



**Night and day, whether he
sleeps or gets up, the seed
sprouts and grows, though
he does not know how."**

-Mark 4:27

Our Worship of God

June 13, 2021

11:15 am

Welcome

Pastor Carol McEntyre

Prelude

Praise to the Lord the Almighty
Chancel Bells

arr. Jason Krug

†Call to Worship (responsive)

Called to be branches in Christ's body,

we yearn to be connected to the vine.

Called to be mustard bushes offering shade to God's creatures,

we search for places to plant the seeds of faith.

Called to be growing with God in the midst of this world's questions,

we seek God's nurturing presence.

†Opening Hymn 362

Morning Has Broken

*Morning has broken like the first morning,
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!*

*Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,
Like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
Sprung in completeness where his feet pass.*

*Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning
Born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, praise every morning,
God's recreation of the new day!*

Lighting of the Christ Candle

As we light the candle here in the sanctuary,
we give thanks for the Spirit who is with us.

Celebrating ForColumbia

Sharing Our Story

Rena, Jason, & Lucas Tratchel

Mark 4:26-34

[Jesus] also said, “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.”

He also said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

The Gospel of our Lord.
Praise be to Christ.

Sharing Our Gifts

*Sing unto the Lord a song of gladness,
sing unto the Lord a song of praise.
Sing unto the Lord eternal songs of joy,
Shout! to God in never ending thanks.*

*Sing unto the Lord with great thanksgiving,
sing unto the Lord with mind and heart.
Sing unto the Lord with timbrel and with lyre,
dance in joy before the Lord your God.*

*Sing unto the Lord a song of gladness,
sing unto the Lord a song of praise.
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*For the God who made heaven and earth is the God of mercy.
For the God who created all things is the God of sound and silence.
For the God who is greatest of all became small and human.
Then the God of life conquered death and sin.*

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*Sing unto the Lord, and sing unto the Lord,
and sing unto the Lord a song of joy!*

†Hymn of Response 712

The Kingdom of God is Justice and Joy

*The kingdom of God is justice and joy;
For Jesus restores what sin would destroy.
God's power and glory in Jesus we know,
And here and hereafter the kingdom shall grow.*

*The kingdom of God is mercy and grace;
The captives are freed, the sinners find place.
The outcasts are welcomed God's banquet to share,
And hope is awakened in place of despair.*

*The kingdom of God is challenge and choice;
Believe the good news, repent and rejoice!
His love for us sinners brought Christ to his cross,
Our crisis of judgement for gain or for loss.*

*God's kingdom is come, the gift and the goal;
In Jesus begun, in heaven made whole.
The heirs of the kingdom shall answer his call,
And all things cry "Glory!" to God All in all.*

Life of the Church

†Benediction

Postlude

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ
Colleen Ostercamp, *organ*

arr. Behnke

Worship Notes

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Week at a Glance

Sunday, June 13

9:15 am Worship Service on the front lawn

10:15 am Spiritual Formation Hour

– Adult, Youth small groups & First Kids Sunday School

11:15 am In-person Worship in the sanctuary and streamed online

4:00 pm Annual Church Picnic at Bethel Park

Tuesday, June 15

1:00 pm -3:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room

Wednesday, June 16

6:30 pm Handbells Rehearsal

7:45 pm Chancel Choir

Friday, June 18

12:15 pm Jesus Calling: Women's Devotional and Prayer Time via Zoom

Sunday, June 20

9:15 am Worship Service on the front lawn

10:15 am Spiritual Formation Hour

– Adult, Youth small groups & First Kids Sunday School

11:15 am In-person Worship in the sanctuary and streamed online

Announcements

Visitors and Prayer Requests

If you are visiting with us online, we are so glad to have you with us! If you would like to receive more information about First Baptist and our ministries, you can fill out a visitor card at fbc-columbia.org/guest or use this QR code.



Church Picnic Today at Bethel Park

The First Baptist Church Picnic is today at Ficklin Shelter in Bethel Park from 4:00-6:00 pm. Typically, we bring a side dish to share. We are not doing that this year, but you can bring your own meal or snacks. You can also bring your favorite outdoor game. Your lawn chair might be nice too. Plus, we get to have the (almost) Annual World Championship Egg Toss! Park in the small parking lot closest to the four way stop at Bethel street and Southhampton Drive.

First Baptist Hiking Club - June 27

Binder Memorial Park, Jefferson City

The Hiking Club's next hike is taking place on Sunday, June 27 at Binder Memorial Park in Jefferson City. To join this next adventure, meet at church to carpool and caravan at 12:15 pm directly after the second church service. Be sure to bring a picnic lunch to enjoy! This is a new trail to Misty and Kimberly as well so it will be an adventure to all. The hike is a shorter loop with some elevation changes with lake, woods, and stream views. Contact Misty or Kimberly and visit our Facebook Group "FBC Hiking Group" for more information.

Children's Ministry Worship and Small Groups

During Worship (9:15 am and 11:15 am)

During both worship services childcare will be available for children birth through kindergarten (completed). Children can be dropped off at the nursery. Children may go to the playground or gym, but will always begin in the nursery.

