



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.

Attention Parents: For your convenience we have a cry room located in the Bridal Suite on the West side of our Foyer. Your older children might enjoy picking up one of our kids worship folders located in each side hall of the Sanctuary.

Tuesday Team meets every Tuesday morning at 8:30 am in Hunter Hall 106. It is designed for volunteers to give help to ongoing ministries or special events. There are snacks and great fellowship. Come join us!

Church Conference is today immediately following worship.

Youth Back to School Pool Party is tonight at 5:00 pm at the Wilson home, 7607 Creswell Rd. All youth, their families and incoming 6th graders are welcome.

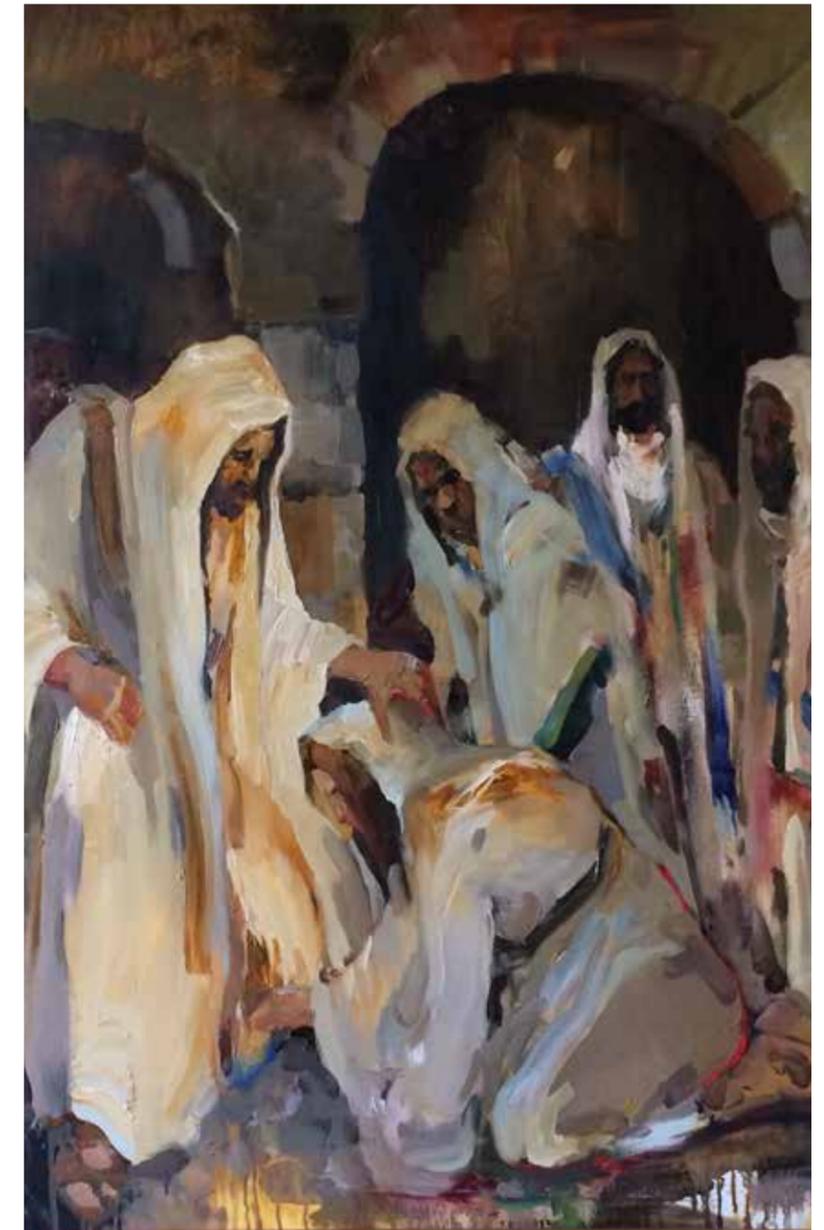
The Gathering kick-off is this Wednesday, August 17 in the Fellowship Hall. The dinner line opens at 5:00 p.m. We begin the year with a Welcome Back Aloha Luau, including a Ukulele band. If you play Ukelele bring it to the Luau. All regular Wednesday activities begin. The Wednesday schedule is given below:

- Family Dinner begins at 5:00
- Prayer around the tables at 5:40
- Pastor's Bible Study in Fellowship Hall at 5:50
- Youth Group in the Youth Center at 5:50
- M & M (music and more) for kindergarten - 5th grade in KidZone at 5:50
- Sanctuary Choir rehearsal at 6:30

Our Staff

- Dr. Jeff Raines, Pastor
- Rev. Clista Adkins, Minister of Discipleship
- Dr. Glen Adkins, Minister of Music
- Rev. Compi Chao, Chinese Mission Pastor
- Dr. James Gillespie, FBC School, Head
- Meredith Hanna, Minister to Children
- 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

Prelude
Tara Partington, organ

Come, All Christians Be Committed
arr. David Lowe

Choral Introit
Sanctuary Choir

Great Is Thy Faithfulness
William Runyan

*Hymn of Praise 56

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

**Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak but Thou art mighty;
Hold me with Thy pow'rful hand;
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,
Feed me till I want no more,
Feed me till I want no more.**

**Open now the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through,
Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer,
Be Thou still my strength and shield,
Be Thou still my strength and shield.**

**When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Bear me thro' the swelling current,
Land me safe on Canaan's side;
Songs of praises, songs of praises
I will ever give to Thee,
I will ever give to Thee.**

*Invocation

Clista Adkins

Welcome to Worshippers

*Doxology

Children's Sermon

Jeff Raines

Kids Summer Camps 2016

*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.**
(continued)

**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 (pew Bible page 827)
Ephesians 2:4-10

Ronney Joe Webb

*Hymn 333

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

**What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.**

Chorus:

**Leaning, leaning, Safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning, Leaning on the everlasting arms.**

**Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,
Leaning on the everlasting arms. (Chorus)**

**What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
Leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,
Leaning on the everlasting arms. (Chorus)**

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Josh Yarbrough

Offertory

Eric Vandiver, piano

Be Thou My Vision
arr. Heather Sorenson

Anthem

Sanctuary Choir

My Faith Looks Up to Thee
Lowell Mason

My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary,
Savior divine!
Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away,
O let me from this day be wholly Thine!

May Thy rich grace impart, strength to my fainting heart,
My zeal inspire;
As Thou hast died for me, O may my love to Thee
Pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire!

While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs around me spread,
Be Thou my guide;
Bid darkness turn to day, wipe sorrow's tears away,
Nor let me ever stray, from Thee aside.

When ends life's transient dream,
When death's cold, sullen stream, shall o'er me roll,
Blest Savior then in love, fear and distrust remove;
O bear me safe above, a ransomed soul!

Sermon: A Sure Grip

Mark 5:21-34 (pew Bible page 710)

Jeff Raines

*Hymn of Response 54

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Opportunities for Service

Katie Mussat

Sharing of Decisions for Christ

*Benediction

Postlude

*Please stand