



WHAT IS THE BIBLE?

And what do I do with it...

Our Worship of God

September 22, 2019

11:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

Greeting

Pastor Carol McEntyre

Prelude

Oh That I Had a Thousand Voices

Burkhardt

†Call to Worship (responsive)

The Lord our God is revealed to us in many ways—
through God's creative love in nature and people.

With reverent awe we come to worship our glorious God.

The truths about our God are spoken so fluently—
through our God's diverse Word and creative presence.

With joy and delight we gather to worship our God.

The reality of God's creative Spirit can be experienced each day—
in changed lives, and in sustained and renewed creation.

**Praise be to the God who speaks to us in so many ways.
We respond by offering ourselves in worship and praise.**

†Processional Hymn 17

Praise the Lord! O Heavens, Adore Him

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Theme Interpretation

Carol McEntyre

Affirmation of Faith (unison)

**We believe the Bible is unique.
God breathes life into the Scriptures and through it,
into our community of faith and our very souls.**

**We believe the Bible has a unique role in our community,
resourcing, challenging, and guiding us in ways that no other text can.
It teaches, reproves, corrects, trains and equips us
for love and good works.**

**We confess the Bible is sometimes confusing,
at times it can be disturbing
and we do not pretend to understand everything about it.**

**Yet, we commit to meditate on the Bible,
to study the words within and to wrestle with our questions and doubts,
believing that when we do, God will bless us richly.**

†Hymn 309

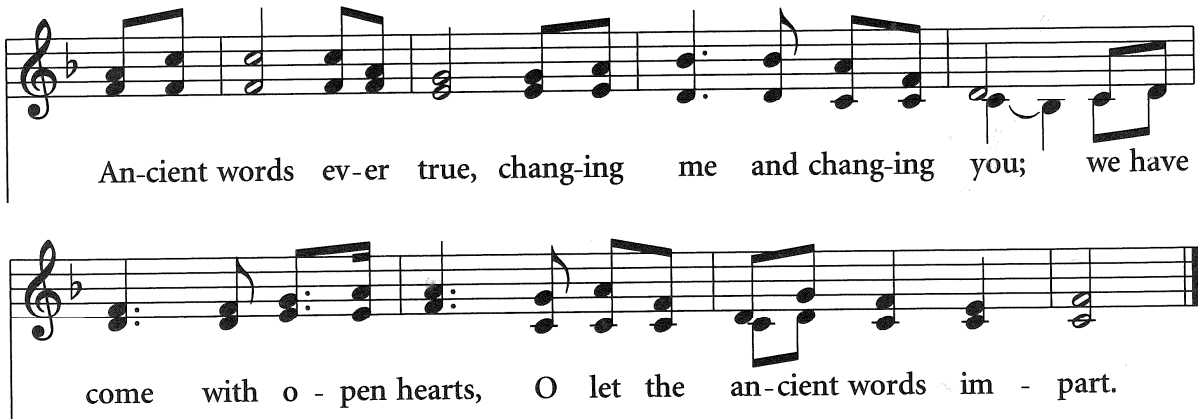
Wonderful Words of Life

Prayer for Illumination (unison)

**O God, may your Spirit awaken our imagination and devotion,
so that as we read the words of Scripture
the people, events, and teachings may spring to life
and allow us to meet you face to face.**

Refrain

Ancient Words



An-cient words ev-er true, chang-ing me and chang-ing you; we have
come with o - pen hearts, O let the an-cient words im - part.

Scripture Reading

Eli Marchbanks

John 20:1, 11-16

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher).

**Holy Spirit, as we reflect on these words,
give us the ability to translate them into today’s world
and the courage to live them out in the circumstances of our own lives.**

Translation:

Sing praise to God above all ye nations,
praise Him ye people, all ye souls on earth.
For He hath shown His kindness toward us,
His love and merciful kindness,
and the truth of God lasteth forever,
lasteth for all eternity.

