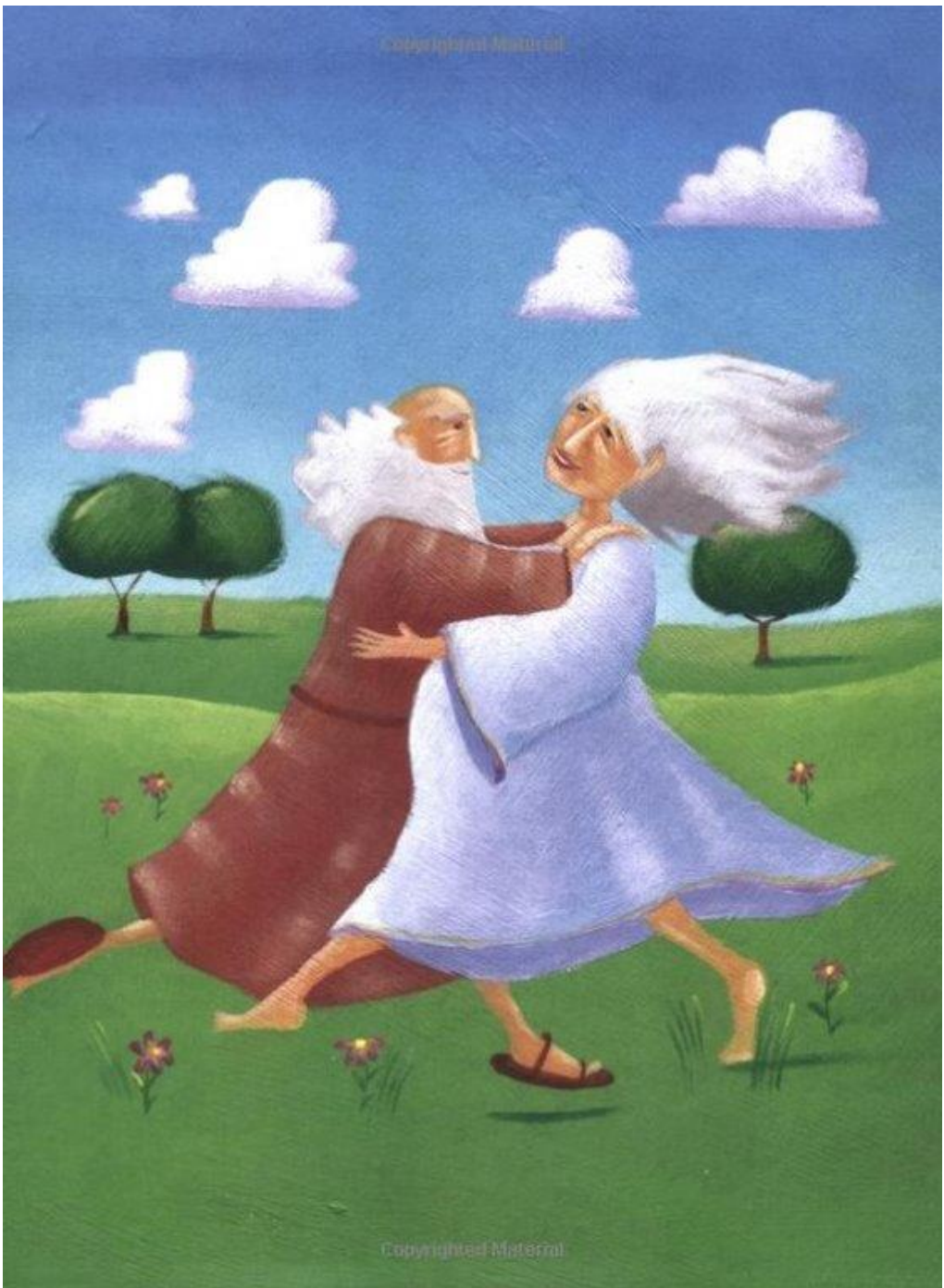


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Our Worship of God

October 9, 2016

9:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

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

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Psalm 100

adapted from The Message

A Thanksgiving Psalm

On your feet now – applaud God!

Bring a gift of laughter,

Sing yourselves into his presence.

