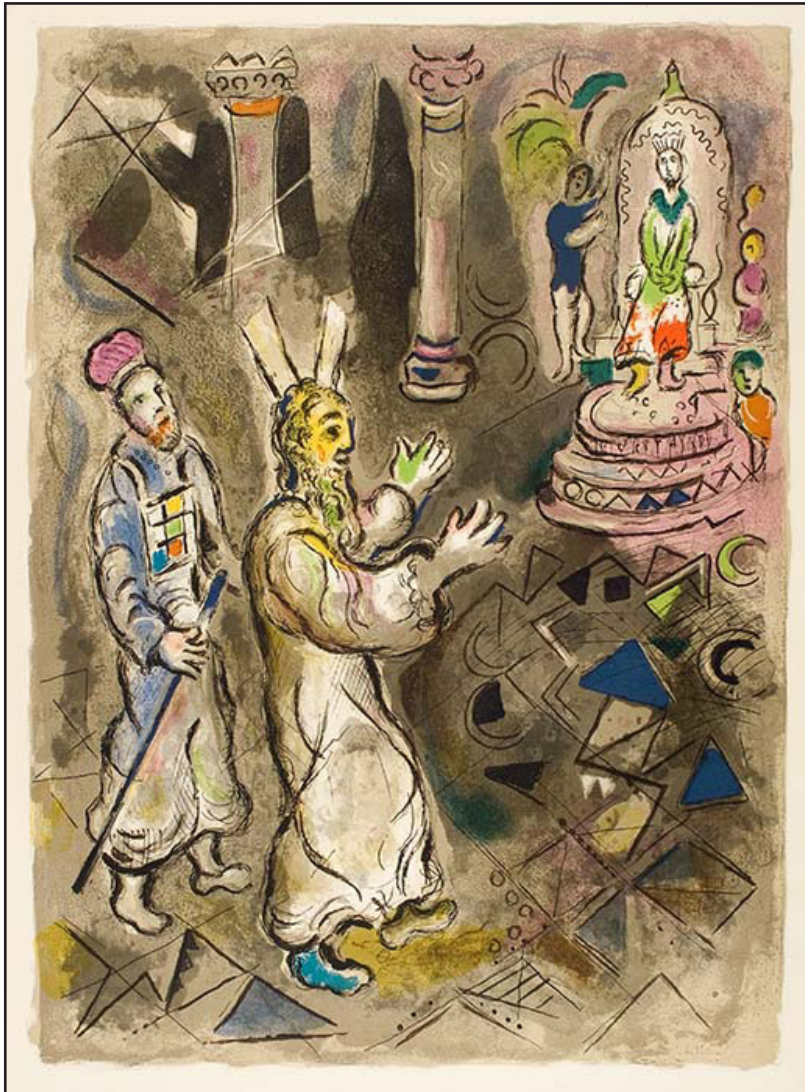




First Baptist Church

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Our Worship of God

September 6, 2015

11:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand.)

Moses:

The Man Behind the Movies

Greeting

Ed Rollins

Prelude

Prelude in G Minor

Bach

Call to Worship (responsive)

It is easy to pray when the sun shines
and we are grateful for another glorious day of being.
*It is hard to pray when wind and rain and thunder
plague our every step and spoil our every plan.*

It is easy to be grateful when life goes well
and our existence is a journey from bliss to beauty and back.
*It is hard to be grateful when life assaults us
and our very being is a pilgrimage from bad to worse to worst.*

It is easy to be cheerful when health bursts in us
so that we can feel the very pulse of life.
*It is hard to be happy when pain and fatigue beset us
and we wonder if we can go on...*

God of order and neatness, we give thanks for all that is good.
We are grateful for manifold blessings bestowed upon us.
*God of chaos and disorder, be with us also when life is messy.
Bless our coming in and our going out from this day forth. Amen.*

Richard S. Gilbert

When the Storms of Life Are Raging

Invocation

†Proclamation Hymn 60

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

(Please turn to face the cross as it enters.)

