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- Please update my information
- Add me to the FaithLink email list
- Add me to the FUMC email list
- Add me to the Columns mailing list
- I'd like a pastor to call me

I'd like to know more about:

- Membership
- Children
- Students
- Adults
- Baptism
- Volunteering
- Other: _____

Questions or Comments:

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05.06.18 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, Greeters, 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, Associate Pastor
- Heather Gunter, Director of Contemporary Worship
- Dr. R. Pat Day, Senior Pastor

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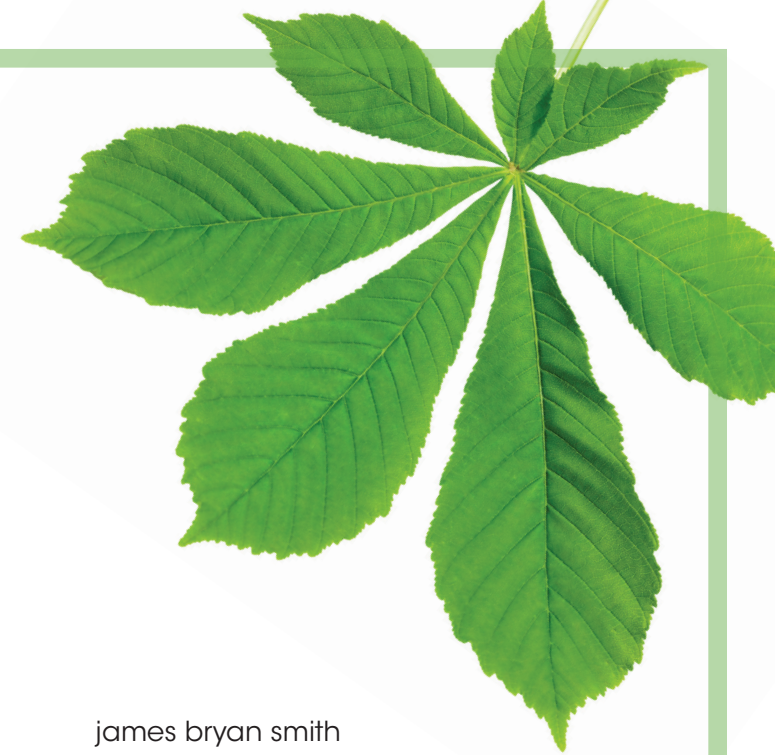
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The Good and Beautiful COMMUNITY

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REV. DEREK JOYCE

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John 20:28 – Thomas responded to Jesus, “My Lord and my God!”

John 20:31 – But these things were written so that you will believe that Jesus is the Christ, God’s Son, and that believing, you will have life in his name.

Apostle’s Creed – I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.

In our world, it’s easy to get sidetracked, distracted, and frustrated. It’s easy to lose focus from the essentials in life and faith. Just like the earliest followers of Christ, we stand in need of continual reminding about who we are, why we are here, and what is our purpose, mission, and calling as a Church. Let us hold fast to the teaching that was handed down to us, the teachings of the apostles, the declaration of faith upheld through the centuries in our creeds, and the simple confession that changes everything—Jesus, you are “My Lord and my God.” Let us continue striving with all of our heart, soul, mind and strength to be a Christ-Centered Community.

ORDER OF WORSHIP:

Welcome!

“Glorious Day” by Passion

Meet & Greet

Baptism - Mary Scott Sevier

Children’s Message

“Death Was Arrested” by North Point

“Reckless Love” by Cory Asbury

Message

Communion/Offertory

“So Will I (100 Billion X)” by Hillsong Worship

“Resurrecting” by Elevation Worship

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: Ken Hayes

DISCHARGED: Dick DeMoss

SYMPATHY is extended to the family & friends of Patricia Lonnecker in her death; to Jim Nichols & family in the death of his sister, Kathryn deGeneres and to Karen Preslar & family in the death of her mother, Gisele Preslar.

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:

Connectivity with the Church in Our Nation -
2 Chronicles 7:14; Revelation 3:17

Prayers for Stefania Tarasut from Bucharest, Romania who works with women and children struggling through domestic violence

I’d like prayer for...

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