



A CELEBRATION OF



*Rev. Dr.*

*Carol McEntyre*



**10TH ANNIVERSARY AS  
SENIOR PASTOR  
OF FIRST BAPTIST**

SEPTEMBER 18, 2022

# Our Worship of God

September 18, 2022

11:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

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**Welcome**

Pastor Michael McEntyre

**Prelude**

**How Great Thou Art**

by Joel Raney

Dr. JanEl Will, Colleen Ostercamp, *piano duet*

**†Call to Worship (responsive)**

Pastor Carol McEntyre

Beloveds, the Holy One gathers us together with purpose:

**To dream of futures yet imagined.**

To bolster our courage before powers and principalities.

**To nurture our love for one another.**

God's blessing is upon us as we come to wrestle:

**with meaning and justice,**

with questions of love,

**with the calling upon our lives.**

The Spirit is moving! Let us worship together  
for there is joy in the house of God.

**†Processional Song**

House of the Lord

**†Passing the Peace of Christ**

**Introduction of Guest**

Pastor Brittany McDonald Null

## Litany of Gratitude (responsive)

To You, O God, we give thanks.

We give thanks in the morning when joys come anew.

**We give thanks in the evening, as we reflect on your presence.**

We give thanks in the jubilant times when your glory is on display.

**We give thanks in the quiet seasons,  
when your voice is but a whisper.**

We give thanks for First Baptist, our community of faith that we call home.

**We give thanks for a community who supports, loves,  
and cherishes one another and affirms the youngest  
and most vulnerable among us.**

We give thanks for the willingness to hold loosely to what is  
and dream big for what may become.

**We give thanks for the deep work you call us to  
as we show Christ's love.**

We give thanks for Pastor Carol and her 10 years of ministry at First Baptist.

**We give thanks for her cooperative leadership  
and dynamic preaching.**

We give thanks for her steady presence and wise counsel.

**We give thanks for her faithful service to You and Your word.**

To You, O God, we give thanks.

For it is You who sustains us when the days feel long.

**It is You who loves us with all that You are.**

It is You who guides us as we seek Your kin-dom.

**It is You who calls us deeper and closer.**

We give thanks, for Your abundance is more than we could ever ask for  
or imagine.

**Amen.**

## Sharing of Our Gifts

**Anthem**

**Here I Am Lord**  
*Chancel Choir*

by Daniel L. Schutte  
and Jack Schrader

**Scripture Reading**

Mark Thomas

**Acts 16:16-19**

One day as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a female slave who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, “These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation.” She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, “I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.” And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities.

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

**Message**

*Invisible No More*

Dr. Meredith Stone

**†Song of Response**

Called Me Higher

## Litany of Affirmation for Carol McEntyre as First Baptist Church Pastor

Rena Tratchel, *Moderator*

Beloveds of God, we come today to reaffirm Carol's call as our Senior Pastor and celebrate 10 years of ministry at First Baptist. We too reaffirm our desires to support, pray and serve alongside her in this joyous calling.

**We the members of First Baptist Church of Columbia, Missouri, desiring to reaffirm the call of Carol McEntyre to the service of God and to reaffirm her call to be pastor of this church,**

*(Pastor) And I, Carol McEntyre, believing that I am called by God to serve this community and congregation as pastor,*

***Do covenant together to bless and nourish each other in the faith, hope, love and mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.***

Carol, we thank you for your leadership over the past 10 years at First Baptist. Do you continue to accept the call to be pastor of First Baptist Church, Columbia, Missouri, committing yourself to this trust and responsibility in the confidence that it comes from God through the call of the church?

*With reliance upon God, I do.*

Will you love, serve, and pray for God's people, faithfully preach and teach God's word, and lead them by your own example in faithful service and holy living while at the same time working to maintain a life for your family and yourself?

*With reliance upon God, I will.*

(The congregation stands and responds to the following questions)

To you, the members and friends of First Baptist Church, do you reaffirm Pastor Carol to be your pastor with the conviction that her calling is from God. And do you commit to respect and honor the office our pastor serves, to trust her as a person of integrity and ability, and to love and accept her as your sibling in Christ?

**With joyful hearts, we do.**

Will you give our pastor the freedom in the pulpit to express honest, thoughtful convictions in interpretation of God's Word, mindful that our unity does not require uniformity?

**With reliance upon the grace of God, we will.**

Will you commit to support Carol with prayer, positive attitudes, and hope for our future so that she may serve among you with joy and love?

**With reliance upon the grace of God, we will.**

Will you commit to the church through regular attendance, proportionate giving, the utilization of your gifts, and through faithful service to our community?

**With reliance upon the grace of God, we will.**

## **Blessing**

Pastor Michael McEntyre

Faithful and ever-loving God, give us the grace to do the work to which you have called us in Jesus Christ. Fill this community of faith with your Spirit, that it may work together as one people to be the body of Christ in his reconciling ministry. Blend together the variety of gifts within this community to strengthen its fellowship for service to the world. Further, O God, we pray deeply and sincerely for Pastor Carol as she continues to answer your call to serve this congregation. Give her your grace, strengthen her in service, preserve her in unity and harmony, use her to extend your reign of justice and peace, comfort her in times of hardship, and inspire her to dream dreams and walk alongside us in our future together. Amen.

