

Our Worship of God

September 3, 2023

11:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

Welcome

Pastor Carol McEntyre

Prelude

Elegy

by John Rutter

Colleen Ostercamp, organ

†Call to Worship

Caleb Cooke, Pastoral Resident

We gather to worship the God of our ancestors,

the God of Abraham and Sarah, of Miriam and Moses,

who hears the cries of God's people and comes to their aid,

who meets us on holy ground and calls us to follow,

You are our God for all generations!

Let's worship together.

†Opening Hymn 701

God is Here!

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Scripture Reading

Kris Dallman

Exodus 3:1-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness and came to Mount Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight and see why the bush is not burned up."

When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and spacious land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. Now go, I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I am who I am." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I am has sent me to you.' "God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you':

This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sharing Our Gifts

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 sin, 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, forever. Amen.

Special Music

The Lord's Prayer

by Albert Hay Malotte

Anna Mandina, soprano

Message

Caleb Cooke, Pastoral Resident

+Hymn of Preparation 429

Let Your Heart Be Broken (vs. 1)

Litany of Communion

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebration of Communion

†Hymn of Response

Here I Am, Lord

Life of the Church

+Benediction

†Postlude

Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken

arr. W. Wold

Colleen Ostercamp, organ

Worship Notes

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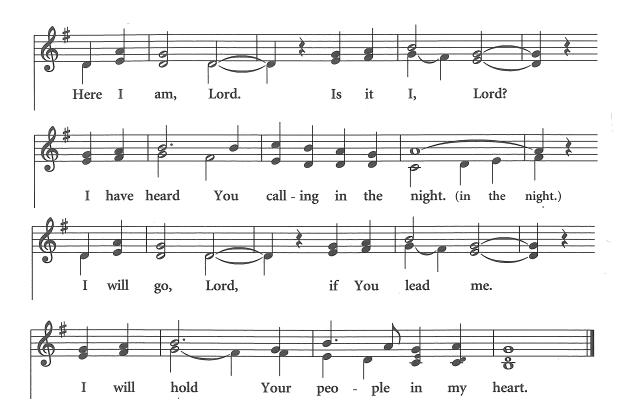
Let Your Heart Be Broken, ©1975 The Evangelical Covenant Church. Words: Bryan Jeffery Leech, 1975. Music: James Mountain, 1876.

Communion Litany, adapted from Communion for Blessed and Broken Bodies by Rev. Molly Bolton. https://enfleshed.com/liturgy/communion-liturgies/

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Week at a Glance

Sunday, September 3

- 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, September 4

Offices Closed for Labor Day Holiday

Tuesday, September 5

1:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room

Wednesday, September 6

- 6:30-7:30 pm Chancel Bells
- 5:30 The Calling Dinner
- 6:00-7:15 *The Calling*

Thursday, September 7

- 10:30 am First Baptist Women's Zoom Book Study
- 7:00-9:00 pm Chancel Choir 200th concert rehearsal

Saturday, September 9

6:00 pm Sharing Our Stories at The Grind Coffee House

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 - 6:00 pm College Sunday Night Gathering in the Office Commons

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

Sharing Our Stories - Coffee Shop Edition - September 9

Throughout 2023, Pastor Carol is hosting in-depth conversations with different First Baptist folx about their faith, inviting them to reflect on questions such as: When (& how) have you found God in the darkness? On Saturday, September 9, join Pastor Carol at The Grind Coffee Shop (Pour-Over Room) at 4306 John Garry Dr #1, Columbia, MO 65203, at 6:00 pm, for the next round of conversations. Lynne Lampe and Jon Ludwig will be her conversation partners. Dinner, coffee, and treats will be on us! Childcare for infants through four-year-olds will be provided at First Baptist, in the nursery. Five-year-old children through 5th Graders will enjoy a fun evening out from 5:30-8:00 at Tiger Bounce. This event is made possible by *Relevance to Resonance: Exploring the Practices of Transcendence in Ministry and Congregational Life* by Lilly Endowment Inc. in association with Luther Seminary.

