

Joys & Concerns:

New Members: Brad Gunter • Larry & Linda Phillips • Jerry Lee • Brian & Angela Cornelius • Garrett & Corrie Hill

Congratulations to: Rachel & Joshua Ward on the birth of their daughter, Clementine Bertie Grace Ward on September 2, 2016. Maternal grandmother is Jann Connell and maternal great grandmother is Winnie Middleton.

Hospitalized: Bill Hitchcock • Jere Saur • Dr. Bill Tenney • Jamie Sanders

Discharged: Bob Richard • Estelle Midyett

Sympathy is extended to: Edward Parker, Jody Parker and Pam Sepulvado & family in the death of their father, Robert M. "Bob" Parker.

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, or go to <http://pixelark.com/faithlink>.

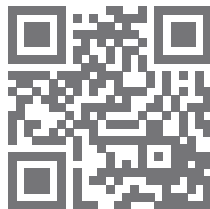
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Rev. Derek Joyce, Associate Pastor • Heather Gunter, Director of Contemporary Worship
Dr. R. Pat Day, Senior Pastor



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Hebrews: Rest • Rev. Derek Joyce

Hebrews 3:16-4:11 - *Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest is still open, let us take care that none of you should seem to have failed to reach it. For indeed the good news came to us just as to them; but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. For we who have believed enter that rest. (Hebrews 4:1-3a)*

Today's hectic life pace is the norm for many, and even glamorized as a badge of honor. So how do we reconcile our activity with the invitation to find rest in Jesus? Rest seems elusive, but remains essential. So how do you find rest? Is it a cabin in the woods, some time on a beach, or even out fishing or hunting? For the Israelites, the place of rest was Canaan, the Promised Land to which God had promised to lead them. But even that proved to fall short. Today, for those who are called by Christ, we are invited to discover Jesus is our place of true rest. And abiding in the presence of Jesus can happen anywhere, at any time. So wherever you are, may you experience a restoration of your heart, mind, body and spirit as you enter a place of resting in Jesus.

Order of Worship:

Welcome!

“Furious” by Jeremy Riddle

Meet & Greet

Children's Message

Scripture Reading

“The Anthem” by Planetshakers

“Forever Reign” by Hillsong

Message

Offertory

“Forever (We Sing Hallelujah)” by Bethel

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

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.