

# Our Worship of God

February 11, 2018

11:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

"Earth is so thick with divine possibility that it is a wonder we can walk anywhere without cracking our shins on altars." ~Barbara Brown Taylor

Greeting

Pastor Carol McEntyre

**Prelude** 

Come, Thou Almighty King Bruno Nacimento and Colleen Ostercamp, piano arr. Shackley

## Call to Worship

Ken & Sue Hammann

The mountain top
the shining face
the glowing clothes
the voice of God speaking from the cloud
the commandments etched in stone

Sometimes God shows up in ways we cannot deny in a place we can go a light we can see a voice we can hear a stone we can touch

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there is the veil
the overshadowing, terrifying cloud
the questions
the appearing and disappearing
the excitement
the wondering
the silence
Sometimes God shows up
in ways we cannot deny.

Always God shows up somehow.

So we have shown up here, now May God give us eyes to see.

#### **†Processional Hymn 62**

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

(Please turn to face the cross as it enters)

#### **†**Passing the Peace of Christ

#### The Old Testament Reading

**David Lang** 

Exodus 34:1-9

The Lord said to Moses, "Cut two tablets of stone like the former ones, and I will write on the tablets the words that were on the former tablets, which you broke. Be ready in the morning, and come up in the morning to Mount Sinai and present yourself there to me, on the top of the mountain. No one shall come up with you, and do not let anyone be seen throughout all the mountain; and do not let flocks or herds graze in front of that mountain." So Moses cut two tablets of stone like the former ones; and he rose early in the morning and went up on Mount Sinai, as the Lord had commanded him, and took in his hand the two tablets of stone.

The Lord descended in the cloud and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name, "The Lord." The Lord passed before him, and proclaimed, "The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love

and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for the thousandth generation, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, yet by no means clearing the guilty, but visiting the iniquity of the parents upon the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation." And Moses quickly bowed his head toward the earth, and worshiped. He said, "If now I have found favor in your sight, O Lord, I pray, let the Lord go with us. Although this is a stiff-necked people, pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us for your inheritance."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### Anthem

Gentle Voice Renan Leme, violin Dengler

Far above the noise of life, there's a voice that is gently calling. "Leave behind your cares and strife. Come to Me. I will give you rest.

Bring your fear and bring your pain."

Bring your anger and bring your worry."

Do you hear the voice of Jesus, gently calling, "Come unto Me"?

Gentle voice, so meek and mild; gentle words of understanding. "You are my beloved child. Come to Me. I will give you rest.

Bring your grief and bring your cares.

Bring your heartaches and bring your sorrow."

Do you hear the voice of Jesus, gently calling, "Come unto Me"?

Gentle voice, so full of love. Gentle words so rich in mercy. "You are my beloved child. Come to Me. I will give you rest."

### The Gospel Reading

David Lang

Mark 9:2-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the

cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.

#### Praise be to Christ.

#### **Prayer of Confession (responsive)**

O God.

We open our eyes and we see Jesus, the months of ministry transfigured to a beam of light, the light of the world, your light.

#### May your light shine upon us.

We open our eyes and we see Moses and Elijah, your word restoring us, showing us the way, telling a story, your story, his story, our story.

#### May your word speak to us.

We open our eyes and we see mist, the cloud of your presence which assures us of all we do not know and that we do not need to fear that.

#### Teach us to trust.

We open our eyes and we see Peter's constructions, his best plans, our best plans, our missing the point, our missing the way.

## $For give \ our \ foolishness \ and \ sin$

(Silence for confession of sins)

We open our eyes and we see Jesus, not casting us off, but leading us down, leading us out – to ministry, to people.

#### Your love endures forever.

We open our ears and we hear your voice, 'This is my beloved Son, listen to him!'

And we give you thanks.

Amen.

#### **†**Hymn 180

See Our Lord in All His Glory



Take up thy cross and follow Me," I heard my Master say; "I gave My life to ransom thee, surrender your all today." Refrain:

Wherever He leads I'll go, wherever He leads I'll go, I'll follow my Christ who loves me so, wherever He leads I'll go.

He drew me closer to His side, I sought His will to know, and in that will I now abide, wherever He leads I'll go. (refrain)

It may be through the shadows dim, or o'er the stormy sea, I take my cross and follow Him, wherever He leadeth me. (refrain)

My heart, my life, my all I bring to Christ who loves me so; He is my Master, Lord, and King, wherever He leads I'll go. (refrain)

#### **†**Offertory Sentence

Offertory

Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain

arr. Wold

#### **†**Benediction

In the coming week,
may you experience the presence of God with joy.
May the holy cloud comfort you.
May the divine voice encourage you.
May the power of the Spirit transform you,
transform us,
transform our world.

Amen.