<u>200th Anniversary Concert with Odyssey – September 22</u>

Join us as we celebrate 200 years with a special concert featuring Odyssey. The concert will take place on Friday, September 22nd at 7:00 in the FBC sanctuary and will feature wonderful ecumenical choral anthems and handbell selections, as well as works for piano and organ. In addition to musicians from Odyssey, we are honored to welcome choir and handbell choir members from Second Baptist, First Presbyterian, First Christian, Broadway Christian, Sacred Heart, MUMC, and Community UMC, as well as former FBC scholarship musicians. Admission is FREE! (Please note that this performance will not be live streamed.) If you have any questions about the concert, please feel free to email Jonathan at jray@fbc-columbia.org, or contact Ayako Tsuruta or Pastor Carol. We hope to see you there!

Adult Small Groups Resume Today

Our adult small groups are beginning this Sunday, September 3.

- The Discussion class meets in the Parlor (large room across the hallway from the restrooms on the 2nd floor). This is a diverse group that likes to ask questions and learn from one another. They try to put scripture in context and relate it to their personal lives and current events. There is an option to join by Zoom each week.
- The Connections Group meets in E2 (the room across from the stairwell in the elevator lobby on the 2nd floor). The Connections Group is a discussion-based, relationship-oriented adult class (post high school 70+ years of age). Study topics are drawn from personal experiences and from Wired Word curriculum; an inter-denominational publishing group that breaks down a current news event topic and provides correlating scriptures and historical events to use for context. Social gatherings outside of Sunday mornings help keep this group connected.
- The newest Adult Small group meets in the Office Commons (the room outside the Pastors' offices on the 2nd floor) This group formed during the pandemic as an additional way to connect to First Baptist for newer individuals/couples/families. Over the past few years, this group has used the recent sermon or sermon series as a beginning point for dialogue and plans to continue with this structure. All ages are welcome (we have several kids ages 1-5 who attend with their adults).
- The Kids Ministry Volunteer group meets on the 3rd floor in the Kids Ministry Suite. This group helps in leading classes and supporting teachers during the Spiritual formation hour. These volunteers serve as teachers and/or faith partners on a rotating schedule and are ESSENTIAL for the First Baptist Kids Ministry. To explore ways to get or continue to be involved, contact Pastor Brittany.

"God's Love is Fully Inclusive" T-Shirts

Today is the last day to order "God's Love is Fully Inclusive" t-shirts. Shirts are \$15 and will arrive in time for the Mid-Mo PrideFest. We will be purchasing shirts based on the orders received. Scan the QR code to order now!

September Mission Opportunities 2023

The Serving Team is looking forward to a month of mission opportunities for our congregation in September. There are lots of opportunities to help serve your neighbor with kindness and compassion.

Extra Mile House Our 6th resident of the Extra Mile house has recently moved into an affordable housing opportunity. Please continue to pray for her family's transition as we prepare for our 7th resident family. If you have talents with mudding drywall, sanding, or painting and can help, please email Michael McEntyre at mmcentyre@fbc-columbia.org. Our Extra Mile Transition Teams will be receiving emails soon with the next steps and volunteer schedules for transition work once projects are underway.

Stonebridge House First Baptist member, Rebekah Robertson has founded Stonebridge House, a re-entry house to provide women with a toolkit to come out of incarceration and into a new chapter of their lives. The Serving Team is excited to support the work and ministry of Stonebridge House and would like to invite our church family to an open house for the ministry on Wednesday, September 6 from 11 am-1 pm or 4-6 pm. RSVP to rebekah@stonebridgehouse.org to receive the address. We hope you can make it out for a short tour and light refreshments to see this good work for yourselves.

The Food Bank First Baptist is a longstanding ministry partner of The Food Bank for Central & Northeast Missouri. We support their work through our annual budget giving. This September, we will be hosting a Food and Fund Drive at the church. The most-needed items include canned meat, canned fruits and vegetables, beans, rice, cereal, peanut butter, soup, and pasta. Please make sure donated items are sealed and have labels. Donated food should be non-perishable. Those wanting to contribute fresh food should make monetary donations. The Food Bank cannot accept homemade or home-canned items. Items can be donated September 3-24 at the church in one of the donation barrels near the worship areas.

Habitat for Humanity Show-Me Central Habitat for Humanity and Columbia were chosen, out of every community in the United States, to be the site for the 2023 Blitz Build! A team will come to Columbia and help our local volunteers build 4 homes in 10 days! As Habitat states, this is huge news and will make a big impact on affordable housing for our community. If you would like to sign up to volunteer, please visit https://www.showmehabitat.org/blitz-build-2023 to learn how you can give your time and talents to help make a difference.



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