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Our Worship of God

November 10, 2024

9:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

Welcome

Pastor Greg Hunt

† Call to Worship (responsive)

O God, you are the gathering one
**who calls us into restorative community
with each other
to love and work,
to support and heal.**

You are the gathering one
**who calls us into restorative community
with all people;
to bring justice and hope,
freedom and truth.**

You are the gathering one
**who calls us into restorative community
with the whole creation;
to live in harmony,
to cherish and renew.**

Let us worship the God
who gathers us together.

† Opening Song

The Kin-dom of God

† Passing the Peace of Christ

Scripture Reading

Isaiah. 32:1-8, 12-13, 15-17 (The Message)

But look! A king will rule in the right way,
and his leaders will carry out justice.
Each one will stand as a shelter from high winds,
provide safe cover in stormy weather.
Each will be cool running water in parched land,
a huge granite outcrop giving shade in the desert.
Anyone who looks will see,
anyone who listens will hear.
The impulsive will make sound decisions,
the tongue-tied will speak with eloquence.
No more will fools become celebrities,
nor crooks be rewarded with fame.
For fools are fools and that's that,
thinking up new ways to do mischief.
They leave a wake of wrecked lives
and lies about God,
Turning their backs on the homeless hungry,
ignoring those dying of thirst in the streets.
And the crooks? Underhanded sneaks they are,
inventive in sin and scandal,
Exploiting the poor with scams and lies,
unmoved by the victimized poor.
But those who are noble make noble plans,
and stand for what is noble.

Shed honest tears for the lost harvest,
the failed vintage.
Weep for my people's gardens and farms
that grow nothing but thistles and thornbushes.
Cry tears, real tears, for the happy homes no longer happy,
the merry city no longer merry.

Yes, weep and grieve until the Spirit is poured
down on us from above
And the badlands desert grows crops
and the fertile fields become forests.
Justice will move into the badlands desert.
Right will build a home in the fertile field.
And where there's Right, there'll be Peace

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

†Song of Peace

Never Leave

Prayers of the People Following the Election: Part 1

Song of Lament

Weep With Me

Prayers of the People: Part 2 & the Lord's Prayer

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.

Missions Moment: The Serving Team

Rebekah Robertson

Sharing Our Gifts

†Song of Presence

Peace Be Still

Message

We are a Restorative Community

Greg Hunt

†Song of Response

Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly

Life of the Church

†Benediction

Worship Notes

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Week at a Glance

Sunday, November 10

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

Monday, November 11

1:00 pm Staff Meeting

Tuesday, November 12

1:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room

Wednesday, November 13

6:00 pm Youth Group

6:30 pm Chancel Bells

Thursday, November 14

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

6:00 pm Crafter Hours

Sunday, November 17

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

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 from the pew back, scan the QR code in the bulletin, or visit our website at fbc-columbia.org/connect



Crafter Hours – Thursdays beginning November 7

We know there are a lot of crafters here at First Baptist, and many are not able to meet during the day and miss out on Crafty Critters. Therefore, we are starting a second craft group in the evenings. Like Crafty Critters, Crafter Hours is open to people of all ages and crafting abilities. Bring your own craft and join in us in the College Room from 6:00-8:00 pm! For more information, contact Pastor Brittany at bnull@fbc-columbia.org

Ministry Opportunities Event – November 17

Curious about how to get more involved at First Baptist? Join us in the Fellowship Hall for a presentation on Ministry Opportunities, facilitated by Stephen Hoell, on Sunday, November 17, from 10:15 to 11:00 am. This optional session will be held in the worship area, where you'll learn more about what each ministry team does and how you can get involved. Ministry Team leaders will be present to share insights and answer any questions you may have about their teams. We hope to see you there!

Advent Workshop – November 24

On Sunday, November 24, we will gather during the small group hour, 10:15 -11 am, in the Fellowship Hall for a simple workshop to show you how to make *Himmeli* ornaments. All the supplies will be provided, so please join us in the fun. There will be different elements to use depending on your comfort level. We will use these on our Christmas trees this Advent season in our worship spaces and hopefully in your home. For more information, contact Brenda Rice at brice@fbc-columbia.org

Current Worship Series: Forward in Faith

As we look to 2025, we anticipate the arrival of a new senior pastor and the ongoing growth of our missional ministries. This adds fresh fuel to our historic commitments of faith and purpose. It also colors our budget planning process, reinforcing a commitment we made at this time last year to move Forward in Faith.

During the month of November, we ask you who consider FBC your spiritual home to commit to giving and participation in 2025 as partners in God's work through our church. Doing so will be a tangible way to show your gratitude and hope related to our congregation's distinctive way of living out our calling in Christ. Each week, we'll be focusing on one of four values that are on conspicuous display among us:

- We are Followers of Jesus (November 3)
- We are a Restorative Community (November 10)
- We are Fully Inclusive (November 17)
- We are Co-Creators with God (November 24)

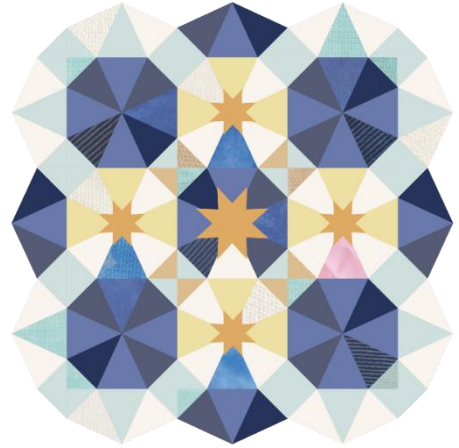
Advent Worship Series – Beginning December 1

Advent is a season of endings and beginnings. As the calendar year comes to an end, a new church year begins. Christ's birth ushers us into new ways of living and loving; and yet, the world as we know it spins madly on. In many ways, pregnant Mary was surrounded by endings—large and small, personal and political. But Mary proclaimed hope in a God who was and is making all things new. Christ's birth offered a beautiful new beginning for shepherds and Magi alike—all the while, King Herod tried to bring Christ's story to an end. When we ourselves navigate seasons filled with endings and beginnings, we need reminders. We need words that can feel like steady ground, like a path for our feet to find as we step forward into the unknown. *Words for the Beginning* offers us scriptures and reminders we need to hear again and again as we begin a new season rooted in love.

Quilts For Display During Advent

Our Advent theme was inspired by the storied tradition of quilting. The visual concept of quilting inspired us because this series feels like a blanket wrapped around you, providing warmth and comfort as you begin again. Like a quilt formed by scraps of old fabrics and meaningful family items, this worship series stitches together the ancient scriptures and reminders we need to hear again and again. The medium of quilting is an ancient craft (dated as far back as 3400 BCE), but it is seeing a modern-day resurgence. Quilts have been used for physical protection, comfort, ceremonies, abolition, family heirlooms, advocacy, and more. Quilting is a medium that transcends countless cultures, regions, and time periods but is a craft rooted in community and storytelling.

Do you have a family quilt or one that has special meaning to you? Would you be willing to share it with the church? We want to display your quilts in our building to lean into the feeling of warmth and protection they offer. If you would be interested in allowing one of your quilts to be displayed and could provide a brief paragraph about your quilt, please email Brenda Rice: brice@fbc-columbia.org





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