



HE IS THE IMAGE OF
the invisible God

THE FIRSTBORN OF ALL CREATION

Colossians 1:15

Our Worship of God

July 21, 2019

11:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

Greeting

Pastor Carol McEntyre

Prelude

He Leadeth Me

arr. Young

Call to Worship (responsive)

Come and worship Christ,
the visible image of the invisible God,
the firstborn of creation,
the eternal God:
the one through whom all things were created,
and in whom all things are held together.
This is our God!
Let's worship together.

†Processional Hymn 353

For the Beauty of the Earth

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

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer (unison)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sin, as we forgive those who sin against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Hear my voice, most gracious Lord.
O hear the prayer within my soul.
May the words rise to You with songs of praise.
Give me peace, touch my heart to feel Your everlasting love.
Hear my prayer, Holy Lord, in the morning when I rise.*

*Lead my life, most faithful Lord,
to seek Your thoughts and know Your will.
For my soul longs to dwell within Your care.
Give me strength, guide my steps to live according to Your Word.
Lead my life, Holy Lord, in the beauty of Your grace.
Search me, O Lord, and know my heart.*

*Try me, O God, and know my thoughts.
Find any wrong that dwells within my heart.
And lead me forever in Your everlasting love.*

*I will sing with all my heart,
I sing of God's unchanging love.
For His mercy endures forevermore.
May my trust rest in God to know the fullness of His grace.
Hear my prayer, Holy Lord, in the stillness of this hour.
Hear my prayer, Holy Lord, in the stillness of this hour.*

Colossians 1:15-28

He is the image
of the invisible God
the firstborn of all creation
for in him all things
in heaven and on earth were created
things visible and invisible
whether thrones or dominions
or rulers or powers
all things have been created through him and for him.

He himself is before all things
and in him all things hold together.
He is the head
of the body, the church

He is the beginning
the firstborn from the dead
so that he might come to have first place in everything
for in him all the fullness of God
was pleased to dwell
and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself
all things
whether on earth or in heaven
by making peace through the blood of his cross

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Litany (responsive)

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation;
**God with flesh on, dressed in our clothes, walking, talking,
weeping, laughing, eating, drinking, working, resting.**

For in him and through him all things in heaven and on earth were created,
things visible and invisible;
**this physical world, the spiritual, emotional and psychological,
people, places, planets, and personalities.**

He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together;
**he is the divine bond, the mediator, the prince of peace, the
architect, holding the universe, holding people, holding the future.**

He is the head of the body, the church;
**this ragged collection of believers, this dysfunctional family,
this holy temple, you and I, struggling to get along,
holding his treasure in these stumbling bodies, these jars of clay.**

He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead,
**so that he might have first place in everything;
crucified, dead and buried, the ultimate sacrifice, resurrected
and breathing new life into his followers.**

For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell;
**compassion, beauty, strength, creativity and good humor,
he is the foundation and the finish, everything that was and will be.**

And through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things,
**whether on earth or in heaven; the cosmos and the countries,
the universe and the individual, the people and the planets,
reconciled to himself by the peace made through the blood of the
cross of Christ.**

†Hymn

Bless Christ Through Whom All Things Are Made
Sung to DUNDEE

*Bless Christ through whom all things are made.
Join seen and unseen in their praise
of One who both creates, sustains
who goes before, in justice reigns.*

*Who makes the lion and the lamb
the farthest star, the smallest hand
dominions, rulers, and their pow'rs
the steadfast mount, the fleeting hours?*

*Who makes the waters of our birth?
Who makes the dust where we return?
Who makes the way for us to die
and rise to everlasting life?*

*Bless Christ through whom all things are made.
Join seen and unseen in their praise
of One who both creates, sustains
who goes before, in justice reigns.*

Message

Carol McEntyre

†Hymn of Commitment 734

Christ High-Ascended

†Offertory Sentence

Offertory

Adagio

Mozart/Biggs

†Benediction

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.