Praise to the Father and Son also,
and the Holy Spirit,
as it was then and will ever be,
both now and always
through the centuries everlasting. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Eli Marchbanks

Mark 16:1-8

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Message*The Bible is Diverse*

Carol McEntyre

†Hymn of Commitment

Footsteps of Jesus



1. Sweet - ly, Lord, have we heard Thee call - ing, "Come, fol - low Me!"
2. Though they lead o'er the cold dark moun-tains, seek - ing His sheep,
3. If they lead through the tem - ple ho - ly, preach-ing the Word,
4. Then at last, when on high He sees us, our jour-ney done,



And we see where Thy foot-prints fall - ing, lead us to Thee.
or a - long by Si - lo - am's foun-tains, help - ing the weak.
or in homes of the poor and low - ly, serv - ing the Lord.
we will rest where the steps of Je - sus end at His throne.



Foot - prints of Je - sus that make the path - way glow;



we will fol - low the steps of Je - sus wher - e'er they go.

†Offertory Sentence

Offertory

Adagio

Renner

†Benediction

Worship Notes

*✧ The sanctuary flowers are given in honor of ✧
Jim & Verna Rhodes' 69th wedding anniversary.*

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Thank you for worshipping 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, September 22

10:15 am Summer Book Club Discussion: *What is the Bible?* *Parlor*
5:30 pm College & Young Adult Small Group *Student Suite*

Monday, September 23

9-10:30 Senior Yoga *Parlor*
1-3:00 pm Staff Meeting *Office Commons*

Tuesday, September 24

11:45 am – 2 pm Crafty Critters *Conference Room*

Wednesday, September 25

5:30 pm Praise Band Rehearsal *Fellowship Hall*
6-7:15pm The Calling *Student Suite*
6:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal *Sanctuary*
7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal *Sanctuary*

Saturday, September 28

Festival of Sharing *Off-site*

Sunday, September 29

10:15 am Summer Book Club Discussion: *What is the Bible?* *Parlor*
4:00 pm First Kids' Choir Begins *Choir Room*
5:30 pm College & Young Adult Small Group *Student Suite*

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.

Summer Book Club Discussion Groups

If you have been reading our summer book club selections about the Bible, we wanted to let you know when the discussions will take place. The groups will meet during the Small Group Hour at 10:15 am in the Parlor on the second floor. We look forward to the conversation!

What is the Bible? by Rob Bell
September 22 & 29
10:15 am, Parlor
led by Noah Hartsfield

The Bible Tells Me So by Peter Enns
October 6 & 13
10:15 am, Parlor
led by Brian Ford

Sheppard Lecture Series – October 19 & 20

Join us on October 19 & 20 for our annual Sheppard Lecture with Jared Byas, co-host of the popular podcast, *The Bible for Normal People*.

Saturday, October 19 10:00 am-12:00 pm
Sunday, October 20 9:15 am and 10:30 am-12:00 pm

Childcare provided with RSVP by October 14 at churchinfo@fbc-columbia.org.

First Kids Choir Begins September 29

First Kids Choir will begin on Sunday, September 29 at 4:00 pm in the Chancel Choir Room. Children 4 years old to 5th grade are invited to participate in the fun. If you have any questions, you can email Julie Walker, Interim Children's Music Director at jbethwalker58@gmail.com.

Children's Ministry Volunteer Opportunities

During our Church-Wide Visioning process, our church family overwhelmingly emphasized our passion for Children's Ministry. Because of this, one of our six focus statements is "enrich ministry to children and their families." We are excited about the growth we have seen in the past few years, and the commitment the congregation has placed on our Children's Ministry. In order to continue to see our ministry to children and their families flourish, we have some additional volunteer opportunities during extended care, Sunday school, and First Kid's Music. Extended Session is for children ages 3 through Kindergarten during the church services, and needs volunteers to oversee children in the gym and children's room. Our 9:15 Extended session needs four volunteers who can serve once a month, and two volunteers who can be substitutes during this time. Additionally, our 10:15 Sunday School needs two additional adults to assist our teachers each week. Julie Walker, Interim Director of Children's Music is also looking for adults interested in helping with reinforcement activities during choir practice at 4:00 pm on Sundays. If you are interesting in serving with our children's ministry, please contact Interim Assistant Pastor Brittany McDonald Null.

