First Baptist Church

Our Worship of God

October 18, 2026 *9:15 am*

(✝ Indicates those who are able, please stand)

Welcome Pastor Kristin McAtee

✝Call to Worship (responsive) Caitlin and Ada

As we gather to worship you,
show us your presence, O God.
As we join our voices to praise you,
show us your presence, O God.
In the people around us,
show us your presence, O God.
In surprising places,
show us your presence, O God.
We are here to meet with you,
show us your presence, O God.

✝Opening Song Show Me Your Glory

✝Passing the Peace of Christ

✝Song You Meet Me Here

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer Pastor Brittany McDonald Null

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kin-dom 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 kin-dom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

✝Song Centering Prayer

Scripture Reading Andrew

Exodus 33:12-23
Moses said to the Lord, "Look, you've been telling me, 'Lead these people forward.' But you haven't told me whom you will send with me. Yet you've assured me, 'I know you by name and think highly of you.' Now if you do think highly of me, show me your ways so that I may know you and so that you may really approve of me. Remember too that this nation is your people."
The Lord replied, "I'll go myself, and I'll help you."

Moses replied, "If you won't go yourself, don't make us leave here. Because how will anyone know that we have your special approval, both I and your people, unless you go with us? Only that distinguishes us, me and your people, from every other people on the earth."

The Lord said to Moses, "I'll do exactly what you've asked because you have my special approval, and I know you by name."
Moses said, "Please show me your glorious presence."

The Lord said, “I’ll make all my goodness pass in front of you, and I’ll proclaim before you the name, ‘The Lord.’ I will be kind to whomever I wish to be kind, and I will have compassion to whomever I wish to be compassionate. But,” the Lord said, “you can’t see my face because no one can see me and live.” The Lord said, “Here is a place near me where you will stand beside the rock. As my glorious presence passes by, I’ll set you in a gap in the rock, and I’ll cover you with my hand until I’ve passed by. Then I’ll take away my hand, and you will see my back, but my face won’t be visible.”

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

✝Song	My Heart Wants You
Message	Pastor Kristin McAtee
✝Song of Response	Walk By Faith
Sharing Our Gifts & Life of the Church	Pastor Kristin McAtee
✝Benediction	

Worship Notes

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Week at a Glance

Sunday, October 18

9:10 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
9:15 am Awakening Worship in the Fellowship Hall
10:15 am Spiritual Formation Hour –Adult, Youth, and Children
10:45 am Youth leave for Six Flags
11:15 am Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary
5:00 pm College & Young Adults Open Study Session / 7:00 pm Bible Study

Monday, October 19

1:00 pm Staff Meeting

Tuesday, October 20

12:30 pm Pause for Prayer
1:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room
6:00 pm Church Council Meeting

Wednesday, October 21

6:00 pm Youth in the 3rd Floor Youth Room
6:00 pm Chancel Choir in the Sanctuary
7:15 pm Chancel Bells in the Sanctuary

Thursday, October 22

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

Sunday, October 25

9:10 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
9:15 am Awakening Worship in the Fellowship Hall
10:15 am Spiritual Formation Hour –Adult, Youth, and Children
11:15 am Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary
2:00 pm Ecumenical Concert in the Sanctuary
5:00 pm Trunk or Treat & Chili Cookoff

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

Pause for Prayer

Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m.

In the midst of busy schedules, constant responsibilities, and the many demands of daily life, we all need moments to pause and reconnect with God's presence.
On Tuesdays at 12:30 pm**,** we invite you to join us each week, either in person or online, for Pause for Prayer. Together, we will bring our joys, concerns, hopes, and burdens before God while also practicing rhythms of prayer that can sustain us throughout the week.

Whether prayer is a familiar comfort or something you are still exploring, all are welcome. Each gathering will offer space to slow down, listen for God's voice, and be reminded that we are held in God's love and connected to one another. Our hope is that this weekly time of prayer will become a source of encouragement, helping us experience God's presence, hope, peace, and healing amid the rhythms of everyday life.