Children in first grade through 5th grade are asked to worship with their families. A worship bag with a clipboard, coloring pages, and a children's bulletin will be available for each child.

During the Spiritual Formation Hour (10:15 am)

Nursery care will continue for children birth through 3 years old in the nursery.
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Nursery care will continue for children birth through 3 years old in the nursery. Children, 4-years-old through completed 4th grade are invited to Worship and Wonder (Sunday School) in the Fellowship Hall. Children who have completed 5th grade will have the opportunity to participate in a special summer small group with the youth group.

Pardon our ladder while we make improvements!

In the last few years, and particularly during the pandemic, the webcast of our worship services has become an essential ministry of the church. The webcast enables people who are homebound or who have missed the opportunity to continue worshipping with us. During the pandemic, we pivoted our webcast to focus on the at home congregation. The pastors spoke directly into the camera and we launched an online greeter ministry. Now, as we return to in-person worship in the Sanctuary, we are working to create a more seamless hybrid worship service that can minister to both the people worshipping in the Sanctuary and the people worshipping online. To do this, we are moving a camera to be within the congregation to better include our online participants. The ladder is a placeholder until a more aesthetically pleasing stand can be installed. The Worship and Telling Teams have been working to make sure the new camera is not only functional, but also fits within in our beautiful sanctuary. So, please pardon our ladder as we make improvements and remember the camera represents all the people who are joining us from home for worship.

First Baptist Summer One Read(s)

Are you looking for something to read over the summer? Look no further, back by popular demand is our summer one read(s)! We have chosen three books for our One Read. You can read one or read them all. The idea is for everyone to read at their own pace over the summer and then, join the conversations about them in the fall. Hopefully, the books will be thought-provoking, encourage spiritual growth, and fruitful discussion. Books are \$15 each and can be purchased on Sunday mornings or at the church office during the week.

Contemplative Retreat at Conception Abbey

October 8-10 (Friday morning through Sunday evening), you are invited to join Pastor Carol for a contemplative retreat at Conception Abbey, a beautiful Benedictine monastery located in northwest Missouri. The quiet setting and rural atmosphere of Conception Abbey is the ideal place for retreat. To register or for more information contact Pastor Carol at mcentyre@fbc-columbia.org. The deadline to register is June 20.

Red Cross Blood Drive at First Baptist

Please join us for a blood drive at First Baptist Church on Monday, June 21, 2021 from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. You can call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: FIRSTBAPTIST to schedule the appointment.

Worship Service of Lament, Healing, and Resilience

Sunday, June 27 at 11:15 am

On Sunday, June 27 at 11:15 am in the Sanctuary, you are invited to join us as we come together for a worship service of lament, healing, and resilience. There will be no 9:15 outdoor worship and everyone is encouraged to join us at 11:15 am in the Sanctuary, or worship with us online. The COVID-19 pandemic has been a difficult season of life. It has been traumatic for some, painful for many, and stressful for all. During the service, we will reflect on what was lost during the pandemic and what was gained, as we seek to heal and move forward together.

New Worship Schedule July 4

We are grateful that our lovely front lawn has given us the opportunity to meet outdoors during the pandemic. However, the Church Council and pastoral staff feel the time has come to move back inside for both worship services. We are excited to announce that beginning Sunday, July 4, Awakening and Traditional Worship will be meeting inside! We have some work to do on our webcasting system in the Fellowship Hall, but our hope is that both worship services will be hybrid, meaning people can join us, in person or online. For the time being, seating in the Fellowship Hall and Sanctuary will be arranged to allow for social distancing. Masks will be required at all times for attendees, even if vaccinated. We have a lot of children at First Baptist who have not had the opportunity to be vaccinated yet. If everyone is masked, it will make it easier for them to continue to wear their masks.

Compassion Camp - July 11-15

Compassion Camp is back for another year of fun, worship, and wonder and this time we will get to explore compassion face-to-face! This year's theme is "Changing the World with Lovingkindness." Through Bible stories, play, music, movement, and compassion in action, campers will explore what it means to have compassion for ourselves, others, and the world. This year, there are two separate opportunities for Compassion Campers. By offering two camps, we can increase capacity for both groups while providing a fun and safe environment. Additionally, crafts, games, Bible stories, and time allocated for each activity will be better tailored to each age group.

First Kids

First Kids Camp will take place on July 11-15 from 5:30-7:30 pm and is open for children entering Kindergarten through those who have completed 5th grade. Families can bring dinner and picnic on the front lawn before kids gather in the fellowship hall for opening worship! In addition, the whole family is encouraged to participate in our closing gathering each night at 7:15 pm to worship and celebrate together.

Preschool

Preschool Camp will take place for children 3-years-old through 5-years-old and their families on Friday, July 16 from 5:30-7:00 pm and Saturday, July 17 from 9:00-10:30 am. This abbreviated version of Compassion Camp will explore the themes of love for others and love for ourselves through play, songs, and stories. –

Register now at www.fbc-columbia.org/compassioncamp

For more information, or to volunteer for Compassion Camp, email Compassion Camp Director, Lillian Hoell at firstkidscamp@fbc-columbia.org

Family kits will be available in July for those unable to participate in Compassion Camp but who would still like to explore the theme as a family!



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