



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 Proverbs 3:5-6 during the month of September.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to Him, and He will make your paths straight. (NIV)

Announcements:

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

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.

The **WMU** will host Lisa and Greg Shyne as speakers at their Monday, September 12 program. This kicks off the Georgia Barnette State Missions Week of Prayer. All are welcome. Program begins at 10:30 in the Parlor with lunch following for \$6.

Associational Men's Fish Fry Monday, September 12 at 5:30 pm for \$10.00. Call Camp Bethany to register 938-1221.

One-day Revelation study is Saturday, September 17.

Hungary trip needs your help! We need specific items: pipe cleaners, pony beads, slightly used t-shirts, and new or used baby item such as sleepers, gowns, blankets, socks, hats, etc. You also have the opportunity to pre-pay for a t-shirt that will go to a student at the Gandhi School. They are \$10.00. Deadline is September 18.

It's your last chance to register for **Family Camp**. Contact any staff member to sign up. The deadline is Sunday, September 18.

Sanctuary Piano Rededication service is next Sunday, September 18 at 5:00 pm.

Now Receiving Nominations for Deacons to Serve through 2019

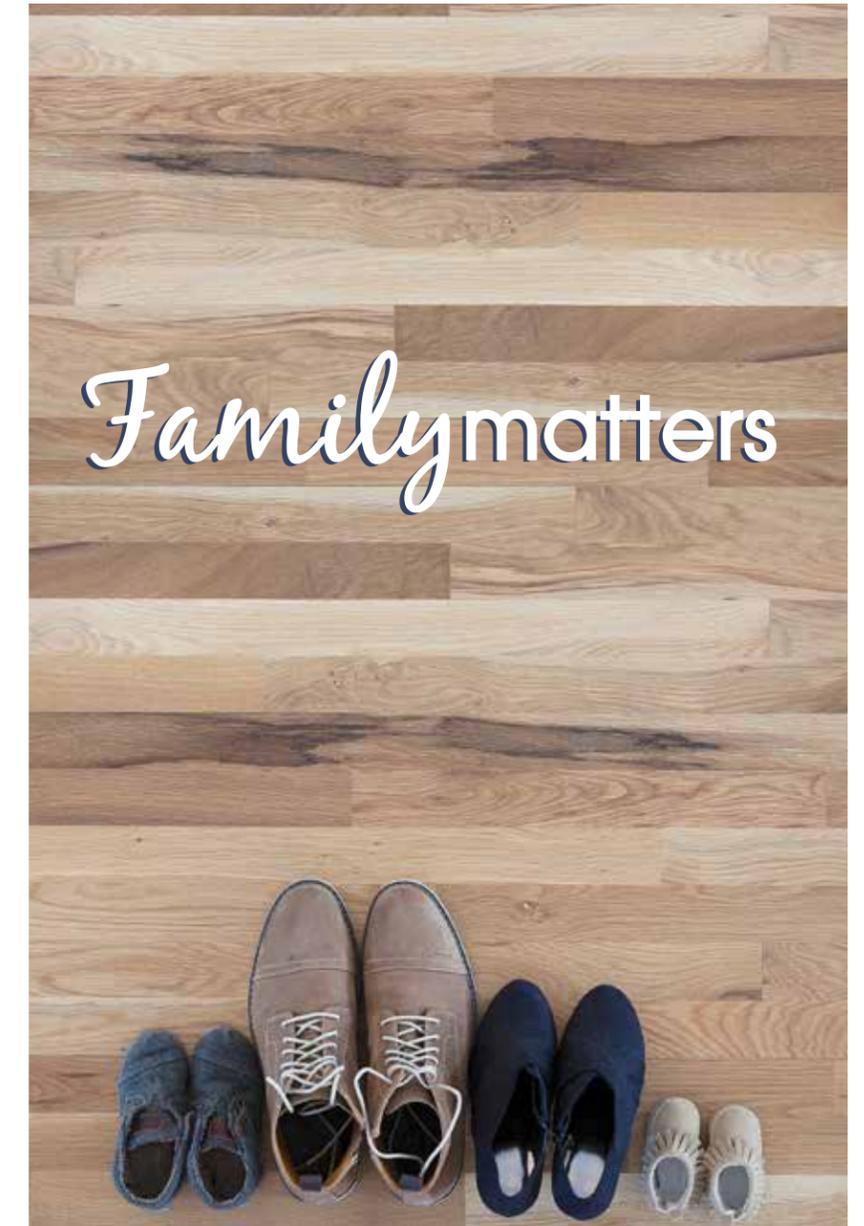
Nominations will be received in the church office through September 30, 2016.

