



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 1-2; Psalm 140; Acts 10-12

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



Please be in prayer for our  
**Hungary Mission Trip**  
October 1-10

I am Special

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



Join us each Wednesday



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

**Plastic Bags for NWLA Homeless**



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



**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](mailto:katie@fbcshreveport.org)



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



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

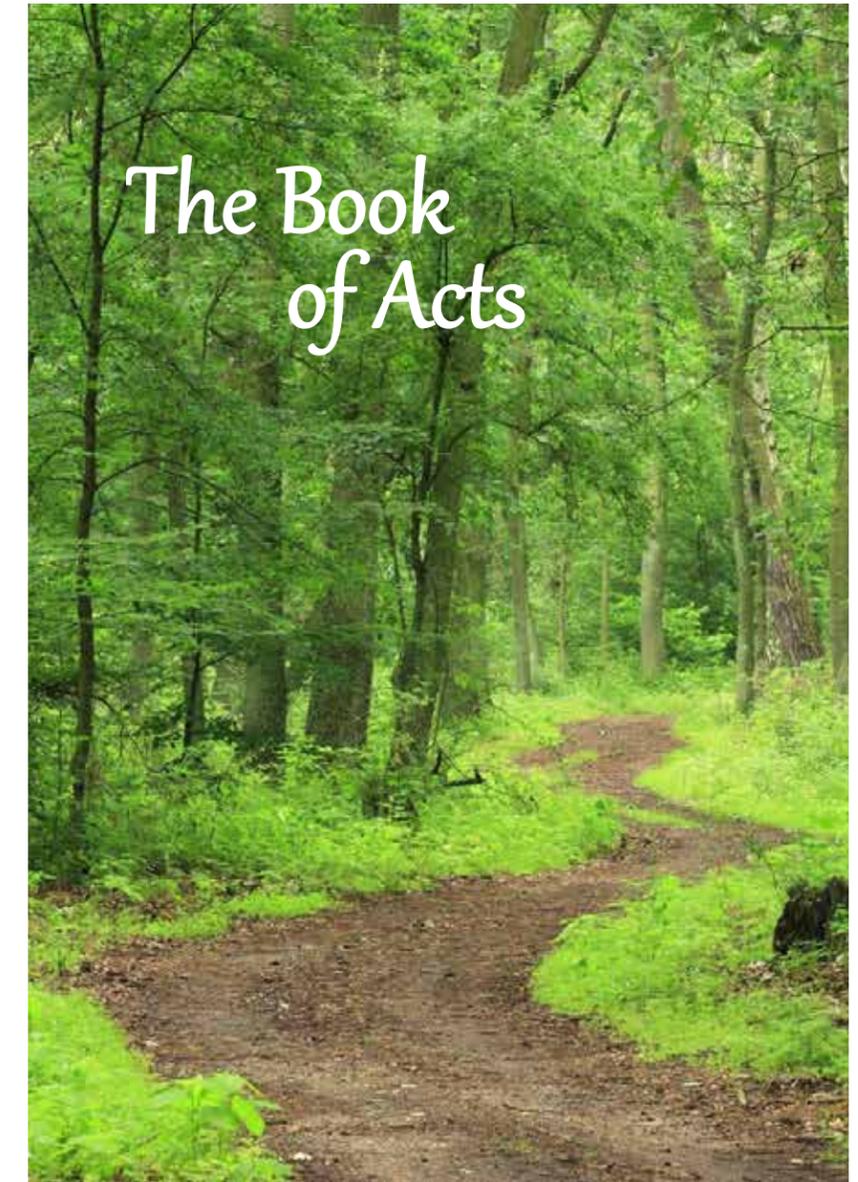
**Pick yours up in the front office with a direction sheet.**

**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

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit. Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you. Deliver me from bloodshed, O God, O God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance. -Psalms 51:10-14

Prelude *Praise to The Lord*  
Tara Partington, organ *J. G. Walther*

\*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 over 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 Jeff Raines

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

In Christ alone my hope is found;  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My comforter, my all in all-Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied;  
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid, here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then bursting forth in glorious day,  
Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory,  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

On Christ the Solid Rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand.

No guilt in life, no fear in death  
This is the pow'r of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

Scripture Reading Caitlin Harris  
2 Corinthians 11: 21-33

\*Hymn *Just As I Am/I Come Broken*

Just as I am, without one plea, but that Thy blood was shed for me  
And that Thou bidst me come to Thee  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come ...*continued*

*In Christ Alone*

Just as I am, and waiting not, to rid my soul of one dark blot  
To Thee whose blood can cleanse each spot  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

I come broken to be mended, I come wounded to be healed,  
I come desperate to be rescued, I come empty to be filled,  
I come guilty to be pardoned, by the blood of Christ the Lamb  
And I'm welcomed with open arms, Praise God, just as I am.

Just as I am, I would be lost,  
But mercy and grace my freedom bought,  
And now to glory in Your cross, Oh Lamb of God I come, I come.

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving Bernard Bolton

Offertory *Lamb of God/Oh, How He Loves You and Me*  
Eric Vandiver, piano *Dino Kartsonakis*

Anthem *Total Praise*  
Sanctuary Choir *Richard Smallwood*  
Gale Odom, conducting

Lord I will lift mine eyes to the hills,  
Knowing my help is coming from You,  
Your peace You give me in time of the storm,

You are the source of my strength,  
You are the strength of my life,  
I lift my hands in total praise to You, Amen.

Sermon: A Chosen Instrument Jeff Raines  
Acts 9

\*Hymn 604 *Come All Christians Be Committed*

Opportunities for Service Ronney Joe Webb

Sharing of Decisions for Christ

\*Benediction

Postlude