



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

## 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)

**Children's Choir Spring Concert** is this evening at 5:00 pm in the Chapel.

**Youth Summer Camp** deadline for registration is today. To register go to [www.fbcshreveport.org](http://www.fbcshreveport.org)

**WMU Meeting** will be tomorrow 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

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.

There will be a **Childhood Education Meeting** Sunday morning, May 20 from 8:00-9:00 am in the Conference Room.

**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  
 Heather Vandiver, Music Associate  
 Rev. Ronney Joe Webb, Minister of Family Life and Missions

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FOR I AM  
 NOT ASHAMED  
 OF THE GOSPEL  
 FOR IT IS THE  
 POWER OF GOD  
 FOR SALVATION TO  
 EVERYONE  
 WHO BELIEVES  
*Romans 1:16*

## THE JOURNEY



FINDING OUR STORY  
 IN GOD'S STORY

May 6-12: Romans 9-16

# Worship

Prelude *Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott*  
Tara Heeter, organ *Johann Pachelbel*

Choral Introit *On Eagles Wings*  
Sanctuary Choir *Michael Joncas*

\*Hymn of Praise 8 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

**A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;  
Our helper He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing:  
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;  
His craft and power are great, and, armed with cruel hate,  
On earth is not his equal.**

**Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;  
Were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing:  
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He;  
Lord Sabaoth, His Name, from age to age the same,  
And He must win the battle.**

**That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth;  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him Who with us sideth:  
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;  
The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still,  
His kingdom is forever.**

\*Invocation Ronney Joe Webb

Welcome to Worshippers

Anthem *Holy Spirit*  
Children's Choir, K5-5th Grade *Daniel Semsen*  
Heather Vandiver, director

\*Doxology

Children's Sermon Jeff Raines

\*Hymn

*Revelation Song*

**Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain, holy holy is He,  
Sing a new song, to Him Who sits on, Heaven's mercy seat**

*Chorus:*

**Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,  
Who was and is and is to come.**

**With all creation I sing, praise to the King of kings,  
You are my ev'rything, and I will adore You.**

**Clothed in rainbows of living color,  
Flashes of lightning rolls of thunder.  
Blessing and honor strength and glory,  
And power be to You the only wise King. (Chorus)**

**Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder,  
At the mention of Your name,  
Jesus Your name is power breath and living water,  
Such a marv'lous mystery.  
(Chorus)**

Scripture Reading Maxwell Crews  
John 3:16-17 (pew Bible page 752)

\*Hymn 426 *Victory in Jesus*

**I heard an old, old story, how a Savior came from glory,  
How He gave His life on Calvary to save a wretch like me;  
I heard about His groaning, of His precious blood's atoning,  
Then I repented of my sins and won the victory.**

*Chorus:*

**O victory in Jesus, my Savior, forever,  
He sought me and bought me with His redeeming blood;  
He loved me ere I knew Him, and all my love is due Him,  
He plunged me to victory, beneath the cleansing flood.**

**I heard about His healing, of His cleansing pow'r revealing,  
How He made the lame to walk again and caused the blind to see;  
And then I cried, "Dear Jesus, come and heal my broken spirit,"  
And somehow Jesus came and bro't to me the victory. (Chorus)**

**I heard about a mansion He has built for me in glory,  
And I heard about the streets of gold beyond the crystal sea;  
About the angels singing, and the old redemption story,  
And some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of victory. (Chorus)**

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving Sam Greer

Offertory Eric Vandiver, piano

Anthem *How Great Thou Art*  
Sanctuary Choir *arr. Dan Forrest*

Sermon: Unashamed of the Gospel Jeff Raines  
Romans 1:16-17 (pew Bible page 796)

\*Hymn of Response 54 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

**Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, my Father,  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;  
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.**

*Chorus:*

**Great is Thy faithfulness, great is Thy faithfulness.  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed, Thy hand hath provided;  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.**

**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside. (Chorus)**

Opportunities for Service Meredith Hanna

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