



## *Our Worship of God*

*June 23, 2019*

*9:15 am*

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

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**Welcome and Announcements**

Pastor Carol McEntyre

**Call to Worship (responsive)**

God, you are close to us

**Closer than our hands and feet, closer than our breathing.**

Stand by us in our times of bewilderment,

**Stand by us in our times of despondency,**

Stand by us in our times of panic.

**Place our feet on solid ground and help us to believe that you will  
lead us each day. Amen.**

**†Opening Songs**

Made New  
Breakthrough

**†Passing the Peace of Christ**

## Prayer for Grace (responsive)

God of gentle rains and warm sun, God who encourages growth;  
**we are creatures who sometimes grow quickly,  
and sometimes get stuck.**

God of freedom, of liberation, of binding ropes being cut;  
**we are bound in ways we don't always understand or recognize.**

God of exodus and exile and homecoming,  
God who calls us to leave where we are and come home;  
**help us to have the courage to make the journey  
and to trust in the path.**

God of health and healing, God who wants us to be made whole;  
**we come as people who are wounded in body and in spirit,  
people who seek healing.**

God who has laid out a way for us to live,  
who has given us rules for living in community;  
**we come as people who sometimes go astray,  
people who stretch the rules.**

God of Grace, we come as people who live through that Grace.  
**And so we praise you for the growth, we rejoice in being set free,  
we dance along the path that leads us home,  
we give thanks for the healing we have received,  
we relax in the knowledge that we are forgiven  
and we live as people of Grace. Amen.**

†Song of Praise

While I Wait

**Mark 5:1-20**

They came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gerasenes. And when he had stepped out of the boat, immediately a man out of the tombs with an unclean spirit met him. He lived among the tombs; and no one could restrain him any more, even with a chain; for he had often been restrained with shackles and chains, but the chains he wrenched apart, and the shackles he broke in pieces; and no one had the strength to subdue him. Night and day among the tombs and on the mountains he was always howling and bruising himself with stones. When he saw Jesus from a distance, he ran and bowed down before him; and he shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I adjure you by God, do not torment me." For he had said to him, "Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!" Then Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" He replied, "My name is Legion; for we are many." He begged him earnestly not to send them out of the country.

Now there on the hillside a great herd of swine was feeding; and the unclean spirits begged him, "Send us into the swine; let us enter them." So he gave them permission. And the unclean spirits came out and entered the swine; and the herd, numbering about two thousand, rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and were drowned in the sea. The swineherds ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came to see what it was that had happened. They came to Jesus and saw the demoniac sitting there, clothed and in his right mind, the very man who had had the legion; and they were afraid. Those who had seen what had happened to the demoniac and to the swine reported it. Then they began to beg Jesus to leave their neighborhood. As he was getting into the boat, the man who had been possessed by demons begged him that he might be with him. But Jesus refused, and said to him, "Go home to your friends, and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and what mercy he has shown you." And he went away and began to proclaim in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him; and everyone was amazed.

**Offering Prayer**

**Offering**

Maybe It's Okay

**Message**

Carol McEntyre

**†Song of Response**

You Say

**†Benediction**

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## Worship Notes

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A Summer Prayer for Grace, written by Rev Gord, and posted on **Worship Offerings**.

<http://worshipofferings.blogspot.ca/>

Made New, Colby Wedgeworth, Josiah James Meeker, Lincoln Brewster, CCLI#7026321

Breakthrough, Chris McClarney, Jeff Pardo, Lindsey Sweat, CCLI#7095662

While I Wait, Lincoln Brewster, Mitch Wong, CCLI#7107364

Maybe It's Ok, Darren Mulligan, Bryan Fowler, Jonathan Smith, CCLI#7112063

You Say, Jason Ingram, Lauren Daigle, Paul Mabury, CCLI#7071357

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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

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## Week at a Glance

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### Monday, June 24

**9-10:30 am Senior Yoga**  
**1-3:00 pm Staff Meeting**

*Parlor*  
*Office Commons*

### Tuesday, June 25

**11:45 am – 2 pm Crafty Critters**

*Conference Room*

### Wednesday, June 26

**5:30 pm Praise Band Rehearsal**

*Fellowship Hall*

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# Announcements

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## Welcome! We're Glad You're Here

We would love to help you connect with our church. To learn more about First Baptist, fill out an information card during worship and drop it in the offering plate or give it to the pastor after worship. You can also stop by the Connections table and pick up our newsletter, *The Spire*. Information about our Children's Ministry and some of our adult small groups can be found on the back of the bulletin.

## Ice Cream Social

The Diaconate are hosting an ice cream social in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, July 14 from 6pm- 8pm. We will have ice cream and toppings. Please feel free to bring homemade ice cream as well! (Sign-up sheets will be located on the bulletin boards outside the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall). We will be helping the Kids Camp team with decorations in preparation for Kids Camp July 29th-August 2nd. We will also be accepting donations which will go to a scholarship for Kids Camp participants.

## Youth Ministry Workshop – Summer Small Group

June 9-July 21, 10:15 am, 2nd Floor Conference Room

This summer we are beginning the work of reshaping our youth ministry (and possibly, by proxy, some of our children's ministry) future format and curriculum. This small group will help form and guide this process. Michael McEntyre will be leading the group with the help of Stephen Hoell and Noah Hartsfield. Working with the input of the visioning process, we will be gathering to discuss the following:

## Inclusion Training August 4, 11 and 18

One focus area that came out of our All In Visioning Process was "Work toward increased accessibility and inclusivity in First Baptist ministries and facilities." To do this, we have committed to expanding opportunities for inclusion education and experiences. We have identified two areas of inclusion that we want to work on this summer. The first is the inclusion of people with disabilities, especially children. On August 18 at 10:15 am in the parlor, Christy Edwards a minister and mother of a special needs child, will be talking about how faith communities can companion this growing population. The second area of focus is the inclusion of all genders including people who are transgender and nonbinary. On August 4 and 11 at 10:15 in the parlor, Dr. Christy Hutton and Dr. Loren Bauerband from the University of Missouri will be leading this training.

## New Small Groups- Coming Soon

Small groups of all kinds surfaced in the Visioning process as an area for continuation and improvement. Last Fall, the Teaching Team introduced Fellowship Groups which were designed to help people get to know others in the First Baptist family better. Reports from participants indicate that the groups serve this purpose well. We need to hear from you about the kind of group you're most interested in being part of so we've developed a Small Group Interest Survey. The survey will be available both online and in paper form over several weeks. So be on the alert for the link to the survey and paper copies on Sunday.



For Children During Worship:

Birth-Kindergarteners can be checked in at the nursery, located next to the sanctuary, where they will be cared for by our professional staff.

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

10:15 Spiritual Formation Hour:

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

First Kids Sunday School (3 years old through 5th grade) is on the third floor.

Youth Bible Study (grades 6-12) is on the third floor.

Adult Small Groups are located on the second floor:

- Discussion Class (in the Parlor) likes to take a deep dive into scripture.
- Faith Forum (Elevator Lobby Classroom) is a diverse group that likes to read the lesson for the day together, share information, and ask questions to learn from one another.
- Connections Group (office commons) is made up of younger adults. They spend time building community, sharing life, and often take on heady theological topics.

\*The all-gender restroom is located in the Child Development Center Hallway outside the Sanctuary.

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#### Church Staff

*Rev. Dr. Carol McEntyre, Senior Pastor † Ed Rollins, Associate Pastor*

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