



First Baptist Church

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Our Worship of God

September 2, 2018

11:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

~ This Is My Body ~

Pre-service Music

Judy Elliott, harp and Colleen Ostercamp, piano

Greeting

Pastor Carol McEntyre

Prelude

Let All Things Now Living

arr. Larson

Gathering Litany (responsive)

Hear these words from Psalm 139: I will praise you, God, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; marvelous are your works, and that, my soul knows well.

We praise you...

because we're fearfully and wonderfully made.

We praise you because we're fearfully and wonderfully made.

Except when we don't. When we can't. When the words get stuck in our throats.

When our bodies get sick, or can't do all the things we want them to. When our

bodies betray us, fail us. Disappoint us. Then we can barely whisper...
we praise you...

because we're fearfully and wonderfully made.

Or when our bodies don't fit neatly into the boxes society makes for them, when we're told we're too old, too broken, too tired, too hyper, too loud, too dirty, too slow, or too different.

Do we say it then...can we say it then... ? Can we say, "we praise you..."

...because we're fearfully and wonderfully made.

Can we say these words in the middle of a world that makes those words seem absurd? That makes loving our own bodies and fully loving others – head to toe, inside out, body, mind and spirit – an act of rebellion? Can we say these words through our hurt and tears? In defiance? In hope? In wild and radical and holy love? Maybe we can't...not alone...but together...?

Let us begin...

We praise you because we're fearfully and wonderfully made.

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†Processional Hymn

We Are Members of Christ's Body

Sung to REGENT SQUARE

(Please turn to face the cross as it enters)

We are members of Christ's Body joined by faith in unity

One in calling joy and suffering wholesome in diversity

We will work with gifts that differ towards the kingdom's destiny

Ear and eye to one another we have need of every part

Hands and feet belong together guided by a loyal heart

Tendons bones and flesh embody what the Spirit's breath imparts

When one member suffers hardship we will shoulder all the pain

When another part is honored joys throughout the body reign

For our common love is pulsing towards the growth of Christ's domain

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Scripture Reading

Liz Tidwell

1 Corinthians 12:12-27

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be?

But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Grounding Prayer

Brittany McDonald Null, Pastoral Resident

(Since we are fearfully and wonderfully made, we gather in prayer to celebrate our bodies and dedicate them to God as an instrument of love and grace. Each body, unique, different and sacred.)

May your feet enable your journey as you walk with Christ.

May your arms reach out in service of others.

May your hands be compassionate and gentle.

May your lungs breathe in the goodness of God.

May your heart be an instrument of love.

May your mouth speak of the mercies of God.

May your ears delight in the music of creation.

May your eyes see the needs of the world.

All parts of the body – unique, different, sacred – working together
to love God and serve others.

†Hymn

Sacred the Body



1. Sac - red the bod - y God has cre - at - ed, tem - ple of
2. Bod - ies are var - ied, made in all siz - es, pale, full of
3. Love re - spects per - sons, bod - ies and bound - aries. Love does not
4. Ho - ly of ho - lies, God ev - er lov - ing, make us your



Spir - it that dwells deep in - side. Cher - ish each
col - or, both frag - ile and strong. Ho - ly the
bat - ter, ne - glect, or a - buse. Love touch - es
tem - ples; in - dwell all we do. May we be



per - son; nur - ture cre - a - tion. Treat flesh as
dif - ference, gift of the Mak - er, so let us
gen - tly, nev - er co - erc - ing. Love leaves the
care - ful, ten - der and car - ing, so may our



ho - ly, that love may a - bide.
hon - or each sto - ry and song.
oth - er with pow - er to choose.
bod - ies give hon - or to you.

†Offertory Sentence

Offertory Anthem

Many Tables

Gramann

*Many tables, Lord, we see; Many choices do us invite;
as we seek our community, may we know which place is right;
draw us closer to your light.*

For your table is set with grace; at each place the cup of love.

The invited gaze upon your face;

Holy One sent from above who for us did shed his blood.

*Gathered round your table now; in humility we bow;
as we sit to dine with Thee.*

*Many tables, Lord, we see; Many choices do us invite;
as we seek our community, may we know which place is right;
draw us closer to your light.*

Message

Carol McEntyre

Prayer (unison)

God, we thank you for these bodies you have given us.

For all the pleasures we feel in them, in movement, and stillness,

for the impossible grace of loving touch,

for delicious tastes and dizzying smells,

for the ability to experience the world in sounds and sight.

For waking and sleeping, laughing and crying,

for hearts that beat. Amen.

Gathering at the Table of Our Lord

Words of Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

The Bread Broken, the Cup Shared

Renewal of Our Church Covenant (unison)

Because we have responded to Christ's call to follow him as disciples and because we find this calling too difficult and too important to fulfill alone, we covenant together to support and to pray for one another without ceasing; to be candid in our speech, kind in our attitudes, and caring in all our dealings with one another; to seek the mind and vision of Christ for ourselves and our life together, mindful that our unity does not require uniformity.

Moreover, we covenant to give first priority to our times of public worship and learning; to sustain our common mission by proportionate giving, faithful service and personal witness; to live our lives in a manner worthy of the gospel we profess and of this family of faith; and to seek each other's forgiveness and God's when we fail to honor this covenant, trusting God's Spirit to renew us in stronger faith, brighter hope and broader love.

