



Our Worship of God

October 26, 2025

9:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

“Liminal spaces: It is when we are betwixt and between, have left one room but not yet entered the next room, any hiatus between stages of life, stages of faith, jobs, love, or relationships. It is that graced time when we are not certain or in control, when something genuinely new can happen...Much of the work of the biblical God and human destiny itself is to get people into liminal space and to keep them there long enough to learn something essential and genuinely new. It is the ultimate teachable space.”

-Richard Rohr

Welcome

Pastor Kristin McAtee

Litany of Welcome

Pastor Kristin McAtee

We bid you welcome
who come with a weary spirit seeking rest.

**Who come with troubles that are too much for you,
who come hurt and afraid.**

We bid you welcome who come with hope in your heart.

**Who come with anticipation in your step,
who come proud and joyous.**

We bid you welcome who are seekers of new faith.

**Who come to probe and explore,
who come to learn.**

We bid you welcome who enter this place as a homecoming.

**Who have found here room for your spirit,
who find in this people a home.**

Whoever you are,
whatever you are,
wherever you are on your journey,
we bid you welcome.

†Song

Welcome Home

†Passing the Peace of Christ

†Song

Do It Again

Philippians 3:8-16

But even beyond that, I consider everything a loss in comparison with the superior value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. I have lost everything for him, but what I lost I think of as sewer trash, so that I might gain Christ and be found in him. In Christ I have a righteousness that is not my own and that does not come from the Law but rather from the faithfulness of Christ. It is the righteousness of God that is based on faith. The righteousness that I have comes from knowing Christ, the power of his resurrection, and the participation in his sufferings. It includes being conformed to his death so that I may perhaps reach the goal of the resurrection of the dead.

It's not that I have already reached this goal or have already been perfected, but I pursue it, so that I may grab hold of it because Christ grabbed hold of me for just this purpose. Brothers and sisters, I myself don't think I've reached it, but I do this one thing: I forget about the things behind me and reach out for the things ahead of me. The goal I pursue is the prize of God's upward call in Christ Jesus. So all of us who are spiritually mature should think this way, and if anyone thinks differently, God will reveal it to him or her. Only let's live in a way that is consistent with whatever level we have reached.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Confession**Pastor Kristin McAtee****†Song****Christ Be All Around Me**

Words of Assurance

Pastor Kristin McAtee

Take heart; have faith. The goal is in sight.
Press on to take hold of it,
as Christ has taken hold of us.
Have no fear; leave the past behind.
Reach out for what lies ahead, for the prize,
for the life to be found in Christ Jesus.

†Song

Another in the Fire

Message

Pastor Kristin McAtee

†Song

I Have This Hope

Sharing Our Gifts & Life of the Church

Pastor Kristin McAtee

†Benediction

Pastor Kristin McAtee

Your Kingdom is here, and it is coming, O God.
Make us faithful heralds of its message
and tireless practitioners of its ways.
For Jesus sake.
Amen.

Worship Notes

Litany of Welcome, — from the Brevard Episcopal Mission Order of Service, posted on the Worship Well website. <http://www.theworshipwell.org/>

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Week at a Glance

Sunday, October 26

- 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
- 5:00 pm Trunk-or-Treat and Chili Cook-Off

Monday, October 27

- 1:00 pm Staff Meeting

Tuesday, October 28

- 1:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room

Wednesday, October 29

- 6:00 pm Youth Group
- 6:30 pm Chancel Bells in the Sanctuary

Thursday, October 30

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

Sunday, November 2 – All Saints' Sunday

- 9:00 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary – All are welcome!
- 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



Welcome Back, Pastor Brittany!

This Sunday, October 26, Pastor Brittany will be returning to First Baptist after her sabbatical! Make sure you get a chance to let her know how much she was missed!

Trunk-or-Treat and Chili Cook-Off – October 26

Join us this evening, October 26 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. **Trunk-or-Treat car setup starts at 4pm and ends at 4:45pm.**

Bring your muffin tins to sample all the chili! It makes sampling fun and easy, and it saves on paper goods. Those planning to enter the cook-off are encouraged to email Brenda Rice at brice@fbc-columbia.org.

FBC Scholarship Applications

The Teaching Team will be accepting scholarship applications through November 30th. The Scholarship Program aims to support those continuing their education and training beyond secondary school. The First Baptist Church Columbia Scholarship Program was established through the generosity of the families of Herbert and Vivian Lionberger, Ralph H. and Jean M. Luebbers, Dell Keepers, and Charles M. Hudson.

If you would like to apply for a scholarship, please see the criteria and instructions found on our website at <https://fbc-columbia.org/get-involved/fbc-scholarship-programs-2025/>.

Serving Team Highlights

Embracing Neighbors, Nurturing Hope

Each year, we ask you to contribute to CBF's Offering for Global Missions. This fund provides for the presence of faithful individuals in countries around the world who bear witness to Christ through nurturing relationships. CBF's model of relational partnerships is dependent on the presence of these field personnel. Through them, we can form collaborative partnerships that support and strengthen one another, inform, equip, and transform contexts, empowering individuals, and communities to build a brighter future as they pursue the work of God. Our gifts make it possible for our church to do missions in restorative and empowering ways. To give, please indicate on the memo of your envelope or online gift, "October Missions."