## **Hymn**

The Servant Song

*We are travelers on a journey, fellow pilgrims on the road;  
We are here to help each other, walk the mile and bear the load.  
I will hold the Christ light for you, in the nighttime of your fear;  
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.*

*Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you;  
Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.  
Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you;  
Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.*

## **Life of the Church**

### **†Benediction**

†Postlude

**When the Saints Go Marching In** arr. Arnold Sherman

*Chancel Bells*

Todd Yatsook, *trombone*

Ryan Iadanza, *clarinet*

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## Worship Notes

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*Litany of Gratitude*, by Rev. Brittany McDonald Null

*Called Me Higher*, CCLI Song # 5887880 Leslie Jordan

*House of the Lord*, CCLI Song # 7168995 Jonathan Smith | Phil Wickham

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# Week at a Glance

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## Sunday, September 18

No Awakening Worship

10:15 am Spiritual Formation Hour

– Adult, Youth small groups & First Kids Sunday School

11:15 am Combined Worship in the Sanctuary

12:15 Luncheon for Pastor Carol in the Fellowship Hall

## Monday, September 19

1:00 pm Staff Meeting

## Tuesday, September 20

1:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room

## Wednesday, September 21

NO Yoga Class

5:30 pm The Calling Dinner

6:00 pm The Calling Meeting

6:30-7:30 pm Chancel Bells

## Thursday, September 22

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

## Sunday, September 25

9:15 am Awakening Worship

10:15 am First Kids Sunday School

10:15 am Church-Wide Listening Session in the Fellowship Hall

11:15 am Traditional Worship in the sanctuary



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# Announcements

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## 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 at the welcome table, scan the QR code in the bulletin, or visit our website at [fbc-columbia.org/connect](http://fbc-columbia.org/connect)



## Church-wide Listening Session- September 25

As the first step in our work with Station 19 Architects, we will gather for a listening session on Sunday, September 25, at 10:15 am in the Fellowship Hall. Facilitated by church staff and lay leaders this listening session will begin the work of assessing our facility. As we seek to discover, with Station 19's help, the best solutions for our current spaces, including the former Child Development Center, the connector building, and the Sanctuary.

## On-Lawn Worship Sunday, October 2

One of the gifts of the pandemic was On-Lawn Worship! We enjoyed worshipping outdoors on our beautiful front lawn and want to continue that practice from time to time. As such, we invite you to join us for Outdoor Worship on the front lawn of the church on Sunday, October 2 at 9:15 & 11:15 am. The services will be webcast from the front lawn; the last time we did this it worked pretty well! As a reminder, bring your lawn chair. Adult Small Groups, Youth Ministry, and First Kids Sunday School will meet as usual at 10:15.

## Children's Ministry Leaders Volunteers Needed!

Pastor Brittany is still looking for a few more leaders in Children's Ministry for First Kids Sunday School during the 10:15 spiritual formation hour. We are still looking for people to serve in 4 ways:

- Teach PreK-Kindergarten children (ages 4-6) on a regular basis.
- Teach 1st-2nd grades twice a month for the fall semester.
- Substitute when available when leaders are ill or out of town (can specify younger or older children if desired)
- Serve as Faith Partners by welcoming kids during large group time and assisting teachers in small groups. This is a once-a-month commitment.

Contact Brittany McDonald Null at [bnull@fbc-columbia.org](mailto:bnull@fbc-columbia.org) for more information.

## Sermon on the Mount Devotionals

If you want to delve deeper into the Sermon on the Mount, you can purchase a copy of Amy Jill Levine's devotional book *Toward the Kingdom of Heaven*, which includes 40 daily readings on the Sermon on the Mount. Levine takes a detailed and colorful overview of Matthew 5-7. Copies are available for \$10.00.

## Children's Chime Choir

Handbell Director Noah Hartsfield is offering an opportunity for 2nd through 5th graders to learn and play in a chime choir. Participants do not need to have experience with handbells or chimes, or be able to read music. Noah will provide instruction on playing and basic music skills. The children's chime choir will focus on musicianship, having fun, and learning about music as an act of worship.

Rehearsals will be from 5:45 pm to 6:15 pm on Wednesday evenings. We will start on Wednesday, Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>, and will play during Brunch Worship on November 6th. Children will need to be able to attend most rehearsals (but not all, a couple of missed weeks is ok) If your kids are interested or you would like more information, please contact Noah at [nhartsfield2010@gmail.com](mailto:nhartsfield2010@gmail.com).

## Fall Fun Fest & Trunk-or-Treat - Sunday, October 30

Save the date for our annual Fall Fun Fest at Midway Golf and Games. The Golden Pumpkin is back for the best-decorated trunk for our trunk-or-treat, and fun activities including archery tag and mini golf are in the works. Whether you plan to play games or simply hang out in the picnic area and chat, we hope you will plan to join us for fellowship and fun! More details coming soon!

## First Baptist Ski Trip, March 25-31, 2023

If you are interested in a possible Spring Break 2023 ski trip, please scan the QR code or visit the church website to fill out the needed information. We have until September 25 to determine if we have enough people to make the trip viable, so please let us know ASAP if you are interested. Sign ups do not in any way obligate you financially for any part of the trip. This is simply a way to see if we have enough interest to meet the group rates for travel. We are currently estimating the cost of the trip as follows (includes travel, both train and rental cars, 4 nights lodging, lift tickets and basic equipment rentals for 3 days on the slopes, and some meals): \$840 for ages 13 and up, \$695 for 12 and below, \$540 for non-skier-adult, \$450 for non-skier kids.





**First Baptist Church**  
columbia, mo

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Church Staff

*Rev. Dr. Carol McEntyre, Senior Pastor*

*Michael McEntyre, Pastor of Youth, Missions, and Administration*

*Brittany McDonald Null, Pastor of Families and Spiritual Formation*

*Shelby Myers, Awakening Worship Praise Band Director, Colleen Ostercamp, Pianist and Organist*

*Jonathan Ray, Music Director-Traditional Worship*

*Susan Goudie, Administrative Assistant, Bethany James, Nursery Director*

*Brenda Rice, Project Coordinator, Michael Ide, Custodian*