

Abundance

We Come Prepared to Worship

THOUGHT FOR MEDITATION

"Gather up the scattered fragments, so that nothing may be lost,
Jesus charged the twelve disciples, as they each with basket crossed
up and down the grassy hillsides where the multitude was fed,
till each basket brimmed to fullness with the still-remaining bread."

(From the Hymn "Gather Up the Scattered Fragments" by Carl P. Daw)

PRELUDE

"You Are My All in All"

WAVE

WORDS OF WELCOME

[Please sign and pass the pew registration pad to those seated next to you. Prayer cards can be found in the pews. You may place these in the offering to share with the church staff.]

MUSIC FOR GATHERING

"God of Wonders"
"10,000 Reasons"

{Children age 4 through Grade 6 are dismissed to downstairs learning in the Drama Room 101.
Parents please come to room 101 to pick up your children following worship.}

CALL TO WORSHIP

L – Adam Zimmerman

P – People

L – God of our hopes and dreams, we are empty, and long to be filled;

P – we are hungry, and long to be fed;

L – we are lost, and long to be found.

P – Gather us into your love, and pick up the pieces of our lives,

L – just as Jesus gathered up the fragments of the five loaves and two fish.

ALL – Call us anew to eat our fill and to find our true nourishment in Jesus, the bread of heaven.

*HYMN

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

No. 622

*OPENING PRAYER

Adam Zimmerman

ANTHEM

"Carry Me Home"

Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 14:13-21

ANTHEM

"A Family of Love"

Chancel Choir

*UNISON OFFERING PRAYER

Generous God, you helped your son Jesus feed 5,000 hungry people who had gathered to hear of your love. Help us provide for the needs of all who hunger for your word. Bless these offerings we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

OFFERTORY

"Song Without Words"

WAVE

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

MESSAGE

"Loaves and Fishes Moments"

Pastor Dan Cash

*HYMN

"Love Lifted Me"

On Screen

-During the hymn those who would like to profess their faith in Jesus Christ or transfer church membership to First Baptist are encouraged to come forward.

The Pastor will meet you at the front of the sanctuary.-

*BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

"Lead On, O King Eternal!"
(Arr. R. W. Thygerson)

We Depart to Serve

*All who are able may stand

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**Please remember to turn off your cell phone.** All songs copied by permission CCLI # 167629  
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The Body of Christ Prays For...

- Homebound Members; Military Personnel & Families
- Linda & Cecil Workman, Heidi Putterill, Donna Emmert, Janet Bailey

Emergency Responder – Kim Hamon

Cookie Ministry – Deanna Glick

Pastoral Care Team for this week – Dortha Anderson & Mandy Reed

THIS WEEK AT FIRST BAPTIST

TODAY, Feb. 24

9:30 am – Worship
10:30 am – Annual Meeting
11:00 am – Coffee Fellowship
11:30 am – 5K SEEDS of Love Meeting
2:00-5:00 pm – Open House for Wrights @ Caldwell's
5:00 pm – Secret Sister Reveal (Mayfield's home)
5:00 pm – WAVE

MONDAY, Feb. 25

4:00 pm – Prayer Group (Prayer Room)

TUESDAY, Feb. 26

9:00 am – BSF Leaders
10:00 am – Staff Meeting
12:00 pm – Prayer Shawl Ministry
6:00 pm – Marriage Grow Group
7:00 pm – Abigail Circle

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 27

9:00 am – BSF
6:00 pm – Winter Learning Series
7:00 pm – Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, Feb. 28

9:00-1:30 pm – SCIHE (Home School)

FRIDAY, March 1

6:15 am – Men of Faith Bible Study (at Four Seasons)

NEXT SUNDAY, March 3

9:30 am – Worship, "Transfiguration,"
Matthew 16:24-17:8, Pastor Dan Cash
10:45 am – 2nd Hour Classes
10:45 am – Youth Ministry Team
5:00 pm – WAVE

LOOKING AHEAD

March 5 – Hannah Circle (2:00 pm)
March 6 – Worship Planning Team (5:00 pm)
March 10 – Glad Ringers resume (5:00 pm)
March 12 – Marriage Grow Group (6:00 pm)
March 13 – Worship Pastor Search Team (5:30 pm)
March 15 – Newsletter Deadline
March 15 – Family Game & Movie Night (5:30 pm)
March 19 – Church Council (7:00 pm)
March 26 – Marriage Grow Group (6:00 pm)
March 26 – Abigail Circle (7:00 pm)
March 31 – Pitch-In Coffee Fellowship (Last Names Q-Z)



February 24, 2019

First Baptist Church
3300 Fairlawn Drive
Columbus, Indiana

"Connect . . Grow . . Serve"

Welcome to First Baptist Church!

To Our Guests: We are delighted to have you worship with us. Please take a moment to sign the registration pad located in the pews.

Prayer Cards in the pew rack may be used for prayer requests. You may place these in the offering to share with the church staff.

Welcome Information: Information about our congregation & ministry is available on the back ledge of the sanctuary or through one of the greeters.

