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Our Worship of God

October 1, 2017

11:15 am

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

Reformation 500 World Communion Sunday

"It is very hard for a man [or woman] to believe that God is gracious to him [or her]. The human heart can't grasp this."

~ Martin Luther

Greeting Carol McEntyre

Prelude Come, Thou Almighty King Laubengayer

†Call to Worship (responsive)

Blessed be God: Creator, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.

There is one Body and one Spirit;

There is one hope in God's call to us;

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

One God and Creator of all.

Blessed be God who sustains and protects the Holy Church

And blessed be God

who guides and confirms us in our Faith.

Amen. Alleluia!

†Processional Hymn 745

Jesus Shall Reign

(Please turn to face the cross as it enters)

†Prayer of Confession (unison)

We confess that sometimes we simply don't trust you with our lives, and the lives of those we love.

We confess our unbelief of the promises in your Word that your grace really is sufficient for us.

Silence

We confess our sins, the times we have willingly gone against your good will for our lives, choosing that which is wrong.

Silence

We confess that there are times we ignore the promptings of your Spirit, and fail to do the good deeds you have prepared for us to do.

Silence

Forgive us, Lord, and continue to shape us by your grace. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

†Assurance of Pardon

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Scripture Reading

Ken Hammann

Romans 1:16-17, 3:22-31

For I am not ashamed of the gospel; it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who has faith, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed through faith for faith; as it is written, "The one who is righteous will live by faith."

But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus. Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith.

For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law. Or is God the God of Jews only? Is he not the God of Gentiles also? Yes, of Gentiles also, since God is one; and he will justify the circumcised on the ground of faith and the uncircumcised through that same faith. Do we then overthrow the law by this faith? By no means! On the contrary, we uphold the law.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Reformation Litany (responsive)

Generous God, we thank you for open hearts that were prepared to hear and receive the good news of freedom in Christ.

We also thank you for our continued freedom in the Son to share that same news of salvation through your grace and Christ's faithfulness.

We remember the lives that were lost in the struggle to reform the church on earth – those who were martyred, those who died fighting, those who perished in hiding, and who were killed on all sides.

We remember also the lives that have been lost throughout history in the name of religion and for those who die today for daring to believe.

We thank you for the instruction that comes through our church heritage –

the understanding of the saints, the gift of community, and a deeper appreciation of God's gift of Holy Communion and Holy Baptism.

We thank you for the presence of Jesus Christ – in us, with us, and for us – and for the support of the Holy Spirit, ever-reforming us.

God of stability and change, we thank you that true reformation is always your work and always being done in us out of your love for your whole creation. We are ever reformed by the work of your love.

We are ever reformed by the work of God's love.

†Hymn 710 We Are Called

†Offertory Sentence

Offertory Creation Will Be at Peace Page

Chancel Bells

Message A Monk and a Mallet Carol McEntyre

Preparation for Communion

Chancel Choir

I Will Be a Child of Peace Arr. Hagenberg

O Holy Father I will be a child of peace and purity for well I know Thy hand will bless the seeker after righteousness.

Gathering at the Table of Our Lord

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

Renewal of Our Church Covenant (unison)

Because we have responded to Christ's call to follow him as disciples and because we find this calling too difficult and too important to fulfill alone,

We covenant together to support and to pray for one another without ceasing; to be candid in our speech, kind in our attitudes, and caring in all our dealings with one another; to seek the mind and vision of Christ for ourselves and our life together, mindful that our unity does not require uniformity.

Moreover, we covenant to give first priority to our times of public worship and learning; to sustain our common mission by proportionate giving, faithful service and personal witness; to live our lives in a manner worthy of the gospel we profess and of this family of faith; and to seek each other's forgiveness and God's when we fail to honor this covenant, trusting God's Spirit to renew us in stronger faith, brighter hope and broader love.

+Hymn of Commitment

O Christ, the Great Foundation Sung to AURELIA

O Christ, the great foundation on which your people stand to preach your true salvation in every age and land: pour out your Holy Spirit to make us strong and pure, to keep the faith unbroken as long as worlds endure.

Baptized in one confession, one church in all the earth, we bear our Lord's impression, the sign of second birth: one holy people gathered in love beyond our own, by grace we were invited; by grace we make you known.

This is the moment glorious when he who once was dead shall lead his church victorious, their champion and their head.

The Lord of all creation his heavenly kingdom brings:

the final consummation, the glory of all things.

†Benediction

Postlude

Worship Art

The first Sunday of October is a day set aside by the Church world-wide to celebrate the unity Christ brings us through his love and mercy. World Communion Sunday reminds us that we are part of a global church – that at the table of grace we are all family.

Our altar has been transformed by Brenda Rice to reflect different symbols of World Communion Sunday. One addition to the table, on the left side, is a traditional Moldovan table runner presented to us in June of this year by our missionary friends and members of First Baptist, Keith Holmes and Mary van Rheenen. The table runner is a gift from Pastor Petru & Olesea Ciochina, Bethlehem Baptist Church, Republic of Moldova, in honor of First Baptist's long-term partnership with Keith and Mary, who serve as resource coordinators with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship's Romany Team, and with Romany outreach in the Republic of Moldova.