Know this: God is God.

God made us; we didn’t make God.

We’re God’s people, God’s well-tended sheep.

Enter with the password: “Thank you!”

Make yourselves at home, talking praise.

Thank God. Worship God.

For God is sheer beauty,
all-generous love,
loyal always and ever.

Opening Our Hearts for Worship

Good Good Father

Invitation to Pass the Peace of Christ

Scripture Reading

Richard Hayden

Genesis 18:1-2, 9-15

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground.

They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?" The LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh, and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' Is anything too wonderful for the LORD? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son." But Sarah denied, saying, "I did not laugh"; for she was afraid. He said, "Oh yes, you did laugh."

Genesis 21:1-8

The LORD dealt with Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did for Sarah as he had promised. Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the time of which God had spoken to him. Abraham gave the name Isaac to his son whom Sarah bore him. And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. Now Sarah said, "God has brought laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh with me." And she said, "Who would ever have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age." The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sarah Laughs

by Judy Gattis Smith

Anne Marie Bills, Stephen Hoell, David Jacobs,
Amanda Jacobs and Debbie Jacobs

Songs of Praise

10,000 Reasons
Forever Reign

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

All Creatures of Our God and King

Message

90 and Pregnant

Carol McEntyre

Song of Response

Mighty to Save

25th Anniversary Recognition – Colleen Ostercamp

Benediction

Worship Notes

Good Good Father by Christ Tomlin

10,000 Reasons by Matt Redman

Forever Reign by Hillsong

All Creatures of Our God and King by David Crowder Band

Mighty to Save by Hillsong

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Our guest worship leader this morning is Stephen Hoell. Stephen is a lifelong resident of central Missouri, even during his college years, having received his undergrad education at Westminster College-Fulton and earned his M.Ed at MU. It was during his time at Westminster that Stephen met his wife, Lillian. Together they have a son, Grayson, who is nearly 4 years old. Last fall, their family found the First Baptist family through a connection with the CDC and have continued to find ways to use their gifts here. Helping others achieve their financial goals is a focus Stephen has pursued while building a financial planning business with Northwestern Mutual since 2007. Stephen also enjoys getting outdoors, spending time with his family and friends, small home improvement projects, playing worship music with others, a strong cup of coffee, and of course, time spent with his son.

Week at a Glance

Sunday, October 9

**12:30 pm Luncheon and Celebration for
Colleen's 25th Anniversary**
Fellowship Hall

4-4:50 pm Children's Music
3rd Floor Children's Room

**5:30-7 pm College/Young Adult
Bible Study**
*3rd Floor Youth Suite
Sanctuary*

Monday, October 10

2-3:30 pm David Gifford's Bible Study
Conference Room

1:30-3:30 pm Staff Meeting
Conference Room

Wednesday, October 12

6:15 pm The Calling for 6th-12th Grade
3rd Floor Youth Suite

5:30 pm Psalm Players Rehearsal

6:30 pm Chancel Bells Rehearsal

7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
All Rehearsals in Sanctuary

Thursday, October 13

1:30-2:30 pm Covenant Group
Parlor

Friday, October 14

7-9 pm Odyssey Concert: Enchanted Fall
Sanctuary

Sunday, October 16

4-4:50 pm Children's Music
Sanctuary

**5:30-7 pm College/Young Adult
Bible Study**
*3rd Floor Youth Suite
Sanctuary*

Announcements

We continue the celebration honoring Colleen Ostercamp's 25 years as our organist! Colleen's sister JanEl, along with other musicians, is accompanying the 11:15 worship. All are welcome for a catered lunch in the fellowship hall follows the service (\$5 per person or \$20 per family).

New: Children's Music Program! We meet today from 4-4:50 p.m. in the 3rd floor children's room. Two of our scholarship singers, Bria Jones and Topher Otaka, together with Ed and Colleen, will offer a time of musical adventure for kids with singing, drumming, bell ringing and movement. Please note the location change this week as there is an afternoon wedding in the sanctuary.

A sermon discussion group begins October 16 in the conference room following the 11:15 service. This is an opportunity to dig deeper into scriptural texts or topics from the day's sermon that you found intriguing, challenging, illuminating or confusing. Everyone is welcome, so come give it a try. We'll meet every other Sunday for about an hour. We'll order in box lunches for those interested.

