

# "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?"

Acts 8:36b



(+ Indicates those who are able, please stand)

~The Fifth Sunday of Easter~

#### Welcome and Announcements

Carol McEntyre

#### **Invitation to Worship**

The Greek word "Kairos" can be used to point us to "God's time," while "chronos" is time that we relate to in minutes and seconds. Chronos is the sequential clock time which we use to order our days. However, discernment is usually in the language of Kairos, which is a quality of time that is full of meaning, often because God is seen to be the acting agent making or fulfilling promises. Put another way, a Kairos moment serves a divine purpose. Discernment, then, is continually stopping to ask God in prayer, "What is the opportunity of this moment? And "What are you wanting to show us today?" Henri Nouwen references Thomas Merton as saying that God's time is timeless. It brings together the past and the future in the present eternal moment. So we can connect to quality Kairos time through practices of silent prayer, but often these Kairos moments are more of the memorable moments and significant experiences in our lives, moments that stay with us and continue to shape us.

#### **Call to Worship (responsive)**

Based on Philippians 2:-13

There is a time for celebrating, a time for mourning, a time for confessing,

a time for dreaming, a time for committing,

a time for praying, a time for loving,

a time for worship. This is a time, O God, that we bring our faithfulness:

**shape it with grace.** We bring our success:

**shape it with generosity.** We bring weaknesses:

**shape them with compassion.** We bring our possibilities:

**shape them with hope.** We confess, God, that the way is hard and we are tired.

**Speak into our tiredness with your story of grace.** We confess that the way is unclear and we do not know the path.

Speak to us:

"What is the opportunity of this moment?"

We confess that we are tired of waiting and we just want to make it happen.

#### Speak to us:

"What are you wanting to show us today?"

This is a time for worship.

Song of Deliverance

#### **Invitation to Pass the Peace of Christ**

#### **Recognition of Graduates**

#### Michael McEntyre

Karlye Jeffries Bruno Bastos do Nascimento Bria Jones

#### **Scripture Reading**

Acts 8:26-39

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him.

Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth." The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus.

As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing.

#### Song of Hope

Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)

#### Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

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 for ever. Amen.

Offertory	Holy Spirit
Message	Carol McEntyre
<b>†</b> Song of Response	Trust In You
<b>†</b> Benediction	

**Going to Serve** 

## Week at a Glance

### Sunday, May 14

12:15-1:30 pm Sermon Discussion Group 5:30-7 pm College/Young Adult Movie Night

### Monday, May 15

9-10:30 am Senior Yoga 1-3:30 pm Staff Meeting 5:30 pm Church Council

### Wednesday, May 17

6:15-7:15 pm The Calling for 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade 3-5 pm Visitation for Joanie Sorrels 5 pm Service for Joanie Sorrels Reception following the service

### Sunday, May 21

12:15-1:30 pm Sermon Discussion Group

Conference Room TBA

Parlor Library Conference Room

Youth Suite Sanctuary Sanctuary Parlor

Conference Room

### The Calling

Our weekly youth Bible Study, the Calling, will continue to meet on Wednesday nights (6:15-7:30 pm) through May 24<sup>th</sup>. Information about summer plans will be announced soon.

### Pentecost Sunday All Church Worship and Business Meeting

On Pentecost Sunday, June 4, we will have an all-church worship service at 11:15 in the Sanctuary, followed by lunch and a business meeting to vote on the 2017-2018 Endowment recommendations. The regular Sunday Morning Small Group sessions will meet at 10:15; there will be no 9:15 worship service.

### City of Refuge

City of Refuge is a non-profit organization that strives to help refugees and immigrants, in mid Missouri, become productive, successful, contributing members of our community. They offer opportunities for churches to "Adopt a Family." Many families are placed in Columbia with little to no belongings. Most of the time, they do not speak fluent English and they do not know how to drive, so going to the store to get a loaf of bread is next to impossible. Having church come alongside them to help them navigate the first few weeks of culture shock is a huge blessing. With the support of the Missions Team, a group of folks from First Baptist is interested in adopting a family. If you would like to help, City of Refugee will be here Monday, May 22 at 5:30 pm to educate and train our congregation in this process. We are planning to serve a light dinner in the Parlor, so if you plan to attend please RSVP to churchinfo@fbc-columbia.org.

### First Baptist Adventures

Come join in an old-time hymn sing on May 27<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm at the home of Larry & Esther Rollins, 4211 Fall River Drive. Cookies and tea are provided.

### Sunday Morning Small Group for Women

A new small group just for women meets on Sundays at 10:15 in the hospitality room off the sanctuary. Come and develop friendships, share joys and concerns, and study scripture together.

### Church Picnic

Our annual picnic is June 11<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm at the Twin Lakes Pavilion, with many outdoor activities. We'll have our traditional egg toss; the Pepto Bismol Men's Bake-off/Auction for Missions at 4 pm, and dinner at 5 pm.

### Church Office Hours

The church office will be closed for Memorial Day, May 29th.

### See You in the Spire!

We would love to include more pictures from The Awakening services in the Spire, as well as on our website. If you can regularly take high-quality pictures of the worship space, the people, and any special events such as baptisms or special services such as Easter, please let Pastor Carol know. Photos can be emailed to churchinfo@fbc-columbia.org.

# Worship Notes

The Call to Worship was written in part by Cheryl Lawrie, posted on her [hold this space] blog, http://holdthisspace.org.au/. The River by Jordan Feliz (7047433) Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace) by Hillsong Worship (7019974) Holy Spirit by Francesca Batistelli (6087919) Trust in You by Lauren Daigle (7025522)

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#### 9:15 am Awakening Worship Service

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

For Children During Worship:

1<sup>st</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> floor library.

Women's Small Group in the hospitality room off the sanctuary.

<u>Church Staff</u>

Carol McEntyre, Senior Pastor <sup>†</sup> 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

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