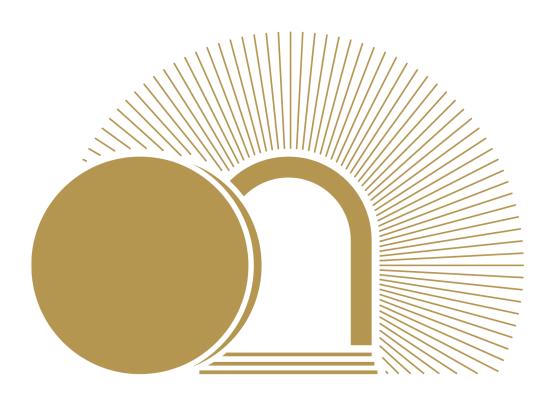
Resurrection



Our Worship of God

April 24, 2022

11:15 am

(**†** Indicates those who are able, please stand)

Welcome

Pastor Carol McEntyre

Prelude

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

arr. McDonald

Colleen Ostercamp, organ

†Call to Worship (responsive)

We gather as people on a journey.

We believe and we have doubts, we do good and we sin.
We are imperfect humans, and still beloved by God.

Love and grace. Hope and faith.

These are the essence of the one we call God.

Assured of that grace, we are ready to grow again.

Though we are full of trust full of doubt, we are here.

Speak to us, God! Continue creating us!

Inspire our hearts.
Enlighten our minds.
Guide our actions. Amen.

†Opening Hymn 130

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Verses 1-4

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Scripture Reading

John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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

Reflection Pastor Carol McEntyre

Special Music Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring Bach Josh Engle, *soloist*

A Story of Resurrection Russ Scott

†Hymn 248 He Lives

Question for Reflection

When have you seen a sign of the resurrection? -silence-

Call to Confession

Family of faith,

when we have a prayer of confession, it is not to harp on ourselves or to drum up guilt, but because we believe God is not done with us yet.

God continues to show up in our lives in unexpected ways.

Sometimes we miss it, other times we see it.

So please join me in the prayer of confession because God is always listening, and God's grace is always full to the brim.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

God of new life, we are a mixed bag.

We want to be full to the brim with hope and joy,

but often we overflow with comparison and doubt.

We want to embody the resurrection,

but often we'd rather stay the same than to begin again.

We want to catch glimpses of your presence

and be overwhelmed by your grace.

Forgive us when we fail to see you and when we forget to look.

We want to have the courage to be like the women

on that Easter morning— to run and speak truth,

but often we are weary of courage and uncertain of our own voices.

Forgive us for all the ways we remain unchanged.

Break into our hearts. Overflow here.

With hope we pray, amen.

Words of Assurance (responsive)

Family of faith, if there is life after death, then you can be certain—there is life after mess.

There is life after mistakes.

There is life after doubt.

There is new life freely given, and that life is for you.

You are forgiven, loved, and claimed.

May we live full to the brim in response.

Thanks be to God, and let it be so. Alleluia! Amen.

+Hymn of Commitment

We Walk by Faith

We walk by faith and not by sight.

No gracious words we hear from Him
who spoke as none e'er spoke;

But we believe Him near.

We walk by faith and not by sight, Led by God's pure and holy Light! Prepare us for the journey, Lord, And may we know Your power and might, As we walk by faith and not by sight.

We may not touch His hands and side, Nor follow where He trod; but in His promise we rejoice, And cry, "my Lord and God!"

And when our life of faith is done, In realms of clearer light We may behold You as You are, With full and endless sight.

Life of the Church

†Benediction

†Postlude

How Firm a Foundation Colleen Ostercamp, *organ*

arr. Travis

Trenches of the War by Allen Scott

Born in a world that needed his love His mother, full of compassion Her husband, a mere carpenter Growing up in a world that needed his love He learned from the teachers and He taught the teachers how to learn.

At thirty, he searched the world that needed his love Calling to those in need, healing the sick Teaching his love and wisdom He called those in search of his love Fishermen, soldiers, tax collectors...
They dropped their nets and followed him.

For three years, he walked amongst those he loved, Beggars, lepers, the crippled He healed their sorrows with his touch. Then he called those he loved so dear, Brothers, cousins, and sinners too... They dropped their needs and followed him.

At table with those he loved,
The teacher washed the feet of the students
The students amazed by his humility.
Preparing the meal for those he loved
Bread became his body, wine, his blood
"Eat and drink, my life for you."

Betrayed by one of whom he loved, Sold for silver too worn to spend, The teacher gave no offense. Denied by one of whom he loved, The student dismissed his teacher's name, The student cried in shame.

