



SEEKING  
peace  
together

# *Our Worship of God*

*August 25, 2024*

*9:15 am*

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

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**Welcome**

Caleb Cooke, *Pastoral Resident*

**†Call to Worship (responsive)**

Let the hearts of those who seek God rejoice.

**Again we say, rejoice!**

Rejoice in God's continual presence.

**Again we say, rejoice!**

Rejoice in the Creator's wonderful works.

**Again we say, rejoice!**

Rejoice in God's peace that surpasses all understanding.

**Again we say, rejoice!**

Let us sing praises to God as we worship together.

**Again we say, rejoice!**

**†Opening Song**

1000 Hallelujahs

**†Passing the Peace of Christ**

**New to the Pew Blessing**

**†Song of Belonging**

Welcome Home

## Scripture Reading

### **Philippians 4:4–9**

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

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

### **Prayer (responsive)**

Caleb Cooke

Holy God,  
you tell us to rejoice,  
though there is much pain and grief in the world.

**You tell us to be gentle,  
though we are surrounded by harshness.**

You tell us you are near,  
though you often feel far away.

**You tell us not to be anxious about anything,  
though we are tempted to worry about everything.**

You tell us to think about what is  
true, honorable, just, pure, pleasing, and commendable,  
though our minds keep returning  
to petty grievances and painful realities.

**And so, God, we offer our worship and our prayers  
with thanksgiving as best as we can.**

Through your peace that surpasses all understanding,  
guard our hearts and guard our minds. Amen.

## Sharing of our Gifts

†Song of Hope

Like a Lake

Message

Pastor Greg Hunt

†Song of Response

Peace Be Still

Life of the Church

Pastor Greg Hunt

† Benediction

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## Worship Notes

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## Week at a Glance

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### Sunday, August 25 - New to the Pew Blessing

- 9:10 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
- 9:15 am Awakening Service in the Fellowship Hall
- 10:15 am Spiritual Formation Hour –Adult, Youth & First Kids Sunday School
- 11:15 am Traditional Service in the Sanctuary
- 12:15 pm Fall Kick-Off on the front lawn
- 3:30 pm Bells for All Ages in the Sanctuary

### Monday, August 26

- 1:00 pm Staff Meeting

### Tuesday, August 27

- 1:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room

### Wednesday, August 28

- 6:00 pm The Calling Meeting
- 6:30-7:30 pm Chancel Bells

### Thursday, August 29

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

### Sunday, September 1

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### Monday, September 2 – Offices Closed for Labor Day

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# Announcements

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## 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).



## Fall Kick-Off - August 25 - Front Lawn at 12:15 pm

As we look toward the end of summer, we are gearing up for our annual Fall Kick-Off! This event is a great opportunity to get to know others in our community, eat good food, and play lawn games! The church will provide meat, beverages, and tableware. You can bring a side dish or dessert to share. We look forward to welcoming the new season with you!

## The Calling, Wednesday Night Youth Group Resumes August 28

Wednesday night Youth Group for 6th-12th grade students resumes August 28th! We will meet each Wednesday evening from 6:00-7:15 in the Youth Suite on the third floor. The elevator lobby doors to the building (at the bottom of the ramp) will be unlocked from 5:50-6:15p.m. If your student arrives after the door relocks on Wednesday night, please text Lillian or Brittany to let you in. We can't wait to see you for some fun, fellowship, and spiritual formation!!

\*\*\*Please note that we are not doing dinner before Youth this semester\*\*\*

## Farewell Sendoff for Caleb and Rianna - September 15

Please join us to say goodbye to FBC Pastoral Resident Caleb Cooke and his wife Rianna as they leave First Baptist to pursue Caleb's call to be Senior Pastor at the Village Baptist Church in Bowie, Maryland. We will gather between services (10:15-11:10 am) in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, September 15 to say goodbye. Refreshments and snacks will be provided. In their year at FBC they have touched our hearts with their love and friendship and brightened our congregation and community through their sincere desire to learn, serve, preach, and live the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Please join us to show your gratitude and support as they go forward to build God's Kingdom in Maryland!

## SAVE THE DATE: Fall Book Study

In the lead-up to this November's General Elections, we'll be doing a book study of *Baptizing America: How Mainline Protestants Helped Build Christian Nationalism* by Brian Kaylor and Beau Underwood. This book encourages a historical reckoning with the complicity of mainline Christian churches in the spread of Christian Nationalism and what we can do to chart a better way. Interim Pastor Greg will facilitate our discussions on Thursday evenings, October 3, 10, 17, and 24. You'll be getting more information about the book and the study in the weeks ahead, but for now, save these dates and purchase your own copy of the book through your favorite vendor.



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*Rev. Caleb Cooke, Pastoral Resident*  
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