



# First Baptist Church

## *Our Worship of God*

*July 27, 2025*

*11:15 am*

*(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)*

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### **Gathering Chime**

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

### **Prelude**

#### **Give Me Jesus**

arr. Howard Helvey

Mary Beth Ming, *soprano*

Colleen Ostercamp, *flute*

Becki Forsee, *piano*

### **Welcome**

Pastor Kristin McAtee

†Call to Worship (responsive)

Pastor Kristin McAtee

We gather here in anticipation,  
    **seeking an encounter with our Holy God,**  
who comes among us when we least expect it,  
    **who invites us to wrestle with our questions and doubts,**  
who meets us in the ancient scriptures that confound us  
    **and in our daily lives that mystify us.**  
Let's wrestle.  
    **Let's worship.**

†Opening Music

Ancient Words

Unison

The musical score is written for a unison voice part in 3/4 time. It consists of three staves of music. The first staff has a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a common time signature of 3/4. The melody is simple and repetitive, with a repeat sign at the beginning. The lyrics are written below the staff, with two lines of text for each measure. The second staff continues the melody and lyrics. The third staff has a first ending bracket over the first two measures and a second ending bracket over the last two measures. The lyrics are written below the staff, with two lines of text for each measure.

1. Ho - ly words long pre-served for our walk in this  
    life, words of hope give us strength, help us  
2. Ho - ly words of our faith hand-ed down to this  
    words long pre-served for our walk in this

world, they re - sound with God's own heart; O let the  
cope; in this world wher - e'er we roam God's an-cient  
age, came to us through sac - ri - fice; O heed the  
world, they re - sound with God's own heart; O let the

an - cient words im - part. Words of  
words will guide us home.  
faith - ful words of Christ. Ho - ly  
an - cient words im - part.

An-cient words ev-er true, chang-ing me and chang-ing you; we have

come with o - pen hearts, O let the an-cient words im - part.

## †Passing the Peace of Christ

**Hosea 1:2-10**

When the Lord first spoke through Hosea, the Lord said to him, “Go, marry a prostitute and have children of prostitution, for the people of the land commit great prostitution by deserting the Lord.” So Hosea went and took Gomer, Diblaim’s daughter, and she became pregnant and bore him a son. The Lord said to him, “Name him Jezreel; for in a little while I will punish the house of Jehu for the blood of Jezreel, and I will destroy the kingdom of the house of Israel. On that day I will break the bow of Israel in the Jezreel Valley.” Gomer became pregnant again and gave birth to a daughter. Then the Lord said to Hosea, “Name her No Compassion, because I will no longer have compassion on the house of Israel or forgive them. But I will have compassion on the house of Judah. I, the Lord their God, will save them; I will not save them by bow, or by sword, or by war, or by horses, or by horsemen.” When Gomer finished nursing No Compassion, she became pregnant and gave birth to a son. Then the Lord said, “Name him Not My People because you are not my people, and I am not your God.”

Yet the number of the people of Israel will be like the sand of the sea, which can be neither measured nor numbered; and in the place where it was said to them, “You are not my people,” it will be said to them, “Children of the living God.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**†Hymn 399**

**O God, Who Gives to Humankind**

**Sharing Our Gifts**

**Pastor Brittany McDonald Null**

**Anthem**

**The Lord Is My Shepherd**  
*Chancel Choir, w/ Colleen Ostercamp*

by Allen Pote

*The Lord is my shepherd. Nothing shall I want.  
My shepherd makes me lie in fields of green, leads me beside still waters.*

*The Lord is my shepherd who restores my life.  
Leads me in the paths of righteousness for the sake of the Lord's name.*

*And even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil, for You are with me. Your rod and staff, they comfort me.*

*You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.  
You anoint my head with oil. My cup overflows.*

*Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life.  
And in the house of my God I will live forever.*

