

A person stands on a dark rock in the foreground, looking up at a vast night sky. The sky is filled with stars and the Milky Way galaxy, which appears as a bright, hazy band of light stretching across the frame. The colors of the sky transition from dark blue and purple at the top to orange and yellow near the horizon. The text is overlaid on the upper portion of the image.

HE IS THE IMAGE OF
the invisible God

THE FIRSTBORN OF ALL CREATION

Colossians 1:15

Our Worship of God

August 18, 2019

9:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

Welcome and Announcements

Brittany McDonald Null

†Call to Worship (responsive)

The spirit of God calls us from many places;
some of us come from busy homes with many people
some of us live alone.

We are a part of the family.

This week has been different for each of us;
some of us have had happy news we want to celebrate
some of us have faced grief and need to cry.

We are members of God's family.

Yet we all come to this same place;
all of us seeking God's presence in our lives
all of us seeking God's presence with each other.

Together we become God's family.

†Opening Song

Make Us One

Sharing Our Stories

Marques Ruff

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Litany for Families (Responsive)

Holy One, we thank you for our families
in all of our configurations;

**single and partnered, widowed and married
some children, no children, grown children,
canines and felines and humans.**

Holy One, we pray for our families
in all of our vulnerability;

**both resilient and still fragile
finding both welcome and closed doors
treading the waters of intimacy and covenant.**

Holy One, we celebrate your blessing
made known in our families;

**reflection of your unconditional love
embodiment of your compassion,
named and claimed, beautiful and beloved.**

†Song of Encouragement

This is Me

†Offertory Prayer

Offering

Multiplied

Colossians 3:11-20

In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all! As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Wives, be subject to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives and never treat them harshly. Children, obey your parents in everything, for this is your acceptable duty in the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message

Pastor Carol McEntyre

†Song of Response

To the One

†Benediction

Worship Notes

Call to Worship and Litany for Families: <https://liturgyoutside.net/themes/familyoutside/>

To The One

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Make Us One

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Thank you for worshiping with us today! If you wish to share this worship experience with a neighbor, the service is broadcast live, and the sermon is available on our website within a week.

Week at a Glance

Sunday, August 18

10:15am Inclusion Training

Inclusion of people with disabilities

Parlor

Monday, August 19

9-10:30 am Senior Yoga

1-3:00 pm Staff Meeting

Parlor

Office Commons

Tuesday, August 20

11:45 am – 2 pm Crafty Critters

Conference Room

Wednesday, August 21

5:30 pm Praise Band Rehearsal

6:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal

7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Fellowship Hall

Sanctuary

Sanctuary

Sunday, August 25

12:15 pm Fall Kick-Off

Announcements

Welcome! We're Glad You're Here

We would love to help you connect with our church. To learn more about First Baptist, fill out an information card during worship and drop it in the offering plate or give it to the pastor after worship. You can also stop by the Connections table and pick up our newsletter, *The Spire*. Information about our Children's Ministry and some of our adult small groups can be found on the back of the bulletin.

Inclusion Training - August 18

One focus area that came out of our All In Visioning Process was "Work toward increased accessibility and inclusivity in First Baptist ministries and facilities." To do this, we have committed to expanding opportunities for inclusion education and experiences. Today at 10:15 am in the parlor, Christy Edwards, a minister and mother of a special needs child, will be talking about how faith communities can companion this growing population.

Fall Kick-Off – August 25

As we look toward the end of summer, we are preparing for our annual Fall Kick-Off after Traditional worship on August 25. We will have a throwback to the 80's theme this year! The church will provide the chicken, as well as beverages and tableware. We know you will please the crowd with your delicious side dishes and desserts! Get out your scrunchies, headbands, and parachute pants as we kick off the new season in style.

Back-to School Blessing – August 25

Join us Sunday, August 25 as we offer a blessing for our children, teachers, and administrators as the new school year begins.

What is the Bible? Sermon Series - Sept. 8 - Oct. 13

During this sermon series, we are going to take a deep theological dive into the Bible. We will talk about what it is, how this ancient book speaks today, the parts of the Bible that trouble us, and what we do with it.

Summer Book Club Discussion Groups

If you have been reading our summer book club selections about the Bible, we wanted to let you know when the discussions will take place. The groups will meet during the Small Group Hour at 10:15 am in the Conference Room on the second floor. We look forward to the conversation!

Inspired by Rachel Held Evans

September 8 & 15

10:15 am, Conference Room

led by Kim Siegenthaler

What is the Bible? by Rob Bell

September 22 & 29

10:15 am, Conference Room

led by Noah Hartsfield

The Bible Tells Me So by Peter Enns

October 6 & 13

10:15 am, Conference Room

led by Brian Ford

Invite-a-Friend Sunday – September 8

We are declaring Sunday, September 8 Invite-a-Friend Sunday!

As a community of faith, we look forward to Sunday morning when we come to church, see our friends, attend small group and worship together. We love our church and believe other people would too if they came to visit. So, the Telling Team came up with the idea of Invite-a-Friend Sunday.

We thought if we agreed together to invite a friend, it would encourage us to issue the invitation. You can invite a co-worker, a neighbor, a family member, or a friend. Sunday, September 8 is the start of a new sermon series about the Bible- what it is and how it speaks today. It is going to be a great time of learning, so why not invite others to join us?

New to the Pew Blessing – Sept 8

With the beginning of the new school year, we are excited to welcome our newest worshippers to the pews. On Sunday morning, September 8, in conjunction with our Sermon Series, *What is the Bible?*, we will be presenting Bibles to our first graders and offering a blessing over them and their families. We want to celebrate this milestone and commit to walking alongside them on their journey.



For Children During Worship:

Birth-Kindergarteners can be checked in at the nursery, located next to the sanctuary, where they will be cared for by our professional staff.

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

10:15 Spiritual Formation Hour:

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

First Kids Sunday School (3 years old through 5th grade) is on the third floor.

Youth Bible Study (grades 6-12) is on the third floor.

Adult Small Groups are located on the second floor:

- Discussion Class (in the Parlor) likes to take a deep dive into scripture.
- Faith Forum (Elevator Lobby Classroom) is a diverse group that likes to read the lesson for the day together, share information, and ask questions to learn from one another.
- Connections Group (office commons) is made up of younger adults. They spend time building community, sharing life, and often take on heady theological topics.

*The all-gender restroom is located in the Child Development Center Hallway outside the Sanctuary.

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