

Cleansing the Temple



(+ Indicates those who are able, please stand)

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (responsive)

Who is this who enters the doors of our temple, who overturns the tables, strews silver and gold on the floor, frees the sacrificial doves from gilded cages? Listen, as they rise, the beating of their wings is a song of loud hosanna.

It is Jesus of Galilee, the Son of God, who comes to cleanse the great temple, to restore its subverted chambers to a house of hallowed prayer.

Then let us open the doors of our hearts even wider, so he can cast out the thieves who would take what is sacred and tender and turn it hard as gold in a fist.

May the temple within us be a refuge where doves of peace roost in the rafters. Carol McEntyre

May it be a garden that bears the fruits of a generous spirit. **O Lord, take what is corrupt and withered and let it break forth in beauty.** For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. **Amen.**

Opening Songs

Jesus Christ In Me

Invitation to Pass the Peace of Christ

Scripture Reading

John 2:13-22

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to Christ.**

Prayer of Confession (responsive)

Jesus, cleanser of temples and souls, look deep within our hearts and our lives, and clear away all that holds us back.

May our minds, spirits and bodies be a temple that is open to Your presence: and may our words and our actions be transparent to Your love and truth.
We pray that this church community will be purified in its life and mission, so that all that we do in and from here may reveal Your Gospel to others.
In a moment of silence we sit before You,

and name those things for which we seek Your cleansing and healing, so that we may be more faithful disciples.

Please pause for a moment of silence.

Friends of Jesus, we are made clean by the words he has spoken to us. There is room in our lives and in our community for the Holy One to dwell. Thanks be to God. **Amen.**

Song of Healing

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 3:10-17

According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it.

For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw— the work of each builder will become visible, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each has done. If what has been built on the foundation survives, the builder will receive a reward. If the work is burned up, the builder will suffer loss; the builder will be saved, but only as through fire.

Mended

Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Affirmation (unison)

Let there be no gap between us and Christ. For if there is any gap, immediately we perish. For the building stands because it is cemented together.

Let us not then merely keep hold of Christ, but let us be cemented to him. Let us cleave to him by our works.

He is the head, we are the body. He is the foundation, we the building. He is the vine, we the branches. He is the bridegroom, we the bride. He is the shepherd, we the sheep. He is the way, we walk in it.

Again, we are the temple, he the indweller. He is the only begotten, we the brothers and sisters. He is the heir, we the heirs together with him. He is the life, we the living. He is the resurrection, we those who rise again. He is the light, we the enlightened.

Offertory Prayer

Offertory	Song of Truth – Difference Maker
Message	Carol McEntyre
Song of Response	Holy Spirit
Benediction	
Going to Serve	

Week at a Glance

<u>Sunday, January 15</u> 12:15-1:30 pm Sermon Discussion Group 4-4:50 pm Children's Music	Conference Room Sanctuary
<u>Monday, January 16</u> Office Closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day 5:30-7:00 pm Church Council Meeting	Conference Room
<u>Wednesday, January 18</u> 6 pm The Calling for 6th-12th Grade 5:30 pm Psalm Players Rehearsal 6:30 pm Chancel Bells Rehearsal	Youth Suite
7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal <u>Saturday, January 21</u> 3 pm Odyssey Kids Concert 7 pm Unity Concert	All Rehearsals in Sanctuary Sanctuary Sanctuary
Sunday, January 22 9:15 Combined Worship, Brunch and Business	

Fellowship Hall Sanctuary

4-4:50 pm Children's Music

Worship Notes

Jesus by Chris Tomlin (7067249)

Christ In Me by Jeremy Camp (7036289)

Prayer of Confession, based on John 2:14-21, was written by Ann Siddall, Stillpoint Spirituality Centre and Faith Community, posed on the Uniting Church SA website.

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Holy Spirit by Francesca Batistelli (6087919)

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Announcements

The Calling / Studio 1B

The Calling returns to its regular meeting time and place in the Youth Suite from 6:15-7:15 pm each Wednesday. Youth are always welcome to bring their friends.

