



# *Our Worship of God*

*February 16, 2020*

*11:15 am*

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

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## ✧ **You're Enough Sermon Series** ✧

**Greeting**

Pastor Carol McEntyre

**Prelude**

Sinfonia  
Luiza Aires, *violin*

J.S. Bach

### **†Call to Worship (responsive)**

We have gathered in this place to worship,  
**because Jesus invites us to come!**

We come as we are,  
with our faith and our doubts,  
with our successes and our failures,  
**because Jesus invites us to come!**

We come with what we have,  
bringing with us the events and experiences of this past week,  
**because Jesus invites us to come.**

Let's worship God together.

### **†Processional Hymn 95**

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

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

### **†Passing the Peace of Christ**

**Matthew 8:1-4**

When Jesus had come down from the mountain, great crowds followed him; and there was a leper who came to him and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, if you choose, you can make me clean." He stretched out his hand and touched him, saying, "I do choose. Be made clean!" Immediately his leprosy was cleansed. Then Jesus said to him, "See that you say nothing to anyone; but go, show yourself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, as a testimony to them."

The Gospel of our Lord.  
**Praise be to Christ.**

**Question for Reflection**

*How have you experienced Jesus as a healer?*

**Litany for You're Enough (responsive)**

God, our culture is always sending us messages  
**that say we aren't enough.**

Our economy is always trying to sell us something  
**that will make us worthy.**

When the whole truth, and the whole message of Christ  
**is that the Community of God is right here, right now,**  
And we have everything we need to live in it,  
**to be fulfilled by Love.**

Yes, there are things we want to do and have in this life,  
**but none of them make us worthy of love.**  
Our dignity and belovedness are innate -  
**the love of God toward us is a given.**

So much of the work we are here to do  
**is to learn to notice love -**  
How it's already abundant  
**already evident**  
Already the fabric of the universe  
**already shareable.**

Our belovedness, and the resources that affords us  
**are what we must wake up to,**  
So that we can silence the voices that shame and destroy,  
**and be a people who walk in love.**

Through all the noise we hear the voice of God saying:  
**“You are loved.**  
You are love.  
**You love.”**

### **Grounded in Blessing**

*I am God's Beloved. I find my home in God.  
Blessing resides in me. I am enough.*

### **†Hymn 522**

Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us

### **Question for Reflection**

*How have you experienced Jesus as the Good Shepherd?  
How has he guided you or protected you?*

**Anthem**

Hear my Prayer

*O Lord, please hear my prayer,  
in the mornin' when I rise.  
It's Your servant bound for glory.  
O dear Lord, please hear my prayer.  
O Lord, please hear my prayer,  
keep me safe within Your arms.  
It's your servant bound for glory.*

*O dear Lord, please hear my prayer.  
When my work on earth is done,  
and you come to take me home,  
just to know I'm bound for glory,  
and to hear You say "well done,"  
done with sin and sorrow,  
have mercy, mercy.  
Amen.*

**Message**

Carol McEntyre

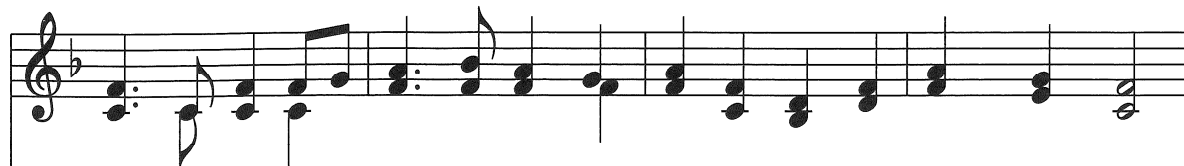
*Rediscovering Jesus*

# †Hymn of Commitment

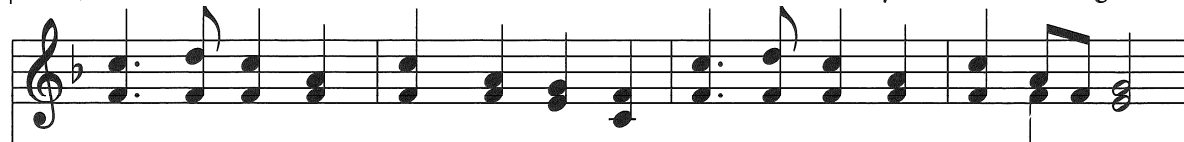
## Praise the One who Breaks the Darkness



1. Praise the One who breaks the dark-ness with a lib - er - at - ing light;
2. Praise the One who blessed the chil-dren with a strong, yet gen-tle, word;
3. Let us praise the Word In - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered in our place.



praise the One who frees the pris-oners, turn-ing blind-ness in - to sight.  
praise the One who drove out de-mons with the pierc-ing, two - edged sword.  
Je - sus died and rose vic-to-ri-ous that we all may know God's grace.



Praise the One who preached the Gos-pel, heal - ing ev - ery dread dis - ease,  
Praise the One who brings cool wa - ter to the des-ert's burn - ing sand;  
Let us sing for joy and glad-ness, see - ing what our God has done;



calm - ing storms, and feed - ing thou-sands with the ver - y Bread of peace.  
from this well comes liv - ing wa - ter, quench-ing thirst in ev - ery land.  
let us praise the true Re-deem - er, praise the One who makes us one.

## †Offertory Sentence

Offertory                                      More Love to Thee, O Christ                      arr. Dennis D. Johnson

## †Benediction (responsive)

May the God who fashioned the universe in love move freely among and within us.

