



Our Worship of God

February 23, 2014

11:00 am

Greeting

Ed Rollins

Prelude

All Creatures of Our God and King

arr. Beverest

Invocation (unison)

*We wait upon you, O God,
We trust you,
You are the foundation under our feet,
You are the companion along the way,
You take the sting out of our sorrows
and disappointments and grief,
You are new life when we think
that all is dead around us and in us,
You are the goal toward which we move—
that one divine point
toward which all creation moves,
You have granted a plan for our lives
which is our joy to find,
which gives us a sense of worth,
and a purpose for living.
Amen.*

† **Processional Hymn 689**

The Church's One Foundation

(Please turn to face the cross as it enters.)

† **Prayer of Intercession** (responsive)

Eternal God,

we thank you for calling us by name.

In you we live and move and grow.

We pray for churches and Christians throughout the world.

Remind us of our common foundation in Christ.

May we grow together in faith and in love,
until we attain that unity which is your will.

***Build us together in Christ,
Make us your dwelling place.***

Send down your Spirit

so that we may know Jesus and bear witness to our life and unity in him.

May we know the mind of Christ

in order to speak God's wisdom everywhere.

Strengthen us to work towards peace and reconciliation
in church and society.

***Build us together in Christ,
Make us your dwelling place.***

We pray for all churches which are experiencing change –
growth or struggle, reconciliation or conflict.

Inspire and strengthen them in works of witness and service.

***Build us together in Christ,
Make us your dwelling place.***

We pray for those who have no home, no land,
no food, no work, no medicine, no peace.

May we recognize and serve Christ in the suffering and the needy.

***Build us together in Christ,
Make us your dwelling place.***


We thank you for all your gifts of creation.
Teach us to share with others our time, our energy,
our resources and our love.
Make us sensitive and responsive
to the wounds in the human family and creation.
May we be faithful to our calling and live a long life on earth.
May we give our whole life to Christ,
for we belong to him
and in him are untied all things on earth and in heaven. *Amen.*

Blessing the Children

Ed Rollins

Psalm 119

Refrain



Lord, to whom shall we go? Yours are the words of e-ter-nal life.

Psalm 119:33-40 (responsive)

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, and I will observe it to the end.

*Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it
with my whole heart.*

Lead me in the path of your commandments, for I delight in it.

Turn my heart to your decrees, and not selfish gain.

Turn my eyes from looking at vanities; give me life in your ways.


Confirm to your servant your promise, which is for those who fear you.

Turn away the disgrace that I dread, for your ordinances are good.

See, I have longed for your precepts; in your righteousness give me life.

Psalm 119

Refrain



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Old Testament Reading

Mike Brewer

Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18

I am the Lord your God

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

† Hymn 89

Our Great Savior

Omit stanza 3

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Rev. Brad Stagg

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.

Amen.

New Testament Reading

Cheryl Brewer

I Corinthians 3:10-23

That foundation is Jesus Christ

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

How Firm a Foundation

arr. Parker

Message

Rev. Brad Stagg

† Hymn of Commitment 543

Christ Beside Me

† Offertory Sentence

Offertory

Aria

J.S. Bach

† Benediction and Dismissal

Worship Notes: Our guest preacher Rev. Brad Stagg is Senior Minister of First Christian Church



The Future of Faith event is almost here! If you can only attend part of the conference, the main event is Saturday morning with featured speaker **Phyllis**

Friday, March 14 2:00 - 5:00 p.m.

“The Future of Faith: Religion in a Postmodern World” A Conversation with Phyllis Tickle
MU Student Center Leadership Auditorium, 901 Rollins Rd. (second floor leadership auditorium)

Saturday, March 15 10:00 a.m. – Noon

Lecture with Phyllis Tickle:
“What is the Future of Faith?”
MU Tate Hall, Conley & Ninth St.
(adjacent to Jesse Hall)

Noon - 1:30 Lunch on your own

Friday, March 14 7:00 p.m.

Community Worship Service at Missouri United Methodist Church
Highlights will include a community choir and brass ensemble and Preacher
Rev. Emanuel Cleaver II.

