



**GIVING**

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# *Our Worship of God*

*November 21, 2021*

*11:15 am*

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

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## *~ Christ the King Sunday ~*

**Welcome**

Pastor Carol McEntyre

**Prelude**

Will You Let Me Be Your Servant  
Colleen Ostercamp, *organ*

arr. Burkhardt

### **†Call to Worship (responsive)**

Today, we join with churches around the world to celebrate  
“The Reign of Christ”

**Jesus, we honor you.**

Jesus is our faithful witness, ruler or rulers, friend of the poor and the meek.

**Christ has inspired and taught us.**

In God’s wisdom, Christ made us to be a kin-dom;  
a community of faithful followers committed to the reign of love.

**Christ’s peace, goodness, and mercy are unending.**

Let us worship our God whose ethic is love and way is peace.

**Let us sing praises to the One whose reign endures forever.**

**†Opening Hymn 130**

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

## Questions for Reflection

Recall your first memories of money. What did you learn from this?

If your money story brings up feelings of shame, greed, scarcity, anxiety, or guilt, what needs to be released?

## †Hymn 374

Now Thank We All Our God

## Question for Reflection

After releasing the feelings of shame, greed, scarcity, and guilt, what parts of your story can be reimagined?

## Anthem

Anthems of Love

by Forrest

*Chancel Choir*

Colleen Ostercamp, *piano*

*Alleluia*

*Around us the sound of celestial music,  
anthems of love from the heavenly throne;  
The Father Himself singing over His children,  
His love-song, a gift that He sings to His own.*

*Sing to the Lord, with a song give him glory,  
Heaven will hear and join in our praise.*

*The Father Himself singing over His children, taking delight in the anthems we raise.*

*Sing with the sun as it rises each morning - melody, harmony, lighting the day.  
Sing through the night with the moon and stars shining, hymns of deliverance,  
pardon, and grace.*

*Echoes of love coming down from the Father,  
echoes of love that we lift to His throne:  
Sing to the Lord, with a song give him glory,  
Heaven will hear and join in our praise.*

*The Father Himself singing over His children, taking delight in the anthems we raise.*

*Alleluia. The sound of celestial music. Alleluia.*

**Mark 12:38-44**

As he taught, he said, “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows’ houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.”

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

The Gospel of our Lord.

**Praise be to Christ.**

**Message**

Reimagine

Pastor Carol McEntyre

## **Affirmation of Faith (unison)**

**We believe in God the Creator,  
who, like a painter with a canvas,  
imagined creation and breathed it into being.**

**We believe in Jesus,  
who many years later,  
walked this hurting world and showed us a new way to love.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
who prods us and pulls us,  
leads us and guides us,  
carries us and loves us into new life, day after day.**

**And we believe in the power of imagination,  
a gift from God that allows us to dream dreams,  
create anew, start over, try again, and live lives of hope.**

**So in response, together, as God's church,  
We dare to dream.  
We strive to love.  
We try to imagine a new day.  
And we walk together,  
All with God's help. Amen.**

## **Sharing Our Gifts & Pledge Walk**

**†Hymn 428**

God of Love and Truth and Beauty

**Life of the Church**

**†Benediction**

**†Postlude**

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow  
Colleen Ostercamp, *organ*

J.C. Bach

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# Worship Notes

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*O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*, Words: Charles Wesley, 1739. Music: Carl G. Gläser, 1828; arr. Lowell Mason, 1839.

*Now Thank We All Our God*, Words: Martin Rinkart, 1636; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1858. Music: Johann Crüger, 1647; harm. Felix Mendelssohn, 1840.

*God of Love and Truth and Beauty*, ©1985 Hope Publishing Company. Words: Timothy Rees, 1922. Music: Erik Routley, 1982.

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# Week at a Glance

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## Sunday, November 21

9:15 am Awakening Worship

10:15 am Spiritual Formation Hour

– Adult, Youth small groups & First Kids Sunday School

11:15 am Traditional Worship in the sanctuary and streamed online

12:30 pm CPR/AED Training in the Fellowship Hall

## Monday, November 22

All-Day Advent Preparations

5:30 pm Church Council Meeting in the Conference Room

## Tuesday, November 23

1:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room and via Zoom

## Thursday, November 25 & Friday, November 26

Thanksgiving Holiday - Offices Closed

## Sunday, November 28 -Advent Begins

9:15 am Awakening Worship

10:15 am Spiritual Formation Hour

– Adult, Youth small groups & First Kids Sunday School

11:15 am Traditional Worship in the sanctuary and streamed online

4:00 pm First Kids ADVENTure

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# Announcements

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## 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](http://fbc-columbia.org/guest) or use this QR code.



## Help with Advent Preparations

### Monday, November 22

Sign up to help with Advent Decorating on Monday, November 22 by signing up at this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084fa5ad2aa0f85-advent>  
For questions, contact Brenda Rice at [brice@fbc-columbia.org](mailto:brice@fbc-columbia.org)

## Advent Worship Series - *Housing the Holy*

Advent, the four weeks leading up to Christmas begins on Sunday, November 28. This year our theme is *Housing the Holy*. Advent invites us to remember that just as the star of Bethlehem shown over the stable, the Light of Christ is shining on us, inviting us to become a beacon of hope to others. Throughout the series, we will study the biblical prophets that call us to care for our neighbors and “make room in the inn,” the lonely and frightened spaces within us are filled with the light of Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love.

