



RISK SOMETHING FOR GOD



MARK 8:34-35

“If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves
and take up their cross and follow me.

For those who want to save their life will lose it,
and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel,
will save it.

Our Worship of God

January 31, 2016

11:15 am

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

— Risky Business —

Greeting Ed Rollins

Prelude Celtic Farewell *Lamb*
Chancel Bells
flute: Kristine Poulsen

Scripture Reading Janet Pestle

Mark 5:21-43

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered round him; and he was by the lake. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, ‘My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be **made well**, and live.’ So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, ‘If I but touch his clothes, I will be **made well**.’ Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was **healed** of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, ‘Who touched my clothes?’ And his disciples said to

him, ‘You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, “Who touched me?”’ He looked all round to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, ‘Daughter, your faith has **made you well**; go in peace, and be **healed** of your disease.’

While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader’s house to say, ‘Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?’ But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, ‘Do not fear, only believe.’ He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, ‘Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.’ And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child’s father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, ‘Talitha cum’, which means, ‘Little girl, get up!’ And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to Christ.

Opening Prayer *(inspired by Mark 5:21-43)*

Loving God,
we are yours.
We come as we are,
with our cares and concerns.
We long to be made whole
and find healing in your embrace.
Strengthen our faith
and heal our brokenness,
that we may worship you with joy. Amen.

†Proclamation Hymn 89

Our Great Savior

†Passing of the Peace

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

Call to Confession

God calls us in our lives to take a risk,
to be like the woman in the gospel
who reaches out to Jesus for healing for herself;
or the father who risks the scorn of others
kneels before the carpenter and begs for his daughter's life.
Let us ponder for a moment the places in our lives
where we may resist turning to God for healing and change.

(silence)

Litany of Confession (responsive)

When we resist your call to open our hearts to allow
the freshness of your grace to enter:
God have mercy.

When we close our eyes to your new and unexpected possibilities
of healing and reconciliation:
Christ have mercy.

When we let fear overwhelm us,
and cling to the security of what we know
instead of risking new steps toward your freedom and justice:
God have mercy.

Assurance of Grace (responsive)

God's mercies are fresh every morning.
In Christ God offers forgiving grace
and welcome into a community of trust, abundance, and hope.
We give thanks for the mercy of God, Amen.

†Hymn 611

There is a Balm in Gilead

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Anthem

In Thee Is Gladness

arr. Melby

flute: Kristine Poulsen and Colleen Ostercamp

*In thee is gladness
Amid all sadness, Jesus, sunshine of my heart.
Our souls thou wakest; Our bonds thou breakest.
Who trusts thee surely Has built securely
And stand forever: Alleluia!*

*By thee are given
The gifts of heaven, Thou the true Redeemer art.
Our hearts are pining To see thy shining,
Dying or living To thee are cleaving;
Naught can us sever: Alleluia!*

*If he is ours, We fear no powers,
Not of earth or sin or death.
He sees and blesses In worst distresses;
He can change them with a breath.*

*Wherefore the story Tell of his glory
With heart and voices; All heav'n rejoices
In him forever: Alleluia!*

We shout for gladness, Triumph o'er sadness,

*Love him and praise him And still shall raise him
Glad hymns forever: Alleluia!*

Message

Being Made Well

Carol McEntyre

Prayer for Healing

For those whose lives are broken by distress
May the God of healing restore you.

For those whose lives are broken by fear
May the God of healing restore you.

For those whose lives are broken by anger
May the God of healing restore you.

For those whose lives are broken by pain
May the God of healing restore you.

For those whose lives are broken by illness
May the God of healing restore you.

For those whose lives are broken by sin
May the God of healing restore you.

God of healing
gently touch these lives
with your Spirit.
Bring warmth and comfort
life and wholeness
restoration
into fractured lives
and souls.

†Hymn of Commitment

Your Hands, O Lord, in Days of Old
Sung to ELLACOMBE

Your hands, O Lord, in days of old were strong to heal and save;
they triumphed over pain and death, o'er darkness and the grave.
To you they went, the blind, the mute, the palsied and the lame,
the leper set apart and shunned, the sick and those in shame.

And then your touch brought life and health, gave speech and strength and sight;
and youth renewed, with health restored, claimed you, the Lord of light.
And so, O Lord, be near to bless, almighty now as then,
in every street, in every home, in every troubled friend.

O be our mighty healer still, O Lord of life and death;
restore and strengthen, soothe and bless with your almighty breath.
On hands that work and eyes that see, your healing wisdom pour,
that whole and sick and weak and strong may praise you evermore.

Benediction

Postlude

Worship Notes

- **Opening Prayer** – adapted from The Abingdon Worship Annual 2009, © 2008 Abingdon Press. Posted on the Ministry Matters website. <http://www.ministrymatters.com/>
- **Litany of Confession** – written by Rev. Susan A. Blain, and posted on the Worship Ways website. <http://uccfiles.com/>
- **Prayer for Healing** – written by John Birch, and posted on Faith and Worship. <http://www.faithandworship.com/>
- **Hymn of Commitment** – Your Hands, O Lord, in Days of Old. Words: Edward H. Plumptre, 1866. All rights reserved. Reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-707314. Used by permission.

