

Our Worship of God

February 11, 2018

9:15 am

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

"Earth is so thick with divine possibility that it is a wonder we can walk anywhere without cracking our shins on altars."

~Barbara Brown Taylor

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Carol McEntyre

Call to Worship

Rena & Jason Tratchel

The mountain top
the shining face
the glowing clothes
the voice of God speaking from the cloud
the commandments etched in stone

Sometimes God shows up in ways we cannot deny in a place we can go a light we can see a voice we can hear a stone we can touch

Sometimes

Sometimes there is the veil the overshadowing, terrifying cloud the questions the appearing and disappearing the excitement the wondering the silence

Sometimes God shows up in ways we cannot deny.

Always God shows up somehow.

So we have shown up here, now May God give us eyes to see.

†Opening Song Our God

†Passing of the Peace of Christ

The Old Testament Reading

Susan Hayden

Exodus 34:1-9

The Lord said to Moses, "Cut two tablets of stone like the former ones, and I will write on the tablets the words that were on the former tablets, which you broke. Be ready in the morning, and come up in the morning to Mount Sinai and present yourself there to me, on the top of the mountain. No one shall come up with you, and do not let anyone be seen throughout all the mountain; and do not let flocks or herds graze in front of that mountain." So Moses cut two tablets of stone like the former ones; and he rose early in the morning and went up on Mount Sinai, as the Lord had commanded him, and took in his hand the two tablets of stone.

The Lord descended in the cloud and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name, "The Lord." The Lord passed before him, and proclaimed, "The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for the thousandth generation, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, yet by no means clearing the guilty, but visiting the iniquity of the parents upon the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation." And Moses quickly bowed his head toward the earth, and worshiped. He said, "If now I have found favor in your

sight, O Lord, I pray, let the Lord go with us. Although this is a stiff-necked people, pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us for your inheritance."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

†Songs of Praise

Mighty to Save Holy

The Gospel Reading

Susan Hayden

Mark 9:2-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to Christ.

Prayer of Confession (responsive)

O God,

We open our eyes and we see Jesus, the months of ministry transfigured to a beam of light, the light of the world, your light.

May your light shine upon us.

We open our eyes and we see Moses and Elijah, your word restoring us, showing us the way, telling a story,

your story, his story, our story.

May your word speak to us.

We open our eyes and we see mist, the cloud of your presence which assures us of all we do not know and that we do not need to fear that.

Teach us to trust.

We open our eyes and we see Peter's constructions, his best plans, our best plans, our missing the point, our missing the way.

Forgive our foolishness and sin

(Silence for confession of sins)

We open our eyes and we see Jesus, not casting us off, but leading us down, leading us out – to ministry, to people.

Your love endures forever.

We open our ears and we hear your voice, 'This is my beloved Son, listen to him!'

And we give you thanks. Amen.

Offertory Prayer

Offering

Message

From Mountains to Valleys

Brittany McDonald Null

†Songs of Response

Good Good Father

†Benediction

In the coming week,
may you experience the presence of God with joy.
May the holy cloud comfort you.
May the divine voice encourage you.
May the power of the Spirit transform you,
transform us,
transform our world.

Amen.

Week at a Glance

Sunday, February 11

4-4:50 pm First Kids Music Sanctuary

5 pm Critical Conversations Second Baptist Church

Monday, February 12

9-10:30 am Senior Yoga Parlor

1-3:30 pm Staff Meeting Conference Room 5:30 pm Serving Team Meeting Conference Room

Tuesday, February 13

11:45 am – 2 pm Crafty Critters E2

Wednesday, February 14

5:30-7 pm Financial Peace University Conference Room

6 pm Ash Wednesday Worship Sanctuary

No Psalm Players rehearsal

6 pm The Calling Attends Ash Wednesday Worship Sanctuary

No Chancel Bells Rehearsal

7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary

7:30 pm Praise Band Rehearsal Fellowship Hall

Thursday, February 15

5:30-6:30 pm Teaching Team Meeting Library

Sunday, February 18

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

Announcements

Ash Wednesday Worship

Ash Wednesday is a Christian holiday (holy day) that has been honored for well over ten centuries. It marks the beginning of Lent, the 6-week period leading up to Easter, when many Christians prepare for Easter by observing a period of fasting, repentance, moderation or other spiritual practices. Our worship on Ash Wednesday will introduce our Lenten Theme: Learning to Lament and will include the ancient Christian practice of the imposition of ashes on the forehead or wrist. The use of ashes is a visible symbol of repentance, which signifies the purification and sorrow for sins. Please join us for Ash Wednesday worship on February 14 at 6 pm in the Sanctuary. Child care is available for infants-Kindergarten in the nursery. 1st-5th graders are encouraged to participate in Ash Wednesday Worship with their parents.

