



Understanding the Cross

Sharing Our Story-Room at the Inn

Michael Brewer

Prayer for Room at the Inn

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A Statement of Faith (unison)

We believe in three divine persons in one God:

We believe in the Creator, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen.

We believe in one Savior, Jesus Christ, eternally begotten of the Creator, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, one in Being with the Creator. Through Christ all things were made. For us and for our salvation, the only Begotten came down from heaven and, by the power of the Holy Spirit, was born of the virgin, Mary, and became human.

For our sake, Jesus was crucified under Pontius Pilate, suffered, died, and was buried, but on the third day rose again in fulfillment of the Scriptures, then ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Creator.

One day, Christ will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and God's kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Sanctifier, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Creator, and who, with the Creator and the Begotten, is worshiped and glorified. The Spirit has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy, catholic, and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

†Hymn 488

What a Wonderful Savior

2 Corinthians 5:14-19

For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.

So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come. The old has gone, the new is here! All this is from God, who **reconciled** us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was **reconciling** the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

When I Survey the Wonderous Cross

arr. Fedak

Pedro Ramiro, violin

Message

Carol McEntyre

**How does Jesus death take care of your sin?
How is it that through Jesus you are reconciled to God?**

†Hymn of Commitment 514

Blessed Assurance

†Offertory Sentence

Offertory

Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me

arr. Behnke

†Benediction (Responsive)

God, we are on a journey with you to the cross.

The word is almost too big.

We can't get our arms around it.

Its meaning staggers us.

**May we take seriously the meaning of your cross,
as we take up ours,
standing beside each other,
daring one another to take the risks you ask
so that together we can live out your mission in the world.**

Week at a Glance

Sunday, February 24

4:00 pm First Kids Music

Sanctuary

5:30-7:00 pm College/Young Adult

Youth Suite

Monday, February 25

9-10:30 am Senior Yoga

Parlor

1-3:00 pm Staff meeting

Library

Tuesday, February 26

11:45 am – 2 pm Crafty Critters

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Wednesday, February 27

5:30 pm Psalm Players Rehearsal

Sanctuary

6-7:15 pm The Calling

Youth Suite

6:00 pm Praise Band Rehearsal

Fellowship Hall

6:30 pm Chancel Bells Rehearsal

Sanctuary

7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Sanctuary

Thursday, February 28

1-9:00 pm Makeup Directory Pictures

Parlor

Announcements

Lent Sermon Series – February 24

Did God Kill Jesus? Understanding the Cross

The sermon series Did God Kill Jesus? Understanding the Cross begins this Sunday, February 24. It is going to be a serious theological study of the cross and atonement (the process, by which we are reconciled to God). It is admittedly a heavy lift for a sermon series. So, in order to help you unpack this topic, we are offering two special small groups that will meet on Sunday Mornings at 10:15. Even if you don't typically attend small group, I hope you will consider joining a group for this series.

Understanding the Cross

Facilitated by: *Henry Imler*

February 24-April 21

Sundays at 10:15 am in the library

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Facilitated by: *Kim Siegenthaler*

March 17-April 21

Sundays at 10:15 am in the parlor

CBF Offering for Global Missions – February 2019

This Sunday, February 24, will be the last week for our yearly spotlight on this worthy ministry. We encourage our First Baptist family to give generously. Your support of the Offering for Global Missions will share the Gospel message and provide tangible gifts of God's grace and mercy. We have currently \$700 of our \$1,500 goal. 100% of your gifts to the Offering goes to missions funding (including the work of our very own Keith Holmes and Mary Van Rheenen). Offering can be placed in one of the Global Missions envelopes in worship or indicated on the memo line of the check. Checks should be made out to First Baptist Church. The church will send one check to CBF following the offering. Thank you for your generosity.

\$50 For 50

In celebration of the 50th year of quality preschool education, the Child Development Center is asking church members to donate \$50 during the month of February to help replenish their scholarship fund. This fund provides educational experiences for disadvantaged youth, contributes to their technology initiative which will enhance the overall program and safety, and for new tricycles to replace broken ones. Donations can be made to the Child Development Center and left at the CDC office, church office, or left in the offering plates during Sunday service.

Parent's Night Out

Parent's Night Out will be held on March 8 from 6-8:00 pm. Children from birth to 5th grade are welcome to join in the fun that includes games, crafts, food, and even a magician! Parents must RSVP to the Children's Ministry Director, Yvette Chambers at chambers@fbc-columbia.org

Room at the Inn, First Baptist – February 17-March 3

Room at the Inn has begun at First Baptist. There is a huge need for volunteers. We need people to serve as Greeters during the Child Development Center (CDC) pick up and drop off during the week. You can volunteer from 7:15 am – 8:30 am or from 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm. Greeters are asked to welcome CDC families as they enter, serve as a visible reminder that we take the safety of our CDC kids to heart, and serve as guides for any Room at the Inn guests who show up early. Room at the Inn guests will be directed to the Broadway entrance to the Fellowship Hall. This is a simple job but an important volunteer opportunity for the church so please consider giving your time. Sign up on the church website, www.fbc-columbia.org, click the “CDC for RATI” link on the top tool bar to go to the sign up page.

Room at the Inn is also in need of volunteers for the shelter. There are several slots that still need to be filled. To volunteer, go to <https://roomattheinncomo.org/volunteer> and click the Sign Up button. Please help make a difference to those in need in our community.

We are also in need of gloves for guests. If you would like to donate a pair, bring them to the church office.

Ash Wednesday Service

March 6 at 6:00 pm in the sanctuary

Our Lenten journey begins with Ash Wednesday, marking the beginning of Lent, the seven-week season that leads us to the celebration of Easter. Traditionally, Lent begins with a solemn reminder that we come from dust and will return to dust. It is a reminder that we have a need to acknowledge our sinful nature and to seek forgiveness. A reminder that we must ask God to continually “create in us a clean heart.”

Ash Wednesday is that time when ashes are placed on our forehead or hands as a symbol of our need for purification. During the service, we will be reminded of our need for God on our journey and have the opportunity to be marked with ashes. Please join us for this creative and tactile time of worship.



OFFERING FOR GLOBAL MISSIONS

As we give to support the work of Cooperative Baptist field personnel around the world through the Global Missions Offering, First Baptist is proud to support the ministry efforts of Keith Holmes and Mary VanRheenen, head of CBF Romany Ministries.

Greetings!

Your partnership with us has brought First Baptist to Europe in many different ways. This past September, Mary collaborated with a Sinti-Romany pastor from Germany. Together, they went to visit Romany in Moldova. As a result, the Dutch Baptist church we attend partnered with the Sinti-German church to provide firewood for vulnerable families in two different villages in Moldova.



This past year, Keith renewed his contacts with the Jesus Film Project. In years past, he had dubbed this 2-hour version of Luke into three different Romani dialects. Now the Jesus Film people are looking to dub several more Romani dialects in Ukraine. Keith will be helping with other minority language projects in this hemisphere, as well as continued work with Faith Comes By Hearing. In the past few months, he has visited Iceland and Spain to discuss potential recording projects there.

Thank you for your ongoing support both directly and through the Offering for Global Missions. God is working through your prayers and your financial gifts to make these and many more projects possible!

Yours in Christ,

Mary VanRheenen & Keith Holmes
CBF Romany Ministries
European Team



Worship Notes

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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 sanctuary flowers are given by Verna Rhodes
in honor of Jim's 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 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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