†Passing the Peace of Christ

*As God has given us peace through Christ,
so let us pass the peace of Christ to each other.*

Anthem

Praise the Lord Our God Forever

Mozart/Ehret

Scripture Reading

Oleta Forsee

Exodus 5:1-9

Afterward Moses and Aaron went to Pharaoh and said, "Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, 'Let my people go, so that they may celebrate a festival to me in the wilderness.'" But Pharaoh said, "Who is the Lord, that I should heed him and let Israel go? I do not know the Lord, and I will not let Israel go." Then they said, "The God of the Hebrews has revealed himself to us; let us go a three days' journey into the wilderness to sacrifice to the Lord our God, or he will fall upon us with pestilence

or sword.” But the king of Egypt said to them, “Moses and Aaron, why are you taking the people away from their work? Get to your labors!” Pharaoh continued, “Now they are more numerous than the people of the land and yet you want them to stop working!” That same day Pharaoh commanded the taskmasters of the people, as well as their supervisors, “You shall no longer give the people straw to make bricks, as before; let them go and gather straw for themselves. But you shall require of them the same quantity of bricks as they have made previously; do not diminish it, for they are lazy; that is why they cry, ‘Let us go and offer sacrifice to our God.’ Let heavier work be laid on them; then they will labor at it and pay no attention to deceptive words.”

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

†Hymn

Give to the Winds Thy Fears

1 Give to the winds thy fears; hope, and be
 2 Through waves and clouds and storms God gently
 3 Leave to God's sovereign sway to choose and
 4 Let us in life, in death, thy steadfast

un - dis - mayed. God hears thy sighs and
 clears the way. Wait pa - tient - ly; so
 to com - mand. So shalt thou, won - dering,
 truth de - clare, and pub - lish with our

counts thy tears; God shall lift up thy head.
 shall this night soon end in joy - ous day.
 own God's way, how wise, how strong God's hand!
 fi - nal breath thy love and guard - ian care.

†Offertory Sentence

Offertory	Be Thou My Vision	arr. Jones
Message	From Bad to Worse	Carol McEntyre
Preparation for Communion (unison)		I Believe

In spite of many unanswered questions, I believe.

*I believe in the living God, the joy of the universe,
 who is the pulse and purpose of all things seen and unseen,
 who from the dust of earth calls up living beings
 to be children of eternity,
 who through countless ages has provided for us many liberators
 and tirelessly seeks to bring victory out of defeat and life out of decay.*

*I believe in Jesus the Christ, God's true Son,
 who is bone of our bone and flesh of our flesh,
 who took upon himself the healing of the human race,
 who bearing the burden of our sins went to Golgotha carrying his cross,
 who was betrayed, crucified, dead and buried in a borrowed tomb,
 who on the third day was found to be gloriously alive,
 meeting with those who trust him and serve him to the end of the world.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit of God,
 within and among all who cherish Christ and his way,
 who brings hope out of despair, love out of apathy, and joy out of sorrow,
 who unceasingly regenerates and reforms the church
 that it may always be the contemporary body of the risen Christ,
 loving the world through prayer, word and deed.*

*I believe that even I am caught up in the resurgent life of Christ Jesus,
and that nothing in life or death can separate me from his love and joy.
In spite of unanswered questions, yes I believe.
Amen!*

Bruce Prewer

Gathering at the Table of Our Lord

**Words of Invitation
Prayer of Thanksgiving
Words of Institution
The Bread Broken, the Cup Shared**

†Hymn of Commitment

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

(see next page)

Benediction

Postlude

1. O soul, are you wea - ry and trou - bled? No light in the
2. Thro' death in - to life ev - er - last - ing He passed, and we
3. His word shall not fail you — He prom - ised; Be - lieve Him, and

dark - ness you see? There's light for a look at the Sav - ior, And
fol - low Him there; O - ver us sin no more hath do - min - ion — For
all will be well: Then go to a world that is dy - ing, His

life more a - bun - dant and free!
more than con - q'rors we are! Turn your eyes up - on Je - sus,
per - fect sal - va - tion to tell!

