

Our Worship of God

October 13, 2024

9:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

Welcome

Pastor Greg Hunt

†Call to Worship (responsive)

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Let us seek God, who can be found.

Let us call upon God, who is near.

As the thirsty soil receives rain from heaven,

let us receive the word of God offered in this place.

Let us praise God joyfully with a loud voice!

For if we are silent, the stones would shout out.

Let us burst into song with the mountains

and clap our hands with the trees.

Let us worship God together with joy.

Let us worship our God of Creation.

†Song

Good Morning Mercy

While I was sleeping
Lord You were working
On a mess I made like only I can do
When I start thinking I'm so far from You
I wake up and hear You whisper
That's not true

Good morning mercy
You call me worthy
Feels like the sun shining on my face
Living's good this side of grace
I feel it working

Goodbye to the hurting
You woke me up put me on my way
Hallelujah it's a brand new day
Good morning mercy

Yeah I'm still learning
To trust and follow
I won't worry what tomorrow's gonna bring
Cause you hold it all there in Your hands
I'm lifting mine up now
Cause it makes me sing

Glory Hallelujah
It's a brand new day
Starts all over when daylight breaks
You've given me a joy it makes me sing
Good morning
Good morning
Glory Hallelujah
It's a brand new day
Starts all over when the daylight breaks
You've given me a song that makes me sing
Good morning

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†Passing the Peace of Christ

Prayer for Illumination

Holy Creator, we have come to be nourished by the wisdom of your word and the beauty of your creation.

May our hearts be fertile soil for growing the seeds of your will into the fruit of your kin-dom.

We thank you for the privilege we have to join with all of creation in praise and worship. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Andrew M.

Isaiah 55:10-13

For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out in joy and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle, and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Take me into Your secret place
Where I'm constantly amazed
Where the saints and angels bow before You
There's nothing like Your presence
It's just a glimpse of heaven there
Where the elders throw their crowns before You

Holy surrounded by holy There's no one more holy I'm in wonder and awe In wonder and awe (REPEAT)

King who is wrapped in majesty You alone will always be All creation joins with heaven singing

The more that I enter in You reveal all I am I find myself in the One who's holy
As we come face to face You take my breath away All I can do is cry holy holy
The more that I enter in You reveal all I am I find myself in the One who's holy
As we come face to face You take my breath away All I can do is cry

†Song Artist

Day rolling into day
Time passes like a breath
Yet each moment new and fresh
You must be an artist

Spare no expense You paint Etching the skies with grace Cascading colors at sunset You must be an artist

Catching my eyes with light Calling me back to the wild Dare me to live again You must be an artist

Oh, I see and I hear and I feel
Oh, Compelled by my senses to praise
You must be an artist

Oh oh You must be an artist Oh oh You must be an artist

Oh Author of every expression Oh come and enjoy Your creation

I face the beauty I breathe You in Breaking the boxes I put You in

God, we lift up our siblings in Christ

whose lives have been disrupted and devastated by natural disaster.

You are an ever-present help in times of trouble.

We mourn with them for what has been lost:

Homes

Businesses

Possessions

Lives

Hope

For those whose homes have been destroyed

Shelter them.

For those whose possessions have been lost

Provide for them.

For those whose means of making a living has been disrupted

Sustain them.

For those who have lost loved ones in the chaos

Comfort them.

We pray for the people who are at hand, working to help:

Give them strength

That they may have the fortitude to do hard things

In the ministry of compassion.

We pray for state and government officials:

Give them wisdom

That they may see problems and envision solutions

To care for the people.

We pray for the people as they work to rebuild their lives:

Give them hope and perseverance.

May the rain stop

And the waters recede quickly.

And may the heart of the Church, the body of Christ on earth

Be aroused to compassion and care;

And remember that we are all connected near and far,

Beloved by you. Amen.

