



*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 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.

**Mission collection needs for September** are cake mixes and icing for the Community Renewal Friendship House's Birthday Boxes. We are asking for 144 each of white cake mixes, chocolate cake mixes, white icing, and chocolate icing.

**Worship Care Volunteers** needed! Contact Meredith if you are willing to serve.

We are still accepting financial donations for the **Hurricane Disaster Fund**. We will post any additional items as the need arises.

Pray for our group that will be traveling to **Hungary** September 28-October 7. They are: Clista & Glen Adkins, Brigette & Caleb Elkins, Darcie Raines, Meredith Hanna, Josie Carter, Dolores Gaddy, Shai Ewing, Troy Partington, Kathy & Milton Martin, Lara Yerger & Madison Yerger.

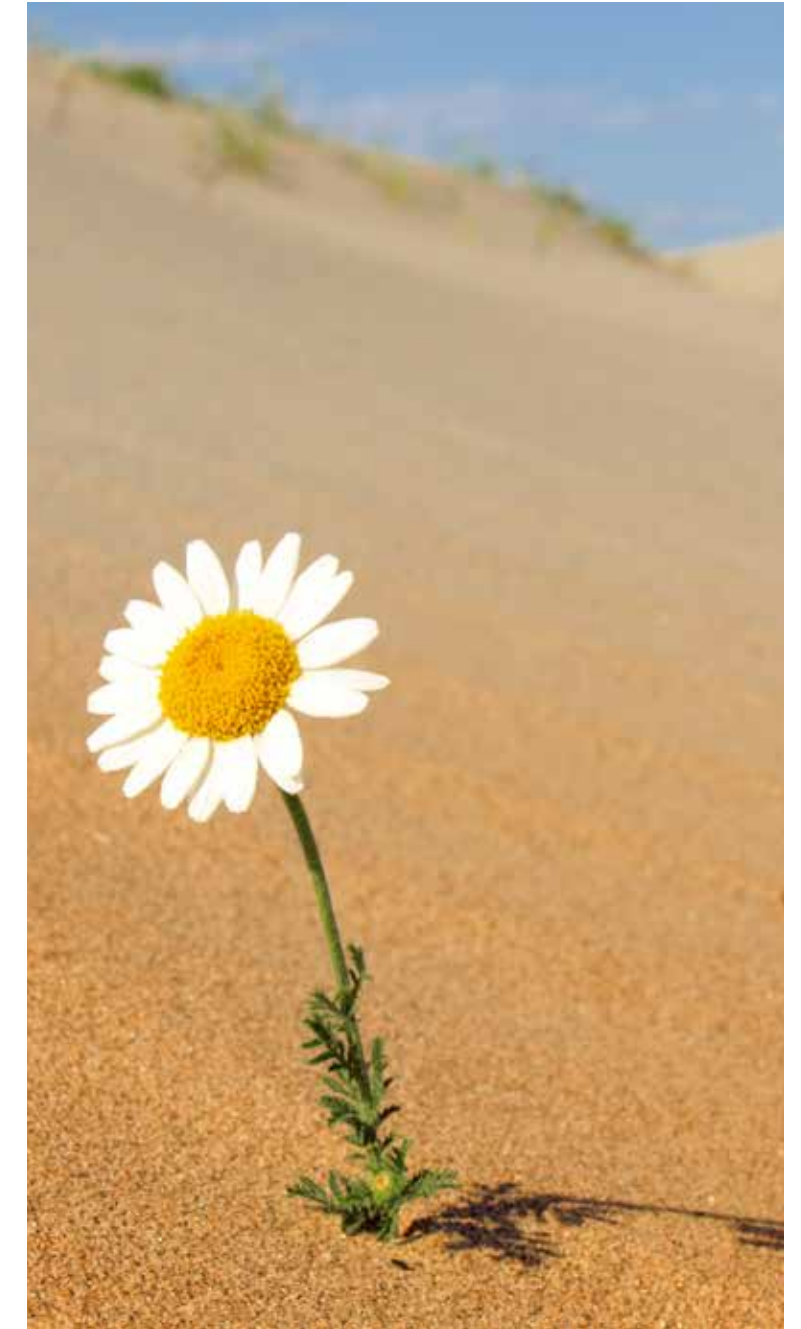
**Deacon's Meeting** is Sunday, October 8 at 6:30 pm in Hunter Hall room 110.

