THE NAME THAT SHAPES US

Our Worship of God

February 9, 2025

9:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

Welcome

Pastor Brittany McDonald Null

†Call to Worship

Pastor Brittany McDonald Null

God of justice, peace and righteousness come into our midst this morning. Breathe your breath, your Spirit, your energy, your enlivening, your imagination on us. Wake us up Open our eyes Unplug our ears That we might hear That we might see That we might grieve That we might dream That we might follow the ways of your extraordinary kin-dom. Amen.

†Opening Songs

Alive and Breathing My Lighthouse

†Passing the Peace of Christ

As we come to worship,

We are seeking light.

In our own lives

We are seeking light.

In our neighborhoods

We are seeking light.

In our families

We are seeking light.

In our work

We are seeking light.

In Grace

We are seeking light.

In our nation

We are seeking light.

In our world.

We are seeking light.

Beloveds of God Jesus says, Seek and you shall find. Knock and the door will be opened. Ask and it will be given to you.

> Jesus, you are the light of the world. May we have eyes to see you And ears to hear you. Come into our world today. Amen.

†Song of Worship

We Are

Scripture Reading

Andrew

John 8:12

Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life."

Ephesians 5:8-14

for once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Walk as children of light, for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness; rather, expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly, but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

"Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Pastor Brittany McDonald Null

†Song of Worship

Light of your Glory

Message

I am the Light of the World

Pastor Kristin McAtee

†Song of Response

Salt and Light

Life of the Church

Pastor Kristin McAtee

†Benediction

Pastor Kristin McAtee

Worship Notes

Call to Worship, adapted from the **Jonny Baker** blog. http://jonnybaker.blogs.com/jonnybaker/2012/07/wake-up.html

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Week at a Glance

Sunday, February 9

- 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

Monday, February 10

3:00 pm Staff Meeting

Tuesday, February 11

1:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room

Wednesday, February 12

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

Thursday, February 13

- 10:30 am First Baptist Women's Zoom Book Study
- 6:00 pm Crafter Hours

Sunday, February 16

- 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

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



Winter Sermon Series: The Name That Shapes Us

Join us for our sermon series, *The Name That Shapes Us*. Together, we will explore the powerful "I Am" statements of Jesus and discover how our identity flows from who God is. Each week, we will dive into one of these profound declarations, uncovering how our relationship with the Divine shapes who we are and the calling we live out in the world. This series is an invitation to reflect, grow, and be transformed by the truth of God's presence in our lives. Invite a friend, and join us, as we, along with Pastor Kristin, journey together into the name that shapes us all.

One Great Hour of Sharing:

Support for Southern California Wildfire Relief

For the month of February, we will collect funds to support relief efforts for those affected by the devastating wildfires in Southern California. These fires have claimed lives, destroyed homes and businesses, and displaced countless families. Through ABCUSA's disaster relief fund, *One Great Hour of Sharing* (OGHS), we can offer much-needed assistance to those in crisis. Every dollar given will go directly to relief efforts, helping provide shelter, care, and long-term support to communities in need. Please prayerfully consider how you can contribute. Donations can be made through our church. Checks should include "One Great Hour" in the memo line. Let us join together in compassion and generosity, reflecting the love of Christ in this time of need.

For more information on the work of ABCUSA and OGHS, visit http://abc-oghs.org/

We Need Your Beautiful Voice!

Hey, friends. Jonathan here. I've often said, "I have the best seat in the house" when I get to lead our amazing congregation in hymns every Sunday morning. To say it's a highlight of my week would be a major understatement. I hear that beautiful voice of yours in the pews and I also want to hear it in the Chancel Choir! You don't have to be a music reader, you don't need any experience in choral singing, and there are ZERO restrictions for age or anything. The only requirement is that you love to sing! (A



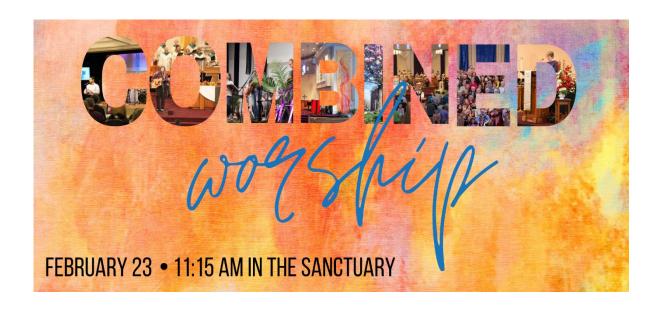
anything. The only requirement is that you love to sing! (And even if you only sort of *like* to sing, still give it a try and I bet we'll make a lover out of you yet!) We meet at 9:10 am each Sunday and rehearse until spiritual formation hour. Perfect attendance is not mandatory. Even if you can only sing every once in a while, that's okay! And hey, if you're concerned about being tied to the choir loft for the whole service, you are even welcome to dismiss yourself quietly after the anthem. Whatever it takes to get that wonderful voice of yours singing with us! If you have any questions at all, never hesitate to reach out to me at jray@fbc-columbia.org. We'll see you in the loft!

-Jonathan Ray, Music Director of Traditional Worship

Pancake Party - March 4 at 6:00 pm

The Pancake Party is back for another year of celebrating Shrove Tuesday! Kids and their families are invited to the Fellowship Hall on March 4th for a Pancake Party at 6 pm. During our Pancake Party, kids will hear a little bit about what Lent is and prepare and learn some faith activities your family can use all season long. The Youth will be making the pancakes and serving all the goods. RSVP is requested by February 26 to ensure we have all the necessary supplies. For more information or to register, email Pastor Brittany at bnull@fbc-columbia.org







Lenten Worship Series: Everything In Between

This year, we're letting the Gospel of Luke guide us through Lent. Beginning with Jesus setting his face toward Jerusalem (Luke 9:51), this worship series designed by A Sanctified Art, flows through several familiar stories—the Good Samaritan, Mary and Martha, the fruitless fig tree, the Lost Sheep, Zacchaeus, and more. Many of these stories are well-known in both sacred and secular imagination and hold significance in pop culture, church history, politics, and everything in between.

The theme, "Everything In Between," invites us to navigate the polarities in our lives with more faith, intention, and openness to be transformed. Each weekly sub-theme explores two supposed binaries, like "faith & works" or "rest & growth," or "grief & hope." We often consider these ideas to be opposing. However, as we explore these concepts within the scriptures, we find nuance and complexity. We find that these dichotomies are false. We might begin to see a full spectrum instead of black and white. We might find that God is present in between. Our Lenten Journey will begin on March 5 with Ash Wednesday at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Notes



Rev. Kristin McAtee, Senior Pastor
Rev. Brittany McDonald Null, Pastor of Families and Spiritual Formation
Jonathan Ray, Music Director-Traditional Worship
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