



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:

SCRIPTURE READING FOR NEXT WEEK:
Hosea 3-4; Psalm 70; Acts 13-15

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

Join us each Wednesday

Family Dinner, 5:15 - Prayer Time, 5:50
Small Groups, Children & Youth, 6:00 - Choir, 6:30

Please be in prayer for our Ethiopia trip
October 16-November 2

Yemen
Djibouti
Somalia
Ethiopia
Kenya
Gulf of Aden
Indian Ocean

DEACON SERVANTHOOD

Meeting - Sunday, October 18 - 6:30 pm - HH110

Plastic Bags for NWLA Homeless

- 4,500 homeless in area
- bags crocheted into sleeping mats
- soft, washable, waterproof
- FREE
- collection barrel near office hall

PUTT PUTT 'N 4 JUSTICE - FAMILY NIGHT -

Friday, October 16th @ Party Central
\$10 a person (teams of 5)
Proceeds benefit "The Hub Ministry"

Register by Oct. 8 by emailing Katie: katie@fbcshreveport.org

BREATHE RETREAT

FBC YOUTH
November 13 @ 5pm thru drop-off @ The Brubaker Home
November 15 @ 11:30am
pick-up at FBC
register at www.fbcshreveport.org-60\$ per student

Operation Christmas Child boxes are in and ready to be filled!

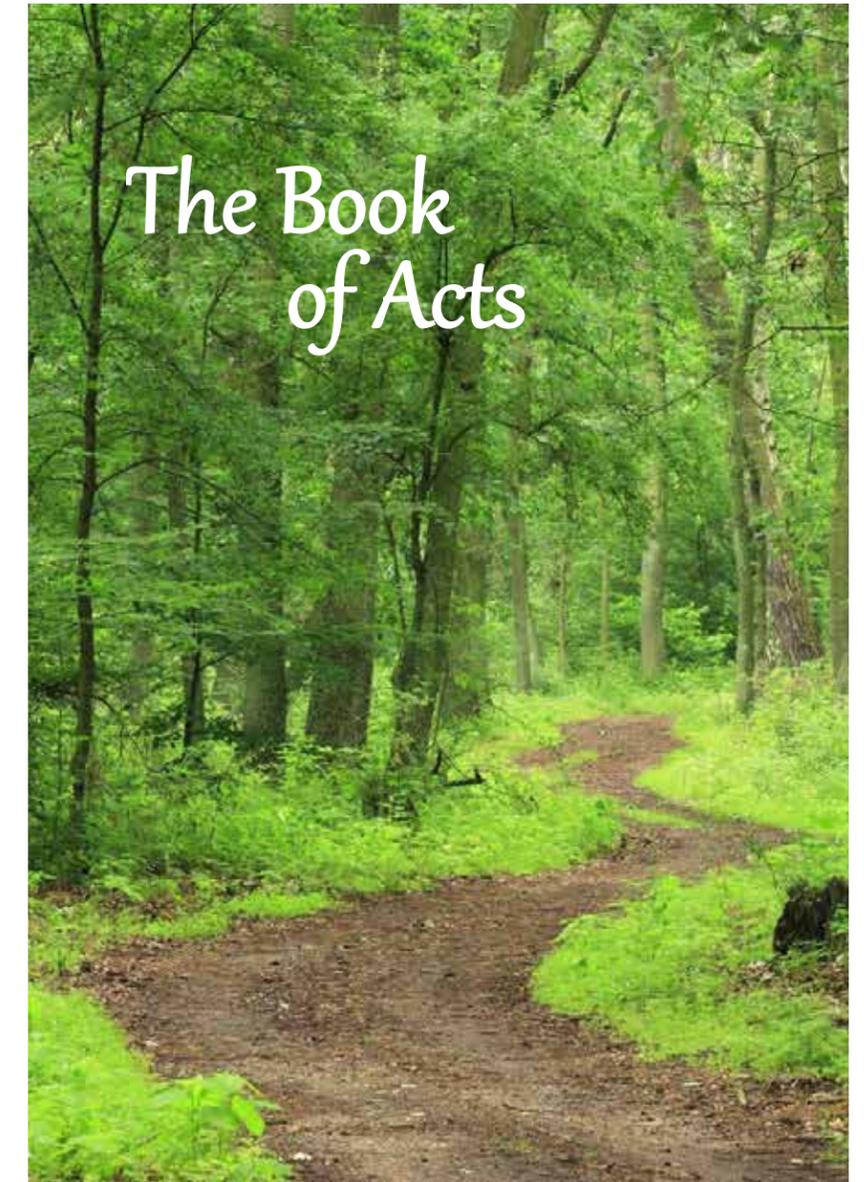
Pick yours up in the front office with a direction sheet.