Parents' Night Out – October 11

On October 11 from 6-8:00 pm, parents and caregivers are invited to drop their kids off and have an evening to themselves. Children 3 and under can be dropped off at the church nursery at 5:45 pm. For kiddos old enough to eat pizza, it will be provided and they will do a craft together. Children from age 4-13 can be dropped off at 6:00 pm at Tiger Bounce, 3601 Buttonwood Drive . The cost of admission is \$5.99 and includes a drink, a slice of pizza and popcorn. We need at least 10 kids to secure this reduced rate, so please sign up early by contacting Bethany James, Nursery Coordinator at baj427@mail.missouri.edu.

Service for Honoring Transitions – September 29

2:00-3:30 in the Fellowship Hall

Transitions are hard. Our long-time music minister's departure is a big change for First Baptist. We are three months into this transition and still processing this change. We have put together a service for honoring transitions. The service will take place on Sunday, September 29 from 2:00-3:30 in the Fellowship Hall. We will spend a few minutes in silence and take some time to reflect as a group on the transition. Then, you will have the chance to break up into stations and do your own personal reflection.

The Calling – September Updates

The Calling, our mid-week gathering for Middle and High School students, takes place each Wednesday from 6 -7:15 pm in the Youth Suite. September offers two special events for our students. The first is a scavenger hunt at Shyrock Corn Maze on Wednesday, September 25. Students will work together to decipher the clues and make their way through the maze and back before time runs out. The second is a day of service with the Festival of Sharing on Saturday morning, September 28. Students will meet at the church and travel to Tipton MO to help organize and pack needed supplies for many of our Mid-Missouri ministries and support agencies. As always, friends are welcome to attend.

First Baptist Work Day – October 6

We are looking for help with some yardwork and clean up around the church following the services on Sunday, October 6. We need help clearing the fence row and trimming the growth in the back parking lot to help with safety and security. We also need assistance in weeding and mulching the island in this space, as well as a few additional projects around the church, depending on the number of people who are able to help. Work will begin after the small group hour for those who normally attend the first service. A picnic lunch will be provided following the second service. Volunteers may want to bring work gloves, old clothes (preferably pants and long sleeve shirt), and a water bottle. We are planning to be done by 2:00pm. We hope you will consider joining.

Fall Fun Fest – October 27

Fall Fun Fest will take place at the newly refurbished Midway Golf and Games located at 5500 W Van Horn Tavern Rd, Columbia, MO 65203. We will gather at their beautiful pavilion for our traditional potluck dinner and the facility will have a dedicated parking area for our Trunk or Treat festivities! The church will provide the drinks and paper goods, but we need some good eats and treats to bring it all together. There will be plenty of free yard games to play and our church will be offered a group rate for all other activities (including putt-putt, foot golf, go-karts, batting cages, and the driving range). We will also have a couple of church sponsored activities as well to spice things up (maybe archery tag and a mini Par 3 Golf Tournament, more information to come).



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:

- What is the Bible?* Discussion Group in the Parlor
- 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.

Church Staff

Rev. Dr. Carol McEntyre, Senior Pastor

Michael McEntyre, Associate Pastor of Youth, Missions, and Interim Administration

Brittany McDonald Null, Interim Assistant Pastor

Shelby Myers, Awakening Worship Praise Band Director, Colleen Ostercamp, Pianist and Organist

Marques J. Ruff, Interim Music Director-Traditional Worship

Susan Goudie, Administrative Assistant, Bethany James, Nursery Director

Brenda Rice, Project Coordinator, Michael Ide, Custodian