



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 will be hosting The Shreveport Symphony Orchestra for their *Magnificent Mozart* concert on Saturday, October 28 at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary. The Symphony is graciously offering First Baptist members 50% off their bronze-gold tickets for this performance. Call their office at 318-227-TUNE or visit their website www.shreveportsymphony.com and use code **1stBaptist**.

We will also host a **Shreveport Symphony** chamber concert, *Mozart and More*, Sunday, October 29 at 3:00 in Frost Chapel. Admission is free of charge.

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

Youth Breathe Retreat is November 10-12 and will be held at the Brubaker home and is \$75.00 for the weekend. Deadline for registration is November 1. There will be some new cool options this year so you won't want to miss it!

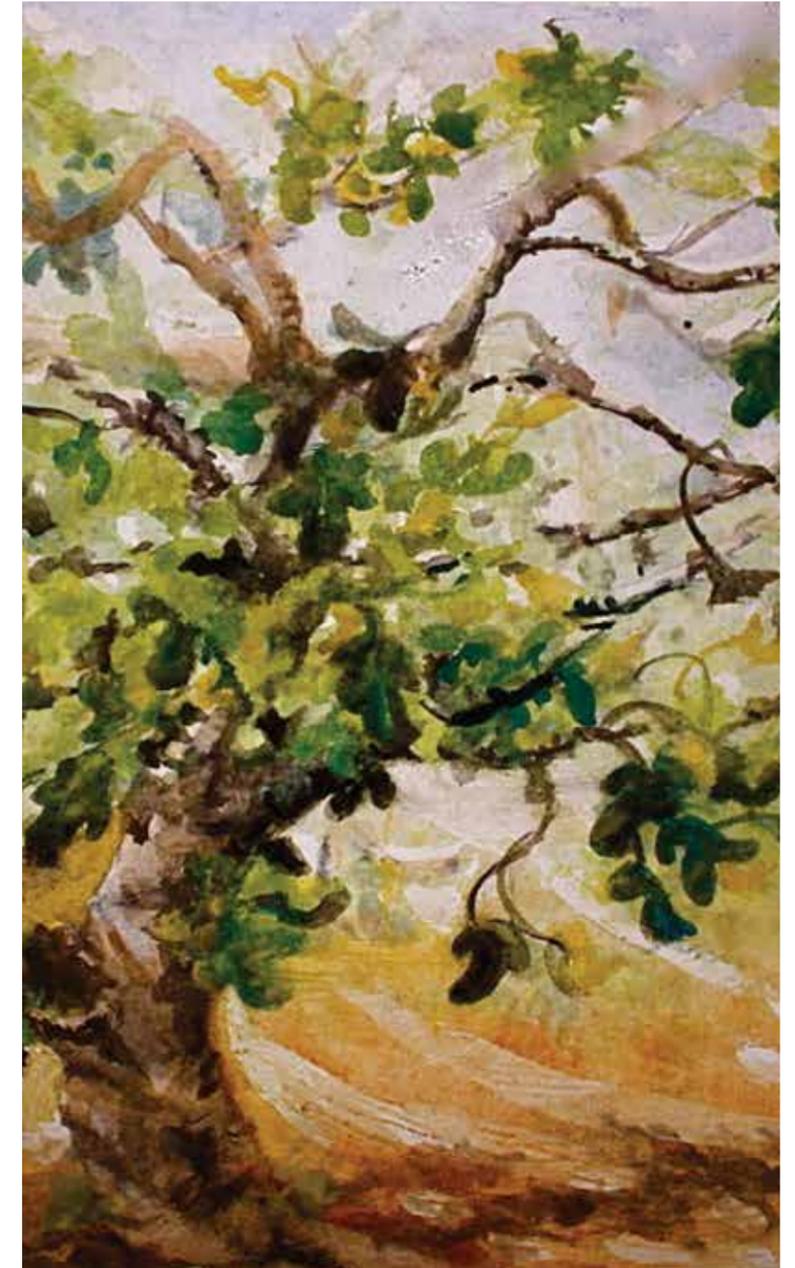
We will be taking photos for our online directory on Sunday, October 29 and November 5. These times are for new members, families with additions, and those who have not yet had their pictures taken. Look for the large "Photos Here" sign.

Join us for our **Veterans Day program**, *A Tribute Through Music*, Thursday, November 9 at 6:00 pm in the Sanctuary. Our Sanctuary Choir, First Baptist Church School Choirs and Orchestra will lead our tribute to those who have served our country.

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

Prelude *An Offering*
Tara Partington, organ *Domenico Zipoli*

Choral Introit *Worthy of Worship*
Sanctuary Choir *Blankenship/York*

*Hymn of Praise 15 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

**Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise:
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love.**

**Here I raise mine Ebenezer; hither by Thy help I've come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home:
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.**

**O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let Thy grace, Lord, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.**

*Invocation *Clista Adkins*

Welcome to Worshippers

Anthem *Do You Know Who Made the Day?*
K5-First Grade Choir, Amye Wilson, Director *Hal Hopson*

*Doxology

Children's Sermon *Jeff Raines*

*Hymn *Speak, O Lord*

**Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today
(continued)**

**In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all Your purposes for Your glory.**

**Teach us, Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of power that can never fail,
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.**

**Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us,
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises,
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory.**

Scripture Reading *Ronney Joe Webb*
John 3:16-21 (pew Bible page 752)

*Hymn 643 *For the Fruit of All Creation*

**For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God.
For gifts to every nation, thanks be to God.
For the plowing, sowing, reaping,
Silent growth while we are sleeping,
Future needs in earth's safekeeping, thanks be to God.**

**In the just reward of labor, God's will is done.
In the help we give our neighbor, God's will is done.
In our worldwide task of caring
For the hungry and despairing,
In the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.**

**For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us,
For the truths that still confound us,
Most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.**

*Prayer of Thanksgiving *Meredith Hanna*

Offertory Anthem *We Sing the Mighty Power of God*
Sanctuary Choir, Gale Odom, directing *Hal Hopson*

Sermon: The Temple and the Fig Tree *Jeff Raines*
Mark 11:11-20 (pew Bible page 717)

*Hymn of Response 277 *Take My Life and Let It Be*

**Take my life, and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my hands, and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love,
At the impulse of Thy love.**

**Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee.
Take my voice, and let me sing
Always, only, for my King,
Always, only, for my King.**

Opportunities for Service *Katie Mussat*

Sharing of Decisions for Christ

Ethiopia Mission Team Commissioning *Ronney Joe Webb*

*Congregational Benediction *Christ Go Before You*

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

Postlude

*Please stand