

## Joys & Concerns:

**Congratulations to** Leigh & Beau Raines on the birth of their son, Lucas Walker Raines born on April 27, 2016.

**Hospitalized:** Gwen Branton • Mike Mooney • Jennifer Mahoney • Jere Saur

**Discharged:** Leigh Raines

**Sympathy is extended to** Chris Irvin & family in the death of his grandfather, Thomas Durward Chandler and to Bill Windham & family in the death of his father, William Abbot Windham.

## Sign up now!

Each week, we'll send you an informative, interactive bulletin packed full of upcoming events and opportunities to help keep you connected to all the wonderful things going on here at First Shreveport. You'll find band member spotlights, a word from our pastor, encouraging scriptures, noteworthy articles, and links to that worship song from Sunday that you just can't get out of your head! Best of all, you can receive this weekly bulletin through an easy-to-use app on your smart phone or by email. To sign up simply scan the QR code with your phone, or email Heather at [hgunter@fumcshreveport.org](mailto:hgunter@fumcshreveport.org), or go to <http://pixelark.com/faithlink>.

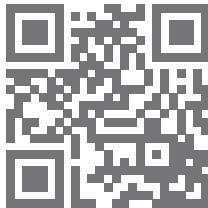
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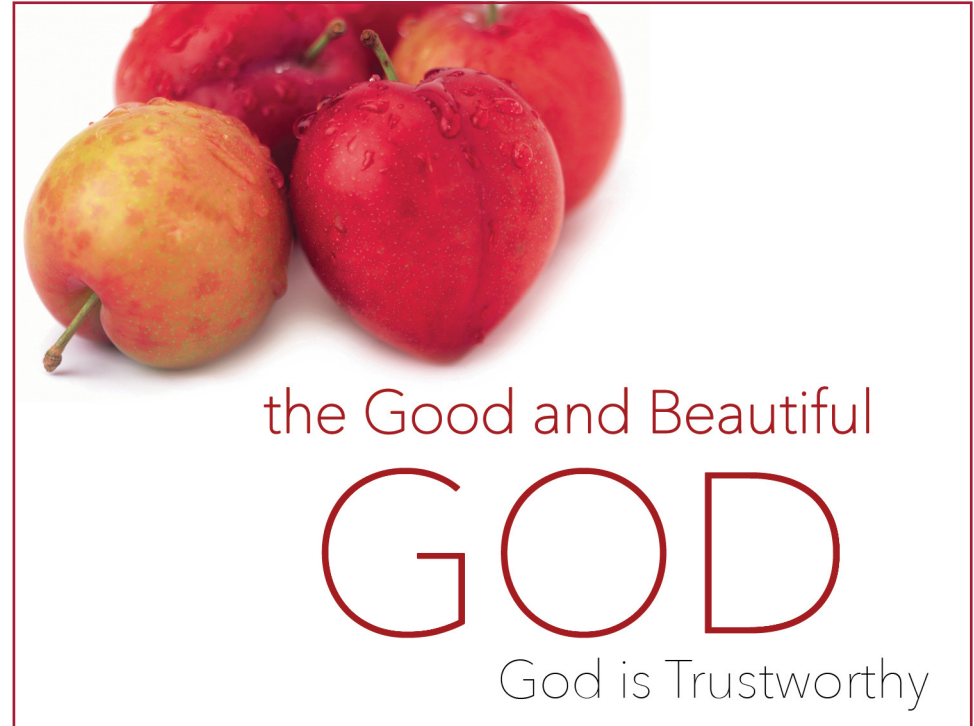
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Dr. R. Pat Day, Senior Pastor



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## God is Trustworthy • Rev. Derek Joyce

### 2 Timothy 1:12b-14

I'm not ashamed. I know the one in whom I've placed my trust. I'm convinced that God is powerful enough to protect what he has placed in my trust until that day. Hold on to the pattern of sound teaching that you heard from me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Protect this good thing that has been placed in your trust through the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

Is trust a word that comes to mind when you think about God? Trust is the result of knowing someone so well that you understand their heart, and therefore you believe them. Trust is what happens when you develop a relationship with someone as you journey together over time. You come to depend upon the other, and see that they are constantly there with you, supporting, encouraging, loving and faithful to you. Out of that loving faithfulness emerges signs of grace and truth, strength and compassion, and a certain hope for the present and future. These are marks of a trusting relationship. Do you know God in this manner? Can you share the conviction in this passage where Paul says, "I know the one in whom I placed my trust... I'm convinced that God is powerful enough to protect"? I pray we can come to know God as trustworthy, as we continue to hold onto the teaching with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

## Order of Worship:

Welcome!

"At Your Name" by Phil Wickham

Meet & Greet

Children's Message

Celebration of Life - National Day of Prayer

Scripture Reading

"Great I Am" by New Life Worship

"Tis So Sweet"

"Our Father" by Bethel

Message

Communion & Offertory

"Revelation Song" by Kari Jobe

"It Is Well With My Soul"

Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Benediction

## 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'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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:erasmussen@fumcshreveport.org) or call the church office for more info.
- [firstdiscipleship.org](http://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](http://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](http://www.firstserves.org) or email Ashley Goad (Global) at [agoad@fumcshreveport.org](mailto:agoad@fumcshreveport.org) or Michelle Osborn (Local) at [mosborn@fumcshreveport.org](mailto: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](http://firstshreveport.org).