

Announcements:

SCRIPTURE READING FOR NEXT WEEK: Esther 5-6; Proverbs 18-20; Matthew 27-28

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!
Don't forget about the Swag Packs for early registration.

Parenting Your Parents Seminar: Monday, May 4 at 6:30 pm in Fellowship Hall.
Be informed BEFORE the crisis!

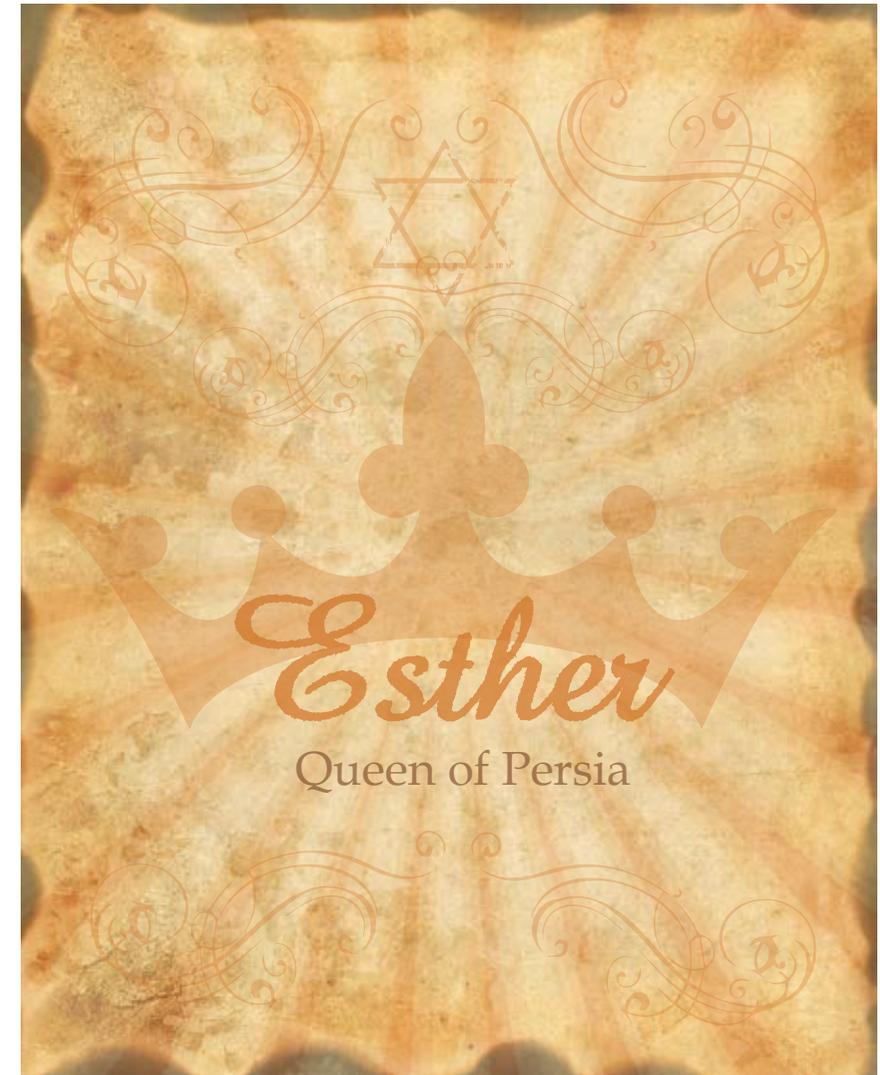
Youth Summer Mountain Camp: July 17 - 24, Winterpark, Colorado, \$375.00
Online registration is open! Check out the Youth Facebook page or go to the church's website to register. Deadline to register and pay is June 1.

Sponsor a Youth: Summer camp for our youth is usually the most expensive event we have all year. There is a need for several scholarships. This year we are opening up this great opportunity to the whole congregation. At Mountain Camp, our teenager will be surrounded by loving community while mountain biking in the fresh air, whitewater rafting alongside their fellow youth, and staying up too late telling jokes. They will have late-night holy conversations and wrestle with the holy scriptures with their peers. They will worship God through song, ritual, liturgy, hymn, and communion with friends. Our teens will also hear the call of Christ to come be fishers of men and women. He or she will discover their own call and giftedness through the Holy Spirit. Greatest of all, our students will discover they are, without a doubt, absolutely, loved by our Good Shepherd, King Jesus, the One who created them in love, called them in grace, and will send them home from camp to be the Salt and Light of God's love in their homes, schools, and even here at First Baptist Shreveport. Please contact Katie Mussat if you are interested in being the catalyst of change in a teenagers life.

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Morning Worship

Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint. -Isaiah 40:27-31

Prelude
FBC Handbell Choir

A Festive Intrada
Cynthia Dobrinki

Choral Introit
Sanctuary Choir

Christ Our Blessed Lord is Risen From the Dead
David Danner

*Hymn of Praise 6

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

*Invocation

Jeff Raines

Welcome to Worshipers

*Doxology

Children's Sermon

Meredith Hanna

*Hymn

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied;
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid, here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.
On Christ the Solid Rock I stand, no other ground is sinking sand,

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

An Interview with Getahun Tesema

Scripture Reading
Matthew 5:3-12

Katie Mussat

Anthem
Sanctuary Choir

Blest Are They
David Haas

The congregation will be invited to sing with the choir.
Rejoice and be glad, blessed are you, holy are you,
Rejoice and be glad, Yours is the kingdom of God.

*Hymn 334

Blessed Assurance

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Getahun Tesema

Offertory
FBC Handbell Choir

Proclamation
Kevin McChesney

Sermon: When Good Things Happen to Bad People
Esther 3

Jeff Raines

*Hymn of Commitment

All Who Are Thirsty

Opportunities for Service and Fellowship

Ronney Joe Webb

Sharing of Decisions for Christ

*Benediction

Postlude

In Christ Alone

*Please stand