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Sign Up to Host the Welcome Table

The Welcome Table is looking for volunteers to serve as table hosts! If you're interested in helping create a welcoming space for our community, please sign up at the Welcome Table or contact the church office. We are looking for hosts for each Sunday in November, as well as December 20. Sign-ups for the spring are also open!

Thank you for helping us extend a warm welcome and make everyone feel at home.

Faith Formation Sessions

Sundays at 10:15 am

Adults

Faith After Certainty: The Courage to Believe Differently

The Fellowship Hall - October 18-November 22

For many of us, faith once came with clear answers. Somewhere along the way, questions arrived, and the old certainties stopped fitting. This six-week class is a growth space for anyone navigating that shift. Together we'll explore what progressive theology is and what it means to be both Baptist and progressive.

We'll reflect on who God is to us now, name and grieve what we've left behind while honoring what we still carry, and look honestly at fear, including what "fear of the Lord" might really mean, without rushing past hard feelings. We'll also talk about why this work is messy and how to do it in community, and close by practicing spiritual discernment and faith-based visioning for the road ahead. You don't need to have it all figured out. You just need to be willing to wonder together. This faith formation session will be facilitated by Shelby Pride and Pastor Kristin.

The Discussion Class: *The Heart of Christianity*

The Parlor - August 23–November 1

The Discussion Class is currently reading Marcus J. Borg's *The Heart of Christianity: Rediscovering a Life of Faith.* Together, we're exploring the contrasts between the vision of Christianity many of us grew up with and perspectives that have emerged within mainline and progressive Christianity. Along the way, we're considering questions of faith and deconstruction, the changing landscape of the church, and the influence of Christian Nationalism. Through thoughtful conversation and reflection, we'll have the opportunity to deepen our own faith and understanding.

Following this study, the discussion class will begin *Gratitude* by Diana Butler Bass.

Youth

Our 6th-12th graders are gathering in the 3rd floor Youth Ministry Suite for a 6-week series on "Being the Church." Join us in answering the question of what it means to be the church. And, how we can join together and serve others.

Children

A new season of learning is beginning at First Kids! During our second six-week session, children will have opportunities to learn, wonder, create, and grow together as they discover more about God and God's good world.

Wee Wonder | 2s and 3s

In the Nursery | We Thank God

Our youngest friends will explore gratitude through songs, action rhymes, Bible stories, and play. Each week, they'll discover ways to thank God and celebrate the goodness all around them.

Preschool–Kindergarten

3rd Floor Rainbow Room | God's Welcome

Our preschool and kindergarten friends will explore what it means to be welcomed by God and to welcome others through the story of the Prodigal Child, play, and hands-on activities. They'll discover that God's love makes room for everyone and that they have an important place in our community.

Elementary | 1st–5th Grade

3rd Floor Kids' Ministry Suite | Family of Abraham and Sarah

Our elementary friends will explore the stories of Abraham and Sarah's family, including Isaac and Rebekah, and Jacob and Esau. Through stories of conflict, joy, sorrow, and reconciliation, they'll discover that God is present in our messy family stories and goes with us wherever our journeys may take us.

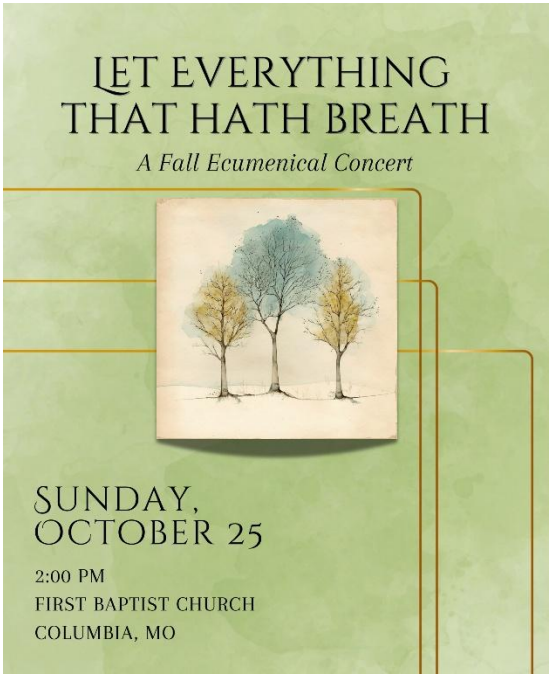
Ecumenical Concert: Let Everything That Hath Breath

Sunday, October 25 at 2:00 in the Sanctuary

Join us Sunday, October 25 at 2:00 in the sanctuary for our annual ecumenical concert entitled "Let Everything That Hath Breath!"

