



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 **Romans 12:1-2** in the month of **April**.

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God - this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is - his good, pleasing and perfect will. Romans 12:1-2 (NIV)

Announcements:

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

Send a youth to camp this summer. Our Youth Mountain Camp is scheduled for July 16-23. Our group will, for a second year, travel to Winter Park Colorado for a week packed full of discipleship, reflection, spiritual growth, relationship building and lots of FUN! The trip cost is \$400.00 per person and we are in need of scholarships! Please contact Katie Mussat, 841-8430 or katie@fbcshreveport.org, if you are able to help in any way. Thank you in advance!!

Join us for **Tuesday Team** each Tuesday in Hunter Hall 115 beginning at 8:30 am.

A new **Men's Book Study** is scheduled to begin tomorrow morning at 7:00 am in the Church Library. Jeff Raines will lead the group through the book, "Run with the Horses: The Quest for Life at Its Best" by Eugene Peterson. See Jeff to sign up. Books are available behind the front desk for \$15.00 each.

Domino Night is Thursday, April 21 at 6:00 pm in the Activities Center.

There is still time to register for the **Heels Up Against Human Trafficking 5K**. The fun run/walk begins at 8:30 am on April 30. The 5K kicks off at 9:00 am. Starting areas will be in the 500 block of Common St. under the Traffic Street bridge. All proceeds will benefit the organization Purchased: Not for Sale. To register go www.heelsup5K.com.

The WMU will be having their quarterly meeting to highlight **Direct Missions**. Come join them on Monday, May 2 at 10:30 am in the Parlor. Lunch to follow. Make your reservation with Carol at Carol@fbcshreveport.org or call 318-865-8414.

All preschool and children's **Summer Camps for 2016** are open for registration. We are planning an awesome variety of fun-filled camps for this summer. To check out the themes and/or register a child, visit fbcshreveport.org, scroll to the bottom of the "Home Page", click "VBS & Kids Summer Camps Registration". There you will find information, registration, and payment options. Your kiddos won't want to miss these!

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
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April 17, 2016

Worship

Prelude
Tara Partington, organ

Waters of Babylon
Johann Pachelbel

Call to Worship and Baptism

Down to the River to Pray

Ordinance of Baptism

Edwin Scott Isaacs Jr.
William Marshall Pesnell
John Reid Wilson
Tristan Thomas Wilson

*Hymn of Praise

O God of Vision

O God of vision far greater than all human scheming,
Gather us now in Your presence, refreshing, redeeming.
Show us anew, life in Your breath-taking view,
Lovely beyond all our dreaming.

Pour out Your Spirit on all now assembled before You.
May our diversity here be a means to adore You.
Women and men, young, old and youthful again,
Make us as one, we implore You.

Grateful we come now by Christ's invitation clear spoken.
We seek the nourishment found in fruit crushed and bread broken.
Christ for us all! Come let us answer the call,
Off'ring our lives as the token.

*Invocation

Clista Adkins

Welcome to Worshippers

*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.

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,
Chorus:

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.

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say, (*Chorus*)

Scripture Reading
Psalm 31:1-5 (pew Bible, page 395)

Meredith Hanna

*Hymn 330

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

T'was grace that taught my heart to fear.
And grace, my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear,
The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares,
I have already come;
Tis grace that brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.
(continued)

When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun.
We've no less days to sing God's praise,
Than when we've first begun.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Brian Flournoy

Offertory Anthem
Sanctuary Choir
Summer Chapman, soloist

Gospel Favorites Medley
arr. Mark Hayes

Sermon : Despising the Shame
Hebrews: 12:1-3 (pew Bible, page 852)

Jeff Raines

Ordinance of the Lord's Supper

Youth Ensemble

Oceans

*Hymn of Response 387

Blest Be the Tie

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

Katie Mussat

Sharing of Decisions for Christ

*Benediction

Postlude

*Please stand