



First Baptist Church

columbia

Our Worship of God

October 4, 2015

11:15 am

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

Greeting

Ed Rollins

Prelude

Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven

arr. Goss/Kerrick

Gospel Reflection (responsive)

based on Hebrews 4:12-16 and Psalm 119

For the word of God is alive and active.

Sharper than any double-edged sword,

it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow;

it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.

†Processional Hymn 311

God Has Spoken

(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.*

Scripture Reading

Bob Russell

II Timothy 3:14-17

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Hymn

In Unity We Lift Our Song

stanzas 1 and 2 (see next page)

Scripture Reading

Bob Russell

Hebrews 4:12-16

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Hymn

In Unity We Lift Our Song

stanzas 3-4

1. In u - ni - ty we lift our song of grate - ful a - dor -
 2. For sto - ries told and told a - gain to ev - ery gen - er -
 3. For sa - cred scrip - tures hand - ed down, a bless - ed trust and
 4. For God our way, our bread, our rest, of all these gifts the

a - tion, for broth - ers brave and sis - ters strong. What
 a - tion, to give us strength in times of pain, to
 trea - sure, which give us hope when hope is gone and
 Giv - er. Our strength, our guide, our nur - turing breast whose

cause for cel - e - bra - tion. For those whose faith - ful - ness
 give us con - so - la - tion. Our spir - its to re - vive
 make us weep with plea - sure. And when our eyes grow blind
 hand will yet de - liv - er. Who keeps us till the day

has kept us through dis - tress, who've shared with us our plight,
 to keep our dreams a - live, when we are far from home
 and death is close be - hind, we shall re - cite them still
 when night shall pass a - way, when hate and fear are gone

shows; that mer - cy crowns it till its close.
 fed, by His un - err - ing coun - sel led.
 mit, and peace - ful leave be - fore Your feet.
 raise, a - dored through all our chang - ing days.

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Make Me a Channel of Your Peace arr. Wagner

Message “Making Sense Of The Bible” Carol McEntyre

Preparation for Communion Chancel Choir

The Feast of Charity — arr. Parker

*In mem'ry of the Savior's love,
We keep the sacred feast,
Where ev'ry humble contrite heart
Is made a welcome guest.
Here let our ransom'd pow'rs unite
His honor'd name to raise;
Let grateful joy fill ev'ry mind
And ev'ry voice be praise.*

*Let us employ our tongues to sing
The praises of the Lord,
For calling sinners home to him
By his all pow'rful Word.
Be Christ our pattern and our guide,
His image may we bear;
O may we tread his holy steps,
His joy and glory share.*

*One fold, one faith, one hope, one Lord,
One God alone we know;
Brethren we are; let ev'ry heart
With kind affections glow.
Under his banner thus we sing,
The wonders of his love,
And thus anticipate, by faith,
The heav'nly feast above.*

Gathering at the Table of Our Lord

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

†Affirmation of Faith (unison)

*We confess that Jesus is the Christ,
the Son of the living God,
and proclaim him Lord and Savior of the world.
In Christ's name and by his grace
we accept our mission of witness
and service to all people.
We rejoice in God,
maker of heaven and earth,
and in the covenant of love
which binds us to God and one another.
Through baptism into Christ
we enter into newness of life
and are made one with the whole people of God.
In the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we are joined together in discipleship
and in obedience to Christ.
At the table of the Lord
we celebrate with thanksgiving
the saving acts and presence of Christ.
Within the universal church,
we receive the gift of ministry
and the light of scripture.
In the bonds of Christian faith
we yield ourselves to God
that we may serve the One
whose kingdom has no end.
Blessing, glory, and honor
be to God forever. Amen.*

†Hymn of Commitment 315

Break Thou the Bread of Life

†Benediction (unison)

*Give us grace, O Lord, not only to hear your Word with our ears,
but also to receive it into our hearts and to show it forth in our lives;
for the glory of your great name.*

Postlude

Announcements

Fall Sheppard Lecture Series

Dr. David Gushee is the Distinguished University Professor of Christian Ethics and Director of the Center for Theology and Public Life at Mercer University. Dr. Gushee will be our guest **October 17 and 18** for our Fall Sheppard Lecture.

Saturday, October 17 Session

10:00 am - Noon

“LGBT Issues and The Church Today” *Plus Q & A*

Submit your questions for Dr. Gushee by email to churchinfo@fbc-columbia.org.

Sunday, October 18 Sessions

First Session:

9:15 am
during Awakening Worship

“How I Changed My Mind
on LGBT Inclusion”

Second Session:

10:15 am, over brunch in
the Fellowship Hall

“Revisiting Scripture”

Third Session:

11:15 am
during Traditional Worship

“Everyone Is Included - from
Genesis to Jesus”

Announcements

Odyssey Concert Series

October 16 7:00 pm

Odyssey's Season 12 is a musical journey around the world, and it begins with Asia. Featured in the program are transcriptions of Japanese folk songs, beautiful compositions inspired by the East, and unique combination of Piano & Erhu in a setting of contemporary music. Feast with us in an array of Asian food after the concert!



Fellowship Adventures

October 24

Off to a Paris Adventure! Wee Wee!

Yes, our next Fellowship Adventures trip will be to Paris, MO for a day on **October 24** trip to see Mark Twain's birth house and museum in Florida, a tour around Mark Twain Lake, and a stop in Paris to see the Redwood tree! It is the oldest redwood east of California! It was planted over 100 years ago and my grandparents lived in an apartment with it in the front yard! Hopefully the weather will be nice and we can explore on foot some things in the area! We will eat lunch in Madison at the Hoof restaurant and will go by the covered bridge.

Email me at paulalou52@gmail.com if you are interested in joining us! All are welcome.

—Paula Thomas, Fellowship Chair

Announcements

Save the Date!

Afternoon at the Farm will be on Sunday, October 25.



Child Development Center's Annual Email Auction November 9-13

It's fall and time for a fresh start! You can begin this by looking for treasures at your home or business that can be donated to the CDC email auction. Items that have sold successfully in the past include: small pieces of furniture, a gift from someone to you that you don't use or need, books in good condition, services such as knitting or cooking lessons, art that needs to be "recycled" to some else's home or office, collectibles, baked items (cakes, pies), handmade items (quilt, afghan), gift certificates. These are just a few examples, be creative!

If possible, please email a picture of your items to be included in the auction list. Please email items, or any questions, to Trudy Clevenger at momclev@rocketmail.com between October 21 - November 7.

Week At-A-Glance

Sunday, October 4

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

10:15 am **Widening Our Welcome Series: Bible Study** *Parlor*

11:15 am **Traditional Worship** *Sanctuary*

4:00 pm **Youth Ensemble** *Sanctuary*

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

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

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

Youth Suite

Monday, October 5

9:00 am **Senior Yoga** *Parlor*

5:30 pm **Telling Team Meeting** *Parlor*

5:30 pm **Trustees Meeting** *Library*

Wednesday, October 7

5:30 pm **Psalm Players** *Sanctuary*

6:30 pm **Chancel Bells** *Sanctuary*

7:30 pm **Chancel Choir** *Sanctuary*

Week At-A-Glance

Thursday, October 8

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

Sunday, October 11

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

10:15 am **Widening Our Welcome Series: Bible Study** *Parlor*

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Youth Suite

The flowers in the sanctuary are provided by Mark and Paula Thomas,
in honor of their 18th wedding anniversary.

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.

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.

To view the live webcast of either of our worship services, go to www.ustream.tv.
Search for fbcwebcast (one word), and you should be able to worship from anywhere!

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The Feast of Charity

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