

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'll 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.

Welcome to First United Methodist Church.

To all of our guests – welcome! We are glad you're here. Please be sure to let us know that you're visiting, so we can make you feel at home.

HOSPITALIZED: Carl Futrell, Don Clanton, Betty Kennedy

DISCHARGED: • Dr. Hollis Gamble

THE RED ROSE NEAR THE ALTAR honors those serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, at home & abroad.

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Charles Spencer Black by his family.



MEMORIALS:

Charles Dillman
from Mr. and Mrs. Grady Golden
Janet and Cliff Burgess
Nevel and Lydia Ehrhardt
Betty Vaughan
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hobbs, Jr.
Mr. and Mrs. W. Michael Adams
Seekers Sunday School Class

Ben Vaughan
from Betty Vaughan

Georgiann Lamb
from Mr. and Mrs. Grady Golden
Janet and Cliff Burgess
Betty Vaughan
Nevel and Lydia Ehrhardt
Mary Ann Webb
Beth and Ken Hayes
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hobbs, Jr.

Georgiann Lamb

from Mr. and Mrs. Tommy L. Mauer
Glenda and Hugh Ilgenfritz
Dr. and Mrs. A. Edward Dean
Darlene K. Hall

Jackson Davis
from Mary Ann Webb

Rigby Hollingsworth
from the Seekers Sunday School Class

Leonard Gates
from Bettye Tullis

Bess Bode
from Mariners Sunday School Class

HONORARIUM:

Leola Camp
from Rhonda and James Souter

VITAL SIGNS

Contributions	Week Ending 10.23.16	Month-to-Date	Year-to-Date
Goal	\$70,454	\$281,816	\$3,168,093
Received	\$48,224	\$290,621	\$3,017,000
Over/(Under)	(\$22,230)	\$8,805	(\$151,093)

ATTENDANCE: WEEK OF OCTOBER 23, 2016	
Traditional worship (8:30)	219
Traditional worship (11:00)	429
FaithLink worship	218
Wesleyan Communion	N/A
Total worship attendance:	866
Total Sunday School attendance, all ages	487

Funds from advanced pledge giving and the Hunter Foundation are moved to the operating account each month on a prorated basis to help fund the deficit that we always experience through the year. We pray that members will consider their individual pledges as a floor to giving and not a ceiling, and that those in a position to do so, will move ahead to help fund God's 365-day-a-year work through our church. – Your Finance Team



WE ARE A STEPHEN MINISTRIES CARING CONGREGATION. *If you are in need of personal prayer, we have Stephen Ministers available to listen and pray with you. A Stephen Minister will be at the altar by the left door at the end of each service. A private space is available for visiting.*

Senior Pastor: Dr. R. Pat Day • Executive Pastor: Rev. Derek Joyce • Associate Pastor: Rev. Caroline Wilkinson
Associate Pastor, Global Missions & Women's Ministry: Dr. Ashley Goad • Pastor of Senior Adult Ministry: Dr. Carl E. Rhoads
Director of Music: Dr. David Hobson • Director of Fine Arts: Dr. Will K. Andress • Principal Organist: E. Ray Peebles

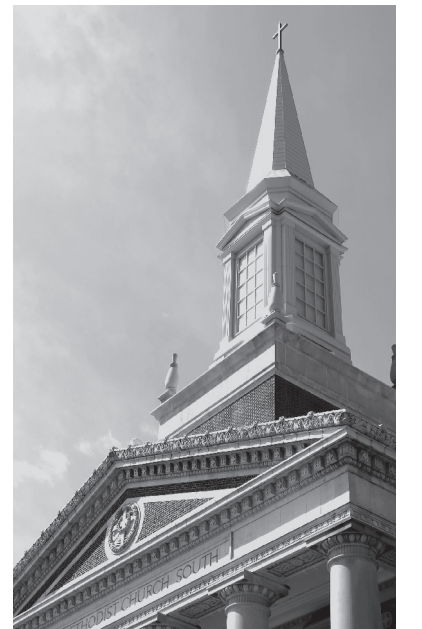
TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICES: 8:30am & 11:00am, LIVE TELECAST ON KTBS/ABC at 11:00am
FAITHLINK CONTEMPORARY SERVICE: 11:00am • SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:45am
WESLEYAN COMMUNION SERVICE: 9:45 – 10:30am, FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH IN COUCH CHAPEL

