



First Baptist Church
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Our Worship of God

July 10, 2016

9:15 am

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (*responsive*)

Sing a new song!

For God has done wonderful things!

God sent Christ into the world

that we might be reconciled

won over

harmonized

brought close

to God.

Look—the old is gone

And we are new.

You are new.

I am new.

Each of us

All of us

New creations in Christ.

Shout for joy!

Sing a new song!

Centering Ourselves for Worship

Center by Charlie Hall & Matt Redman

Song of Action

To Live is Christ by Sidewalk Prophets

Hearing God's Word

2 Corinthians 5:14-21

For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Invitation to Pass the Peace of Christ

God calls us in surprising ways,

inviting us into a new creation.

Share the good news with one another:

The peace of Christ is with you.

The peace of Christ is with you.

Blessing the African Congregation

Call to Prayer (*responsive*)

As we gather in thanksgiving
let us acknowledge with solemn joy
God's gift of shared ministry,
Remembering with gratitude
*all who have worshiped here,
the faith professed at this font,
the gospel proclaimed from this pulpit,
the assurance received at this table.*

Let us also reaffirm our faith
in our sojourning God,
the God who remains with us and goes with you.
That which we have received from God
let us now return to God with thanksgiving.

Words of Gratitude

Nene Peter

Commissioning (*responsive*)

Though we say goodbye, we are thankful that
God remains with us and God goes with you.
While we cherish our memories, friendships and
shared service, we are grateful that
God remains with us and God goes with you.
Our ministries continue, our love for you continues,
and we continue to be assured that
God remains with us and God goes with you.
United by one God, one Lord of all and one baptism,
we are one as
God remains with us and God goes with you.

God's justice will inspire us,
God's realm will call us to action.
God is eternally for us and with us.
Thanks be to God!

Prayer

Carol McEntyre

Song of Truth

Your Love Never Fails by Jesus Culture

Song of Character

Christ in Me by Jeremy Camp

Message

Almost Christian

Carol McEntyre

Song of Commitment

My Story by Big Daddy Weave

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Give Me Jesus by Jeremy Camp

Benediction (*responsive*)

Christians gathered here today, brothers and sisters in faith,
we who would wish to be a sign of reconciliation
through the power of the cross:

May the Lord bless us and keep us.

***May the Lord make his face shine upon us and be gracious to
us.***

May the Lord lift up his countenance upon us and give us peace.

Amen.

Going to Serve

Worship Notes

Center by Charlie Hall & Matt Redman (4665261)

To Live is Christ by Sidewalk Prophets (7036047)

Your Love Never Fails by Jesus Culture (5337172)

Christ in Me by Jeremy Camp (Jeremy Camp is the sole owner)

My Story by Big Daddy Weave (7036037)

Give Me Jesus by Jeremy Camp (4874344)

Week at a Glance

Sunday, July 10

9:15 am Awakening Worship

Fellowship Hall

10:15 Sunday Morning Small Groups

Various classrooms

11:15 Traditional Worship

Sanctuary

Monday, July 11

9:00 am Senior Yoga

Parlor

Thursday, July 14

6:30 pm Praise Band Rehearsal

Fellowship Hall

Sunday, July 17

9:15 am Awakening Worship

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10:15 am Small Groups

Various Classrooms

11:15 am Traditional Worship

Sanctuary

Announcements

Fellowship Adventures

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat!

July 16 – Maples Theater in Macon

Join us for another great adventure as we travel to see the Broadway musical, “Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat!,” at the Maples Theater in Macon. We’ll depart from the church at noon, arrive at the theater around 1:15 for the 2:00 show. Following the show, we’re off to Seven for dinner – back to church between 6:30 and 7:00 pm. Cost for the show is \$20 per person (you get to buy your own dinner). Contact Paula at Paulalou52@gmail.com.

Summer Book Club Books Available Now!!

The Teaching Team would like to invite First Baptist family and friends to join our annual summer book club. Below are the four books being offered this year. Pick one or two (or more) to read during the summer and we will gather in late August/ early September for discussion. Books are available for \$10 in office and on Sunday in the entry foyers.

Summer Small Group: Looking for a Village

Reshaping the Church’s Response to the Faith Journey of Young People

What: New Summer Small Group offering- Looking for a Village- Reshaping the Church’s Response to the Faith Journey of Young People.

When: Sunday mornings 10:15-11:05am, now until August 7th.

Where: 2nd Floor in the Parlor

Who is it for: Adults 18 and up. This is a vital topic for everyone in our faith community. We are looking for a healthy intergenerational mix to bring join in this discussion to better represent our congregation.

What we will discuss: In some ways, this is an intervention. It has become abundantly clear that the church is losing its appeal to the younger generation (and many in the other generations if we are honest). The attempt of this discussion is to help us as a church understand why this is happening and better equip ourselves to live out the beauty and passion of the Gospel in a way that is authentic and attractive to those around us.



9:15 am Awakening Worship Service

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

The flowers are given by the Fishers in memory of Sterling Wyatt.

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.

Young Adult Small Group in the Fellowship Hall fireplace area.

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

To view the live webcast of our 11:15 am Traditional worship service, go to www.ustream.tv.

Search for fbcwebcast (one word), and you should be able to worship from anywhere!

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