

The Red Letter Challenge: Forgiving

We Come Prepared to Worship

THOUGHT FOR MEDITATION

“Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.” – Jesus

PRELUDE

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”
(Arr. A. L. Page)

Trumpet/Organ
David Brown & Donna Tull

WELCOME TO WORSHIP and The Red Letter Challenge

[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

“Come, Let Us Reason”

“Red Letters”

“There’s a Quiet Understanding”

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

PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING

John 8:2-11

Keith/Teresa Arbuckle

² Early in the morning he came again to the temple. All the people came to him and he sat down and began to teach them. ³ The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery; and making her stand before all of them, ⁴ they said to him, “Teacher, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery. ⁵ Now in the law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?” ⁶ They said this to test him, so that they might have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and wrote with his finger on the ground. ⁷ When they kept on questioning him, he straightened up and said to them, **“Let anyone among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.”** ⁸ And once again he bent down and wrote on the ground. ⁹ When they heard it, they went away, one by one, beginning with the elders; and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before him. ¹⁰ Jesus straightened up and said to her, **“Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?”** ¹¹ She said, “No one, sir.” And Jesus said, **“Neither do I condemn you. Go your way, and from now on do not sin again.”**

HYMN

“I Lay My Sins on Jesus”
(Sung to tune of “Lead On O King Eternal #747)

#464

WORSHIP THROUGH OFFERINGS

Offering Prayer

Offertory Anthem

“Many Gifts, One Spirit”

Keith/Teresa Arbuckle
Chancel Choir

MESSAGE

“Forgiving”

Pastor Dan Cash

COMMUNION HYMN

“I Come with Joy”

#768 (vv 1-3)

CALL TO COMMUNION

Leader: We gather around the Table in places far and near

Side 1: Eating Sourdough, Rye, and Wheat Bread.

Side 2: Tortillas, Crackers, Wafers, and Wonderbread–

All: The body of Christ.

Leader: Drinking the wine or the juice;

Side 1: red, white, grape or other

Side 2: from handmade chalices and silver goblets, and little mini cups -

All: The blood of Christ.

Leader: The bread and the cup unite us with all who would follow Jesus.

Side 1: This meal reaches back through the centuries.

Side 2: This table reaches around the world.

All: Let us eat and drink with joy.

DROP YOUR ROCKS RED LETTER PRAYER CHALLENGE

As you entered worship today, you were given a small rock. During the message you will be challenged to assign a “sin” to that rock that you would like to be forgiven for or forgive one who has “sinned” against you.

The challenge is to then “drop your rock,” and thus your sin, in a bucket near the communion station that you visit – and know that in Christ you are forgiven.

COMMUNION

We will be dismissed to four different stations today where you will be served the bread and cup of Holy Communion. Please receive the bread and cup from the servers, partaking of communion at that time. For those who are unable to stand and walk to a station, a server will come to you with the bread and cup.

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

“I Come with Joy”

#768 (vv 4-5)

*SENDING OUT

Pastor: We have reflected on our own sins and on the frailty of others. Jesus says ‘Go and sin no more’

People: So we go, no longer accusing ourselves of sins that have been forgiven nor condemning others for the sins that God has forgiven them. As receivers of God’s grace we ask for help to be grace-givers in the week ahead. In the name of Christ, Amen.

RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

“A Charge to Keep I Have”
(Arr. D. E. Edwards)

We Take Up The Challenge

*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

## THIS WEEK AT FIRST BAPTIST

### TODAY, October 6

9:30 am – Worship  
10:45 am – 2<sup>nd</sup> Hour  
10:45 am – Grow Groups  
6:00 pm – Caldwell Grow Group

### MONDAY, October 7

1:00 pm – Jubilation Ringers  
4:00 pm – Prayer Group  
6:30 pm – Langdon Grow Group

### TUESDAY, October 8

9:00 am – BSF  
11:30 am – Prayer Shawl Ministry  
1:00 pm – Staff Meeting  
6:30 pm – Mayfield Grow Group  
7:00 pm – Poe Grow Group  
7:00 pm – Church Council

### WEDNESDAY, October 9

9:00 am – BSF  
9:00 am – Four Seasons Mending  
6:00 pm – Jones Grow Group  
6:30 pm – Praise Team  
7:00 pm – Chancel Choir

### FRIDAY, October 11

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

### NEXT SUNDAY, October 13

9:30 am – Worship  
10:45 am – 2<sup>nd</sup> Hour  
10:45 am – Grow Groups  
6:00 pm – Caldwell Grow Group

### LOOKING AHEAD

Oct. 15 – Newsletter Deadline  
Oct. 16 – Quarterly Business Meeting  
Oct. 20 – 5K Wrap-Up Meeting (11:45 am)  
Oct. 22 – Abigail Circle (7:00 pm)  
Oct. 25 – Girls' Night Out (5:30 pm)  
Oct. 27 – Pitch-In Coffee Fellowship (last names A-H)  
Oct. 31 – Trunk or Treat (5:00-7:00 pm)

## ~~~~~ **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, grades K-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.

