



Melchizedek

Our Worship of God

September 11, 2016

9:15 am

Abraham and Sarah: Stories of Faith and Failure

"I will certainly bless you. I will multiply your descendants beyond number, like the stars in the sky and the sand on the seashore."

Genesis 22:17

Call to Worship (responsive)

Thanks and praise to you, Jesus Christ, King and Lord of all, given the name above every other name. Jesus, King and Lord of all, we worship and adore you. King of righteousness, King of peace, enthroned at the right hand of Majesty on high. Jesus, King and Lord of all, we worship and adore you. Great high priest, living for ever to intercede for us; Jesus, King and Lord of all, we worship and adore you. Pioneer of our salvation, you bring us to glory through your death and resurrection; Jesus, King and Lord of all, we worship and adore you. Every knee bows to you; every tongue confesses,

you are King of kings and Lord of Lords, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

Opening Our Hearts through Song

Song of Acknowledgement

You Are My King (Amazing Love)

Invitation to Pass the Peace of Christ

September 11 Prayer for Peace

Scripture Reading

Stephen Hoell

Only King Forever

Genesis 14:1-23*a* Lot's Captivity and Rescue

In the days of King Amraphel of Shinar, King Arioch of Ellasar, King Chedorlaomer of Elam, and King Tidal of Goiim, these kings made war with King Bera of Sodom, King Birsha of Gomorrah, King Shinab of Admah, King Shemeber of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela (that is, Zoar). All these joined forces in the Valley of Siddim (that is, the Dead Sea). Twelve years they had served Chedorlaomer, but in the thirteenth year they rebelled. In the fourteenth year Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him came and subdued the Rephaim in Ashteroth-karnaim, the Zuzim in Ham, the Emim in Shaveh-kiriathaim, and the Horites in the hill country of Seir as far as El-paran on the edge of the wilderness; then they turned back and came to En-mishpat (that is, Kadesh), and subdued all the country of the Amalekites, and also the Amorites who lived in Hazazon-tamar. Then the king of Sodom, the king of Gomorrah, the king of Admah, the king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela (that is, Zoar) went out, and they joined battle in the Valley of Siddim with King Chedorlaomer of Elam, King Tidal of Goiim, King Amraphel of Shinar, and King Arioch of Ellasar, four kings against five. Now the Valley of Siddim was full of bitumen pits; and as the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah fled, some fell into them, and the rest fled to the hill country. So the enemy took all the goods of Sodom and Gomorrah, and all their

provisions, and went their way; they also took Lot, the son of Abram's brother, who lived in Sodom, and his goods, and departed.

Then one who had escaped came and told Abram the Hebrew, who was living by the oaks of Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol and of Aner; these were allies of Abram. When Abram heard that his nephew had been taken captive, he led forth his trained men, born in his house, three hundred eighteen of them, and went in pursuit as far as Dan. He divided his forces against them by night, he and his servants, and routed them and pursued them to Hobah, north of Damascus. Then he brought back all the goods, and also brought back his nephew Lot with his goods, and the women and the people.

After his return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. He blessed him and said,

"Blessed be Abram by God Most High, maker of heaven and earth; and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!"

And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything. Then the king of Sodom said to Abram, "Give me the persons, but take the goods for yourself." But Abram said to the king of Sodom, "I have sworn to the Lord, God Most High, maker of heaven and earth, that I would not take a sandalthong or anything that is yours..."

