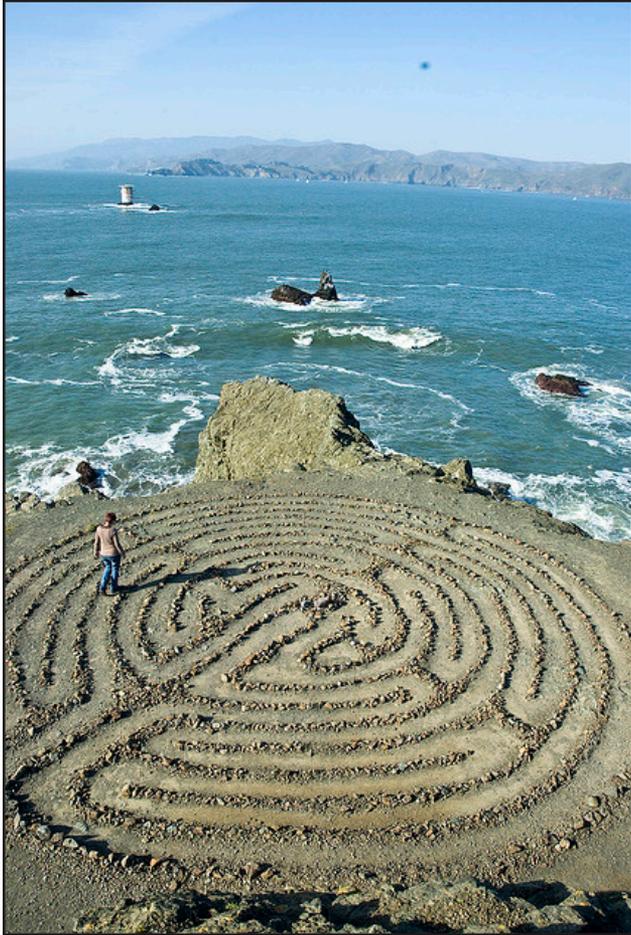


The Way



*I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.*

Isaiah 43 :19



Order of Worship

March 8, 2015

9:15 am

The Third Sunday of the Season of Lent

— **The Way** —

Welcome and Announcements Michael McEntyre

Call To Worship (responsive)

To the stranger in need of fellowship,
to those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
and to whoever will come, you invite us, O God
to be your guests.

You lavishly offer us your hospitality
and lovingly welcome us into your family,
You invite us to share in the abundance of your
kingdom.

God, you have shown us that providing hospitality to
strangers opens a doorway
into the Kingdom of God.

Remind us that when we offer hospitality to others,
we are receiving Christ into our midst and so fulfilling
the law of love.

**We open our hearts to embrace the stranger,
the friend, the rich, and the poor,
We open our lives to offer a generous heart
toward all.**

*Adapted from A Litany of Hospitality written by Christine Sine.
Posted on Word Made Flesh <http://www.wordmadeflesh.org>*

Opening Our Hearts Through Song All Who Are Thirsty

Baptism of Alexis Stone

Response of the Congregation (unison)

**We rejoice with you. We will pray for you.
And we will walk with you in the way of Jesus.**

Song of Praise

This Is Amazing Grace

Testimony of Hospitality

Gospel Reading

Isaiah 55:1-9

Song of Encouragement

Invitation Fountain

Offertory

Kingdom Come

Message

Carol McEntyre

Song of Response

The Way

Benediction

Going to Serve

Announcements

Worship Notes

The Labyrinth on the front cover is the Land's End Labyrinth, located in San Francisco, CA.

Church Council Meeting

The church council will meet on Monday, **March 9** at 5:30 pm in the library. Light snacks will be provided.

The Way

For the worship series this Lenten season, we will offer a unique prayer opportunity to help us find "The Way." The labyrinth is a path which leads, via a circuitous route, to the center of an intricate design and back out again. Often during prayer, we get distracted, Labyrinths help us focus as we pray and walk. The Labyrinth will be open:

Wednesday, March 11 5:00 pm-7:00 pm

Wednesday, March 18 5:00 pm-7:00 pm

Thursday, April 2 9:00 am-5:00 pm

Fellowship Adventures

Fellowship Adventures: opportunities for the First Baptist community to get together for fun and fellowship! All are invited!

Upcoming Adventures:

March 14: 5:30 pm dinner at Sophia's, wear green!

April 18: Drive to Vienna, Missouri for lunch at Moreland's Restaurant. RSVP by April 16. Contact Paula Thomas (paulalou52@gmail.com) for more information!

