

Our Worship of God

October 16, 2022

11:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

Pastor Carol McEntyre

Prelude

Welcome

Méditation (Thaïs)Colleen Ostercamp, *organ*Renan Leme, *violin*

by Jules Massenet

†Prayer of Invocation (responsive)

O God, you know our hearts, our inmost thoughts and desires.

Our fears and motivations, secret even to ourselves, are not hidden from you.

In this shared time and sacred space of worship, search us, confront us, stir our consciences, and transform us.

Awaken us to the challenges of this day.

Open our eyes to the subtle pervasiveness of consumerism, that we might see our culture, the church, and ourselves in your divine light.

Incline our ears to your beckoning.

Remind us that you are the source of our hope and the giver of all that is good. You alone are worthy of our praise.

Bring us to new life, that we might truly be your people. Amen.

†Opening Hymn 644

God Whose Giving Knows No Ending

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Matthew 6:19-24

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"The eye is the lamp of the body. So if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, but if your eye is unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If, then, the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness! "No one can serve two masters, for a slave will either hate the one and love the other or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

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

Litany for Money: A Deeper Economy

God,

You created humanity, and humanity exists in an economy based on money.

We acknowledge that money profoundly affects our lives.

We acknowledge that dealing with money requires our attention and effort.

We acknowledge that the love of money is a root of evil.

We acknowledge our temptation toward greed.

We acknowledge that money and privilege are linked.

We acknowledge that poverty is an ongoing problem, and that Your heart is for the poor.

We confess our love of money.

We confess our equating money with power and status.

We confess our squandering of resources.

We confess our hesitance to risk, to invest, and to have faith.

We confess our obsession with possessions.

We confess our worry when needs arise.

We confess our jealousy of the riches of others.

Give us our daily bread.

Give us enough, but not too much.

Give us treasure that moth and rust do not destroy.

Give us riches of life, relationships, and joy.

Give us wisdom to handle money in ways that reflect Your character.

Help us to steward well that which You choose to give us authority over.

Help us to have healthy attitudes towards money, to neither disregard nor idolize it.

Help us to use our money for Your kin-dom work.

Help us to care for the needy, the orphan, and the lonely.

Help us to be generous, as You have been generous towards us.

Help us to be disciplined and work hard, and be rewarded accordingly.

Help us to save for times of need, and for pleasure.

Help us to trust in Your care and provision.

May we, Your children, exist in a deeper economy; not an economy based on money or power, but on grace.

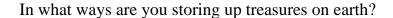
May we live, not from scarcity, but from the abundance of Your kin-dom. Amen.

Discipline of Silence

The Gospel is the most counter-cultural and the most significantly revolutionary document one could ever hope to find. It reveals the meaning and purpose of human life in terms which are close to being absolutely contradictory to the form of perceiving and valuing human persons in our culture.

-John F. Kavanaugh, Following Christ in a Consumer Society: The Spirituality of Cultural

Questions for Reflection



In what ways are you storing up treasures in Heaven?

Sharing of Our Gifts

Anthem

Are You Weary of Your Burden?

Chancel Choir

Are you weary of your burden
Are you sore distressed?
Come to me, says Christ, and coming, be at rest

Has he marks that I may know him
And make him my guide?
In his feet and hands are woundprints and his side

Is there diadem, as monarch
That his brow adorns?
Surely, yet the crown upon him is of thorns

If I find him, if I follow
What is given here?
Many a sorrow, many a labor, many a tear

If I still hold closely to him, What has he at last? Sorrow vanquished, labor ended, Jordan passed

If I ask him to receive me,
Will he tell me no?
Never: not if earth and heaven melt like snow

Finding, following, keeping, struggling,
Is he sure to bless?
Saints, apostles, prophets, martyrs answer, Yes

Message

Interrogating Desire

Pastor Carol McEntyre

+Hymn of Response 569

Living for Jesus a Life That Is True

Life of the Church

†Benediction (responsive)

Blessed are you, family of faith, as you reflect on Jesus' crucial words.

For the kin-dom is near, drawing us in to a more just and equitable world.

As you go, go knowing that you are the salt of the earth,

The light of the world.

