



Our Worship of God

September 6, 2026

11:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

Today's worship theme invites us not only to remember what God has done, but to live with expectation for what God will do. At some point in the service today, we invite you to take a piece of paper and fill it with a prayer that is on your heart, or a prayer for a part of God's world or your life that is in need of the wide welcome of God's love. This prayer could look like sentences, one word, a picture, or a combination of them all – let your heart and the Spirit guide you!

Gathering Chime

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

Prelude

Be Thou My Vision
JanEl Will, *piano*
Colleen Ostercamp, *organ*

arr. M. Hayes

Welcome

Pastor Hayden Dennis

†Call to Worship (responsive)

People of God, we gather not as those who only look back
but as those who look forward.

**Let us arrange our hearts, our hands, our lives
not in fear, but in trust.**

For the God who has been faithful is even now drawing near.

**Let us arrange our hearts, our hands, our lives
not in fear, but in trust.**

Let us worship our God together!

†Hymn 768

I Come with Joy

†Passing the Peace of Christ

†Hymn 715

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

Scripture Reading

Cheryl Brewer

Exodus 12:1-14

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, “This month will be the first month; it will be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole Israelite community: On the tenth day of this month they must take a lamb for each household, a lamb per house. If a household is too small for a lamb, it should share one with a neighbor nearby. You should divide the lamb in proportion to the number of people who will be eating it. Your lamb should be a flawless year-old male. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You should keep close watch over it until the fourteenth day of this month. At twilight on that day, the whole assembled Israelite community should slaughter their lambs. They should take some of the blood and smear it on the two doorposts and on the beam over the door of the houses in which they are eating. That same night they should eat the meat roasted over the fire. They should eat it along with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Don’t eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over fire with its head, legs, and internal organs. Don’t let any of it remain until morning, and burn any of it left over in the morning.

This is how you should eat it. You should be dressed, with your sandals on your feet and your walking stick in your hand. You should eat the meal in a hurry. It is the Passover of the Lord. I'll pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I'll strike down every oldest child in the land of Egypt, both humans and animals. I'll impose judgments on all the gods of Egypt. I am the Lord. The blood will be your sign on the houses where you live. Whenever I see the blood, I'll pass over you. No plague will destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

“This day will be a day of remembering for you. You will observe it as a festival to the Lord. You will observe it in every generation as a regulation for all time.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Kristin McAtee

†Hymn 374

Now Thank We All Our God

Sharing Our Gifts

Pastor Kristin McAtee

Anthem

In Remembrance

by Buryl Red & Ragan Courtney

Chancel Choir

Carter Thiemann, *piano*

*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*

Message

Pastor Kristin McAtee

-Communion

-Special Music

His Eye is On the Sparrow

arr. M. Hayes

JanEl Will, *piano*

Colleen Ostercamp, *organ*

†Hymn 781

This is the Threefold Truth

Life of the Church

Pastor Brittany McDonald Null

†Benediction

†Postlude

When He Cometh
Colleen Ostercamp, *organ*

arr. G. Young

Worship Notes

I Come with Joy, Words: Brian Wren, 1968, rev. 1977. Music: Traditional American melody; arr. Austin C. Lovelace, 1977.

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

Now Thank We All Our God, Words: Martinn Rinkart, 1636; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1858. Music: Johann Crüger, 1647; harm. Felix Mendelssohn, 1840.

This is the Threefold Truth, Words: Fred Pratt Green, 1980. Music: Jack Schrader, 1980.

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Week at a Glance

Sunday, September 6

- 9:10 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
- 9:15 am Awakening Worship in the Fellowship Hall
- 10:15 am Spiritual Formation Hour –Adult & Youth
- 11:15 am Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

Monday, September 7

OFFICES CLOSED for Labor Day Holiday

Tuesday, September 8

- 1:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room

Wednesday, September 9

- 6:00 pm Youth in the 3rd Floor Youth Room
- 6:00 pm Chancel Choir in the Sanctuary
- 7:15 pm Chancel Bells in the Sanctuary

Thursday, September 10

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

Sunday, September 13

- 9:10 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
- 9:15 am Awakening Worship in the Fellowship Hall
- 10:15 am Spiritual Formation Hour –Adult & Youth
- 11:15 am Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

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



A Note from Pastor Kristin

Thank you for your patience and understanding as work on the Sanctuary continues. We are pleased to share that the roof replacement is well underway, and we are grateful to our Trustees for their leadership and dedication to this important project.

