



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:

We invite the church to memorize Matthew 28:19-20 during the month of October.

Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. Matthew 28:19-20 NIV

Announcements:

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

Operation Christmas Child boxes are available in the office hall. Make sure you pick up a direction sheet with your box. All boxes must be back in the office by Sunday, November 13.

A new **Women's Bible Study** will kick off Tuesday, October 18 at 6:00 pm and Wednesday, October 19 at 9:30 am in Hunter Hall 115. *War Room* is a study of the power of prayer in our lives. Childcare is available by reservation only on Wednesday mornings. Workbook cost is \$9.00.

Domino Night is Thursday, October 20 at 6:00 pm in the Activities Center.

Deacon's Meeting is Sunday October, 23 at 6:30 in Hunter Hall 10.

Church Conference is Sunday, October 30 following morning worship.

Spook Up South Highlands will be Sunday, October 30 from 4:00-6:00 pm. We will have food trucks by BeauJax and Missing Link, carnival games, pony rides, bounce houses and live entertainment. Make plans to be there!

The Children's Ministry is asking for **candy donations** to make Spook Up a sweet success. The collection bin is located near the church office. Thank you!

Veteran's Day Program will be Friday, November 11 at 6:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

Youth Fall Retreat "Breathe" will take place the weekend of November 11. The group will be housed at the Brubakers' home. Contact Katie for details or to sign up. (841-8430 or katie@fbcsreveport.org)

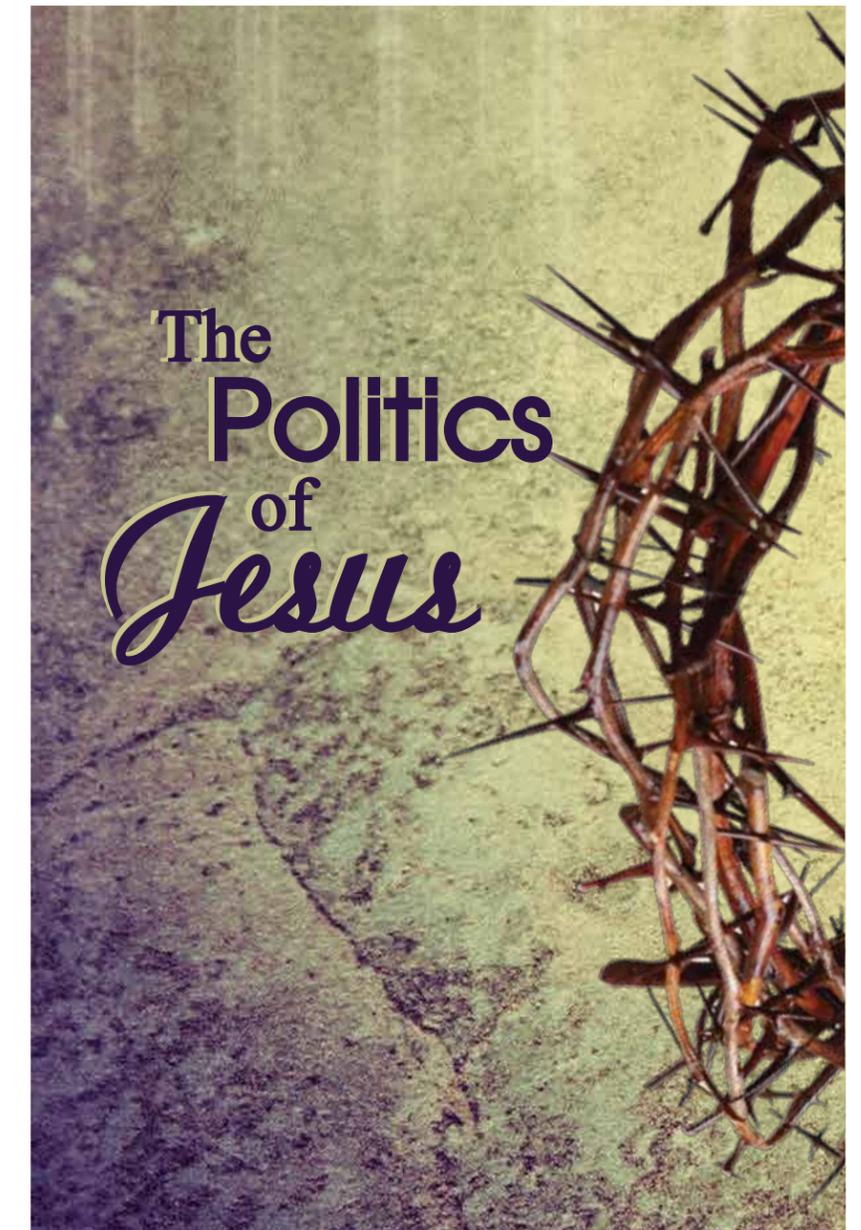
We will be giving a **Blessing in a Box** this Thanksgiving to the folks who attend the Highland Blessing Meal. Pick up a food list in Sunday School or in the office and bring your food to place in a box by Tuesday, November 15th, then help us to distribute them Thursday, November 17th at the Highland Blessing meal. Be a blessing this Thanksgiving season!

