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✦ The ushers today are from Team 3.

✦ Flowers in the sanctuary are given by Bob & Marilyn Russell in memory of Marilyn's mother, Mildred Walthall, and in honor of her father, Norris Walthall.

Children's Sunday School (3 year olds-5th grade) 9:45 to 10:45 am on the third floor.
Children's Worship (kindergarten-5th grade) 11:00 am-12:00 pm on the third floor every Sunday except the 1st Sunday of each month when children attend worship with their parents, guardians or chaperones.

Youth Bible Study (grades 6-12) 11:00 am-12:00 pm on the third floor.

Discussion Class 9:45 am on the second floor in the Parlor.

Faith Forum Class 9:45 am on the second floor next to the elevator.

Faithweaver Class 9:45 am in E-3 on the third floor.

InSight (college and young adults) 8:30 pm on Wednesday nights on the third floor.

FBC partners in mission with the American Baptist Churches, USA, Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, and Alliance of Baptists.

*For those who may prefer a more contemporary worship experience,
First Baptist Church offers Awakening at 9:45 a.m.
each Sunday morning in the Fellowship Hall.*

First Baptist Church

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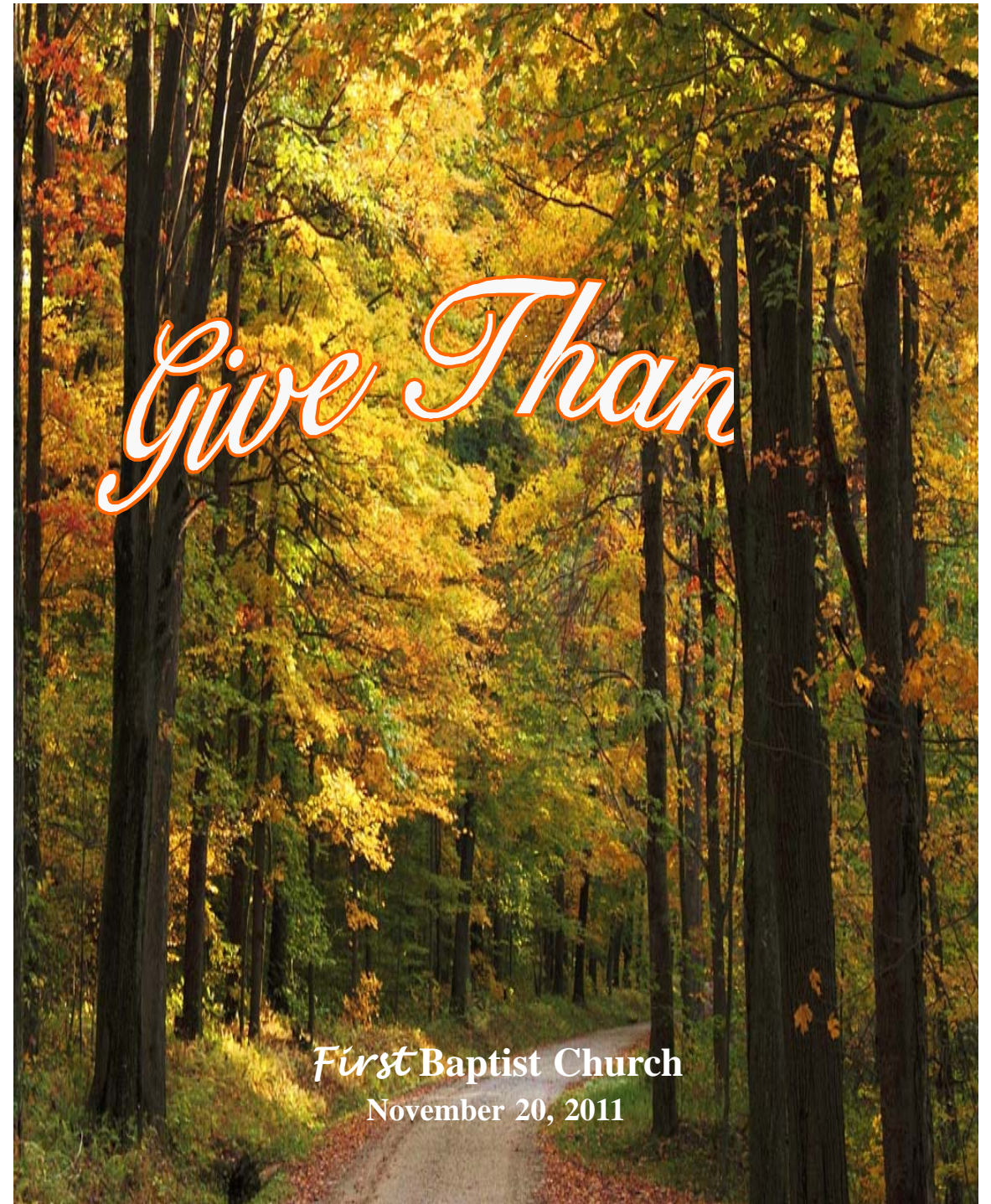
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Give Thanks

First Baptist Church

November 20, 2011



First
Baptist Church
Columbia, MO

Progressive in thought, action and acceptance!