Youth Sunrise Service!

On **Easter Sunday, April 5**, in addition to our usual Sunday morning schedule, please join us on the front lawn for the Youth Sunrise Service at **8:15 am**. Breakfast will follow in the hallway outside the sanctuary.

Announcements

Plowman Chamber Music Competition

March 21 marks the return of the Plowman Chamber Music Competition to Columbia and to First Baptist Church. This event happens every two years and brings 15 small ensembles to Columbia from all across the nation to compete for prizes totaling over \$10,000. If you would like to assist in volunteering for the event, please visit <http://www.plowmancompetition.org/> and look under "Support" for more information! It's a huge day and any assistance will be most appreciated.

Easter Lilies and Spring Flowers

During Easter, the First Baptist sanctuary will be filled with beautiful lilies and spring flowers. If you would like to place one or more of these beautiful plants in the sanctuary in memory of, or in honor of, a family member or friend, please fill out the form provided on Sunday morning, and return it to the church office, along with \$10.00 for each flower you order. Orders may be made until March 29.

Book Study

The Gift of Years will be co-facilitated by Bob Russell and Carol McEntyre on Tuesdays at noon over lunch, beginning **April 7 to May 17** in the parlor. In *The Gift of Years*, Catholic nun, activist and author, Joan Chittister, who is now in her 70s, examines how it feels "to be facing that time of life for which there is no career plan." This study is open to people of all ages, and could be particularly meaningful to those who are nearing retirement or are beyond retirement. You are encouraged to invite friends to participate; the book will be on sale in the church office and before and after worship in the hallway outside the Sanctuary for \$10 beginning this Sunday.

Week-at-a-Glance

Sunday, March 8

9:15 am Awakening Worship
Fellowship Hall

10:15 am Spiritual Formation
Hour

Various Classrooms, 2nd floor

11:15 am Traditional Worship
Sanctuary

5:00 pm The Calling
Youth Suite

5:00 pm African Worship
Sanctuary

**7:00 pm - 7:00 am Room at the
Inn (Through March 10)**

Fellowship Hall

8:00 pm College and Young
Adult Bible Study
Youth Suite

Monday, March 9

9:00 am Senior Yoga
Parlor

5:30 pm Church Council Meeting
Library

NO Praise Band Rehearsal

Tuesday, March 10

12:00 pm Telling Team Meeting
Library

6:00 pm Teaching Team Meeting
Library

6:00 pm Financial Peace
University
E-2 (2nd floor by elevator)

Wednesday, March 11

5:30 pm Psalm Players

6:30 pm Chancel Bells

7:30 pm Chancel Choir
Sanctuary

Week-at-a-Glance

Thursday, March 12

5:30 pm Children's Team
Meeting

Children's Room (3rd floor)

Friday, March 13

10:30 am Eat, Pray, Sew
Library

7:00 - 8:30 pm Open House for
Bill Gortmaker's 90th birthday

Fellowship Hall

Saturday, March 14

5:30 pm Fellowship Adventures
Sophia's

Sunday, March 15

9:15 am Awakening Worship
Fellowship Hall

10:15 am Spiritual Formation
Hour

Various Classrooms, 2nd floor

11:15 am Traditional Worship
Sanctuary

4:00 pm Youth Ensemble
Sanctuary

5:00 pm The Calling
Youth Suite

5:00 pm African Worship
Fellowship Hall

8:00 pm College and Young
Adult Bible Study

Youth Suite

Nursery: (ages birth-three) located on the first floor outside the sanctuary and is available from 9:15-12:15 while parents are in worship or Sunday Morning Small Groups.

Extended Session: children ages 3- 5 including kindergarten may be dropped off during both worship services in the nursery for extended session, an extension of First Kids Sunday School.

10:15 Spiritual Formation Hour:

First Kids Sunday School (3 year olds through 5th grade) is on the third floor.

Youth Bible Study (grades 6-12) is on the third floor.

Adult Small Groups:

Discussion Class in the Parlor on the second floor.

Faith Forum in the second floor classroom, next to the elevator.

Community Small Group in the library on the second floor.

First Baptist Church partners in mission with the American Baptist Churches, USA, Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, and Alliance of Baptists.

For those who may prefer a more traditional worship experience, First Baptist Church offers a traditional worship at 11:15 a.m. each Sunday morning in the Sanctuary.

All Who Are Thirsty by Kutless; This Is Amazing Grace by Phil Wickham; Invitation Fountain by Hillsong; Kingdom Come by Hillsong; The Way by Jeremy Camp

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