



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:

THE JOURNEY



FINDING OUR STORY
IN GOD'S STORY

April 29-May 5: Romans 1-8

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 guest information packets. These 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!

Attention Parents: Our cry room is located in the Bridal Suite on the West side of our Foyer. There are kids' worship folders located in each side hall of the Sanctuary.

Children's Summer Camps registration is now open! Register now on our website while space is available! www.fbcshreveport.org

Church Conference is today following the service.

Golfing Fore Guatemala benefits all of our Guatemala missions. It begins tomorrow morning at 8:00 am. It's a four person scramble. See Ronney Joe for late registrations.

Children's Choir Spring Concert is Sunday, May 6 at 5:00 pm in the Chapel.

WMU Meeting will be Monday, May 7 at 9:30 am in the Parlor. The program emphasis will be on Direct Missions.

Parents' Night Out is Friday, May 11 from 6:00-9:00 pm. All ages will be in the main building.

Northwest Louisiana Doll, Toy & Craft Show will be Saturday, May 12 from 10:00 am-4:00 pm in the Activities Center. For information contact the church office or Robin Grubbs, 780-8864.

Domino Night is Thursday, May 17 at 6:00 pm in the Activities Center

There will be a **Childhood Education Meeting** Sunday morning, May 19 from 8:00-9:00 am in the Conference Room.

Join us for the **Ordination Service of Meredith Hanna**, on Saturday, May 19 at 4:00 pm in Frost Chapel. There will be a reception in the Parlor following the service.

The Highland Blessing is Thursday, May 31 from 5:00-7:00 pm in the Highland Center Gymnasium. Contact Ronney Joe (841-8421) or Carol (841-8420) if you can assist

Our Staff

Dr. Jeff Raines, Pastor
Dr. Glen Adkins, Minister of Music
Dr. James Gillespie, FBC School, Head
Meredith Hanna, Minister to Children
Tara Heeter, Organist
Andy Liu, Chinese Mission Pastor
Rev. Katie Mussat, Minister to Students
Eric Vandiver, Pianist
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Rev. Ronney Joe Webb, Minister of Family Life and Missions

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Worship

"Imagine yourself as a living house. God comes in to rebuild that house. At first, perhaps, you can understand what He is doing. He is getting the drains right and stopping the leaks in the roof and so on; you knew that those jobs needed doing and so you are not surprised. But presently He starts knocking the house about in a way that hurts abominably and does not seem to make any sense. What on earth is He up to? The explanation is that He is building quite a different house from the one you thought of - throwing out a new wing here, putting on an extra floor there, running up towers, making courtyards. You thought you were being made into a decent little cottage: but He is building a palace. He intends to come and live in it Himself." C.S. Lewis, Mere Christianity

Prelude *The King of Love My Shepherd Is*
Tara Heeter, organ Dale Wood

Choral Introit *On Eagles Wings*
Sanctuary Choir Michael Joncas

*Hymn of Praise 15 *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

**Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise:
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love.**

**Here I raise mine Ebenezer; hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home:
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.**

**O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let Thy grace Lord like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.**

*Invocation Jeff Raines

Welcome to Worshippers

*Doxology

Children's Sermon Jeff Raines

*Hymn

This Is Amazing Grace

**Who breaks the power of sin and darkness,
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings.
Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder,
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings.**

Chorus:

**This is amazing grace, this is unfailing love,
That You would take my place, that You would bear my cross.
You lay down Your life, that I would be set free,
Oh, Jesus, I sing for all that You've done for me.**

**Who brings our chaos back into order,
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter?
The King of Glory, the King of Glory.**

**Who rules the nations with truth and justice,
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings. (Chorus)**

**Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave. (repeat 2x)
Worthy, Worthy, Worthy (Chorus)**

Scripture Reading Ronney Joe Webb
Revelation 21:1-6 (pew Bible page 878)

*Hymn

This I Believe

**Our Father everlasting, the all creating One, God Almighty,
Through Your Holy Spirit, conceiving Christ the Son,
Jesus our Saviour.**

Chorus:

**I believe in God our Father, I believe in Christ the Son.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, our God is three in One.
I believe in the resurrection, that we will rise again,
For I believe in the Name of Jesus.**

**Our judge and our defender, suffered and crucified,
Forgiveness is in You.
Descended into darkness, You rose in glorious life,
Forever seated high. (Chorus)**

**I believe in You, I believe You rose again,
I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord. (chorus)
(continued)**

(final chorus)

**I believe in life eternal, I believe in the virgin birth.
I believe in the saints' communion, and in Your holy Church.
I believe in the resurrection, when Jesus comes again,
For I believe in the Name of Jesus.
I Believe in the Name of Jesus.**

*Prayer of Thanksgiving Kristen Powers

Offertory *It Is Well with My Soul*
Eric Vandiver, piano arr. Brian Howell

Anthem *Total Praise*
Sanctuary Choir Richard Smallwood

Sermon: Restoration Jeff Raines
Job 42:1-16 (pew Bible page 383)

*Hymn of Response 68 *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

**My Shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is His name;
In pastures fresh He makes me feed, beside the living stream.
He brings my wand'ring spirit back, when I forsake His ways;
And leads me, for His mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.**

**The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days;
O may Thy house be my abode, and all my work be praise.
There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come;
No more a stranger, nor a guest, but like a child at home.**

Opportunities for Service Ronney Joe Webb

Sharing of Decisions for Christ

*Benediction

*Congregational Response

**Because He lives I can face tomorrow,
Because He lives all fear is gone,
Because I know He holds the future,
And life is worth the living just because He lives.**

Postlude

*Please stand