The boxes are due back in the church office on **Monday, November 9.**

Our Staff

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

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The Book of Acts

Worship

"So we need delay no longer. It is time to begin. However, stumbling or uncertain the beginning it is worthwhile. And the beginning is more than the first stab or the first several stabs. Prayer is a matter of keeping at it. The rewards will come no other way. Thunderclaps and lightning flashes are very unlikely. It is well to start small and quietly. No need to tell one's friends and acquaintances. No need to plan heroic fasts or all-night vigils. You should have it firm in your mind that prayer is neither to impress other people nor to impress God. It's not to be taken with a mentality of success. The goal, in prayer, is to give oneself away. The Lord loves us-perhaps most of all-when we fail and try again." -Emilie Griffin

Prelude *Unclouded Day*
Tara Partington, organ *arr. Paula C. Carl*

*Hymn of Praise 4 *To God Be the Glory*

**To God be the glory great things He has done,
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life gate that all may go in.**

Chorus:
**Praise the Lord praise, the Lord let the earth hear His voice,
Praise the Lord praise, the Lord let the people rejoice,
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory great things He has done.**

**O perfect redemption the purchase of blood,
To every believer the promise of God,
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives. (Chorus)**

**Great things He has taught us,
Great things He has done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son,
But purer and higher and greater will be,
Our wonder our transport when Jesus we see. (Chorus)**

*Invocation Ronney Joe Webb

Welcome to Worshipers

*Doxology

During the singing of the Doxology all children are invited to come to the front for the Children's Sermon

Children's Sermon Jeff Raines

*Hymn *Whom Shall I Fear*

**You hear me when I call, You are my morning song,
Though darkness fills the night, it cannot hide the light,
Whom shall I fear?
You crush the enemy, underneath my feet,
You are my sword and shield, though troubles linger still,
Whom shall I fear?**

Chorus:
**I know who goes before me, I know who stands behind,
The God of angel armies is always by my side,
The one who reigns forever, He is a friend of mine,
The God of angel armies is always by my side.**

**My strength is in Your name, for You alone can save,
You will deliver me, Yours is the victory, whom shall I fear? (Chorus)**

**And nothing formed against me shall stand,
You hold the whole world in Your hands,
I'm holding on to Your promises,
You are faithful, You are faithful, You are faithful (Chorus)**

Scripture Reading Daryl Griffin
Acts 12:6-17

*Hymn 74 *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*
Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

**O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home!**

**Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God, to endless years the same.**

**A thousand ages in Thy sight, are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night, before the rising sun.**

**O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guide while life shall last, and our eternal home!**

**Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place,
Lord, listen to your children praying,
Send us love, send us power, send us grace.**

*Prayer of Thanksgiving Susie Holton

Offertory Anthem *Waiting for the Light*
FBC Children's Choirs *Ruth E. Schram*

Anthem *Hallelujah, Mungu wa Israeli (from Tanzania)*
Sanctuary Choir *arr. Michael Burkhardt*
FBC Children's Choirs

Hear, O Israel the Lord is our God,
Hear, O Israel the Lord is one,
You shall love the Lord with all your heart,
And with all your soul, and with all your might.
(Deuteronomy 6:4-5)

Sermon: Should We Open the Door? Jeff Raines
Acts 12

*Hymn *Take My Life (Holiness)*

**Holiness, holiness is what I long for,
Holiness is what I need,
Holiness, holiness is what You want from me.**

Chorus:
**Take my heart and form it, take my mind transform it,
Take my will conform it, to Yours, to Yours O Lord.**

**Faithfulness, faithfulness is what I long for,
Faithfulness is what I need,
Faithfulness, faithfulness is what you want from me.**

Chorus:
**Take my heart and form it, take my mind transform it,
Take my will conform it, to Yours, to Yours O Lord.**

Opportunities for Service Katie Mussat

Sharing of Decisions for Christ

*Benediction

Postlude

*Please stand