



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:

## 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 a gift for you. If one of our church family has not handed you a packet, we hope that you will take one. Packets 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.

**Vacation Bible School "Emotions"** is THIS WEEK! There are still significant holes in the ranks of volunteers. If you are available that week, please prayerfully consider serving the children that will participate. Contact Meredith with the good news! Thank you in advance!

**Appreciation Luncheon** for all of our Bible Study leaders, worship ministry volunteers, and weekly Preschool/Children's volunteers will be held Sunday, June 11 at 11:45 in Fellowship. Please RSVP to Carol at 841-8420 or carol@fbcshreveport.org.

**Youth Pool Party** at the Flournoys' home today from 5:00-7:00 pm

**Deacon's Meeting** is tonight at 6:30 pm in Hunter Hall 110

**Sanctuary Choir practice**, with dinner, will begin at 6:00 pm this Wednesday, June 14 at the Provenance Club House. Families are welcome, the pool will be available.

**Domino Night** is Thursday, June 15 at 6:00 pm in the Activities Center.

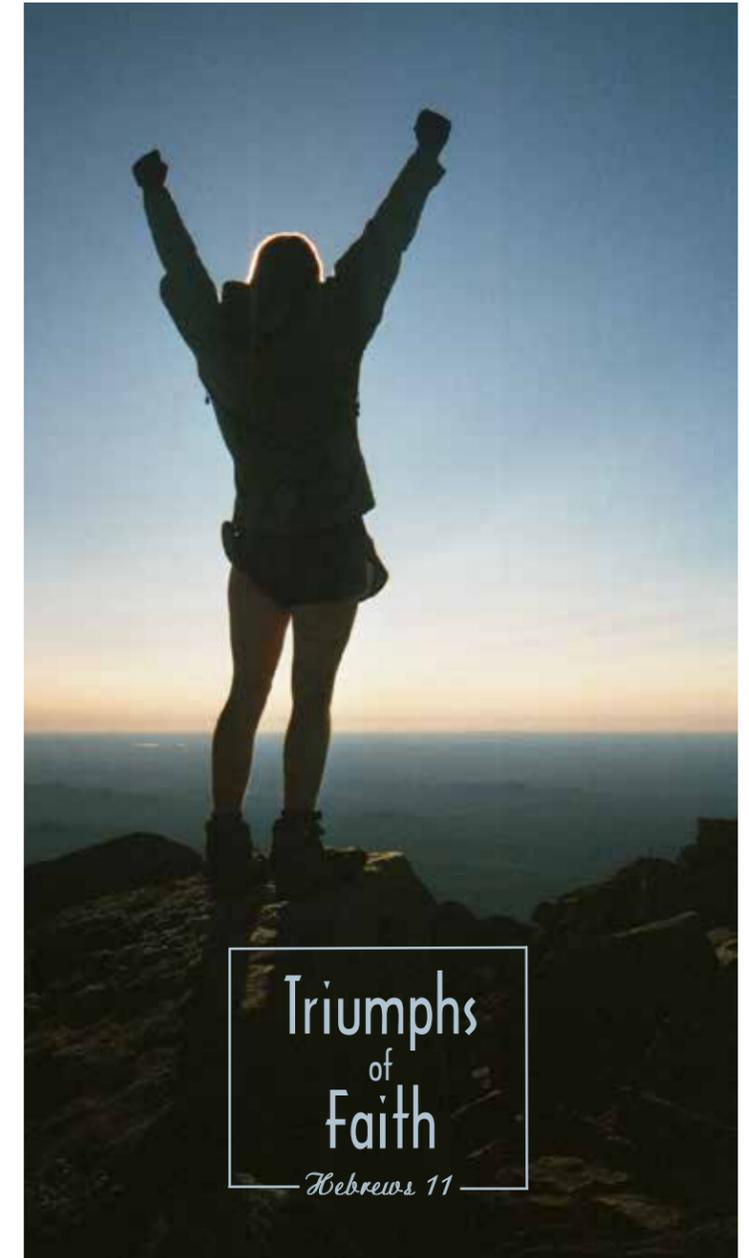
**Guatemala Trip** leaves Saturday, June 17. Please pray for our group as they minister to missionaries' children in that area.

**Donuts with Dad** is Sunday, June 18 from 8:00 am until 9:15 am in the Preschool Reception area.

### Our Staff

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

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# Worship

While they were ministering to the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for Me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." Then, when they had fasted and prayed and laid their hands on them, they sent them away. Acts 13:2-3

Prelude *God Be Praised*  
Tara Partington, organ *Heinrich Scheidemann*

Choral Introit *Spirit of the Living God*  
Sanctuary Choir *Iverson*

\*Hymn of Praise *O God of Vision*

O God of vision far greater than all human scheming,  
Gather us now in your presence, refreshing, redeeming.  
Show us anew - life in your breath-taking view,  
Lovely beyond all our dreaming.

Pour out Your Spirit on all now assembled before You.  
May our diversity here be a means to adore You.  
Women and men - young, old and youthful again,  
Make us as one, we implore You.

Break the sun's rays into color, a rainbow around us.  
Storm clouds, though real and near, are not enough to confound us.  
Arched in the sky - beauty and promise are high,  
Giving us hope to astound us.

Grateful we come now by Christ's invitation clear spoken,  
We seek the nourishment found in fruit, crushed and bread broken.  
Christ for us all! Come let us answer the call,  
Off'ring our lives as the token.

\*Invocation *Clista Adkins*

Welcome to Worshippers

VBS Emotions 2017

\*Doxology

Children's Sermon *Jeff Raines*

\*Hymn

*This Little Light of Mine*

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Jesus is the Light, I'm gonna let Him shine,  
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Jesus is the Light, I'm gonna let Him shine,  
Let Him shine, let Him shine, let Him shine,

Scripture Reading *Ronney Joe Webb*  
Matthew 8:18-27 (pew Bible page 686)

\*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, all 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.  
*(continued)*

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.

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving *Rance Cram*

Offertory Anthem *Come Share the Lord*  
Sanctuary Choir *arr. Keith Christopher*

Sermon: The Son of Encouragement *Jeff Raines*  
Acts 9:26-30 (pew Bible page 778)

The Observance of the Lord's Supper

\*Hymn of Response 249 *Glorify Thy Name*

Father, we love You, we worship and adore You,  
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.  
Glorify Thy name, Glorify Thy name,  
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Jesus, we love You, we worship and adore You,  
Spirit, we love You, we worship and adore You.

Opportunities for Service *Meredith Hanna*

Sharing of Decisions for Christ

\*Choral Benediction *Christ Go Before You*  
*Hull/Adkins*

Christ go be - fore you, Christ go be - hind you,  
Christ go be - side you, Christ go with - in you,  
Christ go be - neath you, Christ go a - bove you.

\*Benediction

Postlude

\*Please stand