Week at a Glance

Sunday, July 21

Youth Depart for Unidiversity Camp

Monday, July 22

9-10:30 am Senior Yoga

Parlor

1-3:00 pm Staff Meeting

Office Commons

Tuesday, July 23

11:45 am – 2 pm Crafty Critters

Conference Room

Wednesday, July 24

5:30 pm Praise Band Rehearsal

Fellowship Hall

Announcements

Welcome! We're Glad You're Here

We would love to help you connect with our church. To learn more about First Baptist, fill out an information card during worship and drop it in the offering plate or give it to the pastor after worship. You can also stop by the Connections table and pick up our newsletter, *The Spire*. Information about our Children's Ministry and some of our adult small groups can be found on the back of the bulletin.

Enneagram & Relationships Small Group

Sunday, July 21 & 28

10:15 am, Hospitality Room

During the month of June, there were wonderful conversations about each Enneagram number's approach to relationships. Due to unpredictable West Texas weather, the Enneagram and Relationships small group did not meet on Sunday, July 7. In order to end well, we will be extending the class by two weeks. On Sunday, July 21, the group will talk about the strengths each number brings into relationships and three ways each number limits relationships. On Sunday, July 28, the group will discuss ways we can help ourselves and others thrive in relationships. Whether you have been with us from the beginning or one topic piques your interest, I hope you will join us as we continue to explore the Enneagram!

First Kids Camp

First Kids Camp registration is now closed but we still need volunteers! If you are interested, please email firstkidscamp@fbccolumbia.org or call the church office at 573-442-1149.

Youth Ministry Workshop – Summer Small Group

June 9-July 28, 10:15 am, 2nd Floor Conference Room

This summer we are beginning the work of reshaping our youth ministry (and possibly, by proxy, some of our children's ministry) future format and curriculum. This small group will help form and guide this process. Michael McEntyre will be leading the group with the help of Stephen Hoell and Noah Hartsfield. Working with the input of the visioning process, we will be gathering to discuss the following:

July 21 & 28- Intro the Journey to Adulthood curriculum that Michael has chosen to help guide our discussion and hopefully help build our future framework.

This is an exciting endeavor and we hope you will make an effort to join us this summer when in town. The group is open to everyone and we especially hope to hear from those in our congregation with kids (preschoolers to college students). We look forward to seeing what God (and you all) create for our students here at First Baptist.

Combined Worship and Business Meeting – August 4

First Baptist will have Combined Worship on August 4 at 11:15 am in the Sanctuary. Following worship, there will be a brief business meeting.

Inclusion Training August 4, 11 and 18

One focus area that came out of our All In Visioning Process was "Work toward increased accessibility and inclusivity in First Baptist ministries and facilities." To do this, we have committed to expanding opportunities for inclusion education and experiences. We have identified two areas of inclusion that we want to work on this summer. The first area of focus is the inclusion of all genders including people who are transgender and nonbinary. On August 4 and 11 at 10:15 in the parlor, Dr. Christy Hutton and Dr. Loren Bauerband from the University of Missouri will be leading this training. The second area of focus is the inclusion of people with disabilities, especially children. On August 18 at 10:15 am in the parlor, Christy Edwards a minister and mother of a special needs child, will be talking about how faith communities can companion this growing population.



For Children During Worship:

Birth-Kindergarteners can be checked in at the nursery, located next to the sanctuary, where they will be cared for by our professional staff.

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

10:15 Spiritual Formation Hour:

Birth-Age 3 Childcare is provided by our professional staff in the nursery, which is 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 are located on the second floor:

- Discussion Class (in the Parlor) likes to take a deep dive into scripture.
- Faith Forum (Elevator Lobby Classroom) is a diverse group that likes to read the lesson for the day together, share information, and ask questions to learn from one another.
- Connections Group (office commons) is made up of younger adults. They spend time building community, sharing life, and often take on heady theological topics.

*The all-gender restroom is located in the Child Development Center Hallway outside the Sanctuary.

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