



Welcome to First Baptist Church, Shreveport. We are a family of faith, from diverse backgrounds and ages, committed to following Jesus together. We strive to grow together in faith, to love God in our worship, and to embrace the call of Jesus in missions and ministry. I hope you experience God in a special way in worship today. We have Bible Study groups for all ages at 9:15 am each Sunday, and these are a great way to get to know the church.

*Welcome to the First Baptist Family!
Jeff*

Sermon Notes:

Announcements:

Today's worship service will be broadcast on KPXJ CW21 next Sunday at 8:00 am.

To our Guests: We are delighted that you joined us today! Near each entrance to the church, we have guest information packets. These include both information and a couple of small gifts you may enjoy. Please join us, again, in the future. Our Pastor would love to meet you as you leave the sanctuary!

Attention Parents: Our cry room is located in the Bridal Suite on the West side of our Foyer. There are kids' worship folders located in each side hall of the Sanctuary.

Mission collection needs for October are canned goods and staples for the Louisiana Baptist Children's Home as well as a local food pantry.

Worship Care Volunteers needed! Contact Meredith if you are willing to serve.

We are still accepting financial donations for the **Hurricane Disaster Fund**. We will post any additional items as the need arises.

Pray for our group that is in **Hungary** September 28-October 7. They are: Clista & Glen Adkins, Brigitte & Caleb Elkins, Darcie Raines, Meredith Hanna, Josie Carter, Dolores Gaddy, Shai Ewing, Troy Partington, Kathy & Milton Martin, Lara Yerger & Madison Yerger.

Deacon's Meeting is Sunday, October 8 at 6:30 pm in Hunter Hall room 110.

There is a **family camping trip** planned for October 13-15. If you are interested contact Jeff Raines.

Domino Night will be Thursday, October 19 at 6:00 pm in the Activities Center.

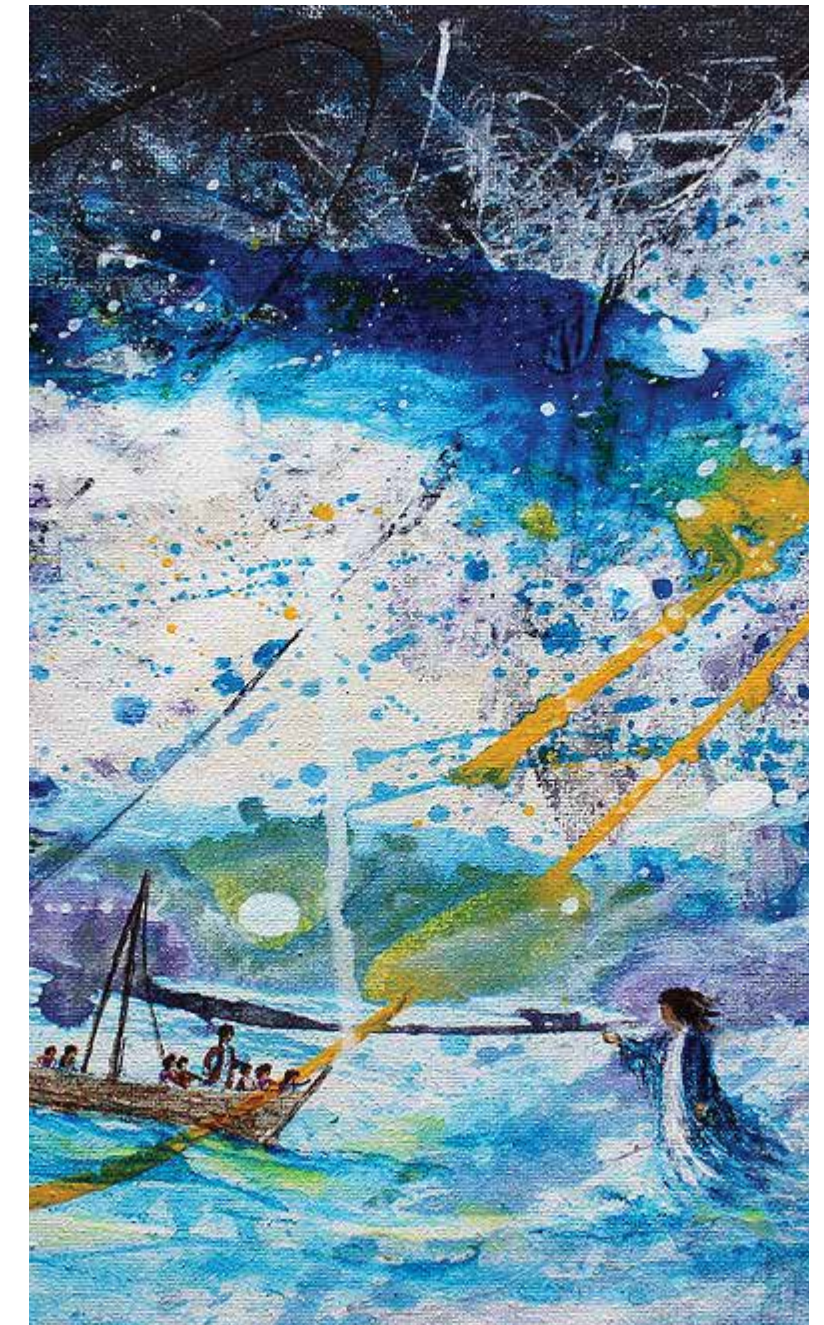
FBC Family Night at DixieMaze Farms on Saturday, October 21 from 4-6 pm. Many activities to choose from. Everyone will meet there and it will be a dutch treat event.