**May our lives embody the light of Christ and our togetherness bring forth a community of belovedness.**



Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God who calls us good and proclaims we're enough.**

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## 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.

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## Week at a Glance

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### Sunday, February 16

4:00 pm First Kids Choir

*Children's Suite*

5:30 pm College & Young Adult Gathering

*Student Suite*

### Monday, February 17

9-10:30 am Senior Yoga

*Parlor*

1-3:00 pm Staff Meeting

*Office Commons*

### Tuesday, February 18

11:45 am-2:00 pm Crafty Critters

*Conference Room*

### Wednesday, February 19

5:30 pm Diaconate Meeting

*Office Commons*

6:00 pm The Calling

*Student Suite*

6:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal

*Sanctuary*

7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

*Sanctuary*

### Thursday, February 20

5:30 pm Praise Band Rehearsal

*Fellowship Hall*

### Friday, February 21

6:30 pm LGBTQ+ Affirming Worship Service

*Sanctuary*

7:15 pm Transgender & Christian w/ Austen Hartke

*Sanctuary*

### Saturday, February 22

10:00 am The Bible and Transgender Christian  
Seminar with Austen Hartke

*Fellowship Hall*



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## Announcements

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### 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.

### Cooperative Baptist Fellowship's Offering for Global Missions

This year's CBF Offering for Global Missions is especially timely considering our recent affirmation as an Encourager Church for CBF Field Personnel Keith Holmes and Mary Van Rheenen. During February, First Baptist members can support the work of Cooperative Baptist Field Personnel around the world by giving to the CBF Offering for Global Missions. Your support of the Offering for Global Missions will share the Gospel message and provide tangible gifts of God's grace and mercy. 100% of your gifts to the Offering goes to funding the ministry of field personnel. 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.

### Faces of Beloved Community Exhibit

The photographs located in the elevator lobby illustrate the work and reach of CBF Global Missions over a period of time. Together, they paint a portrait of the ways CBF seeks to build beloved community over time and around the world.

## First Kids Music Begins Today

First Kids Music begins today from 4:00-4:45 pm in the Kids Ministry Suite located on the third floor of our church. Kids will begin together in the Kids Ministry Suite before separating Pre-K and Kindergarten-5th grade. First Kids Music will perform on March 1 during 9:15 am Combined Worship as well as one additional time in the spring. Get those singing voices ready as we lift up a joyful noise to God.

## First Baptist Book Club

Introducing the First Baptist Book Club - a gathering for readers every other month to discuss books centered around faith formation and spirituality. To kick things off, in connection with our Lenten theme, *Journey through Lent with Art*, the first book will be *The Return of the Prodigal Son: A Story of Homecoming* by Henri Nouwen. By connecting with Rembrandt's painting with the same name, Nouwen shares his story in a captivating way and captures the themes of homecoming, affirmation, and reconciliation. To register to be a part of this book club, email Brittany, Pastor of Spiritual Formation, at [bnull@fbc-columbia.org](mailto:bnull@fbc-columbia.org). A new book will be selected at the end of each meeting.

## Christianity & Transgender Inclusion Event – February 21 & 22

Austen Hartke is a graduate of Luther Seminary's Master of Arts program in Old Testament and Hebrew Bible Studies, and author of *Transforming: The Bible and the Lives of Transgender Christians*. An LGBTQ+ Affirming Worship Service will be held at 6:30 pm on Friday, February 21, after which Hartke will share his coming out story and talk about the biblical stories that give him strength as an adult in a session called *Transgender and Christian: A Coming Out and Coming Home Story*. On Saturday, February 22, at 10:00 am, Hartke will lead *The Bible and Transgender Christian's Seminar* in a session that explores the biblical texts historically used to discriminate against the LGBTQ+ community. Then he will dig into stories of biblical characters who didn't fit the mold when it came to gender expression. Childcare is available upon request.

## Lenten Series

Our theme for the season is *Journey Through Lent with Art*. The series includes a different work of art, a famous painting or sculpture, for every Sunday of Lent through Easter. Our worship series are often left-brain focused, taking on heavy theological topics, and trying to understand them in a new way. However, this series is about right-brained spirituality: connecting with God on a heart level. If you have ever been moved by a piece of music, a movie, or a theatrical performance, then you know art has a way of communicating beyond where words can take us. This series seeks to provide space to experience our God who is beyond all words.

## Ash Wednesday Service – February 26

Lent, the six-week period leading up to Easter begins on Ash Wednesday, February 26. Join us at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall as we begin our journey through Lent together.

## Combined Worship – March 1

On March 1, we will gather at 9:15 am in the Fellowship Hall to begin our Lenten journey together. Small groups will follow during the 10:15 am Spiritual Formation hour.

## Lenten Daily Reflection Email Option

During the season of Lent, you have the opportunity to receive daily Gospel reflections produced by the University Notre Dame on a different work of art for every day of Lent through Easter, with a brief meditation on each image. We begin each week's art meditations with an image from Notre Dame's campus and then moved into classical works, all illustrating the scene from the upcoming Sunday Gospel and message. To opt-in to this Lenten experience, email the church office at [churchinfo@fbc-columbia](mailto:churchinfo@fbc-columbia).



**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.

1<sup>st</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> 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 Group (Parlor) has begun an in-depth study of 1 Corinthians.

Everyone is welcome to join the conversation.

-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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