†Hymn of Response 353

For the Beauty of the Earth

Stanzas 1-4

†Benediction

Postlude

Week at a Glance

Sunday, September 2

5-7 pm Residency Team Meeting

Conference Room

Monday, September 3

Office Closed

Tuesday, September 4

11:45 am-2 pm Crafty Critters

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1-3:30 pm Staff Meeting

Conference Room

Wednesday, September 5

5:30 pm Psalm Players Rehearsal

Sanctuary

6-7:15 pm The Calling for Youth

3rd Floor Youth Suite

6:30 pm Chancel Bells Rehearsal

Sanctuary

7:30-8:45 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Sanctuary

Thursday, September 6

6:30 pm Praise Band Rehearsal

Fellowship Hall

Sunday, September 9

6-8 pm College/Young Adult Kick-Off

Lazer Lanes

Announcements

Welcoming Children into Worship

Here at First Baptist our goal is have all 1st-5th graders attending worship with their parents. We know it can be tough to have a rambunctious kid sitting by you in worship! That is why we created the two “children’s areas” in the worship spaces with coloring sheets and other activities, which are available for kids to use during worship.

First Baptist Music Ministry Schedule

With the coming of fall, all music rehearsals are back in full swing with the following schedules:

Awakening Praise Band leads worship each Sunday at the contemporary-style 9:15 am Awakening Worship service. Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 6:30-7:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. The group is always eager to talk to potential new musicians – please contact Shelby Myers for more information.

Chancel Choir shares their musical gifts almost every week of the year during the 11:15 am Traditional Worship service. Rehearsals are in the sanctuary on Wednesdays from 7:30-8:45 pm.

Chancel Bells, an intergenerational hand bell choir, regularly participates in worship at the 11:15 am Traditional service. Previous experience is not necessary - we can help train you at rehearsals, or you can contact Ed Rollins, Associate Pastor of Music and Administration, for private instruction. Rehearsals are in the sanctuary on Wednesdays from 6:30-7:30 pm.

Psalm Players Band, a concert band, participates in the 11:15 am Traditional Worship service once a month and on special holy days. The group welcomes anyone who plays an instrument. Rehearsals are in the sanctuary on Wednesdays from 5:30-6:30 pm.

First Kids Music - our kids’ special music program will resume in September – be watching for further details.

Office Closed for Labor Day

The church office will be closed tomorrow, September 3, in observation of Labor Day. Have a safe holiday!

Fellowship Groups Kick-Off

Sunday, September 23, 5pm

Are you interesting in forming deeper friendships with others in the First Baptist community? Would you like to have a small group where you can converse openly about your faith journey? That's the goal with the Fellowship Groups.

Fellowships Groups are low-prep groups of 6 to 8 designed to bring people together to discuss four questions provided by the teaching team. Sample questions include: "In what ways has a past mistake led to your personal growth? And "where in your life do you need to be brave?" Each group will meet monthly six times for fellowship and conversation.

Groups will be announced at the kick-off on Sunday, September 23 at 5 pm, but there is still time to sign up! You can pick up a form in either of the worship spaces, or email Pastoral Resident Brittany McDonald Null at bnull@fbc-columbia.org.

First Baptist 2019 Ski Trip Interest Meeting, Sunday- Sept 9th

Sunday, Sept 9th following both services, we will have a brief (5-10 minute) meeting at the back of the worship areas to discuss plans for a church-wide ski trip to Winter Park, CO over Spring Break (March 24- 30th, 2019). If you or your family are interested, please make plans to attend. If you cannot be there, please email Michael McEntyre (mmcentyre@fbc-columbia.org) or Ed Rollins (rollins@fbc-columbia.org) to let them know you are interested.

First Baptist Adventures

On Saturday, September 15, we're going on a mystery lunch and sightseeing adventure - are you brave enough to trust me? I assure you it will be fun! We will depart from the church at 9:30 am and return at 4 pm. Dress is casual. The cost is \$10, plus lunch. Please contact me, Paula Thomas, First Baptist Fellowship Coordinator, at 573-875-1904 or email me at paulalou52@gmail.com.

Worship Notes

The gathering litany and the unison prayer are from “These Bodies – A worship liturgy about loving our bodies” by Plural Guild, posted at <http://www.pluralguild.com/poems-more/2018/3/11/these-bodies-a-worship-liturgy-about-loving-our-bodies>.

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Many thanks to Judy Elliott for providing pre-service music on the harp. She and Colleen make a great team.

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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.



11:15 am Traditional Worship Service

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

The flowers are given by Randy & Sherry Wyatt in memory of Sterling's 28th birthday

For Children During Worship:

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

Children (Birth-Kindergarten) can be dropped off in the nursery, located next to the sanctuary, prior to worship where they will be cared for by our professional staff.

10:15 Spiritual Formation Hour:

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

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 which dive into various topics (visitors and guests welcomed):

Faith Forum in the second floor classroom, next to the elevator.

Discussion Class in the parlor on the second floor.

Connections Class in the 2nd floor library.

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