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February 5, 2017

11:15 am

(+ Indicates those who are able, please stand)

~ We Gather Together~

Meditation for Preparation

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Greeting

Prelude

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus Chancel Bells Carol McEntyre

arr. Mokelbust

We Gather Together

Testimony from Auben Galloway

Noah Hartsfield

Call to Worship (responsive)

Inspired by Psalm 51:1-17 God of salvation's joy, we gather to celebrate and worship you. We come, realizing that we are broken.
Our brokenness spills over into the world.
Forgive and re-create us.
God of unfailing love,
we gather to worship and honor you.
We come, and because of your compassion, forgive and renew us.
God of new beginnings,
we gather to praise and thank you.
We come, and through your grace and mercy, forgive and restore us, so that with clean hearts we may truly worship you. Amen.

†Processional Hymn

Gather Us In

Colleen Ostercamp

(printed after Postlude)

Pastoral Prayer with the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory for ever. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

2 Samuel 12:1-9a

...and the Lord sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, "There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. The rich man had very many flocks and herds; but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meager fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him." Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, "As the Lord lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity." Nathan said to David, "You are the man! Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. Why have you despised the word of the Lord, to do what is evil in his sight?

The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God.**

+Hymn of Confession 45

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing Sung to NETTLETON

Offertory Sentence

Offertory

Gathered Now Bria Jones, conductor arr. O'Brien

Gathered now a chosen people, called from darkness into light; bringing praise and glad thanksgiving, we behold the Lord of life. In the Word from the beginning, in the food and drink we share, in our joy and in our grieving, we believe that Christ is there.

Gathered now from ev'ry corner, gathered now the weak and strong, gathered those who thirst for justice, gathered those whose pain goes on. In this place there are no strangers; all are blest and called by name. In the dying and the rising, holy people we remain.

Gathered now around one table, gathered in our saving Lord; we become the gifts we offer: bread of life and cup outpoured. Gathered here we are one body; gathered here we are one blood. Called to serve our risen Savior, called to live God's word of love.

Old Testament Reading

Colleen Ostercamp

Psalm 51:1-12

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment. Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me. You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.

The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God.**

Message

Carol McEntyre

Prayer of Confession (based on Psalm 51)

Have mercy on us, O God, because of your unfailing love. Because of your great compassion, forgive us. Free us from the guilt that weighs us down, from the sin that controls us.

Silence is kept for individual confession

We have sinned against you, and done what is wrong in your eyes. We are well aware of the wrong we do: the words we speak which wound, the unloving thoughts and actions which hurt others and ourselves. We know that these things distance us from you, and keep us from recognizing your life in us. You desire complete honesty from us. We know that nothing can be hidden from you. And so we lay open our hearts to you now we lay before you those things for which we need your forgiveness, and those things from which we long to be set free. Gracious God, enter our hearts.

Teach us what it means to have you at the center of our lives.

Silence is kept for individual confession

God, we need your mercy and forgiveness. Only you can make us whole again; only you can fill us with lasting joy, only you can transform our weakness into strength. O God, look no longer on our past mistakes, but on the aspirations and longing of our hearts.

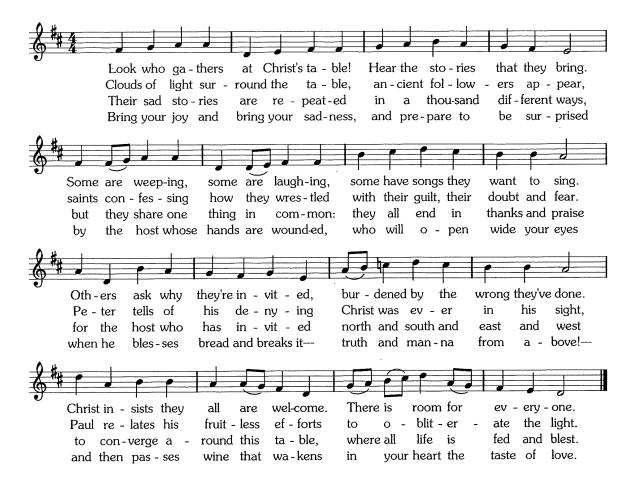
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(unison)
Create in us clean hearts, O God,
open and receptive to your Spirit.
Create in us clean hearts, O God,
washed clean from bitter thoughts,
from shame, guilt, envy and anger.
Create in us clean hearts, O God,
free from anxiety about the past or the future,
confident in the presence of your Holy Spirit,
and in your gift of peace.
Create in us clean hearts, O God,
cleansed by your mercy, and made strong by your love.