Week at a Glance

Sunday, January 31

9:15 am Awakening Worship
Fellowship Hall

10:15 am Small Groups
Various Classrooms

11:15 am Traditional Worship
Sanctuary

4:00 pm Youth Ensemble
Sanctuary

5:00 - 7:00 pm The Calling
Pottery project (meet at First Baptist)

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

7:30 - 9:30 pm College and Young Adults
Pottery project (meet at First Baptist)

Monday, February 1

9:00 am Senior Yoga
Parlor

1:00 pm Bible Study
Parlor

Wednesday, February 3

6:00 pm Financial Peace University
Fellowship Hall

5:30 pm Psalm Players

6:30 pm Chancel Bells

7:30 pm Chancel Choir
Sanctuary

Week at a Glance

Thursday, February 4

1:00 pm Circle Meeting
Conference Room

6:30 pm Praise Band Rehearsal
Fellowship Hall

Friday, February 5

College and Young Adult Retreat (through Feb. 7)

Sunday, February 7

9:15 am Awakening Worship
Fellowship Hall

10:15 am Small Groups
Various Classrooms

11:15 am Traditional Worship
Sanctuary

4:00 pm Youth Ensemble
Sanctuary

[The Calling will not meet today]

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

Announcements

Ann Judson Christian Action Circle Meeting

This group of women meet on the first Thursday of every month at 1 p.m. to talk about ways to promote mission work, hear from guest speakers and walk through life together. During the next two meetings (**February 4, and March 3**) we will join together in the 2nd floor conference room to roll bandages.

College/ Young Adult Retreat February 5-7

Join us for a spiritual retreat at the beautiful Windermere Conference Center. It's a space for college students and young adults to meet new people, renew focus, and draw closer to God. The cost is \$20 for the weekend. Please contact Michael McEntyre at mmcentyre@fbc-columbia or RSVP on our College/ Young Adult Facebook page.

Volunteer Now for Room at the Inn

You don't have to wait until February 21 to help with Room at the Inn— sign up today. Click on the Rotator on the church website (fbc-columbia.org) to sign up for training times and volunteer slots. **The last training event will be held Tuesday February 9, 6:30-8:30pm at First Baptist.** All volunteers are asked to attend at least one training session before serving. Room at the Inn is a winter shelter designed to provide a warm place to sleep for those in need from 7:00 pm- 7:00 am through March 4. (First Baptist hosts from February 21 to March 4.)

***Join us for our Ash Wednesday
Worship Service: February 10, 6:00 pm***

Announcements

Beauty and the Cross

Beauty and the Cross- Ecclesiastes says "God makes all things beautiful in its time." In the cross, we have this moment of great tragedy, the death of God. Yet, the cross is now a declaration of hope and the restoration of humanity. In our greatest act of hate, the love of God was unleashed.

Lenten Art Project – Prior to Ash Wednesday, we are making available a series of crosses for anyone interested in coloring. These crosses will be a part of our Lenten worship this year. The coloring sheets will be at the entrances to our worship spaces. Take one, or more, color them, and return them to the church by **February 7**.

Fellowship Adventures

On **February 13**, we will go to Columbia Entertainment Company to see "A Chorus Line." First Baptist Church member, David Jacobs, is performing in the show! **Tickets are \$10 per person, due to the church office by February 10.** We will meet for dinner at 5:30 pm before the show at Ruby Tuesday on Vandiver. If you wish to attend the performance only, be at the theater by 7:15 pm; the show starts at 7:30 pm. *This production is not recommended for children under 12 years of age.* **Please RSVP to Paula Thomas, Fellowship Chair, by February 8 at paulalou52@gmail.com.**

Movie Night — March 12 at 5:30 pm

First Baptist presents a Movie Night for all ages! Gather in the Fellowship Hall for pizza prior to the movie. Popcorn will be provided during the movie. Adults will be watching and discussing "The Emperor's Club," a feel good movie about a dedicated teacher (Kevin Kline) who has spent his entire adult life inspiring his students and then comes to appreciate that his students taught him just as he taught them. The movie is rated PG-13 for some language and sexuality. We hope you'll stay for a brief discussion following the movie. Childcare will be available for infants and preschoolers. Noah and Abby Hartsfield, will be hanging out with the children on the 3rd Floor as they watch a movie of their own.

11:15 am Traditional Worship Service

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

The flowers in the sanctuary are provided by Patrick Morgan and Kristine Cho, participants of the Kids @ Heart concert with the Odyssey Chamber Series, in thanks for the use of the sanctuary for their fencing practice and performance.

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.

Young Adult Small Group in the Fellowship Hall fireplace area.

To view the live webcast of our 11:15 am Traditional worship service, go to www.ustream.tv. Search for fbcwebcast (one word), and you should be able to worship from anywhere!

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