

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:

We invite the church to memorize Psalm 23 during the **summer** months.

"The Lord is my shepherd; I have everything I need. He lets me rest in fields of green grass and leads me to quiet pools of fresh water. He gives me new strength. He guides me in right paths, as he has promised. Even if I go through the deepest darkness, I will not be afraid, LORD, for you are with me. Your rod and your shepherd's staff protect me. You prepare a banquet table for me, where all my enemies can see me; you welcome me as an honored guest and fill my cup to the brim. I know that your love and goodness will be with me all my life; and your house will be my home as long as I live." (Good News Version)

Announcements:

Today's worship service will be broadcast on KPXJ CW21 next Sunday at 8:00 am.

Tuesday Team will be taking the month of July off. Plan on joining us back on Tuesday, August 9.

Psalm 23 bookmarks are located in the church office. Please take one if you are interested! Our Scripture memory for summer is also on the back of your worship guide. You may choose any version to learn!

This year FBC will provide **Bags of Hope** just for third graders. It will be 95 students. The church will provide the backpack and we are asking the congregation to get supplies to fill one or more packs. Less than \$10.00 can fill a back pack.

1 16 pack box of *Crayola* crayons

10 #2 pencils

3 pocket folders with 3 hole clamps

1 packet of loose leaf paper

2 one subject spiral notebooks

The supplies need to be dropped off in the office area by July 31. Those wishing to go to Lake Providence on August 6th should see Ronney Joe.

Sunday School Forum is Sunday, August 7 at 11:45 in the Parlor.

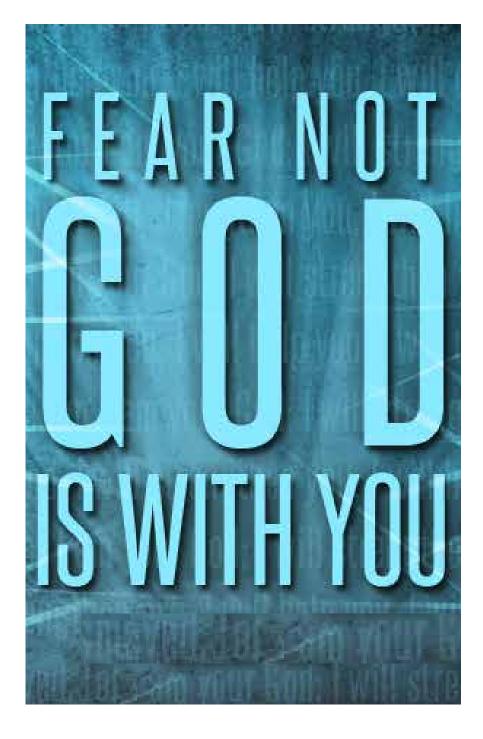
Our Staff

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Rev. Compi Chao, Chinese Mission Pastor
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Prelude Tara Partington

Choral Introit Spirit of the Living God
Sanctuary Choir Daniel Iverson

*Hymn of Praise 395 God of Grace and God of Glory

*Invocation Ronney Joe Webb

Welcome to Worshippers

*Doxology

Children's Sermon Clista Adkins

*Hymn Whom Shall I Fear?

You hear me when I call, You are my morning song. Though darkness fills the night, It cannot hide the light. Whom shall I fear?

You crush the enemy, underneath my feet. You are my sword and shield, though troubles linger still. Whom shall I fear?

Chorus:

I know who goes before me, I know who stands behind. The God of angel armies is always by my side. The one who reigns forever, He is a friend of mine. The God of angel armies is always by my side.

My strength is in Your name, for You alone can save. You will deliver me, Yours is the victory. Whom shall I fear? (Chorus)

And nothing formed against me shall stand, You hold the whole world in Your hands. I'm holding on to Your promises, You are faithful, You are faithful, You are faithful. (Chorus) Scripture Reading 1 John 4:16-21 Katie Mussat

*Hymn Mighty to Save

Everyone needs compassion, love that's never failing, Let mercy fall on me. Everyone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a Saviour,

The Hope of nations.

Chorus:

Saviour, He can move the mountains, My God is mighty to save, He is mighty to save. Forever, Author of Salvation, He rose and conquered the grave, Jesus conquered the grave.

So take me as You find me, all my fears and failures, Fill my life again.
I give my life to follow, everything I believe in,
Now I surrender. (Chorus)

Shine your light, and let the whole world see, We're singing for the glory of the risen King, Jesus. Shine your light, and let the whole world see, We're singing for the glory of the risen King. (Chorus)

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Jim Wedeberg

Offertory Solo Eternal Life
Gale Odom, soloist Olive Dungan

Anthem Peace Like A River
Sanctuary Choir arr. Mack Wilberg

I've got peace like a river in my soul. I've got faith like a river in my soul. I've got hope like a river in my soul. I've got love like a river in my soul.

Sermon: I Will Fear No Evil, for GOD Is with Me!

Psalm 23

*Hymn of Response 338

How Firm A Foundation

Clista Adkins

Opportunities for Service Ronney Joe Webb

Sharing of Decisions for Christ

*Benediction Clista Adkins

Postlude

*Please stand

Scriptures for Today

Give thanks to the Lord, because He is good, and His love is eternal. In my distress I called to the Lord; He answered me and set me free. The Lord is with me, I will not be afraid; what can anyone do to me? It is the Lord who helps me, and I will see my enemies defeated. It is better to trust in the Lord than to depend on people. It is better to trust in the Lord than to depend on human leaders. Psalm 118:1, 5-9 (Good News Bible)

Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Matthew 10:26-28 (NIV)

The Lord is my light and my salvation - whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life - of whom shall I be afraid? Psalm 27:1 (NIV)

So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. Isaiah 41:10 (NIV)

The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again. Romans 8:15 (NIV)

And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them. This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: In this world we are like Jesus. There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love. We love because He first loved us. Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen. And He has given us this command: Anyone who loves God must also love their brother and sister. I John 4:16-21 (NIV)