Words of Assurance

†Hymn of Preparation

Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table



Observance of Holy Communion

Words of Invitation Prayer of Thanksgiving Words of Institution The Bread Broken, the Cup Shared

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Benediction

Postlude



Worship Notes

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The Call to Worship was written by Joan Stott, and posed on **The Timeless Psalms**, <u>http://www.thetimelesspsalms.net/w_resources/ash%20wedc_2013.htm</u>.

Week at a Glance

Sunday, February 5

4-4:50 pm Children's Music 5:30-7 pm College/Young Adult Bible Study

Monday, February 6

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

Wednesday, February 8

6:15-7:15 pm The Calling for 6th-12th Grade 5:30 pm Psalm Players Rehearsal 6:30 pm Chancel Bells Rehearsal 7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday, February 10

5:30-8 pm CDC Family Dinner

Sunday, February 12

12:15-1:30 pm Sermon Discussion Group4-4:50 pm Children's Music5:30-7 pm College/Young Adult Bible Study

Sanctuary Off-site

Parlor Conference Room

Youth Suite

All Rehearsals in Sanctuary

Fellowship Hall

Conference Room Sanctuary Youth Suite

We Gather Together Series Continues

Last Sunday we began a 5-week, all-generational series on building up the church in worship. All Sunday morning small group sessions, including First Kids, as well as the sermons, will focus on this topic. If you aren't currently participating in a Sunday Morning Small Group, we hope you will consider joining one for this series!

The Calling / Studio 1B

The Calling has returned to its regular meeting time and place in the Youth Suite from 6:15-7:15 pm each Wednesday. Youth are always welcome to bring their friends.

College / Young Adult Retreat Feb. 10-12th

Join us for a spiritual retreat at the beautiful Windermere Conference Center. It's a space for college students and young adults to meet new people, renew focus, and draw closer to God. The cost is \$20 for the weekend. Please contact Michael McEntyre (mmcentyre@fbc-columbia) to register.

Leadership Night Feb. 13

On Monday, February 13 at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall, everyone who serves on a leadership team (Congregational Care, Teaching Team, Worship Team, Mission Team, Telling Team and Administrative Team) is invited to a Leadership Dinner. We will enjoy Lee's chicken together, orient you to your work, talk about the expectations of our leaders, worship and sing. Child care is available. Please RSVP to our Administrative Assistant, Janet Deneke, at <u>churchinfo@fbc-columbia.org</u> and let her know you plan to attend the leadership dinner.

Listening Circle Beginning

Many people in our congregation have approached me to talk about the deep divisions in our country, which have led to feelings of uncertainty and fear. We want to provide space to support one another. Bob Russell and I will be co-leading two listening groups. The first meetings will be Wednesday, Feb 15 at 1:30 pm and Wednesday, Feb 15 at 5:30 pm. The purpose of the group is to listen, to support one another, to pray, and to talk about how to respond faithfully. ~ Pastor Carol McEntyre

Room at the Inn

First Baptist is hosting Room at the Inn February 19 through March 1, 7 pm - 7 am. Volunteers are needed – you may sign up by visiting http://www.roomattheinncomo.org/get-involved.html.

First Baptist Fellowship Adventures

Join us on Sunday, February 19th at 1:30 at the Columbia Entertainment Company's presentation of the dark comedy "Heathers" (for mature audiences only). Cost is \$10. Reserve your ticket by contacting Paula Thomas (<u>paulalou52@gmail.com</u> or the <u>churchinfo@fbc-columbia.org</u> or 442-1149).

Ash Wednesday and Lent

Lent begins with our Ash Wednesday worship service at 6 pm on March 1st. The Sundays of Lent will focus on the theme of "Poured Out," examining the elements that show up in the story of the days leading up to Jesus' crucifixion: oil, water, wine, blood, and tears.

Identifying Church Photos

As we continue to dig into our history, we have uncovered a treasure trove of wonderful and historic photographs. Unfortunately, most of them are not labeled. We would like your help in identifying the people pictured, as well as the context of times and events. Beginning the week of March 13 we will have hundreds of pictures displayed in the 2nd floor conference room from 10 am - noon and 1:30-3:30 pm. Please stop by – no appointment needed – and enjoy your memories as you help us in this important endeavor.



11:15 am Traditional Worship Service

For those who may prefer a more contemporary worship experience, First Baptist Church offers Awakening Contemporary Worship at 9:15 a.m. each Sunday in the Fellowship Hall.

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): Discussion Class in the Parlor on the second floor.

Faith Forum in the second floor classroom, next to the elevator.

Community Small Group in the conference on the second floor.

Young Adult Small Group in the 2nd floor library.

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