



Our Worship of God

June 9, 2024

11:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

Welcome

Pastor Brittany McDonald Null

Prelude

Cantabile

by R. Haan

Colleen Ostercamp, *organ*

†Call to Worship (responsive)

Let us lift up the name of our God!

Let us praise God's faithfulness!

For just as God's greatness fills the heavens,

God's love embraces the earth,

Challenging the status-quo and calling us in to a new way of life.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

†Opening Hymn 50

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Scripture Reading

1 Samuel 8:4-9, 19-20

Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah and said to him, “You are old, and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations.” But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, “Give us a king to govern us.” Samuel prayed to the Lord, and the Lord said to Samuel, “Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you, for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only, you shall solemnly warn them and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them.”

But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, “No! We are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles.”

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

†Hymn 422

O God of Every Nation

Prayer for Non-Hierarchy (responsive)

Pastor Greg Hunt

God, our minds are being opened to the ways we are harmed by hierarchal systems.

We see this in the scripture stories,

We see this in our family histories,

And we see it at work in our societies:

When a few people are at the top,

A lot of people are always at the bottom.

We lament our society's choices

And the harm done by hierarchies:

The ways we choose power and wealth

Over communal well-being;

The ways we choose the false security of might

Over the true security of peace.

We want to return to the Divine Order:

The Way of Love,

Relational communality,

Attentiveness to nature,

Prioritizing the most vulnerable,

Practicing mercy in all we do.

This is our dream:

The day when there is no "us" and "them,"

When those who lead, lead humbly;

When those who have, share freely;

When those who stumble are embraced in communal arms.

There are no losers, no downtrodden in God's Community.

Let this non-hierarchical vision for humanity's thriving

Sweep us up in its beauty

So that we breathe it into being,

And build it into our reality. Amen

Sharing of Our Gifts

Pastor Greg Hunt

I'll Walk with God
Jonathan Ray, *soloist*

*I'll Walk with God from this day on
His helping hand I'll lean upon
This is my prayer, my humble plea
May the Lord be ever with me*

*There is no death, tho' eyes grow dim
There is no fear when I'm near to Him
I'll lean on Him forever
And He'll forsake me never*

*He will not fail me
As long as my faith is strong
Whatever road I may walk along*

*I'll Walk with God, I'll take His hand
I'll talk with God, He'll understand
I'll pray to Him, each day to Him
And He'll hear the words that I say*

*His hand will guide my throne and rod
And I'll never walk alone
While I walk with God*

Message

Rev. Caleb Cooke

†Hymn of Response 712

The Kingdom of God Is Justice and Joy

Life of the Church

Rev. Caleb Cooke

†Benediction

†Postlude

Amazing Love
Colleen Ostercamp, *organ*

arr. J. Innes

Worship Notes

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above, Words: Johann J. Schütz, 1675; tr. Frances Cox, 1864.
Music: Bohemian Bretheren's Kirchengesänge, Berlin, 1566.

O God of Every Nation, Words: William W. Reid, Jr., 1958. Music: Traditional Welsh melody, 19th C.

Prayer for Non-Hierarchy, by Fran Pratt

The Kingdom of God Is Justice and Joy, Words: Bryn Austin Rees, 1973. Music: William Croft, 1708.

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Week at a Glance

Sunday, June 9

- 9:15 am Awakening Worship in the Fellowship Hall
- 10:15 am Spiritual Formation Hour –Adult, Youth & First Kids Sunday School
- 10:15 am Enneagram Class in the Conference Room
- 11:15 am Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

Monday, June 10

- 1:00 pm Staff Meeting

Tuesday, June 11

- 1:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room

Wednesday, June 12

- 6:30-7:30 pm Chancel Bells

Thursday, June 13

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

Sunday, June 16

- 9:15 am Awakening Worship in the Fellowship Hall
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Announcements

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 at the welcome table, scan the QR code in the bulletin, or visit our website at fbc-columbia.org/connect.



Special Adult Small Group Class – Enneagram

First Baptist will be offering an additional adult small group during the month of June! Beginning June 2nd, in the conference room (2nd floor) during the Spiritual Formation hour we will have a new class called, “You, the Hero: An Enneagram Journey.” Led by certified Enneagram coach David Jacobs, this discussion-based class offers a deep, insightful dive into the Enneagram model and its nine different personalities, and will help to give you a better understanding of who you are and, most importantly, who you can become - the Hero of your own life story.

Juneteenth Offering – Sunday, June 16

The Racial Justice and Inclusion Team asks you to consider prayerfully the opportunity to contribute to our Juneteenth offering on June 16th. During our Service of Truth-Telling, Lament, and Commitment on October

22, 2023, we committed to a yearly offering for racial reconciliation. During worship, you will hear how the RJI Team plans to use these funds in our church's continued commitment to Racial Justice initiatives and projects. We appreciate your help in furthering God's Kin-dom work.

First Baptist Church Picnic - June 23 at Bethel Park

On Sunday, June 23, First Baptist will gather for our Church Picnic at Bethel Park at 5:00 pm. All are invited for an afternoon of games, walking, food, and of course, the annual World Championship Egg Toss! Lee’s fried chicken, drinks, and place settings will be provided. We invite you to bring a vegetable, appetizer, or dessert to share.

Book Club & Disability Justice Panel – Monday, June 24

Join us in the parlor for a two-part event from 6:00-8:00 PM on disability justice in the Church. The first part will begin at **6:00 pm** and will include a Book Club discussion on *My Body Is Not a Prayer Request* by Dr. Amy Kenny. The second part of the event will begin at **7:00 pm** and include a disability justice panel comprised of disabled folx in and around our church. Please note that **the disability justice panel is for the entire church, including those who did not read *My Body is Not a Prayer Request***. We're looking forward to a fruitful discussion on ways our church can become more accessible to all who enter our place of worship!

Church Profile

Our Pastor Search Committee has been hard at work compiling a church profile to tell potential candidates about our church! If you would like to view the church profile, scan the QR code.





Registration is now open for Journey Together!

Journey Together is a weekend event for families with kids hosted by First Baptist Kids Ministry. Journey Together is designed to help kids and those who care for them connect with God, one another, and other families with kids in our community.

This year's theme is *Discover Jesus*. Adults and children will use their investigative skills to discover Jesus! The journey of discovery has many twists and turns, so children and adults will learn to ask questions, work together, shine their light in the world, follow Jesus' example to serve others, and trust in God when things go wrong. Through worship and drama, Bible study, art and science exploration, and active games, children and adults are invited to follow the example of Jesus in every place and every part of life.

We know families take many shapes and sizes, and all are welcome to participate. Our world is better when we "Journey Together". This year, Journey Together will take place on August 2-4 and will conclude with a pool party Sunday evening. To register or learn more, visit fbc-columbia.org/together





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Rev. Dr. Greg Hunt, Interim Senior Pastor
Rev. Brittany McDonald Null, Pastor of Families and Spiritual Formation
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