

Our Worship of God

July 13, 2025

11:15 am

(+ Indicates those who are able, please stand)

Gathering Chime

As the bell is chimed, we invite you to pause, center yourself, and prepare your heart and mind for worship.

Prelude

Clair de Lune Colleen Ostercamp, *organ* Debussy/arr. Zetterval

Welcome

Call to Worship (responsive)

Pastor Kristin McAtee

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Gather us in, Lord, and hear our prayers.

We have come to this place in need for healing and hope.

Gather us in, Lord, and heal our spirits.

We come here seeking guidance and strength.

Gather us in, Lord, and open our hearts to receive your word.

Open our hearts, our spirits, our souls to comprehend your word and follow you faithfully. Amen.

Crown Him with Many Crowns

+Hymn 92

+Passing the Peace of Christ

Scripture Reading

Psalm 82

God takes his stand in the divine council; he gives judgment among the gods: "How long will you judge unjustly by granting favor to the wicked? Give justice to the lowly and the orphan; maintain the right of the poor and the destitute! Rescue the lowly and the needy. Deliver them from the power of the wicked! They don't know; they don't understand; they wander around in the dark. All the earth's foundations shake. I hereby declare, "You are gods, children of the Most High-all of you! But you will die like mortals; you will fall down like any prince." Rise up, God! Judge the earth because you hold all nations in your possession!

> The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

+Hymn 429

Lament

Let Your Heart Be Broken

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Congregational Response: Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Spirit have mercy.

Pastoral Prayer

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Amos 7:7-17

This is what the LORD showed me: The LORD was standing by a wall, with a plumb line in his hand. The LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" "A plumb line," I said.

Then the LORD said,

"See, I am setting a plumb line in the middle of my people Israel.

I will never again forgive them.

The shrines of Isaac will be made desolate,

and the holy places of Israel will be laid waste,

and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, reported to Israel's King Jeroboam, "Amos has plotted against you within the house of Israel. The land isn't able to cope with everything that he is saying. Amos has said, 'Jeroboam will die by the sword, and Israel will be forced out of its land.""Amaziah said to Amos, "You who see things, go, run away to the land of Judah, eat your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's holy place and his royal house."Amos answered Amaziah, "I am not a prophet, nor am I a prophet's son; but I am a shepherd, and a trimmer of sycamore trees. But the LORD took me from shepherding the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'

"Now then hear the LORD's word.

You say, 'Don't prophesy against Israel,

and don't preach against the house of Isaac.'

"Therefore, the LORD proclaims:

'Your wife will become a prostitute in the city,

and your sons and your daughters will fall by the sword,

and your land will be measured and divided up;

you yourself will die in an unclean land,

and Israel will surely be taken away from its land.""

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God. **+**Hymn 428

God of Love and Truth and Beauty

Sharing of Our Gifts

Pastor Brittany McDonald Null

Anthem

How Can I Keep from Singing? Chancel Choir w/ Colleen Ostercamp Lowry/arr. Burkhardt

My life flows on in endless song, Above earth's lamentation, I hear the real, though far-off hymn That hails a new creation.

Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear the music ringing; It sounds an echo in my soul, How can I keep from singing?

What if my joys and comforts die? I know the truth is living. What though the darkness 'round me close? Still truth its light is giving.

No storm can shake my inmost calm While to that rock I'm clinging, Since Love is Lord of heav'n and earth, How can I keep from singing?

I lift my eyes, the cloud grows thin, I see the blue above it, And day by day this pathway smooths, Since first I learned to love it.

The peace of Love makes fresh my heart, A song of hope is springing, All things are mine since truth I've found, How can I keep from singing? Message

Foundations

Pastor Kristin McAtee

God Has Spoken by His Prophets

Pastor Brittany McDonald Null

+Hymn of Response 311

Life of the Church

Benediction

+Postlude

Fanfare in G Colleen Ostercamp, *organ* by Mary MacDonald

Worship Notes

Crown Him with Many Crowns, Words: Matthew Bridges, 1851; and Godfrey Thring, st. 2, 1974. Music: George J. Elvey, 1868.

Let Your Heart Be Broken, Words: Bryan Jeffery Leech, 1975. Music: James Mountain, 1876.

God of Love and Truth and Beauty, Words: Timothy Rees, 1922. Music: Erik Routley, 1982.

How Can I Keep from Singing? by Robert Lowry, arr. Michael Burkhardt.

God Has Spoken by His Prophets, Words: George W. Briggs, 1952. Music: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824.

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Week at a Glance

Sunday, July 13

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, July 14

3:00 pm Staff Meeting

Tuesday, July 15

1:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room

Wednesday, July 16

6:30 pm Chancel Bells in the Sanctuary

Thursday, July 17

Staff Planning Day- Offices Closed 10:30 am First Baptist Women's Zoom Book Study 6:00 pm Crafter Hours

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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



Looking for Something to Do This Summer? Ring Bells!

Are you looking for some summer enrichment? Maybe you need a fun activity to do with a friend, family member, or loved one? Did you make a New Year's resolution to learn a new skill that you haven't started yet? Whether it's any of these or one of a hundred more reasons, come join Noah Hartsfield, Handbell Director for a fun and low-commitment summer opportunity! He invites you to join in an intergenerational handbell ringing opportunity. The group will meet on Wednesday evenings in July and August (beginning Wednesday, July 16th) to learn how to ring handbells, make music, and have fun. Whether you have any experience with bells or even music or not, all are invited to give it a try. You are only responsible for two notes and we can mark music! All friends who are rising 2nd graders or older are invited to participate (friends that are 2nd through 5th grade need an adult to participate with them). The group will meet from 6:30p to 7:30p and nursery care is available if needed. You do not need to be available all Wednesdays to participate. If you are interested or want more information, please contact Noah at <u>nhartsfield2010@gmail.com</u>.

Sing with the Chancel Choir!

Choir rehearsals are held on Sundays at 9:10 am in the Sanctuary choir loft. We'll prepare a few low-impact anthems to get us through the summer before we begin in a fuller capacity in August. We'll also begin looking more in depth at our fall concert repertoire. If you've ever had an inkling to see what choir is all about, this is your opportunity! No previous experience required and all ages are welcome — all you need is a love of music! See you there!

Churchwide Pool Party - August 3 at Oakland Pool

You asked for it, and it's back! Join us **August 3rd** for our Churchwide Pool Party at Oakland Pool, hosted by our Kids and Youth Ministries!_We've reserved the entire pool from 5:30 to 7:30 pm, so bring your swimsuit, towel, and church friends of all ages for an evening of splashing, laughter, and summer fun. The event is free, and we'll have freeze pops to help you cool down. Feel free to bring your own food and drinks, just remember, no glass containers. Let's make some waves together!

Missions Survey

Last week, at Brunch Worship, we participated in a Missions survey, giving our feedback and sharing our opinions on how we'd like to see First Baptist contribute to our community and the world. The goal of the Serving Team is to invest in work that helps our congregation feel passionate about missions and serving. We request your input on mission priorities. If you didn't have a chance to fill out the survey, there are copies in each worship space. When completed, you can fold & place it in the survey box or hand it to a pastor.



Rev. Kristin McAtee, Senior Pastor Rev. Brittany McDonald Null, Pastor of Families and Spiritual Formation Jonathan Ray, Music Director-Traditional Worship Shelby Pride, Awakening Worship Praise Band Director Colleen Ostercamp, Pianist and Organist Noah Hartsfield, Handbell Director Susan Goudie, Office Coordinator Brenda Rice, Administrative Assistant for Web, Facilities, and Arts Mike Ide, Custodian Nellene Martin, Childcare Director