First Baptist Adventures takes us to Ellis Library on Monday, October 17th. You can meet in the church parking lot to carpool, or meet Noah Hartsfield in the colonnade by the north doors of Ellis Library. The presentation will take place in 401 Ellis Library. The event is a viewing of bibles and religious & theological texts from across the ages – items which are held in MU Ellis Library's Special Collections and Rare Books.

Items for viewing include a multitude of bibles, and Martin Luther's pamphlet which served as a prebuttal to his excommunication from the Catholic Church. The tour is expected to be about an hour, so dinner will be from about 6:30 to 7:30 at Eleven Eleven (across Broadway from the church); the tour guide, Ala Barbatralo, will join the group for dinner.

Please let the church know by October 14th if you plan to attend, and if you need transportation to/from your home and the event.

Join CBF Heartland friends at the CBF Heartland Fall Assembly on Friday, October 21 from 2-9 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Jefferson City. Gather with partner churches and ministries to support and encourage one another. Share experiences about God's work in the world. Enjoy a fellowship dinner, and enjoy a roast of Harold Phillips to honor his 20+ years of ministry with CBF Heartland. Worship with special guest CBF Executive Coordinator Suzi Paynter, and celebrate the installation of new CBF Heartland Coordinator Jeff Langford. For more information visit cbfheartland.org.

The Child Development Center at First Baptist is hosting a Halloween Party on Friday October 28. First Baptist families are invited to join the fun. All children are welcome to come in costume, but please nothing scary, and no weapons. Two-five year olds will party in the Fellowship Hall. Supervised activities will be provided on the 3rd floor for children in 1st grade and up.

Join us for Afternoon at the Farm, Sunday October 30, at Park and Marjorie Bay's farm right outside Columbia. It is a fun filled afternoon of hayrides, food, and Trunk n' Treat for children. Details are in the recent Spire and on our website at www.fbc-columbia.org.

Eighth Annual E-Mail Auction for the Child Development Center will be held October 31-November 4. We need your discarded treasures. Business gift certificates, products, and services are also excellent auction items. You can send a brief description and/or picture to Trudy Clevenger at momclev@rocketmail.com. All proceeds will be used to enhance the CDC's operating budget.

Next Odyssey Concert: Enchanted Fall, Friday, October 14 at 7 p.m. in our sanctuary. Come and wear your favorite mask! The enchanted evening begins with 'Sorcerer's Apprentice' for two pianos by Paul Dukas – let the magic of music reveal some of life's mysteries. Help us set the mood for the enchanting sounds of Maurice Ravel and Claude Debussy; the night concludes with the dramatically romantic piano trio by Brazilian composer, Heitor Villa-Lobos. Unmask yourselves at the Gala Reception in the foyer! This event is sponsored by First Baptist Church of Columbia. Buy-1-get-1 tickets are available for church members - please contact Janet in the church office at 573-442-1149.



9:15 am Awakening Worship Service

For those who may prefer a more traditional worship experience, First Baptist Church offers Awakening Contemporary Worship at 9:15 a.m. each Sunday in the Fellowship Hall.

For Children During Worship:

1st- 5th Graders are encouraged to participate in worship with their family.

Children (Birth-Kindergarten) can be dropped off in the nursery, located next to the sanctuary, prior to worship where they will be cared for by our professional staff.

10:15 Spiritual Formation Hour:

Birth-Age 3 childcare is provided by our professional staff in the nursery, located next to the sanctuary.

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 which dive into various topics (visitors and guests welcomed):

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 conference on the second floor.

Young Adult Small Group in the 2nd floor library.

Church Staff

Carol McEntyre, Senior Pastor † Ed Rollins, Associate Pastor

Michael McEntyre, Associate Pastor of Youth, College and young Adults, and Missions

Yvette Chambers, Director of Children's Ministry

Alex Bennett, Awakening Worship Coordinator † Colleen Ostercamp, Pianist and Organist

Janet Deneke, Admin. Assistant † Brenda Rice, Project Coordinator

†Bethany James, Nursery Director †Glenn Owings, Custodian