



Our Worship of God

May 13, 2018

11:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

~ The Seventh Sunday of Easter ~

Eternal life is a present reality as well as future promise for those who believe in Jesus Christ. "Life" in this sense has to do with a quality of existence that death cannot destroy; that is, "eternal," not in the sense of lasting forever, but in its quality, in its manifestation in the here and now.

~Audrey West

Prelude Music

Wayside Rose
Butterfly Garden

Olivia Chang
Abigail Mayhan

Prelude

Mozart Piano Concerto No. 27 in B^b
Carmen Ramirez and Colleen Ostercamp

Call to Worship (responsive)

Come, let us delight in the life of the Lord.

Our joy is found in the love of God and neighbor.

Come, let us be nourished by the Living Water.

Together, we will worship the One who enables us to thrive.

†Processional Hymn 17

Praise the Lord! O Heavens Adore Him

(Please turn to face the cross as it enters)

Recognition of Graduates

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Special Music

I've Got Joy
First Kids Musicians and Mothers

Dillworth

Blessing the Children

Lillian Hoell

Anthem

All Things Bright and Beautiful
Ayako Tsuruta and Colleen Ostercamp, piano

arr. Wilberg

*All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful: the Lord God made them all.*

*Each little flow'r that opens, each little bird that sings,
he made their glowing color, he made their tiny wings.*

Refrain:

*All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful: the Lord God made them all.*

*The purple-headed mountain, the river running by,
the sunset and the morning that brightens up the sky.*

(refrain)

*The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruits in the garden: he made them every one.*

(refrain)

*He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell
how great is God Almighty, who has made all things well.*

(refrain)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be 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.

Scripture Reading

Mark Thomas

1 John 5:9-13

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son.

Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. **And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.** Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

†Hymn 557

Open My Eyes

Message

Brittany McDonald Null

†Hymn of Commitment 568

Take My Life

†Offertory Sentence

Offertory

My Jesus, I Love Thee

arr. D.Bish

Announcements

†Benediction

Go forth in Christ's name and in Christ's spirit.

Pursue righteousness, godliness,

faith, love, endurance, gentleness.

Fight the good fight of the faith.

Take hold of the eternal life,

to which you were called

and for which you made the good confession

in the presence of many witnesses.

Go now in peace,

carrying the vision of a new heaven and a new earth.

Know that God is with us!

Postlude

Week at a Glance

Monday, May 14

9-10:30 Senior Yoga

Parlor

1-3:30 pm Staff Meeting

Conference Room

5:30 pm Serving Team Meeting

Conference Room

Tuesday, May 15

11:45 am – 2 pm Crafty Critters

E2

5:30 pm Church Council Meeting

Conference Room

Wednesday, May 16

6-7:15 pm The Calling for Youth

Youth Suite

5:30 pm Psalm Players Rehearsal

Sanctuary

6:30 pm Chancel Bells Rehearsal

Sanctuary

7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Sanctuary

Thursday, May 17

6:30 pm Praise Band Rehearsal

Fellowship Hall

Announcements

Sign Up for First Kids Camp

First Kids Camp- for 3-year-olds through those entering 6th grade- will be held July 30-Aug 3. There is a Bible School portion (8:45-12) that is free. There is also the option of extending your day (7:30-8:45 and/or 12-5:30) for \$50 for the first child and \$25 for each additional sibling for the entire week. Details and a link to sign up are available on our website, fbc-columbia.org.

May 20 Combined Worship and Business Meeting

Next Sunday – Pentecost – we will have a combined worship service at 11:15 am in the Fellowship Hall, followed by a brief business meeting. There will be no 9:15 am service. Spiritual Formation Hour activities will meet as usual, and child care will be available beginning at 10:15 am.

The Practice of Sabbath

Beginning May 28, Pastor Carol will be on Sabbatical. During her absence, you are invited to reflect on and enter into the spiritual practice of Sabbath as well. *Sabbath: Finding Rest, Renewal, and Delight in Our Busy Lives* by Wayne Muller is an excellent book for those wanting to learn more about Sabbath practice, a tradition through the millennia of creating an oasis of sacred time within a life of unceasing labor and business. Read this book over the summer and give yourself the gift of rest! Books are \$10 each. If you would like one please contact the church office, churchinfo@fbc-columbia.org or 442-1149 by May 20 so we can place an order.

Church Picnic

Our annual picnic is June 10 at 3 pm at the Twin Lakes Pavilion, with many outdoor activities. We'll have our traditional egg toss; the Pepto Bismol Men's Bake-off/Auction for Missions at 4 pm, and dinner at 5 pm.

Street Theology - Joining God's Mission as We Go

From June 3-July 15, our Sunday Morning Adult Small Groups will be coming together and gathering in the parlor at 10:15 for a combined small group series entitled Street Theology-Joining God's Mission as We Go.

For the first few weeks, Rev. Brian Ford, a regular attendee at Awakening Worship, will be leading us; then, Associate Pastor Michael McEntyre will take some of what was discussed and talk about how it applies to our approach for ministry with the Lakota people in South Dakota.

First Baptist Trip to Bridger, South Dakota July 6-12

Our First Baptist family will be returning to the Lakota Reservation in Bridger again this summer. There is still room available if you would like to join us. Please see the May 2 Spire for more details, including pre-trip reading and study. If you are interested in this opportunity or have any questions about the trip, please contact Michael McEntyre at mmcentyre@fbc-columbia.org.

First Baptist Men Are Getting Together This Summer

First Baptist is looking to revive an old tradition. In 1928, our church began a men's gathering as a way for the men in the church to better get to know one another. The fellowship centered around a meal together and various different programs and activities. The intent, as Howard B. Lang would later write, was to, "promote a more friendly fellowship among the men of the church and keep informed of ways they can assist in promoting activities and programs." This summer, First Baptist is offering a reboot of this time-honored tradition through July as a way to bring people together from different services to learn more about each other, our church, and our Creator. All men are welcome and encouraged to attend. We hope to see everyone at breakfast on May 22nd in the Fellowship Hall from 7:00-8:00am. A complete summer schedule will be posted in the next Spire. We look forward to getting to know each other better.

Worship Notes

The Call to Worship was written by Amy Loving and posted on **The Worship Closet** website, <http://worshipcloset.com/>.

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Carmen Ramirez is a piano student of Colleen Ostercamp. She is completing her senior year at Rock Bridge High School.

Many thanks to Ayako Tsuruta for assisting in worship today. Ayako is the Artistic Director of the Odyssey Chamber Music Series, and has been teaching this semester in the MU School of Music while her husband, Peter Miyamoto, has been on sabbatical.

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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.

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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.

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 2nd floor library.

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