

WELCOME



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'll 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. 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.

Welcome to First United Methodist Church.

To all of our guests – welcome! We are glad you're here. Please be sure to let us know that you're visiting, so we can make you feel at home.

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Karla & Eric Camp on the birth of their son, Cameron Michael Camp on August 30, 2016. Paternal grandmother is Kay Camp & paternal great grandparents are Yvonne & Bill Grammer.

HOSPITALIZED: Bill Hitchcock • Estelle Midyett • Bob Richard • Jere Saur

DISCHARGED: Lydia Ehrhardt • Lisa Turnbull

SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO: Dr. David Cooksey & family in the death of his brothers Alton Irwin & Bo Cooksey; to the family & friends of Gloria Bosley in her death; to Helen Orr & family in the death of her husband, Charles Orr; to Melissa Crusan & family in the death of her mother, Mildred Everist and to Dennis Ross & family in the death of his mother, Bess Bode.

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 and in loving memory of Jody Ferguson from his family.



MEMORIALS:

Rigby Hollingsworth
from Mr. and Mrs. John B. Roddey

Charlotte E. Webb
from Bennette and Jack Daniel

Leonard Gates
from The Desiderata Class of FUMC
United Methodist Women of FUMC

VITAL SIGNS

Contributions	Week Ending 08.28.16	Month-to-Date	Year-to-Date
Goal	\$87,983	\$351,932	\$2,601,745
Received	\$64,974	\$350,093	\$2,489,649
Over/(Under)	(\$23,009)	(\$1,839)	(\$112,096)

ATTENDANCE: WEEK OF AUGUST 28, 2016

Traditional worship (8:30)	227
Traditional worship (11:00)	530
FaithLink worship	230
Wesleyan Communion	n/a
Total worship attendance:	987
Total Sunday School attendance, all ages	607



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. A private space is available for visiting.*

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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FIRST

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, SHREVEPORT

SEPTEMBER 4, 2016 • 16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



EMBRACING GRACE. GROWING LEADERS.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Celebration of Worship – Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE.....*Clair De Lune*.....E. Ray Peebles, organ
Louis Vierne

WORDS OF WELCOME & GREETING Dr. Goad

INTROIT.....*Come, Join Our Cheerful Song*.....Ensemble (8:30)
Dale Wood Chancel Choir (11:00)

CALL TO WORSHIP & INVOCATION.....Dr. Goad

† HYMN OF PRAISE.....“To God be the Glory”.....No. 98

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH.....No. 888.....Dr. Rhoads

CELEBRATION OF LIFE.....Truly McDaniel

MUSICAL OFFERING.....*The Lord Is My Light*.....Sarah Wilkerson, soprano
Frances Allitsen

† SCRIPTURE READING.....PSALM 24.....Dr. Goad
Old Testament, Page 617 in your Pew Bible

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† GLORIA PATRI

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. AMEN.*

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CHILDREN’S BLESSINGBillie Tate
Children leaving the service for Children’s Chapel may be picked up after the service:

- 3–4 years (8:30 & 11:00): Children’s Ministry Center
- K5–1ST graders (11:00): Dawson Building, Room 207, behind the Sanctuary
- 2ND–3RD graders (11:00): Dawson Building, Room 208, behind the Sanctuary

JOYS & CONCERNSRev. Derek Joyce

MORNING PRAYER.....Dr. Rhoads

THE LORD’S PRAYER..... Congregation (speaks in unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. ✠ Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. ✠ Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. ✠ And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. ✠ For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. AMEN.

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† HYMN OF PREPARATION.....“A Charge to Keep I Have”.....No. 413

OFFERTORY PRAYER.....Dr. Goad

MUSICAL OFFERING.....*For the Beauty of the Earth*.....Ensemble (8:30)
John Rutter Chancel Choir (11:00)

† DoxologyNo. 94
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose
power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

SCRIPTURE READING.....1 CORINTHIANS 10:23-31 - 11:1.....Rev. Derek Joyce
New Testament, Page 210 in your Pew Bible

MESSAGE.....**DO EVERYTHING FOR THE GLORY OF GOD**.....Rev. Derek Joyce

† HYMN OF INVITATION.....“Forth in Thy Name, O Lord”.....No. 438

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS.....Dr. Rhoads
We rejoice to recognize you as members of Christ’s holy church, and bid you welcome to the congregation of First United Methodist Church. With you, we renew our vows to uphold it by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness.

BENEDICTION.....Dr. Rhoads

SENDING FORTH.....*God Be with You ‘Till We Meet Again*..... Ensemble (8:30)
arr. Dale Wood Chancel Choir (11:00)

POSTLUDE.....*Fuga in C, BWV537*.....E. Ray Peebles, organ
Johann Sebastian Bach

ACOLYTES: John Ashton Hunter (8:30), Caroline Wood (11:00)

CRUCIFER: Leslie Hunter (8:30), Connor Edwards (11:00)



† *Those who are able may stand. ‡ Latecomers may be seated at these times.*

• **COMMUNION WILL BE SERVED AT 9:30AM IN THE SANCTUARY AND NOON IN COUCH CHAPEL.**

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• **To watch online**, download bulletins and sermons, visit our website: www.firstshreveport.org.

• **WORSHIP SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE FOR FREE DOWNLOAD ONLINE** at firstshreveport.org, via iTunes and on your Android and iPhone. Copies of today’s sermon are also available for purchase on CD or DVD. Please contact the church office, 424-7771, for additional information.

• **LIKE US ON FACEBOOK** at www.facebook.com/fumcshreveport for the latest events, photos and more; then follow us on Twitter @FUMCShreveport.

Sermon Notes

DO EVERYTHING FOR THE GLORY OF GOD

1 CORINTHIANS 10:23-31 - 11:1

SEPTEMBER 4, 2016

1 Corinthians 10:23-31 - 11:1- All things are lawful, but not all things are beneficial. All things are lawful, but not all things build up. Do not seek your own advantage, but that of the other...So whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God. (v. 23-24, 31)

We all are invited to participate in numerous activities, especially as we begin the rhythm of the Fall Semester. Schedules get filled up with plenty of commitments, extra curricular activities, and so on. And while some activities are obviously better than others, there are still some that require a thoughtful decision-making process. This happens every day at home, work, and even when we play. And our decisions always have implications. Of course, some decisions carry more weight than others, and therefore yield consequences that extend wider than others. How do we decide what to do? What do you consider important? Do you consider your ministry for Christ when thinking about your decision? Do you consciously think about bringing glory to God with what lies in front of you? This Sunday we will look at Paul’s thoughts on doing everything for the glory of God. May the Lord guide us, so that we may live in a way that puts Christ first and that builds others up.