

*Jesus' life poured out for us - John 3: 1-16 (March 5th)*

*Mary, friend of Jesus, anoints him with oil - John 12:1-11  
(March 12th)*



*Simon Peter has his feet washed with water - John 13: 3-16  
(March 19)*

*Judas shares a cup of wine with Jesus - John 13: 21-30  
(March 26th)*



*Jesus' mother Mary sheds tears for him - John 19: 19-27  
(April 2nd)*

*Roman centurion sheds Jesus' blood - John 19: 28-42  
(April 9th)*





## *Our Worship of God*

*March 5, 2017*

*11:15 am*

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

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### *~ The First Sunday of the Season of Lent ~ “Poured Out”*

**Greeting**

Ed Rollins

**Introduction of Lenten Theme**

Carol McEntyre

**Invitation to Worship**

*For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son,  
that whosoever believeth in him should not perish,  
but have everlasting life.      John 3:16*

**Prelude**

Variants on a German Hymn Tune  
Psalm Players

arr. Mahaffey

### **Call to Worship (Unison)**

**For God so loved the world;  
The sparrows, the mountain lions,  
the fish and the people.**

**For God so loved the world;  
In success and failure,  
in sickness and health,  
in mediocrity and in the extraordinary.**

**For God so loved the world;  
Enough to become one of us,  
enough to suffer along with us,  
enough to offer new life for us.**

**For God so loved the world;  
Let us worship God!**

### **†Processional Hymn 558**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

### **Prayer of Confession (unison)**

**The words we speak all too often do not show you in our lives, God of our pilgrimage. We spend so much time boasting to others, they imagine we have no need for you. We grumble impatiently when you don't respond immediately to our requests, but are slow to sing your praises. We mutter under our breath about the behavior of those around us, when we could be asking them if there is some way we could serve them.**

**It is on our journey to the cross and the tomb that you fill us with the riches of your mercy. You do so, not because of anything we have done, but because of the compassion which flows from your heart wounded by our failings. As we open our lives to receive your forgiveness, may we turn to the Light which brings us life, following Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, every step of the way. Amen.**

### **Assurance of Pardon (responsive)**

**Could we with ink the ocean fill,  
And were the skies of parchment made,  
Were every stalk on earth a quill,  
And every one a scribe by trade;**

To write the love of God above  
Would drain the ocean dry;  
Nor could the scroll contain the whole,  
Though stretched from sky to sky.

**Oh, love of God, how rich and pure!  
How measureless and strong!  
It shall forevermore endure –  
The saints' and angels' song.**

## †Passing the Peace of Christ

### Gospel Proclamation

1 God loved the world so that he gave his on - ly  
2 Christ Je - sus is the ground of faith, who was made

Son the lost to save, that all who would in in  
flesh and suf - fered death; all who con - fide in

him be - lieve should ev - er - last - ing life re - ceive.  
Christ a - lone are built on this chief cor - ner - stone.

## †Gospel Reading

Jim Rhodes

John 3:1-17

*Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How*

*can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?"*

*Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."*

*Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? "Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life."*

*"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."*

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

**Praise be to Christ.**

**Anthem**

**God So Loved the World**

**Stainer**

**Prayer: Extravagant Love (responsive)**

Extravagant God, who gave all,  
even your life, without calculating the cost,

**your love is everywhere.**

You do not hold your love back  
to be admired from a distance

**but pour your precious gift**

**out for us at great price.**

So may we love –

**purely,**

dangerously,  
**wildly,**  
extravagantly,  
**creating a scandal of grace.**

Let us love for love's sake, seeing each day as the chance  
to do a spontaneous, irrational, risky act of love  
in Christ's name

**whose love so amazing, so divine,  
demands our souls, our lives, our all. Amen.**

## Hymn

What Wondrous Love Is This?

*What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,  
what wondrous love is this, O my soul!*

*What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss  
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,  
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul!*

## Message

Jesus Poured Out for Us

Carol McEntyre

John 1 (selected verses)

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.*

## Preparation for Communion

Ed Rollins

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

## Gathering at the Table of Our Lord

**Words of Invitation**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Words of Institution**

**The Bread Broken, the Cup Shared**

## †Hymn of Commitment 478

My Savior's Love

## † Offertory Sentence

**Offertory**

A Shaker Gift Song  
Psalm Players

Ticheli

## † Benediction (responsive)

Let us rejoice:

**God so loves the world!**

May God your Maker send you back into the world  
with creative energies refreshed.

May Christ the Light illuminate your darkest moments.

And may the Holy Spirit of steadfast love guide you  
until we worship together again  
this day and forevermore.