Encourager Church Partnership Begins! FBC has faithfully served as an Encourager Church to Mary Van Rheenen & Keith Holmes for several years. Upon their retirement, the Serving Team wanted to continue the work of prayer and partnership with another team. An Encourager Church supports its partner financially, prayerfully, and through short-term engagement. Rick and Lita Sample, CBF Field Personnel serving in the San Francisco Bay Area, will be our new partners! They have served with CBF since 2002 as a welcoming presence for immigrants, refugees, and other internationals. Rick and Lita will join us on November 15th and 16th to formally begin our partnership. Here are some highlights of the weekend:

Saturday, November 15, 5:00 pm

Meeting with youth and parents to discuss a trip to visit the Samples during Spring Break, 2026

Sunday, November 16, 11:15 am

Signing our Encourager Church Covenant in worship

Sunday, November 16, 12:15 pm

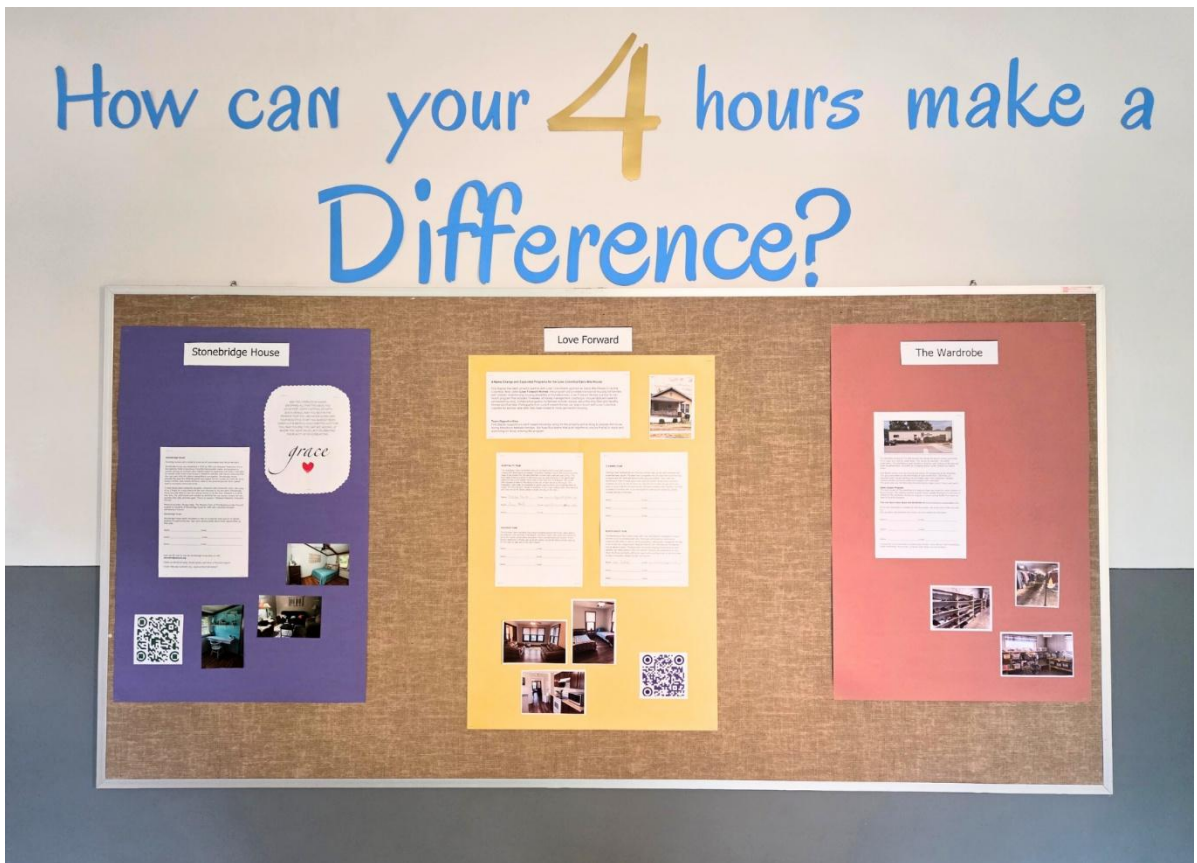
Soup and Salad Reception in the Fellowship Hall to get to know the Samples better

Prayers of the People

Please take a free copy of "Prayers of the People" available in the worship spaces. In it, you will find a short devotional and prayer for each week. The authors of this book are CBF Field Personnel, chaplains, and staff. It is a great way for us to invest in their good work through prayer and remembrance.

Getting Involved Locally

The Serving Team has opportunities for service with some of our local partners. Information about these opportunities is available on the bulletin board outside the Sanctuary. You can sign up on the board to be a part of the work at Stonebridge House, Love Forward, and more.





Youth Led Combined Worship - November 16

We anticipate with joy participating in worship led by our youth. They have been studying worship planning on Wednesday nights as they prepare to lead us. It's wonderful to have this opportunity to hear the future leaders of the church!

Notes

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Rev. Kristin McAtee, Senior Pastor
Rev. Brittany McDonald Null, Pastor of Families and Spiritual Formation
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Noah Hartsfield, Handbell Director
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