



*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!

**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.

**Church Conference** is today following morning worship.

**Spook Up South Highlands** is this evening from 4:00-6:00 pm. Don't miss it!

**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.

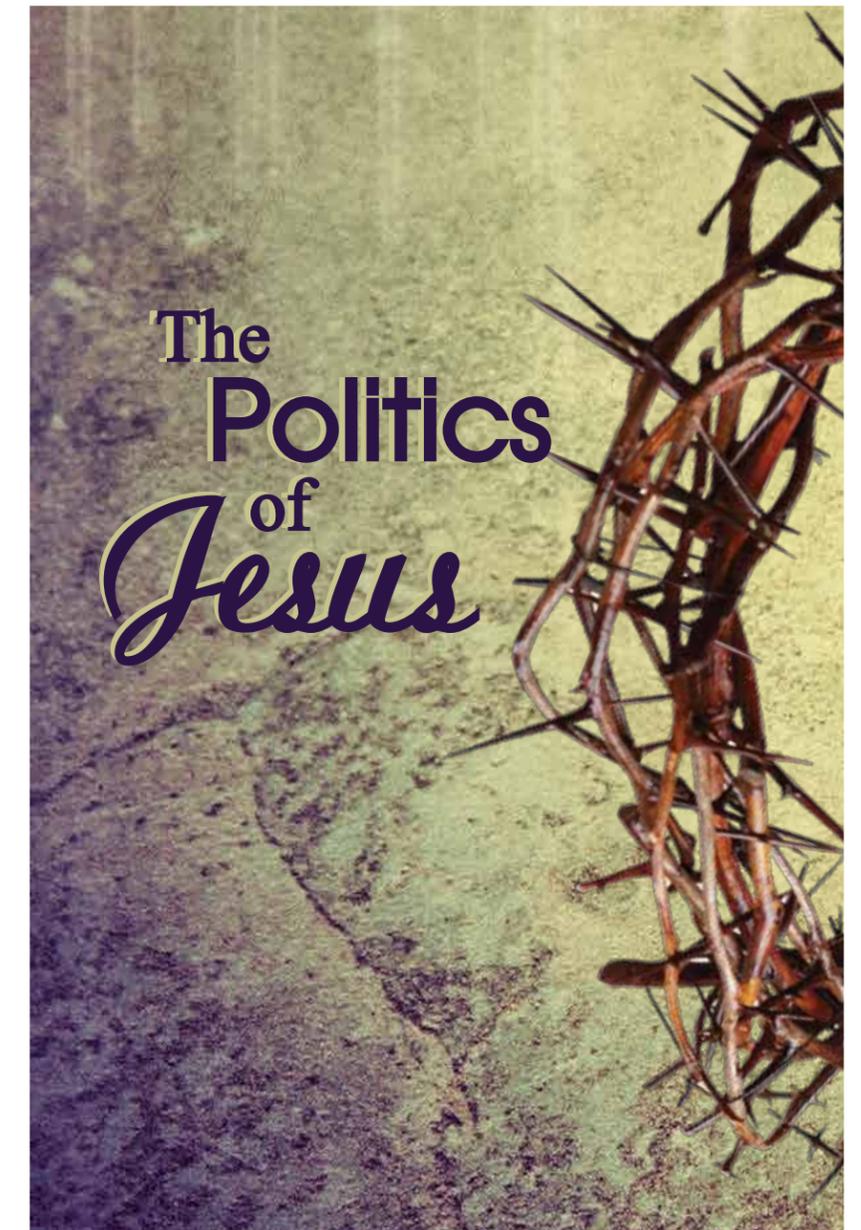
**WMU Associational Meeting for the Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer** is Monday, November 7 at 10:00 am at Baptist Bible Fellowship Church. The church is located at 4700 Hollywood Ave.

**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

Prelude  
Tara Partington, organ

*Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott*  
Johann Pachelbel

\*Hymn of Praise 8

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

**A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;  
Our helper He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing:  
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;  
His craft and power are great, and, armed with cruel hate,  
On earth is not his equal.**

**Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;  
Were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing:  
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He;  
Lord Sabaoth, His Name, from age to age the same,  
And He must win the battle.**

**That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth;  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him Who with us sideth:  
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;  
The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still,  
His kingdom is forever.**

\*Invocation Ronney Joe Webb

Welcome to Worshippers

Anthem *Give Thanks*  
FBC Chinese Church Henry Smith

\*Doxology

Children's Sermon Jeff Raines

\*Hymn *Blessed Be your Name*

**Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful,  
Where Your streams of abundance flow,  
Blessed be Your name.**  
(continued)

**Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place,  
Though I walk through the wilderness,  
Blessed be Your name.**

Chorus:

**Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.  
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,  
Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
Blessed be Your name.  
Blessed be the name of the Lord,  
Blessed be Your glorious name.**

**Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me.  
When the world's all as it should be,  
Blessed be Your name.**

**Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering.  
Though there's pain in the offering,  
Blessed be Your name. (Chorus)**

**You give and take away, You give and take away.  
My heart will choose to say, You give and take away. (repeat)**  
(Chorus)

Scripture Reading Katie Mussat  
Matthew 23:25-28 (pew Bible page 700)

\*Hymn 60 *Be Thou My Vision*

**Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art:  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.**

**Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord:  
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son,  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.**

**Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine Inheritance, now and always:**  
(continued)

**Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of Heaven, my treasure Thou art.**

**High King of Heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.**

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving Yun-Fei Zhang

Offertory *God of Wonders*  
Youth Music Team Byrd/Hindalong

Anthem *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*  
Sanctuary Choir arr. Mark Patterson

Sermon: Lessons from a Con Man Jeff Raines  
Luke 16:1-8 (pew Bible page 740)

\*Hymn of Response 412 *My Faith Has Found A Resting Place*

**My faith has found a resting place, not in device or creed;  
I trust the ever living One, His wounds for me shall plead.**

**I need no other argument, I need no other plea,  
It is enough that Jesus died, and that He died for me.**

**Enough for me that Jesus saves, this ends my fear and doubt;  
A sinful soul I come to Him, He'll never cast me out.**

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It is enough that Jesus died, and that He died for me.**

Opportunities for Service Meredith Hanna

Sharing of Decisions for Christ

\*Benediction

Postlude

\*Please stand