

Our Worship of God

November 26, 2017

9:15 am

(**†** Indicates those who are able, please stand)

Welcome & Announcements

Pastor Carol McEntyre

†Call to Worship (responsive)

Christ Jesus, friend of the poor, the meek and the merciful, has been enthroned above all authority and power in this world and in the world that is to come.

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth, serve the Lord with gladness come into his presence with singing.

God has placed everything under Christ's wounded feet, appointed the one who wore a crown of thorns as the supreme head of the church, his body.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, come into his courts with praise. Give thanks and praise his loving name!

†Opening Song

Only King Forever

†Passing of the Peace

Gospel Reading

Matthew 25:31-46

'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left.

Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me."

Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."

Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me."

Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to Christ.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory for ever. Amen.

†Song of Praise

Mighty to Save

Prayer (unison)

Mighty and tender God, voice of the voiceless, power of the powerless: we praise you for your vision of a community of wholeness, a realm of peace, in which all hunger and thirst are nourished, in which the stranger is welcomed, the hurting are healed, and the captive is set free. Guide us by your truth and love until we and all your people make manifest your reign of justice and compassion. We pray in the name of your anointed one, our servant-king, to whom with you and the Spirit, one Holy God, be honor, glory, and blessing, this day and forever. Amen.

Offering King of the World

Message Carol McEntyre

†Song of Response

Revelation Song

†Benediction (responsive)

Go now, and embrace the hope to which God has called us. Recognize Christ in friend and stranger, and as Christ has been gracious to you, so be gracious to those in need.

And may God give you a place of rest on rich pasture; may Christ Jesus be the shepherd king who binds your wounds; and may the Holy Spirit give you wisdom and reveal to you the fullness of the one who fills all in all. We go in peace to love and serve the Lord,

in the name of Christ. Amen.

Week at a Glance

Sunday, November 26

After Worship Setup Trees & Unpack Decorations Fellowship Hall & Sanctuary

4-4:50 pm First Kids Music Sanctuary
5:30-7 pm College/Young Adult Bible Study Youth Suite

Monday, November 27

9-10:30 am Senior Yoga Parlor

1-3:30 pm Staff Meeting Conference Room

Tuesday, November 28

11:45 am-2 pm Crafty Critters E2

Wednesday, November 28

6:15-7:15 pm The Calling for Youth
5:30 pm Psalm Players Rehearsal
6:30 pm Chancel Bells Rehearsal
7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Sanctuary
Sanctuary

Thursday, November 29

6:30-7:30 pm Praise Band Rehearsal Fellowship Hall

Sunday, December 3

9:15 & 11:15 am Hanging of the Greens Fellowship Hall & Sanctuary

4-4:50 pm First Kids Music Sanctuary

College/Young Adult Christmas Party

Time & place to be announced

Announcements

First Kids Music

We are continuing to meet with the children on Sunday afternoons at 4 pm to prepare for "Breaking News," the Christmas drama to be presented at the church-wide Christmas dinner on Sunday, December 10. Children from age 4 through grade 5 are welcome to join the fun. Please note there will be a special rehearsal Saturday morning, December 9, from 9:30-11 am in the Fellowship Hall.

Advent Preparations

We still have a few Advent decorating parties to give all First Baptist members and friends a chance to help prepare the church for the season:

Today, Nov. 26 after worship: set up trees and make other preparations for Hanging of the Greens

Monday, Nov. 27 6-9 pm & Tuesday, Nov. 28 9 am-3 pm: decorating and preparation for Hanging of the Greens

World Mission Offering throughout November

Throughout November, First Baptist has the opportunity to support the mission efforts of our American Baptist partners at home and around the world. The 2017 offering will provide much-needed support for disaster recovery efforts funded by the One Great Hour of Sharing ministry as well as the ongoing work of ABC-USA missionaries around the world. Contributions should be made out to First Baptist Church. Please be sure to put ABC Missions Offering in the memo line of your check and/or place your gift in one of the special missions offering envelopes.

Christmas Dinner

Sunday evening, December 10 from 5-8 pm is First Baptist's annual Christmas dinner. Come prepared for a lovely meal with turkey, ham, and beverages provided by the church, and wonderful side dishes and desserts prepared by you and your First Baptist friends. Our dinner this year will feature "Breaking News!," the Christmas story as presented by First Kids.

Poinsettias

During Advent, the church's worship spaces will be graced with beautiful poinsettias. If you would like to place one or more of these festive plants in memory of or in honor of a loved one, please fill out the envelope form (found in the worship spaces on Sunday) along with \$10 for each poinsettia you order. Orders should be received by tomorrow.

VAC Family Sponsorship

Voluntary Action Center (VAC) is a non-profit that exists to help low-income individuals and families bridge the gaps between crisis and stability and improve quality of life in Boone County. Each year VAC coordinates the collection and distribution of food and gifts for approximately 4,000 people during the holiday season. First Baptist is participating in the VAC holiday program by sponsoring 3 families. In addition to toys, books, and games families often receive needed clothing and household supplies through this program. The cards listing the items that our families have requested are located on the bulletin board, in the hallway, outside the Sanctuary. Get involved by choosing an item that you would like to donate, take the card, bring item backed wrapped and attach the card to the outside of the package. Contact Michael McEntyre, Associate Pastor of Missions, with questions at mmcentyre@fbc-columbia.org.

First Baptist Adventures

The home of Lili Vianello and John Shrum is among those featured in the 2017 Women's League's Holiday Home Tour. On Saturday, December 2 First Baptist Adventures will take the tour. We will meet at the church at 12:30 pm and travel by church bus to the neighborhood, and either walk or drive between the featured homes. The tour will take 2-3 hours. Advance tickets are \$15 each, or \$10 for a group of at least 10. Please contact Lili if you are interested by emailing lili@visionworksgroup.com. When there is a final count, the actual ticket price will be announced. The tour benefits the Missouri Symphony Society.

Columbia Handbells Winter Concerts

The nationally recognized Columbia Handbells are back on stage for their annual crowd pleasing Winter Concerts, Friday, December 8-7:00 pm and Tuesday, December 12-7:00 pm in the First Baptist Fellowship Hall. The group will be presenting a terrific concert of songs about peace, seasonal carols, a sing-a-long, and of course, the famous bell carol – "Hark, hear the bells..." Tickets are \$7 in advance, \$10 at the door, and only \$1 for kids 12 and under.

Odyssey Concerts Presents JOYEUX NOËL: Fauré & Ravel

Friday, December 1 at 7 pm, First Baptist Church with a pre-concert performance at 6:45pm by Thornbrook Piano Trio. Leroy Anderson's popular 'Sleigh Ride' is tricky in a rendition for two pianos by Greg Anderson. That's only the beginning: executions required of this jaw-dropping program will leave you breathless! Featured are Guillaume Connesson's Techno-Parade for clarinet, saxophone and piano; DRAX with Leo Saguiguit, saxophone and Megan Arns, percussion; and Nikolai Kapustin's jazzy and notoriously virtuosic Concerto for two pianos and percussion. This is one musical party you will want to attend!

2018 Pledges Update

If you have not yet been able to return your pledge for 2018, pledge cards are available at each entrance of our worship spaces.

Worship Notes

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My Notes:



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):

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

Discussion Class in the parlor on the second floor.

Young Adult Small Group in the 2nd floor library.

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

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