Look full in His won - der - ful face, And the things of

earth will grow strange - ly dim In the light of His glo - ry and grace.

Announcements

Widening Our Welcome

Tuesday, September 8 at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall (dinner)

We will hear testimonies from First Baptist members, including Sarabeth Rhodes, Anne Bills and Nate Jones, about coming to terms with their sexual orientation and what it has been like to be Christian and gay. Come hear their stories!

Sunday, September 13 at 10:15 am in the Parlor

Dr. Jeanne Hoeft, Associate Professor of Pastoral Theology and Pastoral Care at St. Paul Seminary, will be with us to talk about the difference between sexual orientation and gender identity, and to dispel many of the myths surrounding homosexuality.

Sunday Mornings Sept. 20- Oct. 11 at 10:15 am in the Parlor

Bob Russell, Khaki Westerfield and Deb Carr will alternate teaching a Bible Study examining Biblical texts through multiple lenses.

Noah Hartsfield will be facilitating an alternative small group class, called, "What Is Jesus?" for those who do not wish to participate in the Widening Our Welcome Sunday morning Bible study.

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Missions Opportunity

Raquel Kausler and Larry Rollins are heading up a project to make dolls for children in orphanages in Nicaragua. The dolls will be distributed through the Rainbow Network an inter-denominational Christian Ministry working in one of the most poverty-stricken nations in the world. You can help by coming Sunday, **September 13** at 12:30 pm in the Parlor to learn how to make the dolls.

Fellowship Adventures

Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious! Yes, we are going to MARY POPPINS on Sunday, **September 13** at 2:00 pm at Columbia Entertainment Company!

Ticket prices are \$10 per person (all ages). We will go to dinner together, after the show, at Texas Longhorn Steak House.

Please contact Paula Thomas, Fellowship Chair, at **paulalou52@gmail.com** as soon as possible, so she can reserve the correct number of tickets.

Night Under the Stars - Coming in September

On **September 27**, First Baptist will host Night Under the Stars, a fundraising event for Room at the Inn designed to help students better understand the effects of poverty in homelessness in our community. To make this event work, we need adult volunteers to help in all areas of the event. You can sign up online on the church website or by emailing **mmcentyre@fbc-columbia.org**. Mark your calendar today to help with this great event.

Week At-A-Glance

Sunday, September 6

9:15 am **Awakening Worship** Fellowship Hall

10:15 am **Widening Our Welcome Series** Parlor
(Speaker: Warren Sapp)

11:15 am **Traditional Worship** Sanctuary

5:00 pm **African Worship (in Swahili)** Fellowship Hall

Monday, September 7

Labor Day – Office Closed

Tuesday, September 8

SPIRE DEADLINE

5:30 pm **Widening Our Welcome Series** Fellowship Hall
(Testimonies from First Baptist Members)

Wednesday, September 9

5:30 pm **Psalm Players** Sanctuary

6:30 pm **Chancel Bells** Sanctuary

7:30 pm **Chancel Choir** Sanctuary

Week At-A-Glance

Thursday, September 10

SPIRE MAILED TODAY

6:30 pm **Praise Band Rehearsal** Fellowship Hall

Friday, September 11

10:30 am **Eat, Pray, Sew** 2nd Floor Conference Room

Saturday, September 12

7:30 pm **College and Young Adults**
(BSU Progressive Dinner and Laser Tag)

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5:00 pm **The Calling** Youth Suite

8:00 pm **College and Young Adults: Coffee and Waffles** Youth Suite

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:

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 library on the second floor.

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

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 either of our worship services, go to www.ustream.tv. Search for fbwebcast (one word), and you should be able to worship from anywhere!

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