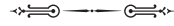


WELCOME

We are glad you're here. Please sign our register to let us know that you're visiting, so our members can make you feel at home.



WE'RE SO GLAD YOU ARE JOINING US FOR WORSHIP TODAY! If you have any questions about Sunday morning activities & Worship or you would like more information about how you can be involved in the life of First United Methodist Church, Shreveport:

- Ask one of our wonderful ushers or volunteers in the Welcome Center. They'd be glad to help!
- Call the church office at 318.424.7771. We're open 8:30am - 5:00pm Monday - Thursday and 8:30am - 4:00pm on Friday.
- Visit www.firstshreveport.org/getconnected

WANT A TOUR OF THE CAMPUS?

Starting Point tours happen the second Sunday of each month at 9:45am beginning in the Welcome Center located in the Education & Administration Building. Whether you're joining us for the first time or have been considering making this your church home, join us as we explore our church campus.

READY TO JOIN OUR FIRST SHREVEPORT FAMILY?

If you're curious about what membership means and want to meet our pastors before deciding, join us for our next Starting Point Luncheon. Contact our New Member Pastor, Rev. Caroline Wilkinson at 424-7771, ext. 135 or cwilkinson@fumcshreveport.org for more information.

You may join the church today by profession of faith, transfer of membership or reaffirmation of your baptismal vows. Our church receives persons from other traditions by transfer. If you have been baptized in another denomination, re-baptism is not necessary. To join, simply come to the front of the church and meet the pastors during the singing of the last hymn.

NEXT STEPS:

- Join a small group! Contact Erik Rasmussen at erasmussen@fumcshreveport.org or call the church office for more info.
- Firstdiscipleship.org is Now Live! Find out where you are in your discipleship journey and steps you can take to go deeper. Sign in today at firstdiscipleship.org. Email Lisa Turnbull at lturnbull@fumcshreveport.org or call the church office at 424.7771 for more info.
- Serve with us! For Local and Global service opportunities visit www.firstserves.org or email Ashley Goad (Global) at agoad@fumcshreveport.org or Michelle Osborn (Local) at mosborn@fumcshreveport.org.

FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OTHER UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Grab a copy of the *First Weekly* or *The Columns* located at any of the entryways or visit firstshreveport.org.

Our Heritage in Stained Glass

On the road to Emmaus—"He being dead yet speaketh" Hebrews 11:4
The third window on the left, directly opposite of the beautiful Easter window, depicts Christ on the Road to Emmaus walking with two companions after His Resurrection. This journey when Christ was not recognized until they reached the village and were at supper is found in Luke 24. The window was installed in memory of Gus Palmer, a steward of this church. "Mr. Gus," a successful cotton broker and a beloved member of First Church takes us Easter People to Pentecost.

JOYS & CONCERNS

NEW MEMBER: Olivia Brainis
HOSPITALIZED: June Miller • Frank Green • Richard Hemmings
DISCHARGED: Rev. Larry O'Dell
THE RED ROSE NEAR THE ALTAR honors those serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, at home & abroad.
THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given to the glory of God by the Altar Flower Fund.

MEMORIALS

Don G. Easterwood, Jr.
from Janie F. Richardson
Debbie and Walter Smith
Ashley M. Atkins
Pat and Mark Harrison
Leigh and Robert Bowman
Anne Oden Hall
from Debbie and Walter Smith
Anne M. King
from Marybeth Szabo
The Stephen Ministers
Joe M. Rosalee
Kitty Jo and Charles Boyd
Tom Davis
from Natalie and Earl Haynes
Hoe and Hope Garden Club
Charles H. Kirkland, Jr.
from Mary Carol and Curt McClure
Mrs. Neal Baremore

Dorothy "Chris" Walker
from Steven Walker
Tina Huey
Connie Haire
Donna Law
from Sherry and David Hardin
Fred W. Bailey
from Jo Pennington
Dr. Tom McNeely
Mississippi State University Foundation
Jean Norris Murphy
from Peggy and Leroy Nuckolls
Lounelle Black
Karen and Martin Anthony
Dr. and Mrs. John Eric Bicknell
Dr. Richard Haynie
Jennifer and Mike Owens
Bonnie Jean Chesley
from Louise and Tom Eason

VITAL SIGNS

Contributions	Week Ending 04.16.17	Month-to-Date	Year-to-Date
Goal	\$62,478	\$187,434	\$1,116,168
Received	\$99,249	\$272,376	\$1,253,479
Over/(Under)	\$36,771	\$84,942	\$137,311

ATTENDANCE: WEEK OF APRIL 16, 2017	
Traditional worship (8:30)	497
Traditional worship (11:00)	1101
FaithLink worship	321
Wesleyan Communion	n/a
Total worship attendance	1919
Total Sunday School attendance, all ages	539



