



WHAT IS THE BIBLE?
And what do I do with it...

Our Worship of God

October 13, 2019

11:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

Greeting

Pastor Carol McEntyre

†Call to Worship (responsive)

We gather here in anticipation,
seeking an encounter with our Holy God,
who comes among us when we least expect it,
who invites us to wrestle with our questions and doubts,
who richly blesses us,
and calls us each by name.

Let's worship God together!

Prelude

The Rejoicing

Callahan

†Processional Hymn 802

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Sharing our Stories

Sheila Brookes

†Hymn 514

Blessed Assurance

Message

How Do We Read the Bible, Then? Part 1

Carol McEntyre

Meditation on Micah 6:8

He has told you, O mortal, what is good;
and what does the LORD require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

Questions for Reflection

*What if this is all God asks of us?
What does it mean to “love kindness?”
How do you “walk humbly” with God?*

Anthem

Three Things I Require

Perry/Purifoy

*All that I have God has given me,
My life is filled with His blessings untold.
My days overflow with His infinite grace.
My joy knows no bounds when I walk in His way.
What can I give back to Him?
This He replied from His Word.
“Three things I require, three things I require,
to love justice and mercy, to be loyal and kind,
to walk humbly, to walk humbly with your God.”*

*All that we have God has given us,
He has ordained us to share with the world
proclaiming His love and forgiveness of men,
His peace that surrounds all who yield to His will.
What shall we give for His grace?
This simple charge he has made.
“Three things I require, three things I require,
to love justice and mercy, to be loyal and kind,
to walk humbly, to walk humbly with your God.”*

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

Susan Hayden

Hebrews 4:12-16

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one

who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

**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.**

Message *How Do We Read the Bible, Then? Part 2* Carol McEntyre

†Hymn of Response 306 Standing on the Promises of God

†Offertory Sentence

Offertory Be Thou My Vision arr. Whitmore

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, October 13

10:15 am Summer Book Club Discussion:

The Bible Tells Me So

Parlor

4:00 pm First Kids' Choir

Choir Room

5:30 pm College & Young Adult Small Group

Student Suite

Monday, October 14

9-10:30 Senior Yoga

Parlor

1-3:00 pm Staff Meeting

Office Commons

5:30 pm Missions/Serving Team Meeting

Office Commons

Tuesday, October 15

11:45 am – 2 pm Crafty Critters

Conference Room

6:00 pm Church Council Meeting

Conference Room

Wednesday, October 16

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, October 19

10:00 am Sheppard Lecture Series

Fellowship Hall

Sunday, October 20

9:15 am Combined Worship, Jared Byas preaching

Sanctuary

10:30 am Sheppard Lecture Series

Fellowship Hall

4:00 pm First Kids' Choir

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.

Sheppard Lecture Series – October 19 & 20

If you are like many, you may have more questions than answers about the Bible, the prophets, the teachings and the Word in general. No matter if your faith is strong or weak, you should enjoy First Baptist Church's must-see speaker, Jared Byas, as part of the church's annual Sheppard Lecture Series on Saturday, October 19 and Sunday, October 20.

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

October 19 | 10:00 am

Fellowship Hall

Let There Be Something! An Introduction to that Ancient, Diverse, & Ambiguous Book

October 20 | 9:15 am

Sanctuary – Combined Worship

You Have Heard it Said, But I Say to You. Why We must Change the Meaning of the Bible.

October 20 | 10:30 am

Fellowship Hall

You Will Know By Their Fruits. Where the Bible Belongs in the Life of Faith.

Fall Fun Fest – October 27

Our Fall Fun Fest and Trunk-or-Treat will take place from 3:00-7:30pm on Sunday, Oct 27 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 and the facility will have a dedicated parking area for those participating in our Trunk-or-Treat festivities. You are encouraged to decorate your vehicle and give out candy to our little ones as they come by.

There will be a Par 3 Tournament for bragging rights for adults, and a kid's putt putt play-off as well. To enter the Par 3 tournament, simply sign up your team on the church website or on the bulletin board. There are lots of free yard games to enjoy like corn hole, Bocce Ball, and ring toss, as well as giant sized Battle Ship, Checkers, and Connect 4, and our church will be offered a group rate of \$6 each for all other activities including putt-putt, foot golf, go-karts, batting cages, and the driving range.

Every family is asked to bring enough food to share for dinner. Just like at the farm, you will want to bring something to keep your items warm or cool until time to eat. While we will never replace the memories of Afternoon at the Farm, we hope this event will offer a fun night of fellowship for our church family and plenty of candy for the kids. We hope to see you there!



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:

- The Bible Tells Me So* 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

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