Our Worship of God

November 20, 2011

11:00 am

† Indicates those who are able, please stand.

Greeting Bob Russell

Prelude Mozart
Symphony No. 15
Psalm Players

Call to Worship (responsive)

Our help is in the name of our God,
who made heaven and earth.

Amen.

Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving.

Make music upon the harp.

How good it is to celebrate God's presence
and sing praise throughout each day!

How good it is to sing praise and give honor to our God!

Our God rebuilds the people of earth.

The wandering ones are gathered together,
the brokenhearted are healed, the hungry are fed,
the prisoners are freed, the blind are given sight,
the lonely are befriended.

Week At-A-Glance

Sunday, November 20

9:45 am Awakening Contemporary Worship

9:45 am Bible Study

11:00 am Traditional Worship Service

12:00 n Called Business Meeting in Sanctuary

3:00 pm Holiday Parade

3:00 pm Congolese Workshop (FH)

4:00 pm Youth and Ring 'n Sing

5:00 pm The Calling (youth)

Monday, November 21

9 am Senior Yoga Group (Parlor)

11:00 am Staff Meeting

Wednesday, November 23

10:00 am Donut Shop Ministries at Donut D-lite

11:00 am FBC's Prayer Journey (Parlor)

Thursday, November 24 & Friday, November 25

Office Closed

Thanksgiving

Saturday, November 26

2:00 pm African Conference (FH)

Sunday, November 27

9:45 am Awakening Contemporary Worship

9:45 am Bible Study

11:00 am Traditional Worship Service

2:00 pm African Conference (FH)

4:00 pm Youth and Ring 'n Sing

5:00 pm The Calling (youth)

Missions Moment:

Missions Moment: Wondering what you can do to feel the true meaning of this Holiday season? Let us help you. We have a wide variety of ways members of FBC can help others:

November- Christmas Giving Board!!! Please choose an item from the list on the Missions bulletin board (elevator hallway) that you would like to donate for needy children and families. Return these items to “Santa’s Sack” in the library sometime before December 4th.

December 4th- 12noon- “Wrap Up” party. Please bring tape, scissors, and Christmas wrapping paper to the fellowship hall immediately after church. WE will provide pizza and veggies. YOU will get to help wrap and sort all the presents for the families. WooHoo! This is going to be fun!!!!

MISSIONS FOCUS FOR DECEMBER: “*God’s mission, Your passion*” – Let’s start getting geared up to give to global missions through CBF.

*Please contact Janet Kieffer n.kieffer@mchsi.com OR Susie Bennett bennett@fbc-columbia.org With any questions about ways you can participate in any of these great opportunities.

The Wardrobe is in need of sheets and blankets (queen and king size) and towels. These do not have to be new but could be gently used. Bring your items to the Wardrobe or to the church.

How good it is to sing praise and give honor to our God!

All of nature sings aloud the goodness of God—
clouds, rain, grass, creatures great and small.
Our God creates and sustains our world
with ever-growing, never-ending love.

How good it is to sing praise and give honor to our God!

Grace and peace be yours in abundance
through the knowledge of God and of Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Amen.

—based on Psalm 147; 2 Peter 1:2

✦ Hymn of Thanksgiving 374

Now Thank We All Our God

✦ Passing the Peace of Christ

*As God has given us peace through Christ
so let us pass the peace of Christ to each other.*

Special Music

What Gift Can We Bring

Ed Rollins

*What gift can we bring, what present, what token?
What words can convey it, the joy of this day?
When grateful we come, remembering, rejoicing,
what song can we offer in honor and praise?*

*Give thanks for the past, for those who had vision,
who planted and watered so dreams could come true.*

*Give thanks for the now, for study, for worship,
for mission that bids us turn prayer into deed.*

*Give thanks for tomorrow, full of surprises,
for knowing whatever tomorrow may bring,*

*the Word is our promise always, forever;
we rest in God's keeping and live in God's love.
This gift we now bring, this present, this token,
these words can't convey it, the joy of this day!
when grateful we come, remembering, rejoicing,
this song we now offer in honor and praise!*

Blessing the Children

Ed Rollins

✠ Gospel Reading

Kee Groshong

Luke 17:11-19

One of the ten, finding himself cured, turned back praising God.

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise be to Christ.

Anthem

Give Thanks

Patterson

Give thanks to the Lord with a joyful voice.

Give thanks to the Lord, all people rejoice.

Great are God's blessings, rich blessings of joy.

Give thanks for God's goodness; give thanks to the Lord.

Great are the gifts of creation: the beauty of earth and sky and sea.

Great is God's splendor before us, yet greater still,

God's blessings unseen.