Efforts to remediate the mold are still underway. As this work continues, we encourage everyone to consider their individual health needs. Those with allergies, respiratory concerns, or heightened sensitivities may prefer to attend our 9:15 a.m. worship service, join us online, or wear one of the masks available during Traditional Worship. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and appreciate your flexibility during this time. We hope you will continue to worship with us in the way that best supports your health and well-being.

-Pastor Kristin

More Opportunities to Ring and Sing Are Coming to FBC!

The Chancel Bells and Chancel Choir will be making some changes in their schedule. These changes are intended to bridge gaps, offer more opportunities, and further unite our entire church family! Please see our new Wednesday rehearsal schedule below:

6:00-7:00 - Chancel Choir in the choir loft

7:15-8:15 - Chancel Bells in the transept (that's the regular rehearsal spot)

Also, in order to serve our long-standing members of the chancel choir, **we will continue to have our normal 9:10 rehearsal every Sunday morning** in the choir loft! And, as always, all are welcome. All ages. All backgrounds. All ability levels.

Fall Faith Formation for Adults

This fall, we'll offer **two six-week sessions**, giving you the chance to explore different topics and experiences throughout the season. You're invited to choose the space that interests you, or try something new! **All groups meet during Spiritual Formation Hour at 10:15 a.m.**

Session 1: August 30-October 4

Parables: Putting Jesus's Stories in Their Place (6 weeks)

For six weeks, we'll explore Jesus' parables using Josh Scott's *Parables: Putting Jesus's Stories in Their Place*. We'll consider how Jesus' original listeners might have understood these stories and then wrestle together with what they have to say to us today. Each week, we'll explore a different parable or group of related parables, with our time focused on conversation and reflection. The book is optional, and you're welcome to join us even if you can't make every week. This group is led by Noah Hartsfield and will be meeting in the Conference Room on the 2nd floor.

Guided Meditation with Rebekah (6 weeks)

Join Rebekah Robertson in the College Ministry Room for a gentle time of guided meditation. We'll slow down together, letting go of some of the noise and worry we carry in and making space to listen for God. Through meditation, we'll practice extending gratitude, kindness, and forgiveness into the world and toward ourselves. Come as you are, settle into a comfortable seat, and leave the hour a little lighter, a little more at peace, and a little closer to God.

The Discussion Class: *The Heart of Christianity*

August 23–November 1 | Parlor

This fall, the Discussion Class will explore Marcus J. Borg's *The Heart of Christianity: Rediscovering a Life of Faith*. Together, we'll explore the contrasts between the vision of Christianity many of us grew up with and perspectives that have emerged within mainline and progressive Christianity. Along the way, we'll consider questions of faith and deconstruction, the changing landscape of the church, and the influence of Christian Nationalism.

Through thoughtful conversation and reflection, we'll have the opportunity to deepen our own faith and understanding.

PrideFest 2026: Decorating & Tie-Dye Party

Tuesday, September 22nd, 5:30–8pm, in the Fellowship Hall

Get ready to deck out your wagon, stroller, or whatever creative thing you dream up for the Pride Parade on Sunday, September 27th! We're also bringing back the beloved "You Are Loved" shirts to tie-dye. More details to come — but mark your calendars now!

Welcome Table – Starting September 6!

We are excited to introduce the Welcome Table, formerly known as the Fellowship Table. The new name reflects its purpose: to offer a warm welcome and help connect people to the many opportunities for worship, faith formation, service, and fellowship in our congregation.



The Welcome Table has been relocated to the elevator lobby, where it will better serve our congregation and guests while creating a natural point of connection as people move through the life of the church. Its new location also provides a safer, more welcoming environment for our preschoolers and for the Faith Formation classes that meet in the Connector Building.

The Welcome Table is a place of hospitality, connection, and invitation. Through the simple gift of coffee, refreshments, and conversation, it welcomes both longtime members and first-time visitors, helping each person feel seen, valued, and at home. It is a visible expression of our commitment to hospitality, opening doors, building relationships, and inviting people more deeply into the life of our church.

Debbie Jacobs and Anne Bills are now responsible for obtaining weekly hosts for the Welcome Table. They will be contacting those who have hosted previously. If you are interested in hosting, contact Debbie at musicedphd@yahoo.com.

We invite you to stop by the Welcome Table, say hello, enjoy a refreshment, and find connection and nourishment for the journey.

Notes

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