



First Baptist Church

columbia

Our Worship of God

February 26, 2017

9:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

~The Seventh Sunday of Easter~

Meditation for Preparation:

*“You have made us for yourself, O Lord,
and our heart is restless until it rests in you.”*

~ St. Augustine of Hippo

Welcome and Announcements

Carol McEntyre

Call to Worship (responsive)

from Psalm 63:1-5

O God, you are my God, I seek you,
my soul thirsts for you;

my flesh faints for you,

as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,
beholding your power and glory.

**Because your steadfast love is better than life,
my lips will praise you.**

So I will bless you as long as I live;
I will lift up my hands and call on your name.

**My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast,
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips.**

Prayer (responsive)

O God, we gather at your waters,
as a hot crowd gathers on the beach
on a sweltering, summer day.

O God, we drink at your fountain,
as a parched dog laps at the fresh,
running water of a creek.

O God, we await your refreshment,
as a tired worker watches for the change of shift.

Quench our thirst, satisfy our longing.

May we be refreshed and restored in you;

and teach us where to find the bucket and how to carry it

so that we might draw that water for those who most need it. Amen.

Opening Our Hearts through Song

Revelation

Song of Longing

Even So Come

Invitation to Pass the Peace of Christ

Missions Update

Alice Chamberlain

Lead Organizer for Missouri Faith Voices

Prayer (unison)

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Scripture Reading

Julie Walker

Acts 16:11-15

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Song of Listening

Lord I Need You

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Carol McEntyre

Offertory

I Can Only Imagine

Message

Carol McEntyre

†Song of Response

Ever Be

†Benediction

Going to Serve

Week at a Glance

Monday, May 29

Office closed for Memorial Day

Wednesday, May 31

5:30 pm Psalm Players Rehearsal

Sanctuary

7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Sanctuary

Sunday, June 4

10:15 am Sunday Small Groups

Regular places

11:15 am Combined Worship

Sanctuary

12:15 pm Lunch and Business Meeting

Fellowship Hall

Worship Notes

The responsive prayer was written by Anita Monro and posted on the **MAD-e-Lena** blog, <http://blogspot.com/>.

All My Fountains by Chris Tomlin (5925670)

Even So Come by Kristian Stanfill (7036288)

Lord I Need You by Matt Maher (5925687)

I Can Only Imagine by MercyMe (2978857)

Ever Be by Kalley Heiligenthal (7030065)

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Announcements

Pentecost Sunday All Church Worship and Business Meeting

On Pentecost Sunday, June 4, we will have an all-church worship service at 11:15 in the Sanctuary, followed by lunch and a business meeting. The regular Sunday Morning Small Group sessions will meet at 10:15; there will be no 9:15 worship service.

During the business meeting we will vote on the 2017-2018 Endowment recommendations, and on a candidate for Pastoral Residency Ministry. Lunch will consist of chicken enchiladas, Spanish rice, black beans, and chocolate cake for desert! Cheese quesadillas will be available for kids! Cost for lunch is \$5 per person.

Church Picnic

Our annual picnic is June 11th at 3 pm at the Twin Lakes Pavilion, with many outdoor activities. We'll have our traditional egg toss; the Pepto Bismol Men's Bake-off/Auction for Missions at 4 pm, and dinner at 5 pm.

Missions Lunch with Keith Holmes and Mary Van Rheenen

The Missions Team is hosting a lunch for Keith Holmes and Mary Van Rheenen on Thursday, June 22 at Noon in the Parlor. Keith and Mary were members at First Baptist before being commissioned by Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, as missionaries in 1996.

You may RSVP for the lunch by emailing Janet Deneke, Administrative Assistant at First Baptist, at churchinfo@fbc-columbia.org.

Memorial Day parade

For a good view of the Memorial Day parade, you are welcome to gather on the steps in front of the church. The parade begins at 10 am tomorrow, May 29th. Note: the church office is closed for the holiday.

Announcements

Vox Nova in Concert This Afternoon

One of Columbia's newest vocal ensembles, Vox Nova, returns to our sanctuary to give a concert at 3:00 this afternoon. The "Composers' Concert," featuring works of local students and UMC faculty members, will be a treat for all in attendance. Included in this small professional ensemble is former First Baptist Scholarship Singer Christina Casey and her fiancé Jonathan. Admission is free, though \$10 donations are suggested.

See You in the Spire!

We would love to include more pictures from The Awakening services in the Spire, as well as on our website. If you can regularly take high-quality pictures of the worship space, the people, and any special events such as baptisms or special services such as Easter, please let Pastor Carol know. Photos can be emailed to churchinfo@fbc-columbia.org.



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 Sanctuary.

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.

Women's Small Group in the hospitality room off the sanctuary.

Church Staff

Carol McEntyre, Senior Pastor † Ed Rollins, Associate Pastor

Michael McEntyre, Associate Pastor of Youth, College and young Adults, and Missions

Yvette Chambers, Director of Children's Ministry

Alex Bennett, Awakening Worship Coordinator † Colleen Ostercamp, Pianist and Organist

Janet Deneke, Admin. Assistant † Brenda Rice, Project Coordinator

Bethany James, Nursery Director † Glenn Owings, Custodian