On trial for proclaiming his love
The judge found no errors made
"This man has done no wrong"
The crowd shouted back at the man who loved
"Crucify Him, Crucify Him"
The trip through the trenches had begun.

Stripped of his garments but not his love He was whipped, cursed at, and forced To carry a massive cross. Walking slowly past those he loved He fell three times, saw his mother cry As he struggled through the trenches.

Weary and tired amongst those he loved He was nailed to the cross Each hammer blow shot pain to the world. Stretched out and hanging above those he loved, He called to his loving father: "Forgive them, they know not what they do."

Stretched out and lying dead to the world,
His students took him down.
They laid him in a tomb and guarded the one
they loved.
Morning came and the tomb laid empty,
The teacher's body was gone,
He had survived the trenches of the war.

Worship Notes

Call to Worship, ~ written by Tim Graves and posted on **LiturgyBits** https://liturgybits.wordpress.com

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Week at a Glance

<u>Sunday, April 24 – First Baptist Work Day</u>

9:15 am Awakening Worship

10:15 am Spiritual Formation Hour

- Adult, Youth small groups & First Kids Sunday School

11:15 am Traditional Worship in the sanctuary

Monday, April 25

1:00 pm Staff Meeting

Tuesday, April 26

1:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room and via Zoom

6:00 pm First Baptist Book Club

Wednesday, April 27

10:00 am Yoga Class

6:00 pm The Calling in the Student Ministry Suite

6:30 pm Chancel Bells

7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, April 28

10:30 am First Baptist Women's Zoom-Love is the Way Book Study

Saturday, April 30 - ForColumbia Workday

Sunday, May 1 - Brunch Worship

10:15 am Brunch Worship in the Fellowship Hall

3:00 pm Celebration of Colleen Ostercamp, 30 Years as organist

Announcements

Visitors

If you are visiting with us online, 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 visitor card at fbc-columbia.org/guest or use this QR code.



First Baptist Work Day - Sunday April 24

It's time for some spring cleaning and we need your help!

Tasks will include some light yard work, mulching, planting, a bit of painting, inside organizing and cleaning. Work will begin after the small group hour for those who normally attend the first service. A picnic lunch will be provided following the second service, as we hope more people can join us. Volunteers may want to bring work gloves, old clothes, and a water bottle. We are planning to be done by 2:30 pm. You can sign up at the church or email Pastor Michael at mmcentyre@fbc-columbia.org.

First Baptist Book Club – April 26

The First Baptist Book Club will meet on the last Tuesday of the month, April 26 at 6 pm to discuss *No Cure For Being Human* by Kate Bowler. Purchase or check out books on your own and join us in the office commons for snacks and conversation.

Brunch Worship- Sunday, May 1

10:15 am in the Fellowship Hall

We invite you to join us for Brunch Worship on Sunday, May 1 at 10:15 am. This will be a combined worship, with no 9:15 or 11:15 am services.

Colleen Ostercamp Anniversary Celebration

On Sunday, May 1 at 3:00 pm, we will gather in the sanctuary for a musical celebration of Colleen Ostercamp's 30 years as First Baptist's organist.

<u>Unidiversity Camp - June 25-July 1!</u>

After missing the last 2 years, our youth are heading back to Unidiversity Camp this summer, June 25- July 1! Please contact Michael at mmcentyre@fbc-columbia.org if you have any questions. \$50 deposits for camp are due by April 24. Two \$100 payments will be due May 15 and June 12. Friends are welcome and encouraged to join us for camp.

Graduate Recognition – May 8

First Baptist would like to honor all of our high school and college graduates on Sunday, May 8. Graduates will be recognized in both of our worship services and there will be a light brunch between the service in the Children's Building Hallway. We are asking that all graduates (or parents of graduates) send your graduation information to the church no later than Sunday, May 1 so it may be featured in the Spire. (For high school students this includes your name, senior photo, school graduating from, and future plans. For our college and post college grads, please include your name, recent photo, parent's names, school you are graduating from, degree you are graduating with, and future plans). Information may be brought to the church office or emailed electronically to mmcentyre@fbc-columbia.org. We do not want to miss celebrating any of our graduates' accomplishments so please help us honor all the graduates within our congregation by sending in this important information soon.

ForColumbia Day of Service - April 30

Sign up today at forcolumbia.com/volunteer/

For Columbia is a city-wide day of service that brings together churches in Columbia to be the hands and feet of Christ in our community. On April 30, First Baptist will join with volunteers from more than 45 partner churches to serve. First Baptist will be taking the lead on 3 projects this year: working at the Reentry Opportunity Center, outside work at our Extra Mile house, and building a wheelchair ramp for a community member. However, your service is not limited to those sites. If you need assistance signing up, email Michael McEntyre at mmcentyre@fbc-columbia.org.



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