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02.11.18 FaithLink

we're glad you're here!

Welcome to Faithlink! This is the Contemporary Worship Service of First United Methodist Church, Shreveport. If you're here for the first time, please fill out the Connect Card to your left and find one of our Ushers, Greeter or Worship Team members so we can welcome you!

what to expect

We worship God the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit as One Triune God through the following:

- **Song**—Lift your voices, your hands, and your hearts together in praise. We sing contemporary songs and historic hymns that are rich in theology and declare the majesty of God's love.
- **Offering**—Giving tithes & thanksgiving offerings are a reflection of our faithful obedience and our gratitude for God's provision in our lives.
- **Scripture**—We read scripture—lots of it. We strive to be a people of God's Word, trusting that it is authoritative in leading us to know the story of God, and who we are as the people called by God's name.
- **Prayer**—We will pray with and for you. Feel free to approach the altar and kneel for prayer. Or fill out the prayer request card in the bulletin and place it the offering, or a basket at the back.
- **Communion**—We celebrate at the table of the Lord on the first Sunday of each month. All are welcome to participate in this act of worship and remembrance. Communion is also served each Sunday in Couch Chapel at noon.

our pastors

- Rev. Derek Joyce, Executive Pastor
- Heather Gunter, Director of Contemporary Worship
- Dr. R. Pat Day, Senior Pastor

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Colossians

» Disarming Darkness «
rev. derek joyce

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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, SHREVEPORT

SUNDAY 02.11.18

“DISARMING DARKNESS” • REV. DEREK JOYCE

Colossians 2:12-15— You were buried with him through baptism and raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. When you were dead because of the things you had done wrong and because your body wasn't circumcised, God made you alive with Christ and forgave all the things you had done wrong. He destroyed the record of the debt we owed, with its requirements that worked against us. He cancelled it by nailing it to the cross. When he disarmed the rules and authorities, he exposed them to public disgrace by leading them in a triumphal parade.

Wherever you find yourself today, be encouraged that the dominion of darkness that seems to be coming against you has been disarmed by Christ, and has no authority over your life. Remain in Christ and walk in triumph in His name.

ORDER OF WORSHIP:

Welcome!

“Only King Forever” by Elevation Worship

Community Reading & Prayer

Meet & Greet

Children's Message

“Great Are You Lord” by All Sons & Daughters

“Let the Heavens Open” by Kari Jobe

Offertory

“Awake My Soul (A Thousand Tongues)” by Matt Maher

Message

Closing Song

Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Benediction

SERMON NOTES:

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.

Next Steps:

If you'd like to know more about connecting within the church, please fill out the Connect Card within the bulletin and return it to an usher or pastor. We would love to help you connect to First Shreveport!

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.

Childcare:

Childcare for infants through 4 years is available on Sundays from 8:15am-12:15pm in the Children's Ministry Center (CMC). The CMC is down the hall and down the left set of stairs from the Emmett Hook Center. There is a sign that says “Children's Ministry Center” outside of this stairwell. Outdoor access to the Children's Ministry Center is located on the corner of Douglas and Milam Streets.



COMMUNITY PRAYER

HOSPITALIZED: Patricia Lonnecker, Jo Ann McFerren

DISCHARGED: Christina Laing, Tim Dulany, Jane Drake, Evelyne Taylor

SYMPATHY is extended to Mike Owens & family in death of his mother, Lucille Owens and to the family & friends of Bill Holloway in his death.

Please let the church office know if you, one of your family members or church friends enters the hospital so they can be offered pastoral presence and the love and concern of the congregation.

JOIN US AS WE PRAY TOGETHER:

Spiritual Discipline - Psalm 85:6; Revelation 3:14-18; Jeremiah 32:39; Psalm 111:10; Luke 24:45, 32

Pray to know God better - Colossians 1:10 & Ephesians 1:17

For Haiti and Dr. Osselin Junior, a physician with Give Hope Global in Haiti

I'd like prayer for...

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