

Sacred  
ORDINARY



Seeking God in the Mundane

# *Our Worship of God*

*July 15, 2018*

*11:15 am*

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

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*~ Sacred Ordinary: Seeking God in the Mundane ~*

*“The supreme religious challenge is to see God’s image  
in one who is not in our image.”*

*~Rabbi Jonathan Sacks*

**Greeting**

Ed Rollins

**Prelude**

O, When Shall I See Jesus?

arr. Hustad

**Call to Worship (responsive)**

God’s presence is seen in the faces of those we encounter:

the faces vacant from hunger...

**the faces bright with joy...**

the faces wrinkled from age...

**the faces of the angry...**

the faces with twinkling eyes...

**the faces of the hopeless...**

the faces of helpers...

**the faces of strangers.**

Look around you. See the face of God.

## †Processional Hymn

God, We Wonder Where to Find You  
Sung to NETTLETON

*(Please turn to face the cross as it enters)*

*God, we wonder where to find you; should we turn our eyes above?  
How can people understand you? Is your love a distant love?  
Do our songs rise up to heaven? Does that language still ring true?  
In this world of joy and suffering, God, we wonder: Where are you?  
We are grounded in our neighbors, in our loved ones, in our towns,  
And in daily, loving labors, where your signs of grace abound.  
Here in Christ we love each other, and we care for the oppressed;  
Spirit-filled, with one another, we are grounded! We are blessed!  
God, we seek you in the heavens, and we pray in church and pew.  
Yet it's often in our living that we feel at home in you.  
As we work to bring your justice, as we seek your peaceful way,  
As we put our faith in practice, may we find you, God, today.*

## †Passing the Peace of Christ

### Anthem

Servants of Peace

Scott

*Lord, make us servants of your peace:  
Where there is hate, may we sow love;  
where there is hurt, may we forgive;  
where there is strife, may we make one.*

*Where all is doubt, may we sow faith;  
where all is gloom, may we sow hope;  
where all is night, may we sow light;  
where all is tears, may we sow joy.*

*Jesus, our Lord, Jesus, may we not seek to be consoled,  
but to console, nor look to understanding hearts,  
but look for hearts to understand*

*May we not look for love's return, but seek to love unselfishly.  
For in our giving we receive, and in forgiving are forgiv'n.*

*Dying, we live and are reborn through death's dark night to endless day.  
Lord, make us servants of your peace, to wake in heaven's light,  
to wake at last in heaven's light.*

## Scripture Reading

David Siegenthaler

Genesis 18:1-10

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, “My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.” So they said, “Do as you have said.” And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, “Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.” Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, “Where is your wife Sarah?” And he said, “There, in the tent.” Then one said, “I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.” And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Responsive Reading

As Abraham welcomed the strangers

**so God welcomes us.**

God greets us with joy

**and says, “rest here for a while.”**

God brings out water to wash our dusty feet.

**God prepares a meal to nourish our weary spirits.**

So let us receive the gracious hospitality of our God.

**Let us rest in this holy place**

**where there is shade and water, food and laughter.**

## Ordinary Moments

Ed Rollins

## 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.*

## †Hymn 593

The Gift of Love

## Message

Face to Face with God

Brittany McDonald Null,  
Pastoral Resident

## †Hymn

Come, Live in the Light

(see last page of order of worship)

## †Offertory Sentence (unison)

**Accept the gifts that we offer, O God,**

**as we go seeking reconciliation with our brothers and sisters.**

**In them we seek to love you with all our hearts, souls, and minds.**

**May the reconciliation we pursue reflect our love for neighbor  
as ourselves.**

**We pray in the name of the Christ who allows us to present ourselves  
blameless before you. Amen.**

## Offertory

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

arr. Callahan

## †Benediction

God, we seek you in the heavens, and we pray in church and pew.

