been an increased need for beds at Room at the Inn due to the cold weather and snow. They are trying to accommodate as many guests as possible, but have an increased need for volunteers as a result. If you are available to assist with the check-in shift (arrive at 6 pm), please consider helping them.



First Baptist will host Room at the Inn from Sunday, February 17 to Sunday, March 3 in the Fellowship Hall, but you don't have to wait until then to help. You can sign up for a volunteer spot with RATI today by going to <http://www.roomattheinncomo.org>.

## Child Development Center Entrance Greeters 7:15 am -8:30 am and 4:00 pm- 5:30 pm.

In addition, First Baptist is also specifically asking for volunteers to serve outside the CDC entrance each morning and afternoon during dropoff and pickup to greet CDC parents and kids and direct any guests for RATI around to the front of the building for check-in or assistance. Sign up for this opportunity can only be done by contacting the church directly. You can call the office at 573-442-1149 or find the sign up link on our website at [www.fbc-columbia.org](http://www.fbc-columbia.org)





## CBF PAUSE College Retreat

Feb 8-10, \$25 per student

College & Young Adults are invited to join us for a spiritual retreat at the beautiful Windermere Conference Center in February for the CBF Heartland PAUSE Retreat. It's a space for college students and young adults to meet new people, renew focus, and draw closer to God. It's a pause from the hustle-and-bustle of life to find meaningful worship, engaging conversation, and new friends.

Our Theme this year is "PAUSE... Practical Peace that Empowers Our Days." We will discuss and experience a wide variety of spiritual practices that will inspire students to find the rest that God offers in the midst of hectic lives. Our guest speaker for the weekend is our very own Brittany McDonald Null, Pastoral Resident at First Baptist Church, Columbia.

We have some additional activities planned for the weekend and hope to explore the beautiful trails at Ha Ha Tonka (weather permitting), so be sure to bring some clothes for hiking.

Our goal for this retreat is to provide students a great way to be refreshed in their faith to help tackle another semester. Reserve your spot today for only \$25 for the weekend. We will leave Friday afternoon and return Sunday after lunch. Please contact Michael McEntyre at [mmcentyre@fbc-columbia](mailto:mmcentyre@fbc-columbia) to register.

Wednesdays 6-7:15pm

## the calling

Students 6th- 12th Grade

### The Calling

Wednesdays 6-7:15 pm

The Calling, our mid-week Middle and High School Bible study, meets from 6:00-7:15pm in the Youth Suite. All students and friends are welcome.



### College & Young Adult Kickoff

January 27, \$10 per student

On January 27, at 5:15 pm, we will be chopping up 2019 at the Axe House. Nothing gets you prepared for a semester of spiritual growth like hurling sharp metal blades around. It promises to be a very interesting beginning to our year. We hope you'll make plans now to join us. The cost is just \$10 per person (friends are welcome but we need a headcount by January 23). We'll meet at the church at 5:00 pm to head over to the Axe House. Afterwards, we will get dinner at HuHot. You won't want to miss this one.

### Cooks Still Needed

Are you interested in providing a meal for our College and Young Adult gathering on Sunday nights? If so, contact Michael McEntyre at [mmcentyre@fbc-columbia.org](mailto:mmcentyre@fbc-columbia.org) to sign up.

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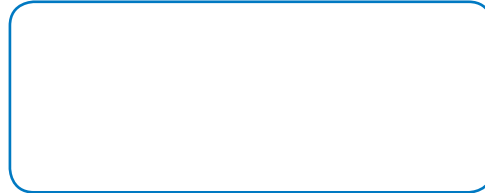
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## Chili Cookoff & Laser Tag

February 2  
5pm, Fellowship Hall

Come and join us for an evening of fun and homemade chili, well-seasoned with your competitive spirit!

Look for the signup sheet in the CDC hallway or email the church office at [churchinfo@fbc-columbia.org](mailto:churchinfo@fbc-columbia.org) to enter the competition. All chili entries should be brought to the church by 4:45 pm that night.

Also, we are bringing back the children's dessert baking competition this year and every child gets a surprise for entering.

Don't forget your running shoes for Laser tag. You can also bring alternative games to play with fellow church members. There will be something for everyone to do.



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