

Announcements:

**SCRIPTURE READING FOR NEXT WEEK:
Esther 1-2; Proverbs 13-14; Matthew 21-24**

First Fitness at Five (thirty): A Boot Camp type workout on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 5:30 am in the Activities Center and outside areas. Contact Candace Chaney for questions or to join. 402-9755

Church Conference: Sunday, April 26, following morning worship in the Sanctuary

Children's Summer Activities: Parents, all the awesome children's summer activities are scheduled and available for sign up.

Go to www.fbcshreveport.org to get your kids registered for them all!

Parenting Your Parents Seminar: Monday, May 4 at 6:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. This roundtable discussion will cover a wide range of topics dealing with caring for aging parents. We will have resource people on hand related to care giver burn out, legal issues, hospice care, medical care, medical equipment needs, safety and monitoring, home health, care facilities and much more. There is no cost but reserve your seat through Carol Mills, 841-8420 or carol@fbcshreveport.org.

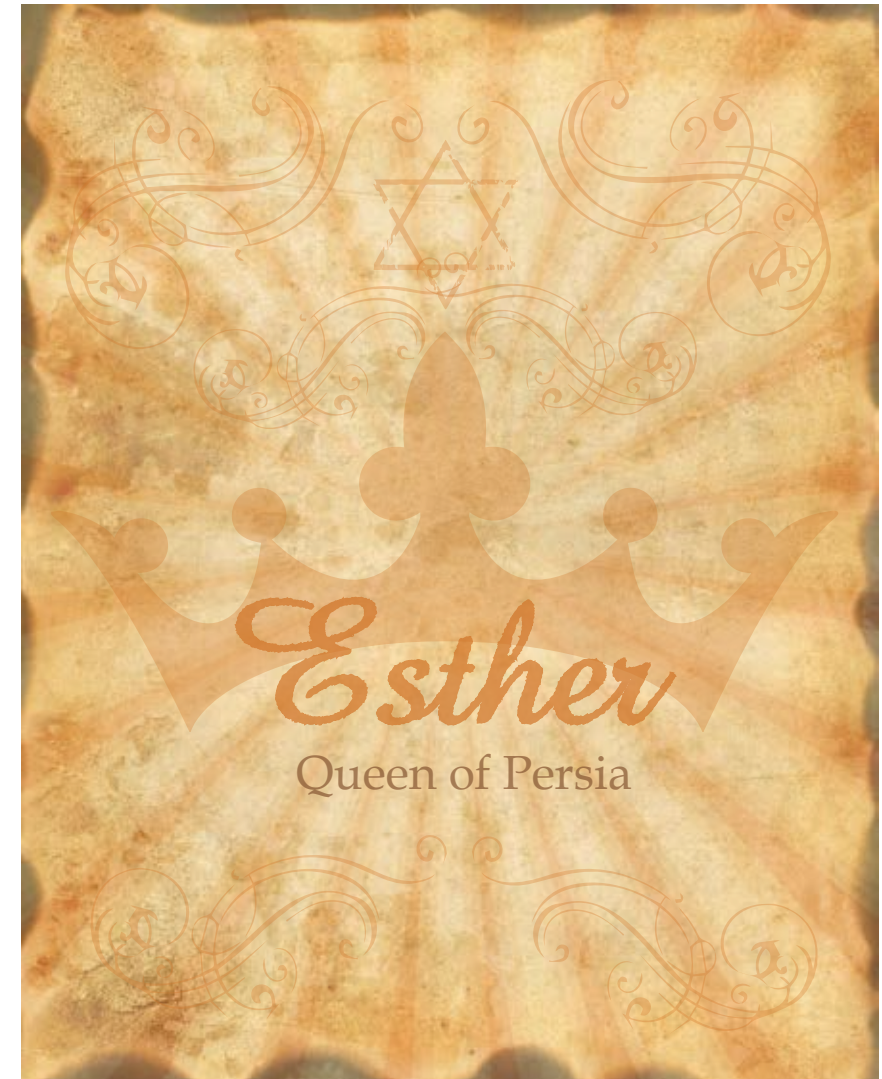
Be informed BEFORE the crisis!

Save the Date: Youth Summer Mountain Camp, July 17 - 24, Winterpark, Colorado, \$375.00

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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April 19, 2015

Morning Worship

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. -1 John 4:7-12

Prelude
Tara Partington, organ

Hymnus
Wilber Held

Choral Introit
Sanctuary Choir

Christ Our Blessed Lord is Risen From the Dead
David Danner

*Hymn of Praise *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

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.

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 may come to the front during the Doxology for the Children's Sermon

Children's Sermon Meredith Hanna

*Hymn *How Deep the Father's Love for Us*

Youth Mission Trip: Spring Break 2015
God's Mission, Our Passion

Katie Mussat and Youth

Anthem
Sanctuary Choir

More Love to Thee
Tom Fettke

*Hymn *You Are My King (Amazing Love)*

*Prayer of Thanksgiving Trinity Adams

Offertory
Elizabeth O'Bannon, violin; Mike Woods, bass;
Glen Adkins, guitar

The Gift of Love
arr. Hal Hopson

Sermon: A Royal Mess Jeff Raines
Esther 1

*Hymn of Commitment 143 *What Wondrous Love Is This*

Opportunities for Service and Fellowship Ronney Joe Webb

Sharing of Decisions for Christ

*Benediction

*Congregational Response *The Bond of Love*

We are one in the bond of love, we are one in the bond of love,
We have joined our spirit with the Spirit of God,
We are one in the bond of love.

Postlude *How Deep the Father's Love for Us*

*Please stand