
Joys & Concerns:


HOSPITALIZED: Dr. Hollis Gamble, Carl Futrell, Don Clanton, Betty Kennedy

DISCHARGED: Kitty Jo Boyd

SYMPATHY is extended to family & friends of Robert Henry "Bob" Richard in his death.

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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>.

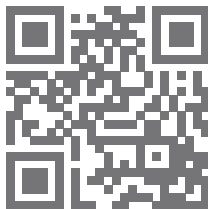
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LEGACY OF FAITH

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Hebrews-Legacy of Faith • Rev. Derek Joyce

Hebrews 11:1-2—Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval.

Hebrews 12:1-2—Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

It's quite impressive to reflect upon the lives of who the bible identifies as giants of faith. From one perspective, you see their faithful obedience in response to God's leading them. But a close look from another angle reveals that these people were also imperfect, exhibiting fear, disobedience, and out right rebellion against God in some situations. They are faithful, and yet they are broken and flawed. So be encouraged, because their lives offer hope for ours. We may be broken and flawed, but we can still be faithful. We are surrounded by a great legacy of faith, and we also contribute to that legacy of faith as we keep looking to Jesus.

Order of Worship:

Welcome!	"Anchor" by Hillsong
"Only King Forever" by Elevation Worship	"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" Message
Meet & Greet	Offertory
Children's Message	"Because He Lives (Amen)" by Matt Maher
Scripture Reading - Hebrews 10:35, 36, 39 - 11:3	Prayer/Lord's Prayer
"This I Believe (The Creed)" by Hillsong Worship	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.
- 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.