



First Baptist Church

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Our Worship of God

January 28, 2017

9:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

Greeting

Pastor Carol McEntyre

Prelude

Call to Worship (responsive)

Listen! The voice of God calls out across the ages.

**We hear and respond. We rise up to worship God
from the valleys, the mountains, and the plains.**

Like a shepherd God leads us and tenderly gathers us together.

Comfort, comfort O my people says our God of love.

**The grass withers and the flower fades;
but the word of our God will stand forever!**

Prayer of Invocation

† Hymn 641

All the Way My Savior Leads Me

(Please turn to face the cross as it enters)

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Blessing the Children

Brittany McDonald Null

The Old Testament Scripture Reading

Mark Thomas

Isaiah 40

Comfort, O comfort my people,
says your God.

Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,
and cry to her

that she has served her term,
that her penalty is paid,

that she has received from the Lord's hand
double for all her sins.

A voice cries out:

“In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Every valley shall be lifted up,
and every mountain and hill be made low;
the uneven ground shall become level,
and the rough places a plain.

Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together,
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

†Song of Hope

I Have This Hope

The Awakening Praise Band

Introduction of Praise Band Director Shelby Myers

Sherry Wyatt and Brian Steere

Prayer of Blessing

Renewal of Our Church Covenant (unison)

Because we have responded to Christ's call to follow him as disciples and because we find this calling too difficult and too important to fulfill alone,

We covenant together to support and to pray for one another without ceasing; to be candid in our speech, kind in our attitudes, and caring in all our dealings with one another; to seek the mind and vision of Christ for ourselves and our life together, mindful that our unity does not require uniformity.

Moreover, we covenant to give first priority to our times of public worship and learning; to sustain our common mission by proportionate giving, faithful service and personal witness; to live our lives in a manner worthy of the gospel we profess and of this family of faith; and to seek each other's forgiveness and God's when we fail to honor this covenant, trusting God's Spirit to renew us in stronger faith, brighter hope and broader love.

†Song of Praise

Lord I Need You

The Awakening Praise Band

Scripture Reading

Lillian Hoell

1 Peter 2:9-10

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people,
but now you are God's people;
once you had not received mercy,
but now you have received mercy.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Lord, You Call Us

Burkhardt

*Lord, you call us, as Your people, out of darkness into light.
You created and redeemed us, made us precious in Your sight.
Give us faith to trust You boldly and to love You steadfastly.
By Your Spirit may we ever faithful to our callings be.*

*Lord, You call us, as disciples, walking on Your pilgrim way.
Crucified and risen Savior, You are with us ev'ry day.
Give us wisdom; give us courage as You teach us patiently.
By Your Spirit may we ever faithful to our callings be.*

*Lord, You send us to the harvest in Your Great Commission's call,
reaching out to all the nations, bringing life and hope to all.
Give us boldness and compassion; bless us with Your eyes to see.
By Your Spirit may we ever faithful to our callings be.*

*Lord, You call us to new ventures by a pathway yet unknown.
Though we cannot see the ending, we will follow You alone,
knowing that Your hand is guiding, and You love us faithfully.
By Your Spirit may we ever faithful to our callings be.*

*Lord, you call us, as Your people, joined in faith we sing Your praise:
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Alleluias to you raise.
Hold us in Your gracious power, blessed Holy Trinity,
that rejoicing we will ever faithful to our callings be.*

Message

Carol McEntyre

†Hymn of Response

The Servant Song
Sung to BEACH SPRING

*We are travelers on a journey, fellow pilgrims on the road;
we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.
I will hold the Christ-light for you in the nighttime of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.*

*Sister, let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.*

*Brother, let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.*

*I will weep when you are weeping, when you laugh, I'll laugh with you;
I will share your joy and sorrow, till we've seen this journey through.*

*When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known to together of Christ's love and agony.*

†Offertory Sentence

Offertory

†Benediction

Postlude

Week at a Glance

Sunday, January 28

No 11:15 am Worship Service

4-4:50 pm First Kids Music

5:30-7 pm College/Young Adult Bible Study

Sanctuary

Youth Suite

Monday, January 29

9-10:30 am Senior Yoga

1-3:30 pm Staff Meeting

Parlor

Conference Room

Tuesday, January 30

11:45 am – 2 pm Crafty Critters

E2

Wednesday, January 31

5:30-7 pm Financial Peace University

5:30 pm Psalm Players Rehearsal

6-7:15 pm The Calling for Youth

6:30 pm Chancel Bells Rehearsal

7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Conference Room

Sanctuary

Youth Suite

Sanctuary

Sanctuary

Saturday, February 3

No visioning listening session

No children's visioning activities

Sunday, February 4

9:15-10:15 am Combined Worship

10:15 Continental Breakfast

No 11:15 am Worship Service

4-4:50 pm First Kids Music

Sanctuary

Fellowship Hall

Sanctuary

Announcements

9:15am Combined Worship This Sunday and Next Visioning Sessions Postponed

The Visioning Events that were scheduled for this weekend and next have been postponed. We are still planning to have combined worship on February 4 at 9:15 in the Sanctuary. Instead of our Listening Sessions planned for the small group hour, after worship we will come together around the tables for breakfast and fellowship. Nursery and Children's Ministry activities will remain as scheduled.

Ash Wednesday Worship

Ash Wednesday worship sets our hearts on the journey through Lent to Easter. Our worship will center on the ancient practice of lament, the subject of our Lenten sermon series. Please plan to worship at 6 pm in the Sanctuary on Wednesday, February 14.

Critical Conversations

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. I was delighted to see so many First Baptist folks at the kick-off for the Critical Conversations dialogue a few weeks ago. We will be meeting the second Sunday of each month; our next meeting will be February 11 at 4:30 pm at Second Baptist. 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. The books are being provided by a grant, which Broadway received. To get your free book and join the conversation, RSVP to Janet Deneke at churchinfo@fbc-columbia.org.

Children's Music

First Kids Music will meet as scheduled today at 4 pm in the sanctuary to prepare to sing in worship on Sunday, February 4. Children will be led by Jen Boeckman, Colleen Ostercamp, Jess Wolfe, and Sam Walker.

Volunteer Now for Room at the Inn

Winter weather has been particularly tough this season, but for those in our community without adequate housing, it is potentially deadly. That is why we are grateful for the ministry of Room at the Inn. Room at the Inn (RATI) is a winter shelter designed to provide a warm and safe place to sleep for those in need from 7:00 pm- 7:00 am through March 10th. The shelter is supported by area churches and local volunteers. First Baptist will host Room at the Inn from Sunday Feb 18th to Wednesday, March 3rd in the Fellowship Hall, but you don't have to wait until then to help. You can sign up by visiting <http://www.roomattheinncomo.org>. Full details are in the Spire.

Worship Notes

I Have This Hope by Jason Ingram | Jeff Owen |

Lord I Need You by Matt Maher (5925687)

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Thank you for worshipping 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.



9:15 am Combined Worship Service

First Baptist Church offers Awakening Contemporary Worship at 9:15 a.m. each Sunday in the Fellowship Hall, and Traditional Worship at 11:15 each Sunday in the Sanctuary.

NOTE: This Sunday and next we will have combined worship at 9:15 in the Sanctuary. Normal scheduling of Awakening Contemporary Worship at 9:15 and Traditional Worship at 11:15 resumes Sunday, February 11.

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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