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Hearing assistance devices are available. Please see an usher.

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MESSENGER EXTRA

The Body of Christ Prays For...

- Homebound Members; Military Personnel & Families
- Heidi Putterill, Randy Wheeler, Anita Burton, Roselyn Hoff, Missy Zimmerman, Bob Rhude

Emergency Responder – Judy Rhude

Cookie Ministry – Deanna Glick

Pastoral Care Team for this week – Tim & Paula Pickup

“THE RED LETTER CHALLENGE”

We are entering week three of the Red Letter Challenge. As you came into worship today you were given a small rock. Please hold onto this rock as it will be part of our prayer experience later in the service. Today's worship theme is centered around the words of Jesus that focus on “forgiving”.

Be sure to follow us on our Social Media channels for additional RLC postings: Facebook and Instagram: @FIRSTBAPTISTCOLUMBUS



We will be receiving the 2019 World Mission Offering, in support of American Baptist International Ministries, through the month of October. Your gifts to this offering help support our missionary partners across the globe. Thank you for giving.

2ND HOUR CLASSES TODAY

ASF Class – Fellowship Hall

“Obedient Faith” – Deut. 4:1-8, 12-13 – Leader: Marsha Daugherty

J.O.Y. Class – Prayer Room

Red Letter Grow Groups

Youth (grades 7-12) – Fellowship/Study Time

GIRLS' NIGHT OUT – Friday, Oct. 25 – We'll meet at the church at 5:30 p.m.



TRUNK OR TREAT IS COMING SOON!

Please join us on Thursday, Oct. 31 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. for Trunk or Treat in the FBC parking lot! We want to fill our parking lot with trunks & treats so we have lots of trick or treaters! Candy donations also accepted if you cannot participate. Please sign up at the Welcome Center or contact Lori Cash if you're able to participate.

LOVE CHAPEL CHRISTMAS PANTRY

This year, First Baptist Church has signed up to provide at least 500 boxes of cereal for the Love Chapel Christmas Pantry. Please bring your contributions to the church over the next few weeks, placing them beside the sign-up table next to the kitchen.

UPDATE/ REQUEST FOR HELP WITH MIKE AND HEIDI PUTTERILL

Cliff and I have been so blessed by everyone's prayers, thoughts and support during this time of Heidi's health issues. We have been dealing with this now for over 9 months now and have felt your prayers throughout. It may not have seemed much, but to us it has been huge and has helped us be able to provide the support that Heidi and Mike have needed. We are now asking for your help in another way.

The last few weeks have been especially challenging as Mike and Heidi have learnt that her kidneys will not recover, and she will therefore need to remain on dialysis. This was devastating news to us all, as initially without functioning kidneys there would be no bone marrow transplant. Heidi is now very tired, anxious and despondent and has pretty much lost hope of a recovery at this stage.

However, on Tuesday this week, they met with her oncologist. He told them that he has now seen 7 more successful cases (to make a total of 8 cases), of a combined bone marrow and kidney transplant, with a 50% donor match. Heidi's sister, Erika, is a 50% match. The doctor now thinks that Heidi could be a candidate for this procedure. As a result, Heidi will have a bone marrow biopsy on Wed., Oct. 9, and can expect to get the results Friday, Oct. 18. Decisions will then need to be made as to whether to proceed or not. It is important to know that Heidi's birthday is also October 18.

Our request is this... In addition to your continued prayers, we are asking for as many people as possible to send a note, card or letter of encouragement to Heidi AND Mike (as he is also needing encouragement) in the next few days to help get them through this time of waiting. Ideally it would be great if we could almost overwhelm them with uplifting, positive messages of support so that they can physically see just how many folks are actively thinking of and praying for them. We are hoping that this might provide some comfort through this very difficult time. A birthday card to Heidi would be fantastic as well!

The address to send cards and letters to is:

Mike and Heidi Putterill
210 N High Point Drive
Madison WI 53717

Our heartfelt thanks,
Sue and Cliff Putterill