



Our Worship of God

August 16, 2020

11:15 am

- Online Service -

Welcome

Pastor Carol McEntyre

Call to Worship (responsive)

This is the day that God has made,
let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**Great are the works of God,
full of glory and majesty.**

Our God is gracious and compassionate;
our God is merciful and forgiving

our God is faithful and trustworthy,
our God is just and good.

So come, let's worship God together.

God's praise will last forever!

Opening Hymn 77

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near;
Join me in glad adoration!*

*Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what he ordaineth?*

*Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee,
Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
If with his love he befriend thee.*

*Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen sound from his people again:
Gladly forever adore him.*

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Pastor Brittany McDonald Null

*At this time, we invite you to light a candle at your place of worship
as a reminder of God's presence with us.*

Mark 7:24-30

From there he set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” But she answered him, “Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” Then he said to her, “For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.” So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise be to Christ.

Sharing Our Gifts**Hymn of Praise 486**

There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy

*There’s a wideness in God’s mercy like the wideness of the sea;
There’s a kindness in his justice which is more than liberty.*

*There is welcome for the sinner and more graces for the good;
There is mercy with the Savior; there is healing in his blood.*

*For the love of God is broader than the measure of our mind;
And the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.*

*If our love were but more simple, we would take him at his word,
And our lives would be illumined by the presence of our Lord.*

Message

Carol McEntyre

Hymn of Response

They Will Know We Are Christians

*We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord.
We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord.
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love.
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

*We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand.
We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand.
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love.
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

*We will work with each other; we will work side by side.
We will work with each other; we will work side by side.
And we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride.
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love.
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

*All praise to the Father, from whom all things come.
And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son.
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one.
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love.
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

Life of the Church

Benediction

Postlude

For the Beauty of the Earth
Tamila Freitas, *flute* Colleen Ostercamp, *keyboard*

John Rutter

Worship Notes

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty Words: Joachim Neander, 1680. Music: Emeuerten Gesangbuch, Stralsund, 1665.

Prayer of Reflection, ~ written by Joanna Harader, and posted on her Spacious Faith blog.
<http://spaciousfaith.com/>

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy, Words: Frederick W. Faber, 1862. Music: Lizzie S. Tourjée, 1878.

They'll Know We Are Christians, ©1966 F. E. I. Publications. Words & Music: Peter Scholtes, 1966.

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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

Tuesday, August 18

1:00 pm Crafty Critters Zoom Call

Wednesday, August 19

12:00 pm Zoom at Noon with Pastor Carol

6:00 pm The Calling Online

Online Zoom meeting with Pastor Michael McEntyre

Sunday, August 23

9:15 am Worship Service on the Front Lawn

11:15 am Online Worship Service

Stream the worship service by clicking "Watch Us Live" from link at the top of our website

Information regarding Zoom meetings
is available on our website:
www.fbc-columbia.org
Go to: "Get Involved" tab
and then click "Online Gatherings"

Announcements

Visitors and Prayer Requests

If you are visiting with us online, we are so glad to have you with us! If you would like to receive more information about First Baptist and our ministries, let us know you are with us today by texting “guest” to 573-326-9490. If you are in need of prayer, text “prayer” to 573-326-9490 and Brittany, our Pastor of Families and Spiritual Formation will connect with you.

Fall Book Study - *Everything Must Change* by Brian D. McLaren

In September, Pastor Carol McEntyre will be facilitating a discussion of the book *Everything Must Change* by Brian McLaren. We invite you to read the book and then, join a Zoom Meeting for a discussion. Depending on how many people want to join us, we might have one or two groups meeting. We might have one group meeting via Zoom and another group meeting in-person on the front lawn, while wearing masks and physically distancing.

If you want to join the discussion, first go ahead and order your own copy of *Everything Must Change*, have it shipped to your house and begin reading. Then, email Pastor Carol by August 17 at mcentyre@fbc-columbia.org and let her know you plan to join the study. When she has a good list of people who are interested, she will send out a poll and determine how many groups we will have for discussion and if we will meet online or in-person.

Blizzards with Brittany

Blizzards with Brittany is an opportunity for kids 3-years-old through those entering 6th grade to connect, to pray together, and to have some screen-free time. Families can sign up for a spot, and I will bring a small Dairy Queen Blizzard of your kid(s) choice and socially distance while spending some time together outside. The time slots are an hour to give some time for travel, and ice cream pick-up but expect the hangouts to be about 45 minutes. Email Brittany for available times and to sign up!

First Baptist Book Club

The First Baptist Book Club will conclude their discussion on *I'm Still Here* by Austin Channing Brown on August 31 at 7:00 pm. If you would like to join, email Brittany for the Zoom link.

Financial Assistance for Those Affected by COVID-19

If you have found yourself in need of financial assistance in this disruptive time of a global pandemic, please reach out to any of our pastors (by phone or email) to notify us of your need. We have a Benevolence Fund, which can respond in times such as these. The Missions Council has also set aside additional funds to provide relief and the church is considering further ways in which we can be of greater assistance. Please know that all such requests are confidential. We will get through this together!