



**First Baptist Church**

*Our Worship of God*

*May 31, 2026*

*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**

**Peaceful Morning**  
Colleen Ostercamp, *organ*

by David Paxton

**Welcome**

Pastor Kristin McAtee

**†Call to Worship (responsive)**

In chaos and in order,

**God calls us.**

In creating and in commissioning,

**God calls us.**

In blessing and in sending,

**God calls us.**

In challenge and in comfort,

**God calls us.**

Come, let us worship our God, trusting:

**God calls us.**

## Prayer of Invocation

Creating God, from the beginning of time,  
you have spoken order into chaos  
and called your people good.  
You have never stopped calling, blessing,  
and partnering with us  
as we seek to be your people.  
Speak to us now, as we worship and wonder,  
and shape us to become more like you. Amen.

## †Opening Hymn 2

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

## †Passing the Peace of Christ

## Graduate Recognition

*Dr. Sydney Wahl*

*Olivia Chang*

*Jackson Stubbs*

## Blessing of the High School Graduates (responsive)

God of beginnings and blessing,  
you spoke creation into being and called it good.

**We give thanks for the goodness  
you have nurtured in these graduates.**

You formed them in your image,  
with creativity, compassion, curiosity, and joy.

**Through learning, growing, questioning, and becoming,  
you have been at work within them.**

We are grateful for the privilege of loving them  
and watching them grow into who they are becoming.

**Their presence has shaped this community,  
and we are better because they are part of us.**

And now, as they prepare for what comes next,  
we pray that they would know your presence goes with them.

**Remind them that they are deeply loved,  
not for what they accomplish, but for who they are.**

Jack and Olivia,

**As you move into your next chapter,  
know that you carry this community with you,  
and that you will always have a place among us.**

We commission you, through the Spirit and love of God,  
**To help care for this world and all who call it home.**

May you live with courage, compassion, and curiosity.

**May you seek beauty, pursue justice, and remain open to wonder.**

Jesus sends us into the world with love and hope.

**And so we send you, trusting that God's Spirit goes with you.**

As God breathed life into creation and sent the Spirit among the disciples,

**God sends the Spirit with you now, to strengthen you, guide you,  
and remind you that you are never alone. Amen.**

# †Hymn

# Creator God, Creating Still

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats (Bb and Eb). It consists of two systems, each with a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are placed between the staves. The first system contains the first four lines of the hymn, and the second system contains the remaining four lines. The music features a steady, hymn-like melody with chords in the bass line.

1. Cre - at - or God, cre - at - ing still, by will and word and deed,  
2. Re - deem - er God, re - deem - ing still, with o - ver - flow - ing grace,  
3. Sus - tain - er God, sus - tain - ing still, with strength for ev - ery day,  
4. Great Trin - i - ty, for this new day we need Your pres - ence still.

cre - ate a new de - sire in us to meet the pres - ent need.  
pour out Your love on us, through us, make this a ho - ly place.  
em - power us now to do Your will. Cor - rect us when we stray.  
Cre - ate, re - deem, sus - tain us now to do Your work and will.

## Scripture Reading

Olivia Chang

### Matthew 28:16-20

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus told them to go. When they saw him, they worshipped him, but some doubted. Jesus came near and spoke to them, “I’ve received all authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey everything that I’ve commanded you. Look, I myself will be with you every day until the end of this present age.”

The Gospel of our Lord.  
**Praise be to Christ.**

**Sharing Our Gifts**

Pastor Kristin McAtee

**Special Music**

**Fairest Lord Jesus**

arr. Doriene Halverson

Handbell Trio:

Becki Forsee, Hugh Emerson, and Noah Hartsfield

**Message**

Pastor Brittany McDonald Null

**†Hymn of Response 715**

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

**Life of the Church**

Pastor Kristin McAtee

**†Benediction**

Beloveds of God,  
as you leave this place,  
go knowing that you are called by God.  
Go loving God with all that you are,  
and go loving your neighbor as yourself.

**†Postlude**

**Pomp & Circumstance**

Elgar/arr. LeMare

“Happy Graduation!”

Colleen Ostercamp, *organ*

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## Worship Notes

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*Liturgy:* © 2026 Karis Worship. Written by Brittany McDonald Null.

*Blessing of the High School Graduates:* adapted from CBF Youth Ministry Network.

*Holy, Holy, Holy,* Words: Reginald Heber, 1826, alt. Music: John B. Dykes, 1861.

*Creator God, Creating Still,* Words: Jane Parker Huber, 1977. Music: William Croft, 1708.

*Lord, You Give the Great Commission,* Words: Jeffery Rowthorn, 1978. Music: Cyril V. Taylor, 1941.

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# Week at a Glance

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## Sunday, May 31 – Graduate Sunday

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, June 1

1:00 pm Staff Meeting

## Tuesday, June 2

1:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room

## Thursday, June 4

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

## Saturday & Sunday June 6 – 7

[Pastor of Youth & Community Candidate Visit](#)

## Sunday, June 7

9:15 am [Combined Worship in the Fellowship Hall](#)

10:15 am Spiritual Formation Hour –Adult & Youth

10:15 am *Together on the Way: A Family Sunday School Experience Begins*

11:15 am Business Meeting in the Fellowship Hall

4:00 pm Ice Cream Social & Decorating for Journey Together

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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)



## Pastor of Youth & Community Candidate Visit – June 6-7

We are excited to share that we will be hosting Hayden Dennis for the position of Pastor of Youth and Community here at First Baptist Church the weekend of June 6 and 7. Hayden will be visiting with various groups over the course of the weekend. In particular, youth and their parents are invited to dinner on Saturday, starting at 5pm in the Fellowship Hall. Childcare is available Saturday night. Please email Pastor Brittany names and ages no later than Wednesday, June 3 to reserve childcare.



