



**Visioning 2018**

# *Our Worship of God*

*November 18, 2018*

*11:15 am*

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

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**Greeting**

Ed Rollins

**Prelude**

We Gather Together  
Organ, Colleen Ostercamp

arr. Corl

**Celebration of Baptism**

Hymn 758, stanza 1

Baptized in Water

**Affirming our Faith (responsive)**

Family of God, the promises of God's grace are signed and sealed to us in our baptism. In baptism God promises by grace alone to forgive our sins; to adopt us into the body of Christ, the church; to send the Holy Spirit daily to renew and cleanse us; and to resurrect us to eternal life.

**This promise is made visible in the water of baptism.**

**Water cleanses, purifies, refreshes, sustains;**

**Jesus Christ is living water.**

**Through baptism Christ calls us to new obedience:**

**To love and trust God completely;**

**To forsake the evil of the world; and to live a new and holy life.**

I invite you now as we celebrate the baptism of these two people, to reaffirm your faith in Jesus Christ and your commitment to Christ's church. **Amen.**

**Candidates**

*Rebekah Robertson*  
*William Tucker*

## **Response of the Congregation**

*We rejoice with you. We will pray for you.  
And we will walk with you in the way of Jesus.*

### **†Processional Hymn 374**

Now Thank We All Our God

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

### **Prayer of Thanksgiving (unison)**

**Gracious God,  
You call us to let go of the things we cling to  
and step out in faith,  
trusting in Your love and provision.**

**Give us courage to step out boldly,  
to plant our small seeds generously, and without fear.  
Use our gifts to accomplish more than we could possibly imagine,  
so that, through us, Your kingdom might come  
and Your will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven. Amen**

### **†Passing the Peace of Christ**

### **Gospel Reading**

**Mark 10: 17-22**

As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

The Gospel of our Lord.

**Praise be to Christ.**

**A Thanksgiving Litany (responsive)**

**Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices.**

O God, we give you thanks for all that you have done for us.  
That you have created us, and have given us the gift of life  
and set us to live in this fair earth;  
that you have given us work to do, and the strength to do it:

**Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices.**

We give you thanks for all that others have done for us.  
For those who taught us when we were children;  
For those who in the days of youth gave us the guidance  
that kept us from going astray;  
for those who to this day love us and surround us with their care:

**Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices.**

We give you thanks for all that your church has done for us.  
For strength and guidance each week for life's way;  
for the friendship and the fellowship which we here enjoy;  
for the sacraments of your grace, and the prayers of your people:

**Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices.**

We give you thanks for all that you have done for us in Jesus Christ.  
That in Christ you have shown us the length and breadth  
And depth and height of your great love for us;  
that in Christ you have opened to us a new and living way  
into your presence:

**Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices.**

We give you thanks for everything that has given us  
strength for earth and hope for heaven.

Accept this our sacrifice of praise for your love's sake. **Amen.**

**Anthem**

## Treasures In Heaven

Allen Pote

*Lay not up for yourselves treasures on earth,  
Where moth and rust corrupt,  
And where thieves break in and steal.  
But lay up for yourselves treasures in heav'n,  
For where your treasure is there will your heart be also.*

*Give unto God with cheerfulness, not of necessity or with regret.  
But give from within, give from within, from within your heart.*

*Lay not up for yourselves treasures on earth,  
Where moth and rust doth corrupt,  
And where thieves break in and steal.  
But lay up for yourselves treasures in heav'n,  
For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.  
There will your heart be also.*

**Message**

Carol McEntyre

**†Pledge Walk**

Siyahamba - arr. Ward  
Chancel Bells

**†Hymn of Commitment 34**

Rejoice, Ye Pure In Heart

**†Offertory Sentence****Offertory**

All Things Bright and Beautiful

arr. Bennett

**†Benediction (responsive)**

Go now in the confidence of people who have found mercy.  
Follow Jesus, keeping the commandments,  
letting go of all that binds you to the ways of this world,  
and investing everything in God's realm.

And may God come close to you and keep you safe;  
May Christ Jesus reward your faithfulness a hundredfold;  
and may the Holy Spirit be your help in time of need.

**We go in peace to love and serve the Lord,  
In the name of Christ. Amen.**

**Postlude**

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

arr. Bullard

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# Worship Notes

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A Thanksgiving Litany, Adapted from a prayer by William Barclay in British Weekly, Feb. 6. 1958

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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.*

1<sup>st</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> 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 years old 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):

Discussion Class in the Parlor on the second floor

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

Connections Group in the second floor library.

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### Church Staff

*Carol McEntyre*, Senior Pastor † *Ed Rollins*, Associate Pastor

*Michael McEntyre*, Associate Pastor of Youth, College and young Adults, and Missions

*Brittany McDonald Null*, Pastoral Resident

*Yvette Chambers*, Director of Children's Ministry, *Shelby Myers*, Awakening Worship Praise Band Director †

*Colleen Ostercamp*, Pianist and Organist, *Jess Wolfe*, Child Development Center Assistant † *Brenda Rice*,

Project Coordinator *Bethany James*, Nursery Director †



# Week at a Glance

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## Sunday, November 18

**4 pm First Kids' Music**

*Sanctuary*

## Monday, November 19

**9-10:30 Senior Yoga**

*Parlor*

**1-3 pm Staff meeting**

*Library*

## Tuesday, November 20

**11:45 am – 2 pm Crafty Critters**

*E2*

## Wednesday, November 21

**All music rehearsals cancelled**

## Thursday, November 22

**195<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of First Baptist Church**

**Offices Closed for Thanksgiving**

## Friday, November 23

**Offices Closed**

# Announcements

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## Contemplative Advent Small Group

This Advent, beginning December 2, Brittany McDonald Null, Pastoral Resident, will be leading a contemplative small group during the 10:15am Spiritual Formation hour. During the small group, they will engage in the spiritual practices of Lectio Divina and centering prayer and have conversations about contemplative living. For more information or to sign up contact Brittany at [bnull@fbc-columbia.org](mailto:bnull@fbc-columbia.org)

## Preparing for the Advent Season:

### Sunday, November 25:

Following both worship services, we will set up the Chrismon Trees in each worship space.

### Monday, November 26:

Decorating Party begins at 6 pm in the Sanctuary. Join us to help prepare for Hanging of the Green.

### Tuesday, November 27

Decorating Party beginning at 9 am in the Sanctuary. Join us to help prepare for Hanging of the Green.

## Hanging of the Green, Sunday, December 2

During our worship services, all First Baptist members and friends will have the opportunity to help decorate our church for the season of Advent.

## VAC Holiday Gift Program

The VAC Holiday Gift Program at First Baptist will begin Sunday, November 25 and run through Sunday, December 9. Check the bulletin board in the Children's Building Hallway to find items to purchase for our adopted families.