



Our Worship of God

November 9, 2025

9:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

“Christian nationalism...co-opts Christian language and iconography in order to cloak particular political or social ends in moral and religious symbolism.”

-Andrew Whitehead

Welcome

Pastor Brittany McDonald Null

†Call to Worship (responsive)

Come, beloveds of God, let us gather to worship.

We come, not to claim power, but to follow Christ.

You have heard that strength is found in authority and might.

But Jesus shows us that love and mercy are true strength.

Let us turn from the symbols of empire and move toward the way of Christ,

Let our worship and praise center us in the kin-dom of God.

†Song

Follow You Anywhere

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Philippians 3:17-21

Brothers and sisters, become imitators of me and watch those who live this way—you can use us as models. As I have told you many times and now say with deep sadness, many people live as enemies of the cross. Their lives end with destruction. Their god is their stomach, and they take pride in their disgrace because their thoughts focus on earthly things. Our citizenship is in heaven. We look forward to a savior that comes from there—the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform our humble bodies so that they are like his glorious body, by the power that also makes him able to subject all things to himself.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

†Songs

Graves into Gardens
New Creation

Litany for the Newness of Life

Holy One, you call us into the newness of life,

Not into perfection, but into wholeness.

You invite us to release what no longer gives life.

We let go of what does not serve ourselves and our neighbors.

pause for reflection – what is God calling you to release?

God, You meet us where we are, and yet you do not leave us there.

You guide us toward what is true, good, and just.

Through Jesus, we are being made new.

Not by our striving, but by your grace.

When we grow weary, remind us that transformation takes time.

When we lose hope, surround us with those who can hope for us.

When we are uncertain, anchor us in your steadfast love.

**When we cannot yet see the way ahead,
make us brave enough to imagine new life.**

pause for sacred imagination – what does new life look like?

May your Spirit breathe through us: restoring, refreshing, renewing.
That all may know life abundant and true. Amen.

†Song	Abide
Message	Pastor Kristin McAtee
†Song of Response	Be the Centre
Sharing Our Gifts & Life of the Church	Pastor Kristin McAtee
†Benediction	Pastor Kristin McAtee

Worship Notes

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Week at a Glance

Sunday, November 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, November 10

- 1:00 pm Staff Meeting

Tuesday, November 11

- 1:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room

Wednesday, November 12

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

Thursday, November 13

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

Saturday, November 15

- 5:00 pm Youth and parents meeting to discuss a trip to visit the Sample's during Spring Break, 2026

Sunday, November 16 – [Youth-Led Sunday](#)

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- 12:15 pm Soup and Salad Reception in the Fellowship Hall with the Sample's

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



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. 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/>.

Encourager Church Partnership Begins!

Rick and Lita Sample, CBF Field Personnel serving in the San Francisco Bay Area, will be our new Encourager Church 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 Sample's 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 Sample's better

Fellowship Table

Thank you so much for your contributions to the Fellowship Table this year! If you'd like to host, December and January sign-ups are now available on the bulletin board in the connector hallway.

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 be led in worship by these faithful and creative members of our church!

The Season of Giving

Thanks to the generous giving of our congregation, First Baptist Church has been a dedicated supporter of Stonebridge House. Founded in 2022 by FBC member Rebekah Robertson, Stonebridge House provides women with a toolkit to come out of incarceration into a new story. Through a one year program, women are provided with wraparound support and services as they gain employment, work towards financial stability, and establish a better future for themselves. FBC's financial support enables the women served by Stonebridge House to receive mental health therapy throughout their program. To date, eight women's lives have been changed as a result of being served by Stonebridge House. With additional support from our church, both through financial gifts and volunteering, Stonebridge House has the opportunity to expand their capacity to support more women in the future.



First Baptist Game Night - Friday, November 21 at 6:00 pm

Calling all board game enthusiasts! Join us each month at 6:00 pm in the parlor for our Board Games Night. Whether you're a strategic mastermind or a casual player, this event is for you! Come and indulge in an evening filled with laughter, friendly competition, and memorable moments. Grab your favorite board game and challenge your friends to a thrilling match. From classic favorites to modern gems, there will be a wide variety of games available for all tastes and skill levels.

Voluntary Action Center's Holiday Giving Program

FBC will once again sponsor two families (11 people total) as part of VAC's Holiday Giving Program. We will join a community-wide effort that supports 1,000+ families each year and ensures that every child experiences the magic of this blessed season!

Select one or more of the color gift cards from the bulletin boards in the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall corridors. Leave the black and white cards for our reference. **Please bring unwrapped gifts, with color tag attached, to FBC no later than Sunday, December 7.**

Please reach out to a member of the Serving Team if you have questions. Thank you for bringing surprise and joy to our neighbors!





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