



SEEKING
peace
together

Our Worship of God

September 1, 2024

11:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

Welcome

Pastor Greg Hunt

Prelude

Holy Manna
Colleen Ostercamp, *organ*

arr. G. Young

† Call to Worship (responsive)

Caleb Cooke, *Pastoral Resident*

We gather as God's people, holy and beloved.

We gather with compassion.

We gather with kindness.

We gather with humility.

We gather with patience.

We gather together as God's holy and beloved people.

Let us bear with one another and forgive one another.

Even as Jesus bears with us and forgives us.

Above all, let us clothe ourselves with love,

which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

As we worship together, may the peace of Christ guide our lives.

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Scripture Reading

Genesis 27:41-45

Now Esau hated Jacob because of the blessing with which his father had blessed him, and Esau said to himself, “The days of mourning for my father are approaching; then I will kill my brother Jacob.” But the words of her elder son Esau were told to Rebekah, so she sent and called her younger son Jacob and said to him, “Your brother Esau is consoling himself by planning to kill you. Now therefore, my son, obey my voice; flee at once to my brother Laban in Haran, and stay with him a while, until your brother’s fury turns away— until your brother’s anger against you turns away, and he forgets what you have done to him; then I will send and bring you back from there. Why should I lose both of you in one day?”

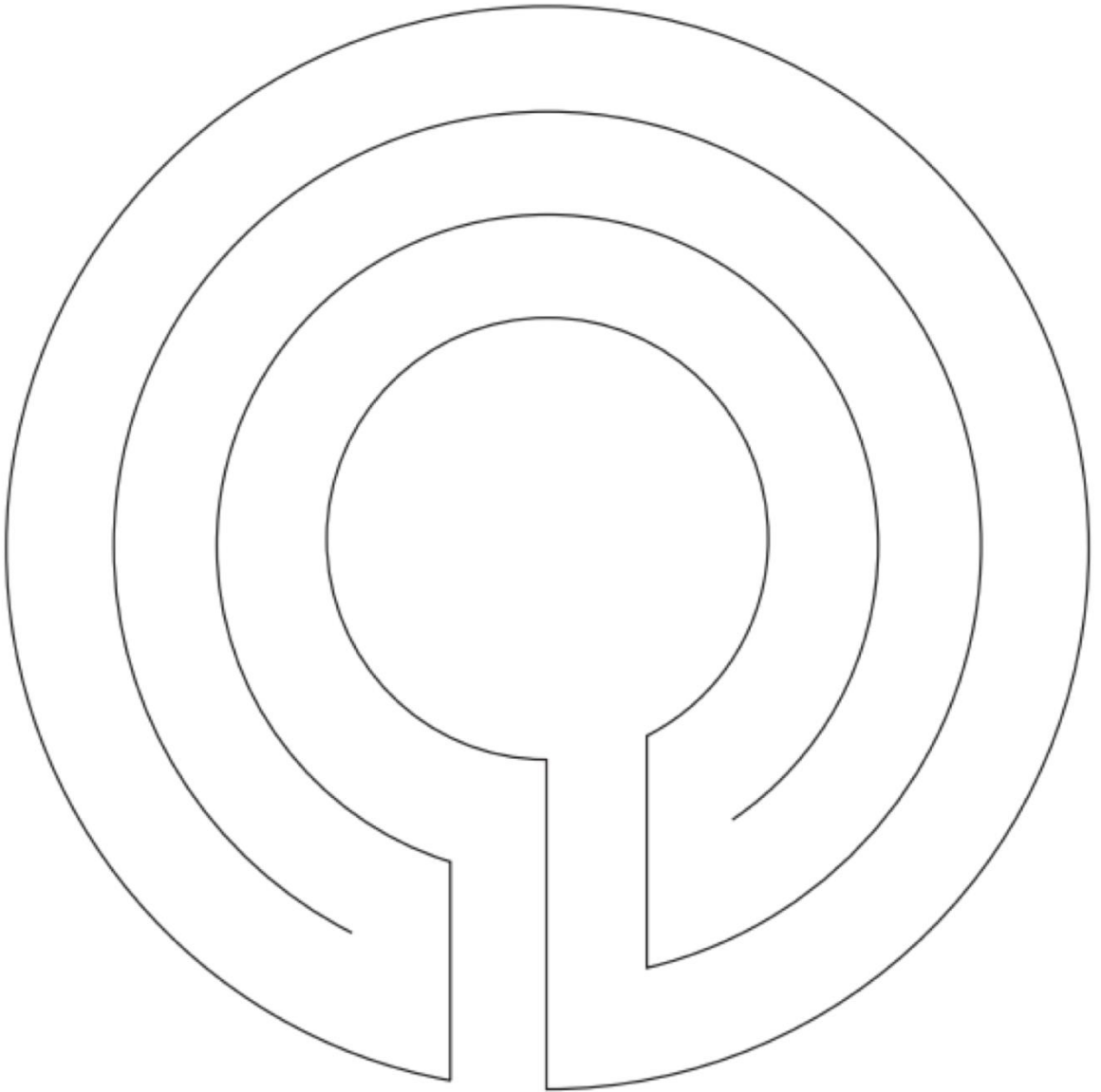
Genesis 33:1-4

Now Jacob looked up and saw Esau coming, and four hundred men with him. So he divided the children among Leah and Rachel and the two maids. He put the maids with their children in front, then Leah with her children, and Rachel and Joseph last of all. He himself went on ahead of them, bowing himself to the ground seven times, until he came near his brother.

But Esau ran to meet him and embraced him and fell on his neck and kissed him, and they wept.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



Sharing of our Gifts

†Hymn 486

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Message

Pastor Greg Hunt

Anthem

In Remembrance by Ragan Courtney\Buryl Red
Chancel Choir

*In remembrance of Me eat this bread
In remembrance of Me drink this wine
In remembrance of Me pray for the time
When God's own will is done*

*In remembrance of me heal the sick
In remembrance of me feed the poor
In remembrance of me open the door
And let your brother in, let him in*

*Take eat and be comforted
Drink and remember too
That this is my body and precious blood
Shed for you, shed for you*

*In remembrance of me search for truth
In remembrance of me always love
In remembrance of me don't look above
But in your heart, in your heart
Look in your heart for God*

Communion

†Hymn of Response

The Servant Song

*We are travelers on a journey, fellow pilgrims on the road;
We are here to help each other, walk the mile and bear the load.
I will hold the Christ light for you, in the nighttime of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.*

*Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you;
Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.
Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you;
Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.*

