

*All  
Saints'  
Day*



# *Our Worship of God*

*November 5, 2023*

*9:15 am*

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

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## *~ All Saints' Sunday ~*

**Welcome**

Pastor Carol McEntyre

### **† Call to Worship (responsive)**

Come, a great cloud of witnesses surrounds us as we gather.

**May the lingering echo of saints resound in our songs.**

May their stories open a space for the Spirit to enter us anew.

**In remembering them, may we find ourselves re-membered.**

May the God of every generation form us anew for this generation.

**And may a new joy rise in our lives and in the life of the world.**

### **† Opening Songs**

Echo Holy  
Surrounded By Holy

### **† Passing the Peace of Christ**

### **All Saints' Day Moment of Remembrance**

*All Saints' Day is a universal Christian time of worship  
to honor and remember all Christian saints, known and unknown.  
The day is observed by remembering and thanking God for all saints.  
It is a day to glorify Jesus, who by his holy life and death  
has made the saints holy through baptism and faith.*

## All Saints' Litany (responsive)

Today, we remember the ancestors of our faith,  
from Abraham to Sarah, to Paul and Phoebe:

**We remember you.**

We remember those whose lives built the foundation  
for the First Baptist faith family:

**We remember you.**

We remember grandparents and parents, aunts and uncles,  
those who have gone before us in our lifetime:

**We remember you.**

We lift up the memories of siblings, spouses, partners,  
significant loves, children and friends, whose lives ended too soon:

**We remember you.**

We lift up to you, O God, the names of those we have lost in this past year  
from our lives, knowing that they are with you forever.

As we read the names, we will pause after each name to remember,  
pray, and give thanks for their lives.

*Dorothy Armstrong*

*Diana Groshong*

*Scott Lochmoeller*

*Jennifer McClanahan*

*Joe Phillips*

*Richard Sorrels*

*Bunky Wright*

*Jeremy Weingartner*

Along with these names, there are others you have known outside of these walls. We invite you to ring a bell in their memory, and then speak their name aloud.

*Silence is kept while the bell is rung.*

**We remember you all and honor you. You will not be forgotten. We give thanks, O God, for all who have gone on to be with you beyond this life. We trust in the hope of resurrection and the promise of new life in Christ, and know that in our grief and celebration, You, O God, are with us. In the name of Christ, in whom love lives forever, we pray. Amen.**

**† Song of Faithfulness**

Psalm 84 (I'm Home)

**Hebrews 11:32-12:2**

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets, who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death; they were sawn in two; they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented— of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Sharing Our Gifts****†Song of Praise**

Reckless Love

**Message**

Pastor Carol McEntyre

## **Prayer for Communion (responsive)**

Tender, transforming God, you have invited us to gather at this table,  
**To taste the feast,**  
**the same abundant promises offered to our ancestors in faith.**

Time and time again you've offered your grace,  
**Even as we have stepped away,**  
**You continue to call us to be your people.**

You have never left us.  
**We praise you for second, third, and fourth chances.**  
**You are ever-patient, always faithful.**

We give thanks for this time of celebration.  
**For the One this meal remembers.**  
**For the life, ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.**

With those who have gone before us,  
**Whose hands touched the bread,**  
**Whose lips embraced the cup,**  
**We worship you.**  
**We glorify you.**

And we remember all those who have gone before us,  
As we proclaim the mystery of our faith:  
**Christ has died.**  
**Christ is risen.**  
**Christ will come again.**

God of all, send your Spirit to this place  
so that those gathered here, in this sacred moment,  
may know your presence.  
As we eat the bread and drink of the cup,  
make us one with the saints,  
and with our siblings in faith around the world. **Amen.**

**Communion**

**†Song of Response**

Seen, Known, Loved

**Life of the Church**

**†Benediction**

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# Worship Notes

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*Call to Worship*, written by Rev. Dr. David Long-Higgins, Conference Minister of the Heartland Conference, United Church of Christ

*Echo Holy*, CCLI Song # 7162703 Jake Espy | Kory Miller | Mia Fieldes | Ran Jackson

*Surrounded By Holy*, CCLI Song # 7212199 Dustin Smith | Sean Matta | Zahriya Zachary

*Psalms 84 (I'm Home)*, CCLI Song # 7177993 Bryan Fowler | Jimmy Needham | Shane Barnard

*Reckless Love*, CCLI Song # 7089641 Caleb Culver | Cory Asbury | Ran Jackson

*Seen, Known, Loved*, CCLI Song # 7226138 Ben Smith | Pat Barrett

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## Week at a Glance

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### Sunday, November 5 -All Saints' Sunday

- 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
- 10:25 am Youth Parent Meeting in the Conference Room
- 11:15 am Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary
- 12:30 pm *Jesus and John Wayne* Book Discussion in the Conference Room
- 6:00 pm College Ministry, *The Gathering*

### Monday, November 6

- 1:00 pm Staff Meeting

### Tuesday, November 7

- 1:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room

### Wednesday, November 8

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

### Thursday, November 9

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

### Sunday, November 12 – 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

- 9:10 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
- 10:15 am Spiritual Formation Hour –Adult, Youth & First Kids Sunday School
- 11:15 am 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service in the Sanctuary
- 12:15 pm Churchwide Photo in the Sanctuary, followed by luncheon at Stephens
- 6:00 pm College Ministry, *The Gathering*

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# Announcements

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## 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](http://fbc-columbia.org/connect)



## Jesus and John Wayne Book Discussion

Sunday, November 5 at 12:30 pm

Join Pastoral Resident Caleb Cooke on November 5 at 12:30 pm in the Conference Room for a conversation about one of our summer reads, *Jesus and John Wayne*. In this brilliant book, author Kristin Kobes Du Mez argues that the 2016 election of Donald Trump was not an accident. Rather, Trump's rise to evangelical fame is a feature of a 75-year-long transformation of Jesus into a macho "spiritual badass." Feel free to join the discussion even if you haven't read the book; it will be a lively one. We will meet in the Conference Room and a meal will be provided. RSVP to [ccooke@fbc-columbia.org](mailto:ccooke@fbc-columbia.org) by October 29.

## Important Youth Parent Meeting

Sunday, November 5 at 10:25 am in the Conference Room

I am asking all of our youth parents to join me in the Conference Room on Sunday, November 5 at 10:25 am for a meeting to discuss ongoing plans for our Student Ministry. I regret to choose a time that conflicts with our Small Groups, but given all of the activities as we move towards the 200th Celebration, this was the best option. During this meeting I will lay out the known plans for our Student Ministry as well as listen to your thoughts to take back and share with the Personnel Committee. I am grateful for your leadership and guidance through this transition period.

-Pastor Michael McEntyre

## 200th Anniversary Celebration Worship Service & Church Photo

We invite all First Baptist friends to join us in celebrating a momentous occasion - our 200th Anniversary! On November 12, at 11:15 am, we will come together for a special Anniversary Celebration Worship Service as we give thanks to God for 200 years of mission and ministry. Following the service, we will gather on the Sanctuary chancel and take a church-wide photo! All who worship with us will be invited to participate in the photo opportunity.

## ADVENT(ure) – November 29<sup>th</sup> at 6pm

First Kids wants to invite all children in their families to this year's Advent(ure): Our Super Cool Pool Party! You LOVE pool parties, right? But in winter - nah, hard pass. So let's have a pool party, with all the pool noodles, pool toys, and pool antics, but without the water. Our Super Cool Pool Party is a family event leading up to the season of Advent. Children and their families can play games, eat from our ice cream bar, and fellowship with one another. Join us as we prepare for the Advent season with fellowship and fun!



*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,*

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