Child Care/Children's Ministries: Child Care is provided for infants & toddlers. Children, age 4 to grade 6 are dismissed early in worship to share a time of faith formation during the worship hour. Children's area is located on the lower level. **Parents remember to pick up your children in room 101 after worship.**

Flowers/Decorations: Please fill out a card located on the back ledge of the sanctuary if you would like to give flowers to honor someone or recognize a special day. Please place it in the offering plate along with \$25.

Hearing assistance devices are available. Please see an usher.

Find us online at www.firstbaptistcolumbus.org and Like Us on Facebook.

Church Staff

Rev. Dr. Daniel Cash, Senior Pastor
Laura Friedrich, Administrative Assistant
Donna Tull, Organist; Carla Williams, Pianist; Dortha Anderson, Librarian
Barry Ferrill, Custodian; Melissa Hernandez, Nursery Care Supervisor
812 376-3321 – www.firstbaptistcolumbus.org

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**MESSENGER EXTRA**  
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**ANNUAL MEETING TODAY
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING WORSHIP**

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**NO 2<sup>ND</sup> HOUR CLASSES TODAY.**  
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**Please join us for Coffee Fellowship in Fellowship Hall
following our brief annual meeting.**

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**2019 SEEDS of Love 5K Call Out Meeting**  
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All who are interested, willing, and have signed up to help with this year's 5K are invited to a meeting **TODAY** at 11:30 a.m. in the Chapel.

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**OPEN HOUSE FOR THE WRIGHTS**  
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Jeff and Beth Caldwell are hosting an open house at their home (12274 E. Otter Creek Lane) for Kip and Lianne **TODAY** between 2:00 pm–5:00 pm. Please help us shower the Wrights with love, well wishes and goodbyes.

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**SECRET SISTER REVEAL**  
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The time has come to reveal our secret sisters. Please join us **TODAY** at 5:00 p.m. at Linda Mayfield's home to have our big reveal. We will have a meal, so we ask that you bring a favorite side dish. Please RSVP to Linda Mayfield, 812-342-4649 or larrymayfield987@comcast.net.

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**MARRIAGE GROW GROUP CONTINUES TUES., FEB. 26**  
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IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN THIS GROUP – CONTACT ALICE RICHMOND

A Couple's Guide to a Growing Marriage, a guide to a deeper relationship with your spouse and God, by Gray Chapman, will meet every other week in Fellowship Hall at 6:00 pm. The next class will be Tuesday, March 12.

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**WINTER LEARNING SERIES CONTINUES ON WED., Feb. 27**  
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**This Week's Leader: Rev. John McKay
Topic: *Paul in Athens – Acts 17:16-32***

The Apostle Paul's experience in Athens is sometimes called his greatest failure in preaching. But rather than see this as a failure, we can see it as an amazingly insightful attempt to reach an audience much like the people we are called upon to evangelize today. The Athenians were satisfied that they had things figured out and they didn't need any help from anyone. Paul tried to meet them where they were and then give them a new insight from what they saw every day. Is there some way we could use this approach today?

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**"CONVERSATIONS IN PHILIPPIANS" (Philippians 3: 1-11)  
WILL CONTINUE NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 3<sup>RD</sup> DURING 2<sup>ND</sup> HOUR  
IN THE CHAPEL**  
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MEN OF FAITH – LENTEN STUDY

Our *Men of Faith* Lenten Study begins on March 1st and is titled "**Words from the Cross**". This seven session look at Jesus' last seven words shared from the cross will be co-led by Pastor Dan and Bill Griffith. A study guide is available on the back ledge of the Sanctuary. All men are invited to join the Men of Faith group. The beginning of a new study topic is a great time to join. We meet on Fridays at 6:15 a.m. in the private dining room at the Four Seasons Retirement Community.

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**SEEDS GARDEN MINISTRY**  
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Are you a gardener? Would you like to learn more about gardening? The SEEDS Garden Ministry needs new team members for our 2019 season. Speak with Forest or Marsha Daugherty if interested. This ministry supports the Love Chapel food bank.

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**COMING THIS SPRING  
GROW GROUP STUDY ON THE LORD'S PRAYER**  
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Our post-Easter Grow Group opportunity will focus on the book, *The Revolutionary Power of the Lord's Prayer* by Alice Burnette Greene. This year's American Baptist Reads book of the year, *The Revolutionary Power of the Lord's Prayer* offers today's Christian disciples new understanding of the potency and power this significant prayer delivers and the transformative effect it can have for sharing God's love in the world.

Each participant is asked to read the book in preparation for group discussions. Two sections will be offered for this Grow Group: 1) Sunday 2nd Hour option – meeting in the Chapel, and b) a week night option date/time/location TBA.

You can sign up to order a copy of the book today at the Welcome Desk (by the kitchen) or online at: firstbaptistcolumbus.org.

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Matthew 14:13-21
Pastor Dan Cash



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Q: Why is evening in a deserted place often not a good thing?

Q: When have you felt like the disciples in saying: “I have nothing”?

The most common reaction when faced with adaptive challenge is:

- a)
- b)

Scarcity is the opposite of _____.

When you have nothing, that’s when God is _____.

Things needed to experience the abundance of God in loaves & fishes moments:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

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