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

Song of Thanksgiving

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

King of My Heart

Oh What Love

Sermon

The Mysterious Melchizedek

Carol McEntyre

Song of Response Announcements Benediction Going to Serve

Carol McEntyre

Worship Notes

The Call to Worship is written by John Leach and posted on The Jubilate Group website. Only King Forever (7011438) You Are My King (Amazing Love) by Billy Foote (2456623) The Prayer for Peace is written by the Catholic theologian and author Hans Kung. King of My Heart by Love & The Outcome (7046145) Oh What Love by The City Harmonic (7044259) Hello My Name Is by Matthew West (6439959)

Sunday, September 11

9:15 am Awakening Worship Fellowship Hall 10:15 am Small Groups Various Classrooms 11:15 am Traditional Worship Sanctuary 8 pm College/Young Adult Bible Study The Heidelberg

Wednesday, September 14

5:30 pm Psalm Players Rehearsal 6:30 pm Chancel Bells Rehearsal **7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal** All rehearsals in Sanctuary

Thursday, September 15

6:30 pm Praise Band Rehearsal Fellowship Hall

Sunday, September 18

9:15 am Awakening Worship Fellowship Hall 10:15 am Small Groups Various Classrooms 11:15 am Traditional Worship Sanctuary **Fall Bible Study Opportunity:** What does Scripture tell us about how God sees humanity and the relationship we share? Understanding our relationships with other people is difficult. How can we understand our relationship with God? Over 6-7 weeks, we will explore what selected Scriptures reveal about God's original intent for humanity, starting with creation narratives, going through the Law and the Prophets as well as what Jesus and Paul tell us. Classes will be on Mondays, starting September 19 at 2:00 in the parlor. David Gifford will be teaching.

<u>College and Young Adult Ministry</u>: Join us tonight at 8 p.m. for free appetizers on the roof of the Heidelberg as we celebrate a new semester.

Sermon Discussion Groups: Are you interested in discussing the most recent Sunday sermon? The Teaching Team wants to create a forum for those who, after hearing the sermon, would like to gather and share thoughts and reflections. If you are interested, please contact Kim Seigenthaler (siegenthalerk@missouri.edu) with general times you would be available, e.g. Sunday afternoon or Monday lunch.

Fellowship Adventures: Join us on September 18th to see the delightful Disney musical, The Little Mermaid. The show is at 2 p.m. at Columbia Entertainment Company, 1800 Nelwood, with dinner after. Tickets are \$10 per person. Make your reservation by contacting the church office at 443-1149 or churchinfo@fbc-columbia.org.

Church Council: At their upcoming meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 27 at 5:30 p.m., the main agenda item will be a discussion of the potential residency program coming to us from the Missions Team. Team leaders will give a brief update on their work.

Sign up today for the SAFE Seminar: Sexual Awareness and Family Empowerment takes place Friday and Saturday, Sept. 23-24. Full details are in the latest Spire and on the bulletin board in the elevator lobby.

Embracing the gift of intimacy and creating safe spaces for children: On Sunday September 25, Le Ann Gardner, who is a licensed clinical social worker and an ordained minister, will be preaching in both worship services. She will be talking about the theology behind what she is teaching in SAFE; what it means to embrace God's gift of intimacy and sex; and how we can create safe spaces for all of God's children.

<u>New day and time for The Calling</u>, our weekly youth Bible Study, is Wednesday nights from 6:15-7:15 p.m., beginning Sept 14th. Come and learn about our new interactive experience for 6-12th graders, Studio 1B, which is designed to engage discipleship in a creative way. **Fall Bible Study Opportunity:** What does Scripture tell us about how God sees humanity and the relationship we share? Understanding our relationships with other people is difficult. How can we understand our relationship with God? Over 6-7 weeks, we will explore what selected Scriptures reveal about God's original intent for humanity, starting with creation narratives, going through the Law and the Prophets as well as what Jesus and Paul tell us. Classes will be on Mondays, starting September 19 at 2:00 in the parlor. David Gifford will be teaching.

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The Odyssey Chamber Music Series and First Baptist Church present **Chanticleer in Concert!**



With its seamless blend of twelve mail voices, Chanticleer is worldrenowned as "an orchestra of voices," and for its original interpretations of music from Renaissance to jazz and from gospel to venturesome new music.

Plan now to attend!

Wednesday, October 5 at 7:30 p.m. in our sanctuary. Tickets are \$35 and may be purchased in the office or on line at <u>www.odysseymissouri.org</u>.



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.

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 are combined for the summer, through August 7th, and meet in the parlor.

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.

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