#### **Postlude**

## Week at a Glance

Sunday, February 11

4-4:50 pm First Kids Music Sanctuary

5 pm Critical Conversations Second Baptist Church

Monday, February 12

9-10:30 am Senior Yoga Parlor

1-3:30 pm Staff Meeting Conference Room 5:30 pm Serving Team Meeting Conference Room

Tuesday, February 13

11:45 am – 2 pm Crafty Critters E2

Wednesday, February 14

5:30-7 pm Financial Peace University Conference Room

6 pm Ash Wednesday Worship Sanctuary

No Psalm Players rehearsal

6 pm The Calling Attends Ash Wednesday Worship Sanctuary

**No Chancel Bells Rehearsal** 

7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary

7:30 pm Praise Band Rehearsal Fellowship Hall

Thursday, February 15

5:30-6:30 pm Teaching Team Meeting Library

Sunday, February 18

4-4:50 pm First Kids Music Sanctuary
5:30-7 pm College/Young Adult Bible Study Youth Suite

## Announcements

## Ash Wednesday Worship

Ash Wednesday is a Christian holiday (holy day) that has been honored for well over ten centuries. It marks the beginning of Lent, the 6-week period leading up to Easter, when many Christians prepare for Easter by observing a period of fasting, repentance, moderation or other spiritual practices. Our worship on Ash Wednesday will introduce our Lenten Theme: Learning to Lament and will include the ancient Christian practice of the imposition of ashes on the forehead or wrist. The use of ashes is a visible symbol of repentance, which signifies the purification and sorrow for sins. Please join us for Ash Wednesday worship on February 14 at 6 pm in the Sanctuary. Child care is available for infants-Kindergarten in the nursery. 1st-5th graders are encouraged to participate in Ash Wednesday Worship with their parents.

## <u>Critical Conversations</u>

First Baptist is partnering with Second Missionary Baptist Church and Broadway Christian Church to participate in a conversation about racism and how faith communities can help bring about grassroots change. Our next meeting is tonight at 5 pm at Second Baptist. (Please note that the organizers have changed the time.) The conversation will revolve around reading and discussing America's Original Sin: Racism, White Privilege, and the Bridge to a New America by Jim Wallis. There are no remaining free books, but feel free to purchase your own and join the conversation. No reading is required prior to the meeting on February 11. Child care is available at First Baptist beginning at 4:45 pm.

## First Baptist Men's Group Starting

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Anyone who is interested in the formation of a men's group at First Baptist is invited to breakfast on Thursday, February 15 at 7 am in the Fellowship Hall. The group will be convened by Ed Felts. David Siegenthaler will be the morning's chef. There is no cost for the meal. Those who come are free to leave in time for work.

## First Baptist hosts Room at the Inn February 18 – March 3

For those in our community without adequate housing, winter is potentially deadly. That is why we are grateful for the ministry of Room at the Inn (RATI). RATI is a winter shelter designed for those in need, to provide a warm and safe place to sleep from 7:00 pm - 7:00 am through March 10. The shelter is supported by area churches and local volunteers.

First Baptist will host Room at the Inn from Sunday Feb 18 to Saturday, March 3 in the Fellowship Hall, but you don't have to wait until then to help. Please visit http://www.roomattheinncomo.org to sign up or to learn more about the needs.

## First Baptist Adventures

On Tuesday, February 27, you are invited to join First Baptist adventurers for dinner at Addison's at 5 pm, followed by your choice of concerts at 7 pm. You may choose to attend the King's Daughters & Sons Benefit Concert at First Baptist, or the concert at Sacred Heart Church. At Sacred Heart, the MU School of Music's Ars Nova Singers will perform music inspired by artwork from the Museum of Art and Archaeology. The concert is free. Please RSVP for the meal by February 25 to Paula Thomas, Fellowship Coordinator, at PaulaLou52@gmail.com; or call the church office.

## <u>Trip to Lakota Reservation – Interest Survey</u>

First Baptist has been invited to return to the Lakota Reservation in Bridger again this summer.

There is no big project scheduled for this year, so the trip will mainly focus on building and maintaining relationships within the reservation and possibly some light construction work, clean up, and help with maintenance needs at the Takini School. We need at least 10 people to make the trip but can take up to 20. We will also need people willing to cook this year, as we will not be teaming with Second Baptist in Liberty for this trip. The cost of the trip is expected to remain at \$100 per person.

As a reminder, when we stay in Bridger we sleep at the church. Participants are asked to bring their own air mattresses and bedding. There are showers and restrooms on site. If you have questions or are interested in being a part of this experience, please contact Associate Pastor Michael McEntyre at <a href="mmcentyre@fbc-columbia.org">mmcentyre@fbc-columbia.org</a> by March 4.

## Worship Notes

The Call to Worship was written by Joanna Harader and posted on Spacious Faith, https://spaciousfaith.com/.

The Prayer of Confession was written by William Loader. Posted on Kir-shalom, http://www.rockies.net/.

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Thank you for worshiping with us today! If you wish to share this worship experience with a neighbor, the service is broadcast live, and the sermon is available on our website within a week.



## 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 and Diana Groshong

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):

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

Discussion Class in the parlor on the second floor.

Young Adult Small Group in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor library.

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