1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

Lecture and Q&A with Phyllis Tickle
MU Tate Hall, Conley & Ninth St.
(adjacent to Jesse Hall)
Free to the public.

The Columbia Chorale and the Columbia Handbell Ensemble will combine on March 1 at 7 pm at First Baptist Church to present a beautiful concert, which highlights the themes of love and loss. The 60-member ensemble (Cheryl Brewer and Lisa Wells are singing) will perform several songs accompanied by piano, and seven selections accompanied by the Columbia Handbells. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door and \$5 for students with ID. They can be secured by calling the church at 442-1149.

Our Lenten Journey begins with Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday worship will take place at 6:00 pm, March 5 in our sanctuary. We will introduce our Lenten theme, be reminded of our need for God on our journey, and then have an opportunity to be marked with ashes. Please join us for this creative and tactile time of worship.

Ladies Bible Study will begin Thursday, March 6 at 10:45 am in the church parlor. We will use the book *Final Words from the Cross* by Adam Hamilton to guide us through Scripture. They can be purchased at the meeting for \$11.00. For more information contact Colleen Ostercamp at 673-8366. Please feel welcome to join us!

Lenten Pilgrimage: Walking with People in Poverty will take place each Wednesday from March 12 to April 9 at 5:30 pm. This Lenten Pilgrimage is a bit different. It will begin with **The Walk** on Sunday afternoon, March 9, at Wilkes Boulevard United Methodist Church. The Walk exposes people to the experience of traveling from place to place throughout Columbia to meet basic needs: for food, clothing and shelter. It is a two-mile walk with stops at many of the places where people in poverty go for assistance. **Space for this event is limited.** To sign up for The Walk send an email to Carol McEntyre at mcentyre@fbc-columbia.org.

There is also a Wednesday night study, which will be an extension of the topics introduced with the Walk. **You do not have to participate in The Walk to take part in the Wednesday night study.** Session One will be led by Brian Ford, Pastor of Little Bonne Femme Baptist Church. During Sessions Two and Three, we will preview the new film *American Winter*. Other sessions will include a discussion of what the Bible says about caring for people in poverty, playing the game of life in poverty and a look at local justice issues.

Week At-A-Glance

Sunday, February 23

9:30 am Awakening Worship
Service Contemporary(sanctuary)

11 am Traditional Worship
Service (sanctuary)

4 pm “The Calling” Youth
(youth room)

5 pm African Worship Service
(parlor)

5:15 pm Ring and Sing

Monday, February 24

1 pm Staff Meeting
5:30 pm Finance Meeting

Tuesday, February 25

Wednesday, February 26

5:30 pm Psalm Players
6:30 pm Chancel Bells
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, February 27

6:30 pm Praise Band Rehearsal
(sanctuary)

Friday, February 28

9 am Music Federation
6 pm African Worship Rehearsal
(parlor)

Saturday, March 1

9am Music Federation
6 pm African Worship Rehearsal
(parlor)
7 pm Columbia Chorale Concert

Sunday, March 2

9:30 am Awakening Worship
Service Contemporary(sanctuary)
11 am Traditional Worship
Service (sanctuary)
4 pm “The Calling” Youth
(youth room)
5 pm African Worship Service
(parlor)
5:15 pm Ring and Sing

Nursery (ages birth up to three) first floor. Available 9:45 a.m. to 12 noon while parents are in worship or Bible Study.

Children's Sunday School (3 year olds-5th grade) 9:45 to 10:45 am on the third floor.

Children's Worship (kindergarten-5th grade) 11:00 am-12:00 pm on the third floor every Sunday except the 1st Sunday of each month when children attend worship with their parents, guardians or chaperones.

Youth Bible Study (grades 6-12) 11:00 am-12:00 pm on the third floor.

Discussion Class 9:45 am in the Hospitality Room outside of Sanctuary.

Faith Forum Class 9:45 am on the second floor next to the elevator.

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 contemporary worship experience, First Baptist Church offers Awakening at 9:30 a.m. each Sunday morning in the Sanctuary.

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