Kids@Heart – A Children's Concert: Kindness & Diversity Rescheduled from January 14 to January 21

In collaboration with the Children's Grove and the Columbia Youth Choir, the Odyssey Chamber Music series' Kids@Heart concert takes a more thoughtful turn in touching upon two important issues in our society: Kindness and Diversity. Through a program featuring music, speech and visual arts, these three organizations bring awareness to our community. The concert begins at 3 pm on Saturday, January 21 and is preceded by 30 minutes of a visual storyboard featuring slides of CG Art and Photo Contest winners, and live music by pre-collegiate students.

Combined Worship and Business Meeting

Our next all-church business meeting will be Sunday, January 22. We will start the morning with a combined worship service at 9:15, followed by brunch and a business meeting. The children's schedule remains the same as any Sunday. Children of all ages will be fed brunch upstairs or in the nursery. Youth will be included in the business meeting.

Ski Trip Informational Meeting

For those going on the spring break ski trip, there will be an informational meeting following the combined worship and business meeting on January 22.

Save the Date for Kids' Night Out

We have a great night planned at Jabberwocky Studios, located at 1308 Grand Avenue on Friday January 27th from 6-8 pm. We invite kiddos ages 4-12 to join us for a night of music and movement and lots of fun. You may drop your child(ren) off, or you can stay for the fun!

If parents want to have a night out, we are also offering child care for children ages birth to 3 at First Baptist Church, in the nursery, for the duration of this event. Pizza and juice will be provided for the kids in both locations. Jabberwocky Studios is a nonprofit arts organization whose mission is to build community among disparate segments of the Columbia community through the arts. They teach hip-hop, jazz, tap, ballet, African and Indian dance. Please RSVP to Children's Ministry Director, Yvette Chambers, at chambers@fbc-Columbia.org by January 24th

Games! Laser Tag! Chili Cook-off!

On Saturday, Feb. 4 from 4-6 pm, we will meet in the Fellowship Hall for an evening of fun and games, and home-made chili, well-seasoned with your competitive spirit. There are sign-up sheets for the chili cook-off and the kids' cook-off at the entrances to the worship space.

We Gather Together Series

Fulfilling a long-time dream of having all ages studying the same topic for a time, on Sunday, January 29 we will begin a 5-week series on building up the church in worship. All Sunday morning small group sessions, including First Kids, as well as the sermons, will focus on this topic. If you aren't currently participating in a Sunday Morning Small Group, we hope you will consider joining one for this series.

Room at the Inn

First Baptist is hosting Room at the Inn February 19 through March 1, 7 pm -7 am. Volunteers are needed, and whether you're brand new to Room At The Inn or you've been with us a while, it's always a good idea to get a refresher of how it all works. Join us for one a training session to learn more about what exactly you'll be doing as a Room At The Inn volunteer on January 21st, 9:00 am at Missouri United Methodist Church, 204 S 9th Street.

College / Young Adult Retreat Feb. 10-12th

Join us for a spiritual retreat at the beautiful Windermere Conference Center. 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 is "Sharing our Stories: the art of life-giving conversations." Wanda Kidd, Collegiate Ministries Specialist for the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, is the featured speaker for the event. William Jewell College Praise Team will provide worship leadership. The cost is \$20 for the weekend. Please contact Michael McEntyre (mmcentyre@fbc-columbia) to register.



9:15 am Awakening Worship Service

For those who may prefer a more traditional worship experience, First Baptist Church offers Traditional Worship at 11:15 a.m. each Sunday in the Fellowship Hall.

For Children During Worship:

1st- 5th Graders are encouraged to participate in worship with their family.

Children (Birth-Kindergarten) can be dropped off in the nursery, located next to the sanctuary, prior to worship where they will be cared for by our professional staff.

10:15 Spiritual Formation Hour:

Birth-Age 3 childcare is provided by our professional staff in the nursery, located next to the sanctuary.

First Kids Sunday School (3 year olds through 5th grade) is on the third floor. Youth Bible Study (grades 6-12) is on the third floor.

Adult Small Groups which dive into various topics (visitors and guests welcomed):

Discussion Class in the Parlor on the second floor.

Faith Forum in the second floor classroom, next to the elevator.

Community Small Group in the conference on the second floor.

Young Adult Small Group in the 2nd floor library.

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