Sunday, November 20th with be Mission/Thanksgiving Sunday. We will have a special Mission and Thanksgiving emphasis in worship, followed by our Loaves and Fishes Mission Thanksgiving Luncheon in Fellowship Hall. Our special guest will be the African Children's Choir from Kenya, Africa. They will be a real treat, performing music and traditional dance and so much more! The meal will cost \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children with a \$30.00 family max. Call now and make your reservation or sign up through Sunday School. Johnny's Catfish is doing the catering with fish and chicken.

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
- 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

We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption as sons and daughters, the redemption of our bodies. -Romans 8:22-23

Prelude Tara Partington, organ

Choral Introit *Lord When We Praise You with Glorious Music*
Sanctuary Choir arr. Benjamin Harlan

*Hymn of Praise 14 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;
Praise Him in glad adoration.**

**Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires ever have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?**

**Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
If with His love He befriend thee.**

**Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him.
Let the Amen sound from His people again,
Gladly for aye we adore Him.**

*Invocation Clista Adkins

Welcome to Worshippers

*Doxology

Children's Sermon Jeff Raines

*Hymn

10,000 Reasons

Chorus:
**Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul,
Worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul;
I'll worship Your holy name.**

**The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,
It's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes. (Chorus)**

**You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger.
Your name is great, and Your heart is kind.
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing,
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. (Chorus)**

**And on that day when my strength is failing,
The end draws near and my time has come,
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending,
Ten thousand years and then forevermore.**

**Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul,
Worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul;
I'll worship Your holy name.
I'll worship Your holy name.
Lord, I'll worship Your holy name.**

Scripture Reading Katie Mussat
Hebrews 11:13-16 (pew Bible page 852)

*Hymn 410 *It Is Well with My Soul*

**When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou has taught me to say,
It is well, it is well, with my soul.
(continued)**

Refrain:

**It is well, (it is well) with my soul, (with my soul),
It is well, it is well, with my soul.**

**Tho' Satan should buffet, tho' trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And hath shed His own blood for my soul.
(Refrain)**

**And Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend,
Even so, it is well with my soul.
(Refrain)**

*Prayer of Thanksgiving Cody White

Offertory Anthem *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*
Sanctuary Choir arr. Benjamin Harlan
Gale Odom, director

Solo *If You Search with All Your Heart*
Gale Odom, soprano Craig Courtney

Sermon: For I Know the Plans I Have for You Jeff Raines
Jeremiah 29: 4-14 (pew Bible page 558)

*Hymn of Response 285 *Wherever He Leads I'll Go*

Opportunities for Service Meredith Hanna

Sharing of Decisions for Christ

*Benediction

Postlude

*Please stand