



# First Baptist Church

## *Our Worship of God*

*August 24, 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

**Allegro Maestoso**  
Colleen Ostercamp, *organ*

Mendelssohn

### Welcome

Pastor Kristin McAtee

### †Call to Worship (responsive)

We have come to worship God, the living God,  
**Who calls prophets and teachers to bear witness.**

We have come to praise God, the almighty God,  
**Who answers the forces of hatred and hurt  
with the power of grace.**

We have come to worship God, the transforming God,  
**Who forms, calls, and equips us all.**

### †Hymn 43

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

## †Passing the Peace of Christ

### Special Music

**This Little Light of Mine**  
*Summer Handbell Ensemble*  
Noah Hartsfield, *director*

### New to the Pew Blessing

### †Hymn 369

Lord of All Hopefulness

### Scripture Reading

Ella

#### **Jeremiah 1:4-10**

The LORD's word came to me:

“Before I created you in the womb I knew you;  
before you were born I set you apart;  
I made you a prophet to the nations.”

“Ah, LORD God,” I said, “I don't know how to speak  
because I'm only a child.”

The LORD responded,

“Don't say, 'I'm only a child.'  
Where I send you, you must go;  
what I tell you, you must say.

Don't be afraid of them,  
because I'm with you to rescue you,”  
declares the LORD.

Then the LORD stretched out his hand,  
touched my mouth, and said to me,  
“I'm putting my words in your mouth.

This very day I appoint you over nations and empires,  
to dig up and pull down,  
to destroy and demolish,  
to build and plant.”

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

**†Hymn 51**

God, You Spin the Whirling Planets

**Pastoral Prayer**

Pastor Kristin McAtee

**Sharing Our Gifts**

**Anthem**

**Great Is Thy Faithfulness**  
*Chancel Choir, w/ Colleen Ostercamp*

arr. Mary McDonald

**†Hymn 813**

For the Life That You Have Given

**Message**

Pastor Kristin McAtee

**†Hymn of Response 568**

Take My Life and Let It Be

**Life of the Church**

Pastor Kristin McAtee

**†Benediction**

**†Postlude**

**Heart Melody**  
Colleen Ostercamp, *organ*

E. M. Roth

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# Worship Notes

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*A Mighty Fortress is Our God*, Words: Martin Luther, 1529; tr. Frederick H. Hedge, 1852. Music: Martin Luther, 1529.

*Lord of All Hopefulness*, Words: Jan Struther, 1931. Music: Traditional Irish melody; arr. Donald P. Hustad, 1973.

*God, You Spin the Whirling Planets*, ©1987 Jane Parker Huber

*Take My Life*, Words: Frances R. Havergal, 1874. Music: Henri A. César Malan, 1827.

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## Week at a Glance

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### Sunday, August 24

- 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
- 12:15 pm Fall Kickoff on the Front Lawn

### Monday, August 25

- 1:00 pm Staff Meeting

### Tuesday, August 26

- 1:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room
- 6:00 pm Church Council Meeting in the Conference Room

### Wednesday, August 27

- 6:00 pm Youth Group
- 6:30 pm Chancel Bells in the Sanctuary

### Thursday, August 28

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

### Friday, August 29

- 6:00 pm Game Night in the Parlor

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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)



## New to the Pew Blessing - August 24

With the beginning of the new school year, we are excited to welcome our newest worshippers to the pews. On Sunday, August 24, during both worship services, we will be presenting a Bible to our first graders and offering a blessing to them and their families. As a church community, we want to celebrate this milestone and commit to accompanying our kids in their faith.

## Fall Kick Off – August 24 – Front Lawn at 12:15 pm

As summer winds down, we're getting ready for our annual Fall Kick Off! This fun event is a great opportunity to connect with others, enjoy good food, and play lawn games together. The church will provide the main dish, beverages, and tableware. You're invited to bring a side dish or dessert to share. In addition to favorites like 9-square and other lawn games, we'll enjoy music on the front lawn from both our Chancel Choir and the Awakening Worship Band. We can't wait to welcome a new season with you!

## First Baptist Game Night - Friday, August 29 at 6:00 pm

Calling all board game enthusiasts! Join us each month at 6:00 pm in the parlor for our Board Games Night. Whether you're a strategic mastermind or a casual player, this event is for you! Come and indulge in an evening filled with laughter, friendly competition, and memorable moments. Grab your favorite board game and challenge your friends to a thrilling match. From classic favorites to modern gems, there will be a wide variety of games available for all tastes and skill levels.

## The Bible: Mining Many Messy Meanings (Bible, MMMM.)

Join Henry Imler for six weeks of (hopefully) honest wrestling with questions many Baptists wonder about but might not always discuss openly. What makes a text "sacred"? Who decided what went in the Bible and what is the difference between translations anyway? Can it be sacred without being perfect? What all is in there? We'll explore how our shared sacred text pushes back against empire, deals with translation problems, and what it might mean to stay in a tense relationship with a text that sometimes troubles us. The first session will be held Sunday, September 7th, in the Conference Room on the second floor.



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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*  
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*Brenda Rice, Administrative Assistant for Web, Facilities, and Arts*  
*Mike Ide, Custodian*  
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