

June 9, 2021

# the SPIRE

First Baptist Church  
columbia



*forColumbia 2021*



*Thank you to all of our  
First Baptist volunteers  
who served with our  
ForColumbia Teams  
on Saturday, June 5.  
More from the workday  
on page 5!*

JUNE/JULY 2021

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**13**  
JUN

CHURCH PICNIC AT  
BETHEL PARK  
4 PM



**27**  
JUN

WORSHIP SERVICE  
OF LAMENT,  
HEALING, &  
RESILIENCE (PAGE 2)



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JUL

NEW WORSHIP  
SCHEDULE  
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**NEW  
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NEW**

**5**  
JUL

OFFICES CLOSED FOR  
INDEPENDENCE DAY  
HOLIDAY



**11**  
JUL

COMPASSION CAMP  
KIDS: JULY 11-15  
PRESCHOOL: JULY 16 & 17





## Word from the Pastor

# Reflecting on the Pandemic

A SERVICE OF LAMENT, HEALING, AND RESILIENCE



Word from the Pastor

## **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. The collective stress of isolation, economic uncertainty, and the fear of illness were constant companions for over a year and as a result, many people feel emotionally and physically worn down. For some, COVID-19 was not just stressful, but potentially traumatic. Those who experienced the sudden death or lengthy hospitalization of a loved one, along with those who worked in the medical field caring for people with COVID-19, may feel the lingering impact of trauma. Trauma is an emotional response to a terrible event and can lead to intrusive thoughts and dreams about the event, as well as physical symptoms in our bodies. Even if we are not experiencing the symptoms of trauma, the pandemic has probably impacted all of us more deeply than we are aware. And yet, even in the midst of trauma, pain, and change, we are discovering that we are resilient people. Worship can be a powerful tool in the journey of healing. 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.



# Word from the Pastor



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.

*Carl McIntyre*

## NEW WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### SUNDAY, JULY 4

9:15

Awakening Worship in the  
Fellowship Hall

10:15

Adult Small Groups,  
Youth and First Kids Sunday  
School

11:15

Traditional Worship in the  
Sanctuary

REGATHER

RECONNECT

REJOICE !



# Compassion Camp



## 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.

Registration begins Friday, June 11 at [www.fbc-columbia.org/compassioncamp](http://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](mailto: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!*

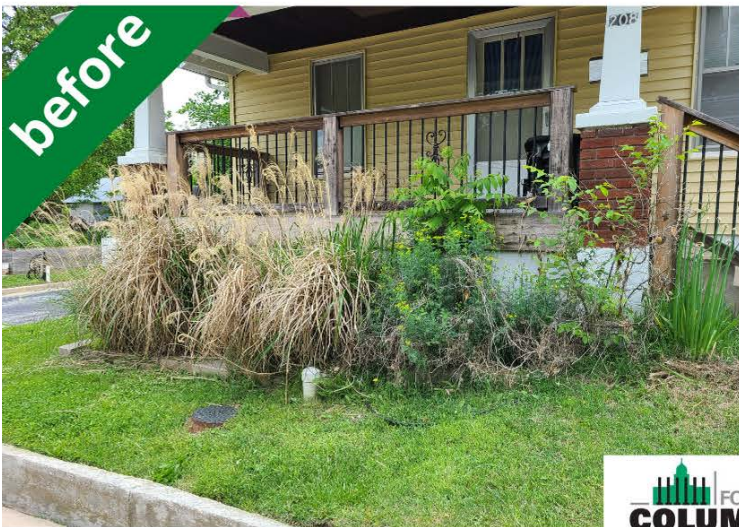


# LOVINGKINDNESS





## *forColumbia Workday 2021*



before



after



*Thank you to the over 40 First Baptist volunteers who served with our ForColumbia Teams on Saturday, June 5. First Baptist led projects at our Extra Mile house and Benton Elementary School. We also had several volunteers serve at other sites around the city, including the Pop-Up Park on the Business Loop, a children's clothing closet, a community garden, Bear Creek homes, and others. Our folks joined with almost 1200 people from across the city representing 46 churches in our community to share the love of Christ with those in Columbia. Be sure to check out the video of our work on our church Facebook group. Thank you for your incredible work in a very difficult year.*





# Summer One Read (s)



## First Baptist Summer One Read(s)

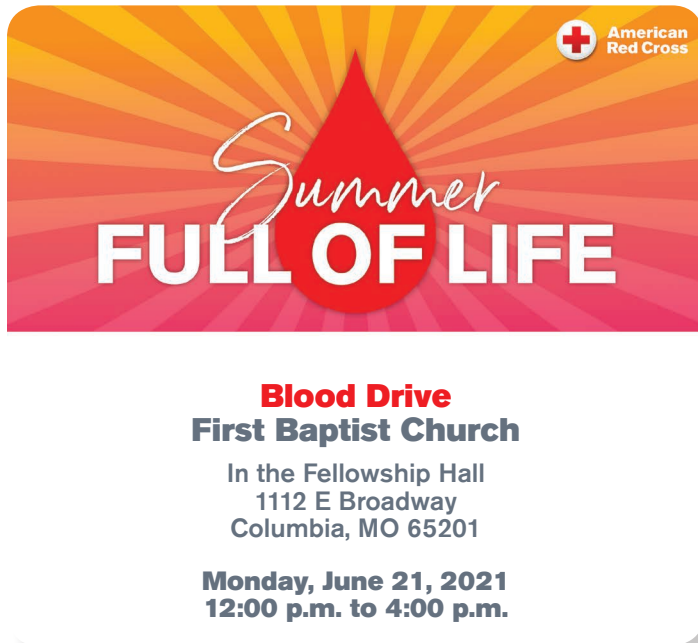
Are you looking for something to read over the summer? Look no further. Back by popular demand is our summer one read(s)! We have chosen three books for our One Read. You can read one or read them all. The idea is for everyone to read at their own pace over the summer and then, join the conversations 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 me, 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](mailto:mcentyre@fbc-columbia.org). The deadline for registration is June 20.



## 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](https://RedCrossBlood.org)  
Enter "FIRSTBAPTIST" to schedule the  
appointment.

## Zoom at Noon Wraps Up

Wednesday, June 9 will be our last Zoom at Noon for this season. Zoom at Noon with Pastor Carol McEntyre has been a great way for our congregation to stay connected and care for one another during these last 14 months. However, with summer vacations and a return to in-person events, Pastor Carol is ending Zoom at Noon for now. We give thanks that Zoom at Noon allowed us to stay connected.



## 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.



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## Church Picnic 2021

Sunday, June 13 at Bethel Park

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Please plan to bring your own meal or snacks. You can also bring your favorite outdoor game and lawn chairs. Plus, we get to have the (almost) Annual World Championship Egg Toss!

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