<u>Critical Conversations</u>

First Baptist is partnering with Second Missionary Baptist Church and Broadway Christian Church to participate in a conversation about racism and how faith communities can help bring about grassroots change. Our next meeting is tonight at 5 pm at Second Baptist. (Please note that the organizers have changed the time.) The conversation will revolve around reading and discussing America's Original Sin: Racism, White Privilege, and the Bridge to a New America by Jim Wallis. There are no remaining free books, but feel free to purchase your own and join the conversation. No reading is required prior to the meeting on February 11. Child care is available at First Baptist beginning at 4:45 pm.

First Baptist Men's Group Starting

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Anyone who is interested in the formation of a men's group at First Baptist is invited to breakfast on Thursday, February 15 at 7 am in the Fellowship Hall. The group will be convened by Ed Felts. David Siegenthaler will be the morning's chef. There is no cost for the meal. Those who come are free to leave in time for work.

First Baptist hosts Room at the Inn February 18 – March 3

For those in our community without adequate housing, winter is potentially deadly. That is why we are grateful for the ministry of Room at the Inn (RATI). RATI is a winter shelter designed for those in need, to provide a warm and safe place to sleep from 7:00 pm - 7:00 am through March 10. The shelter is supported by area churches and local volunteers.

First Baptist will host Room at the Inn from Sunday Feb 18 to Saturday, March 3 in the Fellowship Hall, but you don't have to wait until then to help. Please visit http://www.roomattheinncomo.org to sign up or to learn more about the needs.

First Baptist Adventures

On Tuesday, February 27, you are invited to join First Baptist adventurers for dinner at Addison's at 5 pm, followed by your choice of concerts at 7 pm. You may choose to attend the King's Daughters & Sons Benefit Concert at First Baptist, or the concert at Sacred Heart Church. At Sacred Heart, the MU School of Music's Ars Nova Singers will perform music inspired by artwork from the Museum of Art and Archaeology. The concert is free. Please RSVP for the meal by February 25 to Paula Thomas, Fellowship Coordinator, at PaulaLou52@gmail.com; or call the church office.

<u>Trip to Lakota Reservation – Interest Survey</u>

First Baptist has been invited to return to the Lakota Reservation in Bridger again this summer.

There is no big project scheduled for this year, so the trip will mainly focus on building and maintaining relationships within the reservation and possibly some light construction work, clean up, and help with maintenance needs at the Takini School. We need at least 10 people to make the trip but can take up to 20. We will also need people willing to cook this year, as we will not be teaming with Second Baptist in Liberty for this trip. The cost of the trip is expected to remain at \$100 per person.

As a reminder, when we stay in Bridger we sleep at the church. Participants are asked to bring their own air mattresses and bedding. There are showers and restrooms on site. If you have questions or are interested in being a part of this experience, please contact Associate Pastor Michael McEntyre at mmcentyre@fbc-columbia.org by March 4.

Worship Notes

The Call to Worship was written by Joanna Harader and posted on Spacious Faith, https://spaciousfaith.com/.

Our God by Chris Tomlin | Jesse Reeves | Jonas Myrin | Matt Redman (5677416)

Mighty to Save by Ben Fielding | Reuben Morgan (4591782)

Holy by Matt Maher | Michael Donehey | Hank Bentley | Chris Tomlin (7086576)

The Prayer of Confession was written by William Loader. Posted on Kir-shalom, http://www.rockies.net/.

Good Good Father by Anthony Brown | Pat Barrett (7036612)

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Thank you for worshiping with us today! If you wish to share this worship experience with a neighbor, the service is broadcast live, and the sermon is available on our website within a week.

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.

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