



*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

Coming up for Thanksgiving.....

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.

**Thanksgiving Holidays** for our office staff will be Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25.

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.

**To our Guests:** We are delighted that you joined us today! Near each entrance to the church, we have a gift for you. If one of our church family has not handed you a packet, we hope that you will take one! Packets 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!

Last call for the **PHOTO DIRECTORY.** If you are a member, a regular attender, a Sunday School member, or would like to be included in our new photo directory, you may have your photo made in the Church Parlor OR the Children's Hall immediately following Worship!

**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.

**Deacon's Meeting** is this evening at 6:30 in Hunter Hall 110.

**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!

**First Steps Lite** pizza lunch for new members and interested guests on November 6th, immediately following Worship in Hunter Hall 115. Come join us to meet the ministers and enjoy a brief pizza lunch, ask questions, and receive information about our family of faith here at FBC. A church tour will follow on November 13th, immediately following Worship. Meet in the Foyer of the church.

**WMU Associational Meeting for the Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer** is Monday, November 7 at 10:00 am at Baptist Bible Fellowship Church. The church is located at 4700 Hollywood Ave.

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

### 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

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of glory. Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not disappoint us because God has poured out His love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom He has given us. Romans 4:3 NIV

Prelude *Prelude and Toccata on Old Hundredth*  
Tara Partington, organ *Austin C. Lovelace*

\*Hymn of Praise *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*  
*Hitem benned*

**Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heaven, to earth come down,  
Fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, thou art all compassion; pure, unbounded love thou art;  
Visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.**

**Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast;  
Let us all in thee inherit; let us find the promised rest.  
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;  
End of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.**

**Come, Almighty, to deliver; let us all thy life receive;  
Suddenly return, and never, nevermore thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above,  
Pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.**

**Finish then thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be;  
Let us see thy great salvation, perfectly restored in thee:  
Changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place,  
Till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.**

\*Invocation *Jeff Raines*

Welcome to Worshipers

\*Doxology

Children's Sermon *Meredith Hanna*

\*Hymn

*Lord I Lift Your Name On High*  
*Uram én emelje fel*

**Lord I lift your name on high.  
Lord I love to sing your praises.  
I'm so glad you're in my life.  
I'm so glad you came to save us.**

**You came from heaven to earth, to show the way.  
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay,  
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky,  
Lord I lift your name on high.**

Scripture Reading *Darcie Raines and Lara Yerger*  
Romans 5:1-8 and 10:14-15 (pew Bible page 798 and 802)  
Philippians 4:8-9, 13 (page 832)  
Isaiah 40:28-31 (page 512)

\*Hymn 4

*To God Be the Glory*  
*Az Úr légyen áldott*

**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 victory, when Jesus we see. *(Chorus)***

Offertory Anthem  
Sanctuary Choir

*The Praises of Zion*  
*Aaron Copland*

**Come fathers and mothers, come sisters and brothers,  
Come join us in singing the praises of Zion.  
O fathers, don't you feel determined  
To meet within the walls of Zion?  
We'll shout and go round the walls of Zion.**

Solo  
Glen Adkins, soloist

*Zöld az Erdő (Green Are the Fields)*  
*Gypsy International Hymn*

Sermon: How Shall They Hear?  
Romans 5:1-8 (pew Bible page 798)

*Clista Adkins*

Hungary Mission Video

\*Hymn of Response 387

*Blest Be the Tie*  
*Áldott legyen a frigy*

**Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;  
The fellowship of kindred minds, Is like to that above.**

**Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent pray'rs;  
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.**

**We share our mutual woes, our mutual burdens bear;  
And often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.**

**When we asunder part, it gives us inward pain;  
But we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again.**

Opportunities for Service

*Ronney Joe Webb*

Sharing of Decisions for Christ

\*Benediction

Postlude

\*Please stand