Nominees: _____

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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September 11, 2016

Worship

Prelude Tara Partington, organ

Choral Introit Sanctuary Choir *Worthy of Worship York/Blankenship*

*Hymn of Praise 74 *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

**O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home!**

**Under the shadow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone, and our defense is sure.**

**Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God, to endless years the same.**

**Time like an ever-flowing stream, bears all its sons away;
They fly forgotten as a dream dies at the op'ning day.**

**A thousand ages in Thy sight, are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night, before the rising sun.**

**O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guide while life shall last, and our eternal home!**

*Opening Sentences Katie Mussat

Leader: Fifteen years ago today we stood mute before You,
O God, in horror and shock.

People: **To You, O God, we turned and waited.**

Leader: In distress and fear we cried out to You.

People: **In You we found refuge.**

Leader: In You we found peace and consolation.

People: **From You, O God, we ask for forgiveness.**

With You, O God, we seek bridges to understanding.

Leader: In You, O God, we find everything we need.

People: **You are our rock, our fortress, our deliverer.**

Leader: You are our light and our salvation.

People: **May God give strength to people of good will.**

Leader: May God bless all people with peace.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

*Invocation

Children's Choirs *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*
Director, Heather Vandiver

Welcome to Worshipers

*Doxology

Children's Sermon Jeff Raines

*Hymn Isaiah 43

1. When you pass through the wa-ters, I will be with you
2. When you walk through the fire, You'll not be burned.

And the waves will not ov-er-come you. Do not fear. For
And the flames will not con - sume you.

I have re - deemed you. I have called you by name, you are
mine I am the Lord your God, I am the Lord your
God I am the Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el, your Sa - vior For
I am the Lord your God, I am the Lord your God I am the Ho - ly One of
Is - ra - el, your Sa - vior, I am the Lord I am the
Lord I am the Lord I am the Lord I am the Lord

Scripture Reading Clista Adkins
Galatians 5:15-24

*Hymn 10 *How Great Thou Art*

*Prayer of Thanksgiving Billy Tingle

Anthem
Sanctuary Choir

To Love Our God
Mark Hayes

Where does the wind come from? Where does it go?
Blowing north and south, how does it know?
The rain flows gently to the sea, yet the sea is never full.
How can these things be?
Humanity works hard to make a name,
Toiling in the sun, yet nothing gained.
We all return to dust from whence we came.
All is empty, all is vain.
To love our God, the reason we live:
To love our God, the highest call.
Nothing satisfies our soul,
Gives life meaning, makes us whole
For this purpose we were made to love our God.

Sermon: The Secret of Marriage Jeff Raines
Ephesians 5:21-33

*Hymn of Response 231 *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

**Come, Christians, join to sing: Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ our King: Alleluia! Amen!
Let all with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;
Praise is his gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!**

**Come lift your hearts on high: Alleluia! Amen!
Let praises fill the sky: Alleluia! Amen!
He is our Guide and Friend, to us he'll condescend;
His love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!**

**Praise yet our Christ again: Alleluia! Amen!
Life shall not end the strain: Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore his goodness we'll adore,
Singing forevermore: Alleluia! Amen!**

Opportunities for Service Ronney Joe Webb

Sharing of Decisions for Christ

*Benediction

Postlude

*Please stand