**Yet it's often in our living that we feel at home in you.**

As we work to bring your justice, as we seek your peaceful way,

**As we put our faith in practice, may we find you, God, today.**

## Postlude

# Come, Live In the Light



1 Come! Live in the light! Shine with the  
2 Come! O - pen your heart! Show your  
3 Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that



joy and the love of the Lord! We are called  
mer - cy to all those in fear! We are called  
great day when all will be one! God will reign,



to be light for the king - dom, to live in the  
to be hope for the hope - less so ha - tred and  
and we'll walk with each oth - er as sis - ters and

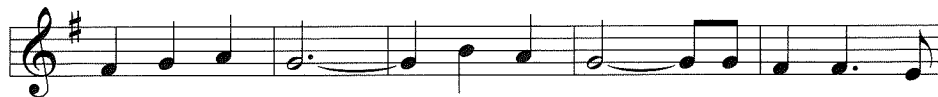


free - dom of the cit - y of God.  
vio - lence will be no more.  
broth - ers u - nit - ed in love.

## Refrain



We are called to act with jus - tice; we are called to



love ten - der - ly; we are called to serve one an -



oth - er, to walk hum - bly with God.

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## Week at a Glance

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### Sunday, July 15

**12:30-2:30 pm First Kids Camp Volunteer Training**      *3<sup>rd</sup> Floor*

### Monday, July 16

**9-10:30 am Senior Yoga**

*Parlor*

**1-3:30 pm Staff Meeting**

*Conference Room*

### Tuesday, July 17

**11:45 am-2 pm Crafty Critters**

*E2*

### Thursday, July 19

**6:30 pm Praise Band Rehearsal**

*Fellowship Hall*

### Friday, July 20-Saturday, July 27

**Unidiversity Youth Camp**

*Offsite*

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# Announcements

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## Sunday Morning Small Groups Resume Normal Schedule

On Sunday, July 22, the Small groups will resume their normal sessions:

- 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.

## First Kids Camp

**Sign up now** - 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. So that we can plan for enough volunteers and supplies, registration ends today.

**Volunteer Training** - Helpers working with the kids will have a training today from 12:30-2:30 pm on the third floor.

## Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Affirming Network

Our church has chosen to continue our partnership with CBF to be a voice that continues to help all of God's children see that God can make space for everyone at the table. With that in mind, the Serving Team at First Baptist voted in May to financially support the formation of the Affirming Network of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship. This network, comprised of LGBTQ+ persons and allies, is designed to be a space for churches to gather and share resources for inclusion, and where LGBTQ+ seminarians can connect with churches that will affirm their call to ministry. On Thursday morning, June 14, the Affirming Network gathered for their inaugural breakfast at General Assembly. There is still opportunity to give to the Affirming Network by making your check out to First Baptist Church and putting The CBF Affirming Network in the memo line. Mail it to the church office or drop it in the offering plate on Sunday morning.



## Men's Breakfast

On Tuesday, July 17, 7-8 am, all First Baptist men are invited to gather for breakfast. We will talk about possible interests for the group, pray for the needs of our church, and even try our hand at singing a tune. It will be a memorable morning!

## Unidiversity Youth Camp

Thirteen people will leave on Friday, July 20 for Unidiversity Youth Camp in Tennessee. Please pray for them as they travel, for their time at camp, and for a safe return on Saturday, July 27. Everyone is invited to join us for worship Tuesday-Friday at 5:45 pm via live webcast by visiting the camp website, [www.unidiversity.org](http://www.unidiversity.org).

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# Worship Notes

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The opening quote is from Rabbi Jonathan Sacks, *Not In God's Name: Confronting Religious Violence*. Schocken, 2017.

The Call to Worship was written by Ed Rollins.

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The responsive reading was written by Joanna Harader, and posed on **Spacious Faith**. <http://spaciousfaith.com/2011/10/19/wednesday-worship-piece-calls-to-worship/>.

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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.*

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 Combined Small Groups meet in the Parlor on the second floor for the series "Street Theology - Joining God's Mission As We Go."

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