



Our Worship of God

September 13, 2026

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

Here I Am, Lord
Colleen Ostercamp, *organ*

arr. D. E. Wagner

Welcome

Pastor Kristin McAtee

†Call to Worship (responsive)

We worship you this day,
with our whole, full selves.

We worship you this day,
and we remember your goodness to us.

We worship you this day,
and we celebrate your love and mercy.
Come, let us worship God together!

†Hymn 130

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Scripture Reading

Noah Hartsfield

Matthew 18:21-35

Then Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, how many times should I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Should I forgive as many as seven times?”

Jesus said, “Not just seven times, but rather as many as seventy-seven times. Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. When he began to settle accounts, they brought to him a servant who owed him ten thousand bags of gold. Because the servant didn’t have enough to pay it back, the master ordered that he should be sold, along with his wife and children and everything he had, and that the proceeds should be used as payment. But the servant fell down, kneeled before him, and said, ‘Please, be patient with me, and I’ll pay you back.’ The master had compassion on that servant, released him, and forgave the loan.

“When that servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him one hundred coins. He grabbed him around the throat and said, ‘Pay me back what you owe me.’

“Then his fellow servant fell down and begged him, ‘Be patient with me, and I’ll pay you back.’ But he refused. Instead, he threw him into prison until he paid back his debt.

“When his fellow servants saw what happened, they were deeply offended. They came and told their master all that happened. His master called the first servant and said, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you appealed to me. Shouldn’t you also have mercy on your fellow servant, just as I had mercy on you?’ His master was furious and handed him over to the guard responsible for punishing prisoners, until he had paid the whole debt. “My heavenly Father will also do the same to you if you don’t forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

The Gospel of Our Lord.
Praise be to Christ.

†Hymn 507

I Then Shall Live

Prayers of the People

Pastor Hayden Dennis

Refrain: God in your love,
Hear our prayers.

†Hymn 502

Amazing Grace

Sharing Our Gifts

Pastor Hayden Dennis

Anthem

They'll Know We Are Christians

arr. Lloyd Larson

Chancel Choir

Carter Thiemann, *piano*

Ken Ostercamp, *percussion*

*We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;
And we pray that all unity will one day be restored.
And they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

*We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.
And they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

*We will work with each other, we will work side by side;
We will work with each other, we will work side by side;
And we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride.
And they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

*Praise to the Father from whom all things come,
And praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son;
Praise to the Spirit who makes us one.
God's Spirit makes us one.*

Message

Pastor Kristin McAtee

†Hymn of Response 437

Help Us to Accept Each Other

Life of the Church

Pastor Hayden Dennis

†Benediction

†Postlude

Praise the Almighty
Colleen Ostercamp, *organ*

arr. Behnke

Worship Notes

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing, Words: Charles Wesley, 1739. Music: Carl G. Gläser, 1828; arr. Lowell Mason, 1839.

I Then Shall Live, Words: Gloria Gaither, 1981. Music: Jean Sibelius, 1899.

Amazing Grace, Words: John Newton, 1779, alt.: st. 5, anonymous. Music: *Virginia Harmony*, 1831; adapt. Edwin O. Excell, 1900.

Help Us to Accept Each Other, Words: Fred Kaan, 1975. Music: John Ness Beck, 1977.

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Week at a Glance

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
- 5:00 pm College & Young Adults Open Study Session
- 7:00 pm College & Young Adults Bible Study

Monday, September 14

- 1:00 pm Staff Meeting
- 6:00 pm Serving Team

Tuesday, September 15

- 1:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room

Wednesday, September 16

- 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 17

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

Friday, September 18- Saturday, September 19

- Spiritual Retreat at the Lay Center

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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



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!

The Welcome Table

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.



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