



*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

May 20-26 : Leviticus 10-18

## 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](http://www.fbcshreveport.org)

**Youth Summer Camp** is still open for registration at [www.fbcshreveport.org](http://www.fbcshreveport.org)

**Family Summer Kick-Off** is today at 4:00 at G-Rock rock climbing facility. Following the fun, we will share a dutch treat dinner at Twisted Root. See Katie or Meredith to sign up or with questions. This is for all age children and youth as well as their families.

The **church offices** will be closed Monday, May 28 in observance of Memorial Day.

**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.

**Vacation Bible School** is right around the corner, June 11-15. We need YOU!! Please see Meredith if you are willing to be a part of this amazing week.

### Congratulations Seniors 2018

Chris Chen - Caddo Magnet High School  
Hannah Thomas - Huntington High School  
Megan Thomas - Caddo Magnet High School  
Will Vekovius - Caddo Magnet High School  
Madison Yerger - Loyola College Prep

### Our Staff

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

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May 20, 2018

# Worship

Prelude *Let the River Flow*  
Eric Vandiver, piano *Darrell Evans*

Choral Introit *Take Me to the Water*  
Sanctuary Choir *Spiritual*

The Observance of Baptism *Katie Mussat*  
Katy Jennings

\*Hymn of Praise 379 *Brethren We Have Met to Worship*

**Brethren, we have met to worship and adore the Lord our God;  
Will you pray with all your power, while we try to preach the Word?  
All is vain unless the Spirit of the Holy One comes down;  
Brethren, pray, and holy manna will be showered all around.**

**Sisters, will you join and help us? Moses' sister aided him;  
Will you help the trembling mourners, who are struggling hard with sin?  
Tell them all about the Savior, tell them that He will be found;  
Sisters, pray, and holy manna will be showered all around.**

**Let us love our God supremely, let us love each other, too;  
Let us love and pray for sinners, till our God makes all things new.  
Then He'll call us home to heaven, at His table we'll sit down;  
Christ will gird Himself, and serve us with sweet manna all around.**

\*Call to Worship *Hannah Thomas*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: On this day of Pentecost, we have gathered  
in this place to worship God.

**People: Pour out your Spirit upon us, O God,  
that we might worship in spirit and in truth.**

Leader: Let us make ourselves ready to worship  
and to follow the leading of the Spirit.

**All: Send your Holy Spirit on each of us  
that we may sing your praises,  
give glory unto you, and do your will.**

\*Invocation *Megan Thomas*

Welcome to Worshippers *Jeff Raines*

Video Presentation *Why We Love FBC*

Giving God the Very First *Reid Wilson*

\*Doxology

Children's Sermon *Allie Johnston*

\*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.**

**Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place,  
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name.**

*Chorus:*

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

*(Chorus)*

**You give and take away, You give and take away,  
My heart will choose to say, You give and take away. (repeat)**

*(Chorus)*

Scripture Reading *Ella Grace Williams*  
Luke 15:1-10 (pew Bible page 740)

Anthem *Fierce*  
Youth Choir, Landon Hudlow, soloist *David Wise*

\*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.**  
*(continued)*

**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.**  
*(repeat all)*

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving *James Sohn*

Offertory *Sonatina in C*  
Ella Bylsma, piano *Muzio Clementi*

Anthem *My Life Is in Your Hands*  
Sanctuary Choir and Youth Choir *Kirk Franklin*

Sermon: "A Family Reunion" *Chris Chen and Jeff Raines*  
Luke 15:11-32 (pew Bible page 740)

\*Hymn of Response *Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

**There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,  
And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord.  
There are sweet expressions on each face,  
And I know that it's the presence of the Lord.**

*Chorus:*

**Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet Heavenly Dove,  
You're right here with us, filling us with Your love.  
And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;  
Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived,  
When we shall leave this place.**

Opportunities for Service *Jaxon Vandiver*

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

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