Shine bright, so others may see the inbreaking of God and proclaim:

Your kin-dom come, on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

†Postlude

Sing Praise to GodColleen Ostercamp, *organ*

arr. Hopson

Worship Notes

Are You Weary of Your Burdens, Text by John Mason Neale, Adapted by Richard Leach, Music by David Ashley White

Prayer of Invocation, by E. Ann Bell

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Week at a Glance

Sunday, October 16

- 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 small groups & First Kids Sunday School
- 11:15 am Traditional Worship in the sanctuary
- 2:00 pm African American Heritage Trail Hike/Drive at 2nd Baptist

Monday, October 17

1:00 pm Staff Meeting

Tuesday, October 18

1:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Conference Room

Wednesday, October 19

- 10:00 am Yoga Class
- 5:30 pm The Calling Dinner
- 5:45 pm Children's Chime Choir
- 6:00 pm The Calling
- 6:30-7:30 pm Chancel Bells

Thursday, October 20

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

Sunday, October 23

- 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 & First Kids Sunday School
- 11:15 am Traditional Worship in the sanctuary
- 4:00 pm First Baptist Book Club in the Conference Room

Announcements

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



African American Heritage Trail Hike or Driving Tour

Today, October 16, from 2-4, join us for a tour of the African American Heritage Trail, a two-mile urban trail in the heart of Columbia, Missouri. The trail honors Columbia's black community from the city's first 200 years. You can choose to either walk the trail or take a driving tour. This event is co-sponsored by First Baptist Racial Justice Team and Hiking Club. Meet at 2nd Baptist at 2 pm. For more info, contact Julie Walker.

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

Join us for the 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! Activities will begin at 3:00 pm. Dinner is a suggested donation of \$5.

Station 19 Presentations and Q&A

After receiving the notes from our church-wide listening session and conducting small group interviews with church leadership and staff members on October 13, Station 19 will put together a picture of our current needs, values, missions, and ministry work. With this information, they will create a "Vision to Serve People" that will be presented in person at a church-wide meeting on **Thursday, November 3 at 6:00 pm.** Our church family can listen, ask questions, and provide valuable feedback on Station 19's initial findings at this meeting.

Give to American Baptist Churches-USA

Mission Offering This October

This October, our First Baptist family will have the opportunity to support the mission efforts of our American Baptist partners at home and around the world through our annual ABC-USA missions offering. Contributions should be made out to First Baptist Church. Please be sure to put ABC Missions Offering in the memo line of your check and/or place it in one of the special missions offering envelopes. We hope you will give generously to support the work of the American Baptist Church throughout the world and take advantage of this unique opportunity.

One Spot Remaining: Contemplative Retreat - Conception Abbey

November 4-6

Eighteen people are joining Pastor Carol for the contemplative retreat at Conception Abby November 4-6. You could be number 19! If you contemplated (pun intended) signing up for the retreat but didn't, you are in luck. Someone who signed up is no longer able to attend. To snag that last spot, contact Pastor Carol McEntyre at mcentyre@fbc-columbia.org.

First Baptist Book Club

Select Sundays at 4 pm

As folks prepare to participate in the enneagram workshop this November, the First Baptist Book Club is reading *Journey Toward Wholeness*, by Suzanne Stabile. The group will meet at 4 pm on October 9, 23, and November 6 in the office commons. Email Pastor Brittany McDonald Null with any questions: bnull@fbc-columbia.org

Brunch Worship

Sunday, November 6, 10:15 am

We invite you to join us for the next Brunch Worship on Sunday, November 6, at 10:15 am. As you know, Brunch Worship is a communal endeavor, and you can contribute by bringing a potluck dish to share and signing up to serve when you arrive. There will be no 9:15 or 11:15 am services. Childcare will be available for children from birth through kindergarten. If you cannot attend in person, we invite you to join us through Zoom and share a virtual table with other First Baptist folks.

First Families ADVENTure: Christmas Campout

Sunday, November 20 from 4-6 pm in the Fellowship Hall

We are bringing great outdoors to you with a cozy, indoor Christmas Campout. Families are invited to prepare for the Advent season with camp-themed snacks, fun crafts, and exciting activities to help families spend time together learning about the seasons of Advent and Christmas. Families will get a chance to learn about Advent and leave with practices for Advent season.

First Baptist in the Downtown Christmas Parade 2022

November 27

As part of our 200th Anniversary Celebration, we seek not only to remember our history and give thanks for the ways God has been faithful to us in the past but also to foster outreach in the present. One of the avenues for getting the word out about our great congregation is to participate in Columbia's Christmas Parade! We are planning to have a float and walkers taking part in the parade. Anyone in the congregation who wants to join the fun is invited! Stay tuned for more information!



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