Hayden has been in ministry for over a decade serving in various churches in Oklahoma. He is married to his wife Emily and they have 2 dogs named Dion and June B. Hayden loves creating safe places for students to wrestle with their faith and partnering with parents and guardians as they navigate life with teenagers. His hobbies include playing video games, spending time with Emily and their dogs, and watching basketball. Hayden's resume will be available in worship on Sunday.

We want to take a moment to thank the members of the interview committee for this candidate: David Chang, Becki Forsee, Lillian Hoell, Sophia Kim, Bill Lautenschlager, Sydney Ludwig, Lexi Simmerman, Rachel Wolpert, and Randy Wyatt.

-Rev. Kristin McAtee, *Senior Pastor*  
-Noah Hartsfield, *Personnel Committee Chair*

## Business Meeting Scheduled June 7

We will hold a business meeting Sunday, June 7, following the Faith Formation hour. At 11:15am, we will gather in the Fellowship Hall. There are currently two items on the agenda. One, we will be presenting a candidate for Pastor of Youth and Community. They will be with us that weekend. More details will be given soon! Two, we will vote on certifying Pastor Kristin McAtee as a member in good standing. This will allow her ordination to be recognized by the American Baptist Church, one of our denominational partners. If there are any additional items, please notify the Church Moderator, David Wallace.

## Ice Cream Social – June 7

Join us in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, June 7 at 4 pm for an Ice Cream Social! We will provide the ice cream and invite you to bring your favorite toppings (please no peanuts) to share as we enjoy some good treats and fellowship. After enjoying some ice cream, stay a while and help us prepare for Journey Together, our Family Vacation Bible School happening the following weekend. There will be options for the least and most skilled decorators among us. For those who stick around a little longer, we will be ordering pizza around 6 pm. Thank you in advance for helping us make Journey Together an immersive experience!

## Summer Worship Calendar

June 7 - 9:15am in Awakening

June 14 - 11:15am Journey Together worship, in Awakening

June 21 - 9:15am in Awakening with Jonathan Ray preaching

June 28 - 9:15am in Awakening

July 5 - 10:15am Brunch Worship in Fellowship Hall

July 12 - 11:15am in Sanctuary

July 19 - 11:15am in Sanctuary

July 26 - 11:15am in Sanctuary

## Journey Together: Connect - June 12-14

First Kids is excited to announce that registration is now open for *Journey Together: Connect!*

Join us for this intergenerational faith formation weekend where children, youth, and adults come together to explore what it means to belong to one another and to God.

Throughout our time together, we'll hear stories from scripture that invite us to practice connection in meaningful ways - making room for others, staying connected, listening well, and opening our hearts. Through worship, storytelling, hands-on activities, and shared experiences, we will discover how our lives are woven together and how we can grow in faith as a community.

This year also includes *Wayfinders: Making Sense of the Pieces*, a space for 5th and 6th graders to explore their faith more deeply through questions, conversation, and reflection.

### **Important Dates:**

- **Food registration deadline: June 1**

We hope you and your family will join us as we build relationships, grow in faith, and experience the joy of connection together.

For more information or to register use the QR code or visit [fbc-columbia.org/together](https://fbc-columbia.org/together)





## Intergenerational

Sunday School  
**June 7-Aug 16**

10:15 am in the  
Kid's Min Suite

### Together on the Way: A Family Sunday School Experience Begins Sunday, June 7

This summer, First Kids is trying something new for Sunday School!

Beginning Sunday, June 7, in the Children's Suite, children and their adults are invited to join us for *Together on the Way*, a Family Sunday School experience focused on learning and growing in faith side by side.

Throughout the summer, we will explore themes of the Spirit, discipleship, the church, and prayer through hands-on activities, conversation, storytelling, and shared practices designed for all ages. Along the way, we will collect mementos on carabiners as reminders of what we are discovering together.

While designed with First Kids families in mind, adults of all ages are welcome to join us as we learn and grow together in community. *Together on the Way* will continue through August 16.



# upcoming @ FIRST BAPTIST

**May 31 – Graduate Sunday**

**June 6-7 – Youth & Community Pastor Candidate Visit**

**June 7 – Ice Cream Social**

**June 12-14 – Journey Together**

**June 14 – Church Picnic**

**June 16 – Church Council Meeting**

**June 19 – Offices Closed for Juneteenth Holiday**



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*Rev. Kristin McAtee, Senior Pastor*  
*Rev. Brittany McDonald Null, Pastor of Families and Spiritual Formation*  
*Jonathan Ray, Director of Music*  
*Shelby Pride, Director of Music and Worship Technology*  
*Colleen Ostercamp, Pianist and Organist*  
*Susan Goudie, Office Coordinator*  
*Brenda Rice, Fine Arts & Community Liaison*  
*Mike Ide, Custodian*  
*Nellene Martin, Childcare Director*