## First Baptist Christmas Dinner - Sunday, December 19, 5 pm

We are thrilled to announce the return of our annual Christmas Dinner! Since children can be vaccinated, the Church Council has decided we can feast and celebrate together again. To allow more time for children to be vaccinated, we are moving the dinner to Sunday, December 19 at 5:00. Come prepared for a lovely meal of turkey, ham, and beverages provided by the church, and wonderful side dishes and desserts prepared by you and your First Baptist friends. Come feast and celebrate with us!



## First Kids ADVENTure- November 28 at 4 pm

Can you believe it? It's almost here—Advent is right around the corner! There is so much joy surrounding this season, but there can also be a lot of chaos! There are decorations to put up, parties to throw, and presents to purchase. It's so easy to let the entire month of December pass by and we haven't settled in to hear the story of Christmas. We don't want that to happen this year, so we're hosting an event called "ADVENTure!" This is a fun and interactive experience designed for the whole family! We'll build gingerbread nativities, play games, sing songs, hear the Christmas story, and leave with a few gifts to use throughout Advent. It's a truly sweet way for your family to begin Advent! We'll be hosting this event on Sunday, November 28 at 4pm in the Fellowship Hall. To ensure we have enough kits for every family please **register by November 22**. Email Pastor Brittany at [bnull@fbc-columbia.org](mailto:bnull@fbc-columbia.org). We can't wait to see you there! Merry Advent!

## Christmas Eve Service

December 24 - 11:00 pm

With joy, we resume the ultimate celebration, our beautiful Christmas Eve worship service. We celebrate the coming of Christ with carols, the telling of the Christmas story, and the tradition of sharing the light with candles as we sing "Silent Night." Bring family and friends and join us as we worship in the Sanctuary at 11:00 pm.

## VAC Holiday Giving 2021

First Baptist is sponsoring two families this year through VAC's Holiday Program. Cards with individual gift requests are posted on the bulletin board outside the Sanctuary. Get involved by choosing an item that you would like to donate, take the card, then return the purchased item to the church by December 5. Please don't gift wrap items, but we do ask that you include the card from the bulletin board with your gift. If you worship with us online but would still like to shop for a gift, you can contact the church office Monday-Friday for our most update list of gifts. If you do not have time to shop but still want to participate, you can make a monetary donation by November 28. Simply indicate "VAC Family Christmas" on your check or offering envelope. If you have any questions, please contact Brittany McDonald Null, Pastor of Families and Spiritual Formation, with questions at [bnull@fbc-columbia.org](mailto:bnull@fbc-columbia.org).

## Decorate the Extra Mile House For Christmas

You can help decorate the Extra Mile House for Christmas. As a reminder, First Baptist is proud to partner with Love Columbia to sponsor an Extra Mile house; Extra Mile Homes provides transitional housing for families with children experiencing housing instability or homelessness.

### **What we're looking for:**

- 5ft - 7ft artificial tree (please contact the church office if you have a tree to donate)
- Mini string lights
- Ornaments
- Tree garland
- Tree topper
- Mantle stockings waiting to be filled with fruits and candies
- Tree skirt

We will spiffy up and replace ornament hooks with yarn because there are young kiddos in the family. If we collect more decorations than we need, we will store them for families who will move through the house in the years ahead. We have a small storage space.

We will collect decorations on the following Sundays: November 21, 28, and December 5. Look for boxes marked EXTRA MILE at each entryway of the church.

Thanking you in advance for sprinkling Christmas joy,

Extra Mile House Hospitality Team,  
*Donna Ostercamp and Christine Chang*

## American Baptist Churches USA Global Missions Offering

During the month of November, we invite you to give to American Baptist Church's Global Missions offering. Join the transformational work God is doing around the world through International Ministries' 120+ global servants and 250+ global partners. Gifts to the General Fund covers expenses for the work of mobilizing the next generation of global servants, building relationships between global servants, international partners, and mission supporters. Through your support of ABCUSA's Global Missions, church leaders receive contextualized theological education, children attend school, survivors of exploitation experience restoration, community leaders become advocates of peace and justice, and indigenous people access clean drinking water. To ensure your donations are correctly recorded, checks should be made out to First Baptist Church with ABC Offering in the memo line and ABCUSA envelopes are located by the offering boxes. If you wish to give electronically, you may do so on our website. Thank you for your generosity in supporting our mission partners.



## THRIVE for Racial Justice Survey

Everyone in the First Baptist Family is encouraged to take part in the THRIVE for racial justice online survey. You can find the link on our webpage by clicking the survey rotator on the home page, or use this QR Code. Through a grant sponsored by the Alliance of Baptists, First Baptist has made a 5-year commitment to participate in a cohort of 27 churches dedicated to the work of racial justice and equity. As part of this process, the Alliance is conducting this survey to assist in understanding racial realities and dynamics within the Alliance, as well as in our congregation. We are seeking to create a beloved, diverse, and equitable community here on earth, as it is in heaven. This understanding will equip us to affirm our strengths, address our weaknesses, and inform the action steps necessary for progress in overcoming barriers to racial justice and unity.





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