**Amen.**

## † Postlude

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# Week at a Glance

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## Sunday, March 5

**4 pm Parent Meeting for First Kids Camp**  
**4-4:50 pm Children's Music**  
**5:30-7 pm College/Young Adult Bible Study**

*Hospitality Room*  
*Sanctuary*  
*Youth Suite*

## Monday, March 6

**9-10:30 am Senior Yoga**  
**1-3:30 pm Staff Meeting**  
**5:30-7 pm Trustees**  
**5:35-6:45 pm Diaconate**

*Parlor*  
*Conference Room*  
*Library*  
*Conference Room*

## Wednesday, March 8

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

*Youth Suite*  
*Sanctuary*  
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## Sunday, March 12

**12:15-1:30 pm Sermon Discussion Group**  
**4-4:50 pm Children's Music**  
**5:30-7 pm College/Young Adult Bible Study**

*Conference Room*  
*Sanctuary*  
*Youth Suite*



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# Announcements

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## Parent Meeting

The Children's Ministry team is excited to announce that this summer, First Baptist will host our inaugural day camp for children age 3 through those entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade. First Kids Camp will be held Monday, July 31 – Wednesday, August 2. The camp is a reinvention of Vacation Bible School, and is part of First Baptist's work to build a support net for families in the church and community. For more information, to get involved, or to give input, please join us for a parent meeting today at 4 pm in the hospitality room next to the sanctuary.

## New Sunday Small Groups began today

First Baptist will be hosting Financial Peace University, which walks you through the basics of budgeting, dumping debt, and planning for your financial future, in its Flex format started this morning with an introductory session. This format is designed to fit into a 55 minute Small Group class that will take place in the 10:15 hour between services. Class participants will watch the video lessons at home, and the Sunday morning session will consist of a brief video recap, discussion, and activities. This is a very convenient way for busy individuals and couples to take a life-changing class! Simply visit <https://fpu.com/1038339> to register for the course. Contact Amanda Jacobs at [amanda@jacobsrealty.com](mailto:amanda@jacobsrealty.com) or Caryn McClanhan at [caryn@jacobsrealty.com](mailto:caryn@jacobsrealty.com) for more information.

The Discussion Class, which meets in the Parlor on the second floor of the education building, began a new series on the book *Final Words From the Cross* by Adam Hamilton. Each session will include a 10 minute video of the author discussing the saying from Jesus. Moving through each chapter, you will begin to understand and respond to Jesus' final words at the cross while learning about those who were eye witnesses to the crucifixion. In the final chapter, Hamilton moves beyond the cross to Jesus' words to the disciples on the road to Emmaus and to those who were witnesses to the Resurrection. Bob Russell will be leading the series.

Please join us for either of these classes next Sunday.

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# Announcements

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## Easter Egg Hunt

Save the date for the annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 15 from 10 am – noon!

## Quest Family Camp

Quest Family Camp, scheduled for July 2<sup>nd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>, is a new approach to summer camp. In keeping with First Baptist's student ministry goals, the camp is for all families with kids from preschool to college, and will be a youth camp, kids' camp, adult retreat, family vacation, and a chance to get away and be with God – all rolled into one great experience! More details are in the March 1 Spire. Cost and registration information will be published soon.

## Mission Trip to South Dakota

Following on last summer's wonderful youth mission experience at Bridger, South Dakota, the 2017 experience will be open to people of all generations. The week of June 10 – 15 we will take up to 20 people to the reservation for light construction work, building fencing for horses, engaging in the community, and connecting with the kids on the reservation. More details, including cost for the trip and supply needs, will be available in the coming weeks. If you are interested in going, please contact Michael McEntyre at [mmcentyre@fbc-columbia.org](mailto:mmcentyre@fbc-columbia.org).

## First Baptist Adventures

Our next Adventure is a celebration of St. Patrick's Day at an Italian restaurant, because, well – we're multicultural! We will meet at "McOlive Garden" at 5:45 pm on Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup> for dinner. Please RSVP by March 15<sup>th</sup> by calling the church office at 442-1149, or emailing [churchinfo@fbc-columbia.org](mailto:churchinfo@fbc-columbia.org)

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# Worship Notes

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The call to worship is based on John 3:16 and was written by Katherine Hawker, posted on her **Liturgies Outside** website, <http://liturgyoutside.net/>.

The prayer of confession was written by Thom Shuman and posted on his **Lectionary Liturgies** blog.

The assurance of pardon is the third stanza from the hymn, “The Love of God,” written by Frederick Lehman. Copyright 1917. Renewed 1945 by Nazarene Press.

The Gospel proclamation, “God Loved the World,” first appeared in 1791 in the “Gesanbuch” It is a paraphrase of John 3:16 and is sung to the tune ROCKINGHAM OLD.

The prayer “Extravagant Love” was written by Sharlande Sledge in her book **Prayers & Liturgies for the Christian Seasons**, Smyth & Helwys © 1999.

The benediction is based on John 3:16, written by Rev. Dr. Ginny Brown Daniel, posted on the *Worship Ways* page of the **United Church of Christ** website, [http://www.ucc.org/worship\\_worship-ways](http://www.ucc.org/worship_worship-ways).

Jim Rhodes is today’s scripture reader. Jim is Emeritus Professor of MU Agricultural Economics. He and Verna have been members of FBC for 50 years, and have served in a variety of committees and boards.



## 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.*

***The sanctuary flowers are provided by:  
Mary Lou Spradling in memory of all the Totzke birthdays in March.***

For Children During Worship:

1<sup>st</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> floor library.

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### Church Staff

Carol McEntyre, Senior Pastor † Ed Rollins, Associate Pastor

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