



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 family to memorize Ephesians 4:2-3 & 32 in the month of February.

Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. Ephesians 4:2-3 & 32

Announcements:

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

There will be an information meeting about the proposed **Remembrance Garden or Columbarium** today immediately following morning worship. All are invited. The brief meeting will be in Frost Chapel.

Join us tonight at 6:00 pm in Fellowship Hall for **A Night on Broadway**. A talented cast of characters will entertain you with hits from the Broadway musicals *Oklahoma* and *Annie*. You won't want to miss this fun, musical evening!

The **First Baptist Church School Board of Trustees** is accepting nominations for Board members February 1 - February 29, 2016. Please submit names to Lauren Ostendorff at lostendorff@kpxj21.com.

The **Week of Prayer for North American Missions** begins today. It is in conjunction with the Annie Armstrong Easter offering. The WMU will be hosting a program and luncheon, Monday, March 7 at 10:30 in the Parlor. Guest speaker is Harry Wilson, of Ft. Worth, TX. Harry is a North American Baptist missionary who directs the work of ten Hope Language and Literacy Programs in Dallas and Tarrant (Ft. Worth) Counties. He works with more than 120 volunteers each week who teach English as a Second Language to refugees, immigrants and Americans helping them to obtain the GED and for some American citizenship. All are welcome!

The Youth Ministry is in need of **scholarship money for the Spring Break Mission Trip**. They will be traveling to Houston for a second year of mission work. The cost per youth is \$300.00 and can be paid in full or any portion.

Saturday of Service will be March 12, 9:00 am-noon at the Rolling Hills Thrift Store, 2695 E. Texas St. in Bossier. We will be painting the front rooms in the store and sorting clothes in the back of the store. We will be collecting used clothing, kitchen items, toys, children's items and general household goods to take with us that day. You can bring your items by the Activities Center to drop them off or call to set up a time for someone to pick them up. 318-841-8420

Mopar Magic Car Show and Craft Fair will be Saturday, March 19 from 10:00 am-3:00 pm in the Activities Center and parking lot. This event is great for all ages!

Our Staff

- Dr. Jeff Raines, Pastor
- Rev. Clista Adkins, Minister of Discipleship
- 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, 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

All I Have is Christ
arr. Sandy Wilkinson

*Hymn of Praise 7

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

**Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, op'ning to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!**

**All Thy works with joy surround Thee, earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
Singing bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in Thee.**

**Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,
Wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are Thine;
Teach us how to love each other, lift us to Thy joy divine.**

*Invocation

Jeff Raines

Welcome to Worshippers

Anthems
FBCS 3rd-5th Grade Students
Lisa Alford, Director

At the Cross by Chris Tomlin
Walk On Water by Family Force

*Doxology

Children's Sermon

Jeff Raines

*Hymn

Ten Thousand 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.**
(continued)

**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.**

Remarks

Allison Barrett

Scripture Reading
Matthew 13:44-46

Grace Barrett

*Hymn

Let the River Flow

**Let the poor man say I am rich in Him,
Let the lost man say I am found in Him,
Oh... and let the river flow**

**Let the blind man say I can see again
Let the dead man say I am born again,
Oh... and let the river flow, let the river flow**

**Let the river flow, let the river flow
Holy Spirit come, move in power, let the river flow**

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

James Gillespie

Offertory Anthem
FBCS Middle School Choir
Glen Adkins and Kari Turner, Directors

Pie Jesu
Mary Lynn Lightfoot

**Merciful Jesus, grant us rest,
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
Grant us rest everlasting.**

Anthem
Sanctuary Choir and
FBCS Middle School Choir

Every Praise
arr. Hezekiah Walker

**Every praise is to our God,
Every word of worship with one accord.
Every praise, every praise is to our God,
Sing hallelujah to our God.
Glory hallelujah is due our God,
Every praise, every praise is to our God.**

**God my Savior, God my Healer
God my Deliverer, yes He is, yes He is.**

Sermon: Dear Laodicea...
Revelation 3:14-22

Jeff Raines

*Hymn of Response

Open the Eyes of My Heart

**Open the eyes of my heart, Lord; open the eyes of my heart.
I want to see you, I want to see you.
Open the eyes of my heart, Lord; open the eyes of my heart.
I want to see you, I want to see you.**

**To see you high and lifted up, shining in the light of your glory,
Pour out your power and love, as we sing holy, holy, holy.**

**Holy, holy, holy, Holy, holy, holy,
Holy, holy, holy, I want to see you.**

Opportunities for Service

Ronney Joe Webb

Sharing of Decisions for Christ

*Benediction

Postlude

*Please stand