*I will weep when you are weeping, when you laugh, I'll laugh with you;
I will share your joy and sorrow, 'til we've seen this journey thro'.
When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such harmony,
Born of all we've known together of Christ's love and agony.*

Life of the Church

Pastor Greg Hunt

†Benediction

Postlude

Allegro
Colleen Ostercamp, *organ*

by J. Stanley

Worship Notes

We Gather Together, Netherlands Folk Song; Adrianus Valerius' *Nederlandsch Gedenckclanck*, 1626. Translated by Theodore Baker, 1917.

There's a Wideness In God's Mercy, Words: Frederick W. Faber, 1862. Music: Lizzie S. Tourjée.

The Servant Song, CCLI 5076660

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Week at a Glance

Sunday, September 1

- 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
- 3:30 pm Bells for All Ages in the Sanctuary

Monday, September 2 – Offices Closed for Labor Day

Tuesday, September 3

- 1:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room

Wednesday, September 4

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

Thursday, September 5

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

Sunday, September 8

- 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
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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.



Farewell Sendoff for Caleb and Rianna - September 15

Please join us to say goodbye to FBC Pastoral Resident Caleb Cooke and his wife Rianna as they leave First Baptist to pursue Caleb's call to be Senior Pastor at Village Baptist Church in Bowie, Maryland. We will gather between services (10:15-11:10 am) in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, September 15 to say goodbye. Refreshments and snacks will be provided. In their year at FBC they have touched our hearts with their love and friendship and brightened our congregation and community through their sincere desire to learn, serve, preach, and live the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Please join us to show your gratitude and support as they go forward to build God's Kingdom in Maryland!

First Baptist Pride Shirts

First Baptist is re-ordering shirts in time for MidMo PrideFest on September 28, 2024. Whether you plan to represent First Baptist at Pride or want an awesome shirt proclaiming God's inclusive love, this shirt is for you! The cost is \$15/shirt and we will only be purchasing what is ordered. The deadline to purchase a shirt is September 16th so order soon!



Fall Book Study - *Baptizing America*

Thursdays in October

As we approach a major, upcoming election, increased attention has been given to the rise of Christian nationalism, an unholy marriage of religion and political power. To learn more about this and consider how best to respond, we will be doing an October book study. *Baptizing America: How Mainline Protestants Helped Build Christian Nationalism*, provides a compelling narrative about how mainline Protestantism promoted Christian nationalism's growing influence in American life. It also offers insights into what might be done about it.

We will meet on Thursdays, October 3, 10, 17, and 24 (6 pm) for discussions facilitated by interim pastor Greg Hunt. If you are interested, please email Greg at ghunt@fbc-columbia.org. Participants are asked to purchase the book independently.



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