†Song Move

Are we really Your hands and Your feet
If we don't reach a world that's in need
Are we drawn by Your spirit compelled by Your love
Lord do we truly believe

Move in us and we'll move in You In all we say and everything we do Let our love be the living proof Your Kin-dom is alive and on the move So move

We are Your hands and Your feet Sent to a world that's in need Drawn by Your spirit compelled by Your love Jesus we'll go where You lead

Justice like a river
Righteousness a stream
Freedom for the captives
Hands that hold the weak
Water for the thirsty
Feet to spread the news
Food to feed the hungry
That's what happens when we move

Move in us and we'll move in You In all we say and everything we do

Message

Pastor Brittany McDonald Null

Peacemakers Celebrate the Beauty of the Earth

Praise God all you creatures great and small
Praise God summer winter spring and fall
Howling wind rushing streams, rolling hills and crashing seas
Lift your voice and worship your Creator

Praise God gleaming moon and burning sun Praise God all you spinning spheres above Shining stars golden beams, choir made of galaxies Lift your voice and worship your Creator

Holy
You are holy
Earth and heaven
Sing forever
Holy
You are holy
All creation
Praise Creator

Praise God who stepped into what was made Showed us love and pulled us from the grave Every heart that's set free Every soul that's been redeemed Lift your voice and worship your Creator

This my great and everlasting hope
I've been saved and heaven is my home
I can't wait for that day
When I see You face to face
For I was made to magnify my Maker
Yes I was saved to walk beside my Savior
I'm created to worship my Creator

Yes all creation Praise Creator

Life of the Church

†Benediction

Worship Notes

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Week at a Glance

Sunday, October 13 – Worship on the Lawn

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

Monday, October 14

1:00 pm Staff Meeting

Tuesday, October 15

- 1:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room
- 6:00 pm Fall Book Study Baptizing America in the Conference Room

Wednesday, October 16

- 6:00 pm Youth Group
- 6:30 pm Chancel Bells

Thursday, October 17

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

Sunday, October 20

- 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
 - 1:00 4:00 pm All Saints' Concert Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

Announcements

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.



October Giving Emphasis: CBF Disaster Response

During the month of October, First Baptist will be collecting contributions for the CBF Disaster Response. CBF Disaster Response is diligently coordinating with CBF state and regional leaders, as well as local responders, to tailor their assistance to the specific needs of the communities in the wake of Hurricane Helene. Your financial gifts will enhance the opportunities for assembling disaster response buckets and purchasing water filters, as well as other needs that will arise in the coming months. They will also allow CBF to provide essential financial support to partners who are first responders. If you would like to give on behalf of First Baptist, please but "CBFDR" in the memo line of your check or online giving. Along with giving, we invite you to continue to pray for those effected by Helene.

Fall Book Study - Baptizing America

Tuesdays in October in the Conference Room

As we approach a major, upcoming election, increased attention has been given to the rise of Christian nationalism, an unholy marriage of religion and political power. To learn more about this and consider how best to respond, we will be doing an October book study. *Baptizing America: How Mainline Protestants Helped Build Christian Nationalism*, provides a compelling narrative about how mainline Protestantism promoted Christian nationalism's growing influence in American life. It also offers insights into what might be done about it. We will meet on **Tuesdays at 6pm on October 1, 15, 22, and 29** for discussions facilitated by interim pastor Greg Hunt. There is a Zoom option and if you are interested, please email Greg at ghunt@fbc-columbia.org. Participants are asked to purchase the book independently. If you are needing childcare, please email Pastor Brittany at bnull@fbc-columbia.org

Combined Worship - Sunday, October 27 in the Sanctuary

Join us on Sunday, October 27 at 11:15 am in the Sanctuary for a Combined Worship service led by our Student Ministry. Throughout this semester, our students are meeting with staff to learn about the different components of worship and together they will plan and lead Sunday worship. We look forward to being led by them, and hearing about all the ways God is moving in their lives.

October 27 - Trunk-or-Treat and Chili Cook-Off

Join us on Sunday, October 27 at 5 pm at First Baptist for a Chili Cook-Off and Trunk-or-Treat. Get your favorite chili recipe perfected because the competition around here is steep. Enjoy a cozy chili dinner paired with some fun games and trunk-or-treating. Those planning to enter the cook-off are encouraged to email Pastor Brittany at bnull@fbc-columbia.org

All-Saints Concert - Sunday, November 3

The First Baptist Chancel Choir and Chancel Handbells will present a FREE ecumenical All-Saints Concert on **Sunday, November 3 at 2:00pm** in the sanctuary. In addition to several diverse choral and handbell selections paying tribute to those who have passed, the choir will present the Gabriel Fauré Requiem featuring a chamber orchestra, vocal soloists, and an ecumenical choir comprised of choir members from several Columbia churches, as well as many familiar faces. We hope you will join us for what is sure to be an afternoon of beautiful music, fellowship, and remembrance.

<u>Notes</u>



Rev. Dr. Greg Hunt, Interim Senior Pastor
Rev. Brittany McDonald Null, Pastor of Families and Spiritual Formation
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
Nellene Martin, Childcare Director