*Strength from the Spirit, peace from above, grace and forgiveness,
these are the blessings of God's redeeming love.*

*Lift up your voice with thanksgiving, sing praises,
give thanks to the Lord, thanks to the Lord*

Lift up your voice and give thanks to the Lord!

Roe-mantic Holidays
Friday, December 2, 7:00 pm
First Baptist Church

Odyssey
Chamber
music series

There is nothing like listening to a Viennese waltz around New Years! Enjoy the Anderson-Roe rendition of Strauss' *Blue Danube Waltz* and Rachmaninoff's *Vocalise* for piano four hands, Pachelbel's *Canon in D*, works for guitar featuring Anthony Glise, and Wagner's dedication to his wife in *Siegfried Idyll* for 13 instruments lead by maestro Edward Dolbashian.

December Concerts

Saturday, December 3, 7 pm at FBC ~ Columbia Handbell Ensemble

Sunday, December 4, 2 pm at FBC ~ UMC Women's Chorale

Sunday, December 4, 5 pm at FBC ~ UMC Concert Chorale

Friday, December 9, 7 pm at The Club at Old Hawthorne ~ CHE

Saturday, December 10, 7:30 pm at Herman, MO ~ CHE



Annual Christmas Dinner

Sunday, December 11, 6 pm

Fellowship Hall

A-I Main Dishes, J-S Salads, T-Z Dessert

Let me offer a word about our Advent theme and the sermons this Advent season. The first three sermons this season will be drawn from the psalms, with supporting texts from the Prophet Isaiah. Each of the psalms for these first three weeks contain the verb "to restore." This seems to suggest a truth that is basic to all of us as we enter this season—that once we knew a very precious truth that has now somehow slipped from our grasp. Thus our theme for this Advent season is *Restore us, O God, to....* So in the Advent sermons this season, I invite us to join with the psalmist in petitioning God to restore to us the Advent gifts of hope and peace and joy and love.

Bob Russell, Interim Pastor

Children's Ministry Activities



We have an exciting Holiday season for the kids!! Please mark your calendars for the following dates:

December 2nd- Join us as we visit the living windows displays downtown. We will meet at the church at 6:30pm and walk through downtown then come back to the church lawn for S'mores and singing.

December 24th- If you are interested in bringing your child(ren) to a Christmas Eve Kids' service on Christmas Eve Day, please email Janet to express your interest. Your communication will decide whether we will have an afternoon service. Contact Janet Kieffer n.kieffer@mchsi.com with questions about any of these activities.

LAST FIRST FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP FOR THE YEAR!



December 2nd meet at Church 530pm

A surprise will wait for you in the parlor!

Please bring or send a check for \$10. for your dinner that night

Also bring a fun gift to share!

Need to know by November 28th if you're attending

Will be done by Odyssey concert time!

RSVP to Sandy at 442-1149 or
churchinfo@fbc-columbia.org

Prayer of Thanksgiving (responsive)

Let us give thanks to the Lord for the people he has given us.
For parents and grandparents, for sons and daughters,
for brothers and sisters, for husband and wife,
for all those who reflect to us the human dimension of your love,

we give you thanks, O Lord.

For neighbors and colleagues, for friends both far away and nearby—

for all those who share the joys and sorrows of our daily lives,

we give you thanks, O Lord.

For those who serve us in restaurants, in repair shops, in stores,
in schools, in hospitals—

for all those who make our lives more comfortable,

we give you thanks, O Lord.

For the family of God, for the church universal,
and for those who worship with us and minister to us in this church,

we give you thanks, O Lord.

For those who are weak and destitute,
for those who need protection and support,
for those who need healing and nurturing,
for all those to whom we minister,

we give you thanks, O Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

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 sins 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.*

✦ Hymn 353 For the Beauty of the Earth
Omit stanza 3

Message “The Words of Thanksgiving” Bob Russell

✦ Hymn of Commitment 376 We Gather Together

✦ Offertory Sentence

Offertory There is a Happy Land arr. Shackley
Piano Duet, Colleen Ostercamp & Deb Carr

✦ Benediction and Dismissal

Postlude Old Hundredth Held

There is a Prayer Journey that takes place in the Parlor and in the homes and worksites of various other “pray-ers” every Wednesday at 11:00. We pray for our church, the staff, the Pastor Search committee, and our friends in the mission field, both at home and abroad. We offer prayers for church members and their families who are facing various health issues and other concerns. We pray for better connections with our African congregation. We give thanks for the good happenings that we are aware of within our membership.

If you have names or concerns that you would like us to pray for, let Mary Lou Spradling or Esther Rollins or the Church office know. We believe that intercessory prayer is the privilege and the responsibility of every believer. Won’t you join us in the parlor this Wednesday, or stop wherever you may be at that time, and add your prayers to ours?



Sunday, November 27

Advent 1

Hanging of the Greens

A wonderful celebration of family as we decorate the Sanctuary and Awakening spaces for the Advent season.