We need candy donations for our **Spook Up South Highlands** event scheduled for October 29 from 5-7 pm.

Our Staff

Dr. Jeff Raines, Pastor
Rev. Clista Adkins, Minister of Discipleship
Dr. Glen Adkins, Minister of Music
Dr. James Gillespie, FBC School, Head
Meredith Hanna, Minister to Children
Andy Liu, Chinese Mission Pastor
Rev. Katie Mussat, Minister to Students
Tara Partington, Organist
Eric Vandiver, Pianist
Heather Vandiver, Music Associate
Rev. Ronney Joe Webb, Minister of Family Life and Missions

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Worship

There are many times when Jesus asks us to do what seems impossible. How can we even begin to do the task he's called us to? How can we even think of doing without that sin which we're asked to give up? How can we really suppose we might be able to develop a serious habit of prayer when we're so frantic and disorganized? What we are called to do is to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, and our ears open for his encouragement (even if it does contain some rebuke as well). ~ N.T. Wight

Prelude *Your Great Name*
Tara Partington, organ *arr. Keith Christopher*

Choral Introit *Where Two or Three Are Gathered*
Sanctuary Choir *John Purifoy*

*Hymn of Praise 16 *O Worship the King*

**O worship the King, all glorious above,
And gratefully sing His wonderful love;
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.**

**O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space!
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.**

**Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.**

**Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail:
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.**

*Invocation Ronney Joe Webb

Welcome to Worshippers

*Doxology

Children's Sermon Jeff Raines

*Hymn *The Power of the Cross*

**Oh, to see the dawn, of the darkest day,
Christ on the road to Calvary
Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten then,
Nailed to a cross of wood.**

CHORUS:
**This, the pow'r of the cross, Christ became sin for us;
Took the blame, bore the wrath, we stand forgiven at the cross.**

**Oh, to see the pain, written on Your face,
Bearing the awesome weight of sin.
Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed,
crowning Your bloodstained brow. (Chorus)**

**Now the daylight flees, now the ground beneath,
Quakes as its Maker bows His head.
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life,
"Finished!" the vict'ry cry. (Chorus)**

**Oh, to see my name, written in the wounds,
For through Your suffering I am free.
Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live,
won through Your selfless love.**

FINAL CHORUS:
**This, the pow'r of the cross, Son of God, slain for us.
What a love, what a cost, we stand forgiven at the cross.**

Scripture Reading Ronney Joe Webb
Psalm 77:11-20 (pew Bible page 417)

*Hymn 572 *I Love to Tell the Story*

**I love to tell the story Of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and His glory, Of Jesus and His love:
I love to tell the story because I know 'tis true;
It satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.
(continued)**

Chorus:
**I love to tell the story 'twill be my theme in glory
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.**

**I love to tell the story 'tis pleasant to repeat
What seems each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet:
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard
The message of salvation from God's own holy Word. (Chorus)**

**I love to tell the story; for those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it, like the rest:
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
'Twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. (Chorus)**

*Prayer of Thanksgiving Phil Palacios

Offertory Anthem *Flee As A Bird*
Sanctuary Choir *arr. Joseph Martin*
Gale Odom, directing

Sermon: May I Have Your Attention Please Jeff Raines
Matthew 14:22-33 (pew Bible page 692)

*Hymn of Response *Speak O Lord*

Opportunities for Service Ronney Joe Webb

Sharing of Decisions for Christ

*Congregational Benediction *Christ Go Before You*

Christ go be - fore you, Christ go be - hind you,
Christ go be - side you, Christ go with - in you,
Christ go be - neath you, Christ go a - bove you.

Postlude

*Please stand