Olesea Ciochina inherited this piece from her grandmother. It is not clear whether her grandmother or some other woman made this. It was probably made before 1980 and is a vintage item.

Spinning and weaving linen as well as wool is a traditional Moldovan skill. Many women had looms in their homes. The traditional design woven into the fabric as well as the hand-crocheted lace on each end were created by the maker. Textiles like these were used to carry bread from the oven or spread on the table on feast days. They were also draped over interior doorways and windows as decoration. In Orthodox homes, they are used to embellish the shelf of a treasured icon or other religious image.

In a letter to us, Keith and Mary wrote, "We pray this item will enhance your worship services and provide a visual reminder of the service you have given and continue to give to the world-wide body of Christ.

Week at a Glance

Sunday, October 1

10:15 am Small Groups Various Classrooms

4 pm First Baptist 101 Parlor

5:15 pm Children's Music Ministry Conference Room

5:30-7 pm College/Young Bible Study Youth Suite

Monday, October 2

9-10:30 am Senior Yoga Parlor

1-3:30 pm Staff Meeting Conference Room

Tuesday, October 3

11:30 am – 2 pm Crafty Critters E2

6 pm – Faith & Film: The Shack Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, October 4

Noon-1 pm Visitation, 1pm Funeral for Muriel Crane
6:15-7:15 pm The Calling for Youth
5:30 pm Psalm Players Rehearsal
6:30 pm Chancel Bells Rehearsal
7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
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Sunday, October 8

10:15 am Small Groups Various Classrooms

4 pm First Baptist 101 Parlor

5:30-7 pm College/Young Adult Bible Study Youth Suite

Announcements

First Baptist 101

If you sense that God is drawing you to the community at First Baptist, we celebrate that and we want you to have a chance to get to know our church! First Baptist 101 is a class for adults who are new members or anyone interested in learning more about First Baptist. We will address questions like, "What does it mean to be a member of First Baptist?" and "What does it mean to be Baptist?"

First Baptist 101 will meet for an hour on three consecutive Sundays beginning October 1 at 4 pm in the Parlor, located on the 2nd floor across from the church offices. Here is an overview of each week:

- Sunday, October 1 Baptist History and Polity taught by Rev. Bob Russell
- Sunday, October 8 Understanding First Baptist leadership structure, the church staff, committees, goals and vision of the church taught by Pastor Carol McEntyre
- Sunday, October 15 Overview of First Baptist ministries, opportunities to serve, and a building tour

For more information or to sign up for child care, contact Pastor Carol McEntyre at mcentyre@fbc-columbia.org or 573-442-1149

Afternoon at the Farm

Our annual Afternoon at the Farm is Sunday, October 22 at 3 pm., with hayrides, trunk-or-treat, and dinner. Please plan to bring a bag or two of candy for trunk-or-treating, and a side dish to share. Meat, beverages and table service are provided. Directions will be in the October 4 Spire, and will be published again closer to the date.

Sheppard Lecture

You don't want to miss our Fall Sheppard Lecture, October 28-29, featuring Amanda Tyler, Executive Director of the Baptist Joint Committee for Religious Liberty (BJC). Primarily an education and advocacy organization, the BJC is a leading voice in Washington, D.C., fighting to uphold the historic Baptist principles of freedom and separation of church and state. The BJC is the only faith-based agency devoted solely to religious liberty and church-state separation. The topic of the lecture series is "Liberty & Justice for some? Understanding Our Baptist Identity."

Odyssey Chamber Music Series

The Odyssey Chamber Music Concert Series welcomes back the Akropolis Reed Quintet, the 2011 Plowman Chamber Music Competition Grand Prize Winner, on Friday, October 13 at 7 pm in the sanctuary. The evening includes a world premiere of a composition by University of Missouri composer Paul Seitz. In their program, "Refraction", Akropolis presents classical music bearing a wide array of influences, from rock and electronic music to jazz, chant, folk songs, and even glass art and ceramics. Each work absorbs the characteristics of a different genre, style, or era, and then creates fresh, relevant music, reflecting upon the original and looking forward. Akropolis also explores their own influences as a reed quintet since their first concert given in 2009, as they build their ensemble's repertoire and re-visit their personal and collective inspirations by which they have forged their genre-bending identity.

Tickets are \$20 for general admission; \$10 for students; and children under 10 are free.

Combined Worship and Business Meeting November 12

On Sunday, November 12 we will have a combined worship at 9:15 in the Fellowship Hall, followed by brunch and a business meeting.

Worship Notes

The Call to Worship was written by the Rev. Thomas L. Weitzel, in <u>Liturgy of God's Word for Reformation Sunday.</u>

The Reformation Liturgy was written by lutherjulia, and posted on **RevGalBlogPals.** http://revgalblogpals.org/.

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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 flowers are given by Kee & Diana Groshong in honor of their anniversary.

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 (grades 6-12) and Adult Combined Small Groups meet in the Parlor on the second floor for a study of the Enneagram.

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