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FIRST

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, SHREVEPORT

OCTOBER 30, 2016 • 24TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



EMBRACING GRACE. GROWING LEADERS.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Celebration of Worship – Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE.....*Prelude, #3*.....E. Ray Peebles, organ
Felix Mendelssohn

WORDS OF WELCOME & GREETING Dr. Goad

INTROIT.....*Come, Join Our Cheerful Song*.....Ensemble (8:30)
Dale Wood Chancel Choir (11:00)

CALL TO WORSHIP & INVOCATION.....Dr. Goad

† HYMN OF PRAISE.....“A Mighty Fortress is Our God”.....No. 110

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH.....No. 881.....Dr. Goad

BAPTISM (11:00).....Molly Ann Petree.....No. 39, Dr. Day
Presented by her parents, Mr. & Mrs. Brad Mitchell Petree

CELEBRATION OF LIFE.....Dr. Christopher Holoman
President of Centenary College of Louisiana

MUSICAL OFFERING.....*Be Not Afraid*.....Ensemble (8:30)
Taylor Davis Chancel Choir (11:00)

† SCRIPTURE READING.....PROVERBS 3:5-10.....Dr. Goad
New Testament, Page 720 in your Pew Bible

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† GLORIA PATRI
*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. AMEN.*

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CHILDREN’S BLESSINGDr. Hobson
Children leaving the service for Children’s Chapel may be picked up after the service:

- 3–4 years (8:30 & 11:00): Children’s Ministry Center
- K5–1ST graders (11:00): Dawson Building, Room 207, behind the Sanctuary
- 2ND–3RD graders (11:00): Dawson Building, Room 208, behind the Sanctuary

JOYS & CONCERNS Dr. Day

MORNING PRAYER.....Dr. Rhoads

THE LORD’S PRAYER..... Congregation (speaks in unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. ✠ Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. ✠ Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. ✠ And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. ✠ For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. AMEN.

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† HYMN OF PREPARATION.....“Through It All”No. 507

OFFERTORY PRAYER.....Dr. Rhoads

MUSICAL OFFERING.....*The Last Words of David*.....Ensemble (8:30)
Randall Thompson Chancel Choir (11:00)

† DoxologyNo. 94
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose
power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

SCRIPTURE READING.....PSALM 119: 137-144.....Dr. Day
New Testament, Page 164 in your Pew Bible

MESSAGE.....**I WILL...BE TRUSTWORTHY**.....Dr. Day

† HYMN OF INVITATION.....“Make Me a Captive, Lord”.....No. 421

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS.....Dr. Rhoads
*We rejoice to recognize you as members of Christ’s holy church, and bid you welcome to the
congregation of First United Methodist Church. With you, we renew our vows to uphold it
by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness.*

BENEDICTION.....Dr. Rhoads

SENDING FORTH.....*God Be With You*.....Ensemble (8:30)
’Till We Meet Again Chancel Choir (11:00)
arr. Dale Wood

POSTLUDE.....*Fugue in D Minor* (8:30).....E. Ray Peebles, organ
Toccata and Fugue in D Minor (11:00)
Johann Sebastian Bach

ACOLYTES: Henry Peacock (8:30), Grayson Hargon (8:30), Mae Graf (11:00),
Elizabeth May (11:00)

CRUCIFER: William Peacock (8:30), Sanders Graf (11:00)



† *Those who are able may stand.* ‡ *Latecomers may be seated at these times.*

♦ **COMMUNION WILL BE SERVED AT 9:30AM IN THE SANCTUARY AND NOON IN COUCH CHAPEL.**

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♦ **To watch online**, download bulletins and sermons, visit our website: www.firstshreveport.org.

♦ **WORSHIP SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE FOR FREE DOWNLOAD ONLINE** at firstshreveport.org, via iTunes and on your Android and iPhone. Copies of today’s sermon are also available for purchase on CD or DVD. Please contact the church office, 424-7771, for additional information.

♦ **LIKE US ON FACEBOOK** at www.facebook.com/fumcshreveport for the latest events, photos and more; then follow us on Twitter @FUMCShreveport.

Sermon Notes

I WILL...BE TRUSTWORTHY

PSALM 119:137-144 • OCTOBER 30, 2016

I. First, trust is risky; it is a form of faith.

II. Second, trust depends upon three conditions - character, competency, and authority.

III. Third, trust grows slowly - be consistent - sync words with action - avoid hypocrisy.

IV. Fourth, trust is the foundation upon which marriages, friendships, business relationships and sales are built.

V. Finally, trust is the bank account in which you daily make deposits and withdrawals.