In addition to many beautiful and diverse anthems featuring choir, bells, organ, and brass, the centerpiece will be Benjamin Britten's epic cantata "Rejoice in the Lamb," in honor of the 50th anniversary of the composer's passing.

We'll be joined by friends from sister churches and local schools, as well as other special guests. You won't want to miss this concert!



Trunk-or-Treat & Chili Cook-Off

Sunday, October 25 | 5:00 PM | First Baptist

It’s time for a little friendly competition, some (not-so) spooky fun, and a whole lot of chili! Join us on **Sunday, October 25 at 5:00 PM** for our annual **Chili Cook-Off and Trunk-or-Treat**.

Get your favorite chili recipe perfected, because the competition around here is steep! **Bring your muffin tins to sample all the chili!** It makes sampling fun and easy, and it saves on paper goods

We’ll enjoy a cozy chili dinner, fun games, and plenty of treats as we gather together for an evening of food, fun, and community. Come dressed in your Halloween best, bring your appetite, and get ready for a fun night together at First Baptist!
Trunk-or-Treat car setup: 4:00–4:45 PM
Trunk-or-Treat and Chili Cook-Off: 5:00 PM

Nominating Committee Season Has Begun!

One of the ways we live out our faith together is by sharing our gifts in service to our congregation and community. Each year, the Nominating Committee helps identify and invite people to serve in leadership and ministry roles at First Baptist Church. The committee will begin by reaching out to those currently serving to learn whether they feel called to continue in their roles or step away for a season of rest and renewal. Then, we will invite others to explore opportunities for service on a Team or Action Group.

There are so many ways to get involved, whether your gifts are in caring for others, planning events, teaching, organizing, advocating, or working behind the scenes.

Diaconate
Extends care and support to church members who are homebound or experiencing difficult circumstances.

Fellowship Ministry Action Group
Creates opportunities throughout the year for fun, friendship, and building community.

Bereavement Action Group
Provides hospitality, food, and care for families during times of loss.

Hospitality Action Group
Coordinates the Welcome Table and helps provide food and refreshments at church events.

Teaching Team
Partners with pastoral staff to shape adult education offerings, select curriculum, and plan learning opportunities.

Telling Team
Helps the congregation with inviting, welcoming, and including new members, as well as communicating the message of the church through various forms of media.

Liturgical Arts Action Group
Works with pastors and staff to creatively express worship themes throughout the year.

Serving Team
Connects our congregation with local and global partners serving their communities.

Racial Justice and Inclusion Team
Guides our ongoing work in inclusion, racial healing, accessibility, and justice.

Trustees
Steward and care for our church property and facilities.

Finance Team
Prepares and monitors the church budget and promotes faithful financial stewardship.

Endowment Committee
Oversees and administers the church's investments and endowment funds.

Personnel Committee
Supports church staff through evaluation, feedback, and professional development.

Health and Safety Action Group
Helps ensure that our church remains a safe, healthy, and welcoming place for all.

In addition, three members of the congregation are selected each year to serve as at-large representatives on the Church Council.

Could This Be Your Place to Serve?
You do not need to have all the answers or years of experience. If one of these opportunities sparks your interest, or if you would simply like to learn more, we would love to talk with you. Serving is one of the best ways to build relationships, share your gifts, and help shape the life of our church.

To explore a ministry opportunity, contact Christine Chang at Cchang5363@gmail.com. We hope you'll prayerfully consider where your gifts and passions might meet the needs of our community.

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