

Our Worship of God

August 6, 2023

11:15 am

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

Welcome

Pastor Brittany McDonald Null

†Prelude

On Eagles' Wings Colleen Ostercamp, organ setting by D. Wagner

†Call to Worship

Gentle and patient

God, you are calling.

Careful and persistent

God, you are calling.

In grieving and in praise

God, you are calling.

Through dawn and midday **God, you are calling.**

Unexpected and planned

God, you are calling.

In a still small voice and in power

God, you are calling.

Spontaneous and prepared

God, you are calling.

Our God is eager to share with us, wherever we are in our journey. May we be diligent to listen.

God, you are calling.

†Opening Hymn 451

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Introduction of the Pastoral Resident

Pastor Michael McEntyre

Sharing Our Stories

Caleb Cooke, Pastoral Resident

Prayer of Blessing

God, we lift Caleb up to you now,

We celebrate his presence with us and look forward to growing alongside him.

As Caleb learns and prepares for pastoral ministry,

We affirm his ministry with us now.

As he sits in the secret place,

Visit him.

As he discerns difficult situations,

Go with him.

As he cares for the sick, hurting, imprisoned, and stubborn,

Care for him.

As he lives out his calling and exercises his giftings,

Walk with him.

As he confronts his own inner shadow,

Enlighten him.

As he finds joy and gladness,

Rejoice with him.

May he know that here, among us, is a place he is welcome - his true self,

Broken, scarred, redeemed, learning, growing alongside us,

Moving always closer to the heart of Christ.

May he have hearts of gratitude and joy,

Finding fulfillment in his work.

May he seek and find the Divine,

And help us to find you also.

+Hymn 441

Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling

†Gospel Reading

Luke 5:27-33

After this he went out and saw a tax collector named Levi sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up, left everything, and followed him.

Then Levi gave a great banquet for him in his house, and there was a large crowd of tax collectors and others reclining at the table with them. The Pharisees and their scribes were complaining to his disciples, saying, "Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?" Jesus answered them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician but those who are sick; I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance." Then they said to him, "John's disciples, like the disciples of the Pharisees, frequently fast and pray, but your disciples eat and drink."

The Gospel of Our Lord. **Praise be to Christ.**

Sharing Our Gifts

Chancel Bells
Noah Hartsfield, conductor

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto Me and rest; Lay down, thou weary one, lay down thy head upon My breast." I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad; I found in Him a resting place, and He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give
The living water, thirsty one; stoop down, and drink, and live."
I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's Light; Look unto Me, thy morn shall rise, and all thy day be bright." I looked to Jesus, and I found in Him my Star, my Sun; And in that Light of life I'll walk, till trav'ling days are done.

Message Tables Rev. Dr. Chris Fillingham

+Hymn of Preparation 768

I Come with Joy (vs. 1-4)

Celebration of Communion

Pastor Brittany McDonald Null Ella Pritchett

†Hymn of Response 768

I Come with Joy (vs. 5)

Life of the Church

+Benediction

†Postlude Andante by Reinecke Colleen Ostercamp, *organ*

Worship Notes



Guest Preacher, Chris Fillingham

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Call to Worship, ~ written by Joanie Thurman Williams, and posted on Consider Your Call. http://www.consideryourcall.org

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy, Words: John Mason Neale, 1862; based on an ancient Greek hymn. Music: Henry W. Baker, 1868.

Prayer of Blessing, Adapted from Litany for Pastors by Fran Pratt

Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling, Words & Music: Will L. Thompson, 1880.

I Come with Joy, ©1971 Hope Publishing Company. Words: Brian Wren, rev. 1977. Music: Traditional American melody; arr. Austin C. Lovelace, 1977.

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Week at a Glance

Sunday, August 6 – Chris Fillingham Guest Preacher

- 9:10 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
- 9:15 am Awakening Worship in the Fellowship Hall
- 10:15 am Spiritual Formation Hour -Adult, Youth & First Kids Sunday School
- 11:15 am Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

Monday, August 7

1:00 pm Staff Meeting

Tuesday, August 8

1:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room

Wednesday, August 9

6:30-7:30 pm Chancel Bells

Thursday, August 10

10:30 am First Baptist Women's Zoom Book Study

6:00 pm FBC Summer Game Night in the Parlor

Sunday, August 13- Chris Fillingham Guest Preacher

- 9:10 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
- 9:15 am Awakening Worship in the Fellowship Hall
- 10:15 am Spiritual Formation Hour -Adult, Youth & First Kids Sunday School
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Announcements

Welcome Visitors!

If you are visiting, we are so glad to have you with us! If you would like to receive more information about First Baptist and our ministries, you can fill out a connection card at the welcome table, scan the QR code in the bulletin, or visit our website at fbc-columbia.org/connect

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<u>Churchwide Pool Party – August 16</u>

Save the Date for the Churchwide Pool Party on August 16 at Oakland Pool hosted by the Kids and Youth ministries. This was such a great night last year we decided to bring it back this summer. We have reserved the whole pool from 5:30-7:30 pm. The event is free and we will have freeze pops to enjoy.

Blessing of the Backpacks -August 20

Join us on August 20 during both worship services for our annual blessing of the backpacks and the new school year. Participants will have the opportunity to share about their feelings for returning to school, receive a backpack tag, and be reminded that God is with us all the time.

Fall Kick-Off – August 27

Mark your calendars for our annual Fall Kick-Off on August 27 following the Traditional Service.



Rev. Dr. Carol McEntyre, Senior Pastor
Rev. Dr. Michael McEntyre, Pastor of Youth, Missions, and Administration
Rev. Brittany McDonald Null, Pastor of Families and Spiritual Formation
Caleb Cooke, Pastoral Resident
Jonathan Ray, Music Director-Traditional Worship,
Shelby Myers, Awakening Worship Praise Band Director,
Colleen Ostercamp, Pianist and Organist,
Noah Hartsfield, Handbell Director
Susan Goudie, Administrative Assistant,
Brenda Rice, Administrative Assistant for Web, Facilities and Arts,
Mike Ide, Custodian,
Marcy Douglas, Childcare Coordinator