**†Hymn 370**

**God of Our Life**

**Psalm 85**

LORD, you've been kind to your land;  
you've changed Jacob's circumstances for the better.  
You've forgiven your people's wrongdoing;  
you've covered all their sins.  
You've stopped being furious;  
you've turned away from your burning anger.  
You, the God who can save us, restore us!  
Stop being angry with us!  
Will you be mad at us forever?  
Will you prolong your anger from one generation to the next?  
Won't you bring us back to life again  
so that your people can rejoice in you?  
Show us your faithful love, LORD!  
Give us your salvation!  
Let me hear what the LORD God says,  
because he speaks peace to his people and to his faithful ones.  
Don't let them return to foolish ways.  
God's salvation is very close to those who honor him  
so that his glory can live in our land.  
Faithful love and truth have met;  
righteousness and peace have kissed.  
Truth springs up from the ground;  
righteousness gazes down from heaven.  
Yes, the LORD gives what is good,  
and our land yields its produce.  
Righteousness walks before God,  
making a road for his steps.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Prayer**

Pastor Brittany McDonald Null

**Message**

Pastor Kristin McAtee

**†Hymn of Response 710**

We Are Called to be God's People

**Life of the Church**

Pastor Kristin McAtee

**Benediction**

Pastor Kristin McAtee

**†Postlude**

**Allegro**  
Colleen Ostercamp, *organ*

Mendelssohn/arr. Kimball

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# Worship Notes

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*Ancient Words*, Words & Music: Lynn DeShazo, 2001.

*Oh God, Who Gives to Humankind*, Words: Edward Joseph Burns, c.1969. Music: Thomas Tallis, C. 1561.

*God of Our Life*, Words: Hugh T. Kerr, 1916. Music: Charles H. Punday, 1860.

*We Are Called to be God's People*, Words: Thomas A. Jackson, 1973. Music: Franz Joseph Haydn, 1797.

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## Week at a Glance

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### Sunday, July 27

- 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 28

- 3:00 pm Staff Meeting

### Tuesday, July 29

- 1:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room

### Wednesday, July 30

- 6:30 pm Chancel Bells in the Sanctuary

### Thursday, July 31

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

### Saturday, August 2

- 9:00 am Church Workday

### Sunday, August 3

- 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
- 5:30 pm Churchwide Pool Party at Oakland Pool

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# Announcements

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## 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](http://fbc-columbia.org/connect)



## Summer Bell Opportunity

Come join Noah Hartsfield, Handbell Director, for a fun and low-commitment summer opportunity! The group will meet on Wednesday evenings in July and August 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. The group meets 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 [nhartsfield2010@gmail.com](mailto:nhartsfield2010@gmail.com).

## 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!

## Kids Ministry Work Day – Saturday, August 2

We're getting ready to launch a few new classes this fall and refresh the kids' areas in both the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall. To help make this happen, we're hosting a work and prep day on Saturday, August 2, starting at 9:00 am. We're looking for volunteers to help with moving items, assembling furniture, and prepping the spaces — and yes, there will be donuts. If you can join us, please let Brittany know at [bnull@fbc-columbia.org](mailto:bnull@fbc-columbia.org) so we can plan accordingly.

## Churchwide Pool Party – August 3 at Oakland Pool

You asked for it, and it's back! Join us **August 3<sup>rd</sup>** 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!

## Fellowship Table Resumes August 17

The Fellowship Table will resume Sunday, August 17. You can sign up to host on the bulletin board. If you have any questions, email Sherry Wyatt at [sherrywyattrn@gmail.com](mailto:sherrywyattrn@gmail.com).

## Blessing of the Backpacks - August 17

As we gear up for a new school year, we want to send our students, teachers, and school staff back with more than just sharpened pencils and packed lunches—we want to send them with *kindness* and *courage*. On August 17, during worship, we'll offer a special **Blessing of the Backpacks**, reminding our students and educators that they go into the school year surrounded by a community that is cheering for them and praying with them. So bring your backpack, your lunchbox, your briefcase—or just bring yourself—and let's start the school year covered in blessing and rooted in kindness.

## Youth and Parent Fall Meeting – August 20

It's time to gather and talk about youth ministry! Youth parents and children are invited to a meeting on Wednesday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will discuss upcoming plans, classes and curriculum, and safety. Pizza will be provided.



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*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*