WE ARE A STEPHEN MINISTRIES CARING CONGREGATION. *If you are in need of personal prayer, we have Stephen Ministers available to listen and pray with you. A Stephen Minister will be at the altar by the left door at the end of each service.*

Senior Pastor: Dr. R. Pat Day • Executive Pastor: Rev. Derek Joyce • Associate Pastor: Rev. Caroline Wilkinson
Associate Pastor, Global Missions & Women's Ministry: Dr. Ashley Goad • Pastor of Senior Adult Ministry: Dr. Carl E. Rhoads
Director of Music: Dr. David Hobson • Director of Fine Arts: Dr. Will K. Andress • Principal Organist: E. Ray Peebles

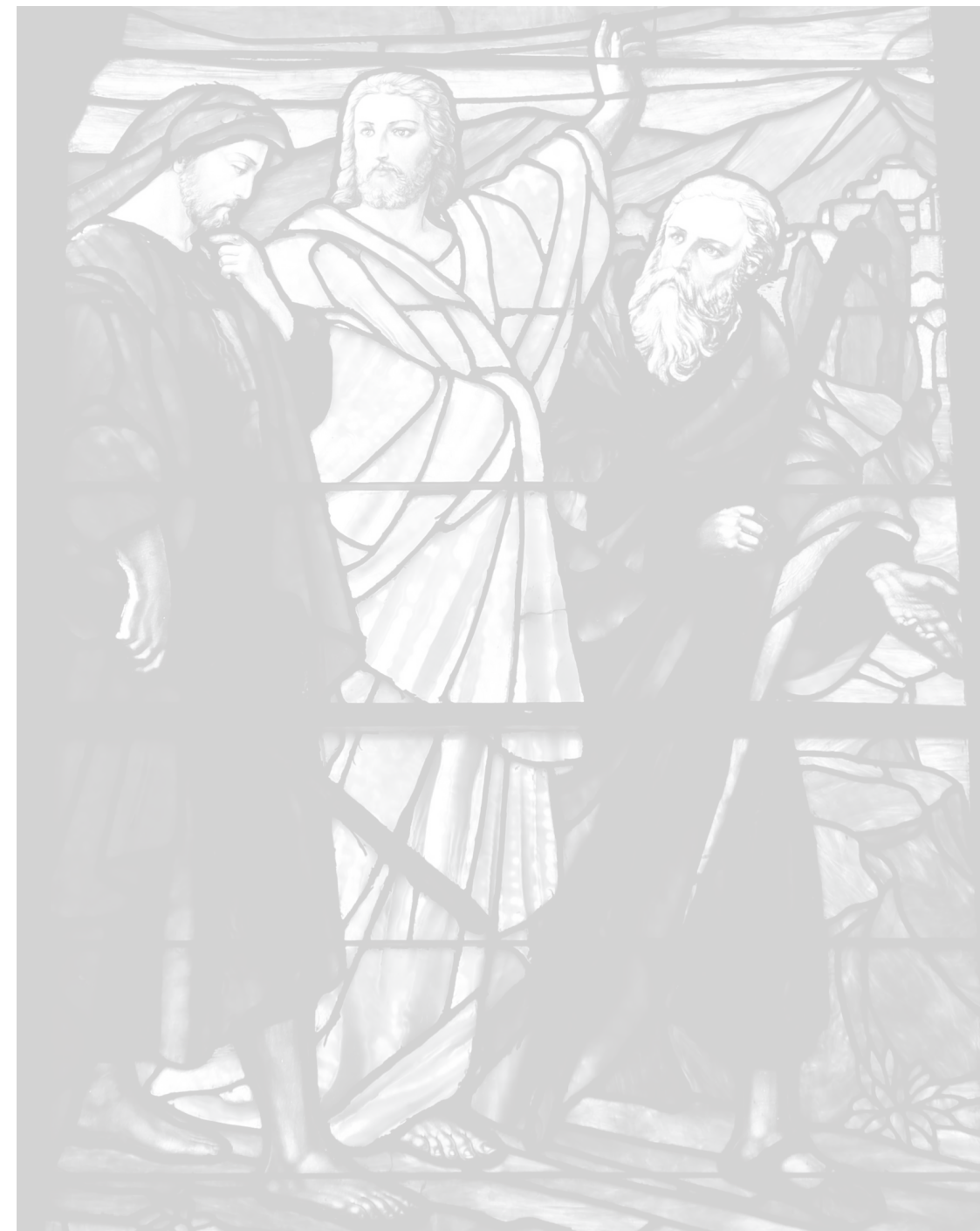
TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICES: 8:30am & 11:00am, LIVE TELECAST ON KTBS/ABC at 11:00am
FAITHLINK CONTEMPORARY SERVICE: 11:00am • **SUNDAY SCHOOL:** 9:45am
WESLEYAN COMMUNION SERVICE: 9:45 - 10:30am, FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH IN COUCH CHAPEL

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