There is a **family camping trip** planned for October 13-15. If you are interested contact Jeff Raines.

### **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

Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labor in vain. Unless the Lord watches over the city, the guards stand watch in vain. In vain you rise early and stay up late, toiling for food to eat for he grants sleep to those he loves. Children are a heritage from the Lord, offspring a reward from him. Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are children born in one's youth. Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them. They will not be put to shame when they contend with their opponents in court. ~Psalm 127 NIV

Prelude *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*  
Tara Partington, organ *Austin C. Lovelace*

Choral Introit *Where Two or Three Are Gathered*  
Sanctuary Choir *John Purifoy*

\*Hymn of Praise 14 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;  
Praise Him in glad adoration.**

**Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been  
Granted in what He ordaineth?**

**Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;  
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,  
If with His love He befriend thee.**

**Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him.  
Let the Amen sound from His people again,  
Gladly for aye we adore Him.**

\*Invocation *Katie Mussat*

Welcome to Worshipers

\*Doxology

Children's Sermon *Jeff Raines*

\*Hymn *Speak O Lord*

Speak O Lord as we come to You To re-ceive the food of Your  
Teach us Lord full o - be - di - ence Ho - ly re - ver - ence true hu -  
4 Speak O Lord and re - new our minds Help us grasp the heights of Your  
ho - ly word Take Your truth plant it deep in us Shape and  
mi - li - ty Test our thoughts and our at - ti - tudes In the  
7 plans for us Truths un - changed from the dawn of time That will  
fa - shion us in Your like - ness That the light of Christ might be  
ra - di - ance of Your pu - ri - ty Cause our faith to rise Cause our  
10 e - cho down thru e - ter - ni - ty And by grace we'll stand on Your  
seen to - day In our acts of love and our deeds of faith  
eyes to see Your ma - jes - tic love and au - tho - ri - ty  
13 pro - mi - ses And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us  
Speak O Lord and ful - fill in us All Your pur - pos - es for Your glo - ry  
Words of pow'r that can nev - er fail Let their truth pre - vail o - ver un - be - lief  
Speak O Lord till Your church is built And the earth is filled with Your glo - ry

Scripture Reading *Clista Adkins*  
Psalm 78:1-7 (pew Bible page 417)

\*Hymn *Cornerstone*

Chorus  
**My hope is built on nothing less,  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,  
But wholly trust in Jesus' Name.**

**Christ alone, Cornerstone,  
Weak made strong in the Savior's love,  
Through the storm He is Lord, Lord of all.**  
(continued)

**When darkness seems to hide His face,  
I rest on His unchanging grace.  
In every high and stormy gale,  
My anchor holds within the veil.  
My anchor holds within the veil. (Chorus)**

**When He shall come with trumpet sound,  
Oh may I then in Him be found.  
Dressed in His righteousness alone,  
Faultless to stand before the throne.  
Faultless to stand before the throne.**

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving *Meredith Hanna*

Offertory Anthem *Softly and Tenderly*  
Sanctuary Choir *arr. Robert Sterling*

Sermon: Parenting with Grit and Vision *Jeff Raines*  
Joshua 4 (pew Bible page 153)

\*Hymn of Response *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

Opportunities for Service *Ronney Joe Webb*

Sharing of Decisions for Christ

Hungary Mission Team Commissioning

\*Congregational Benediction *Christ Go Before You*

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

Postlude

\*Please stand