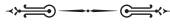


WELCOME

We are glad you're here. Please sign our register to let us know that you're visiting, so our members can make you feel at home.



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

READY TO JOIN OUR FIRST SHREVEPORT FAMILY?

If you're curious about what membership means and want to meet with one of our pastors before deciding, please contact our front desk at 424-7771 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.

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.

HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?

We'd love to stand alongside you in prayer! Please share your prayer request with us by placing this form in either prayer box at the Sanctuary entrance.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Prayer Request: _____

Would you like our Director of Prayer Ministry to reach out to you about this request? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Our Heritage in Stained Glass

Christ at Heart's Door—"Behold, I stand at the door and knock" Revelation 3:20

The fifth window on the right was planned by Lloyd Clanton, only son of T. C. Clanton, in honor of his father. Lloyd died shortly after the window's installation in 1950, and Mrs. Clanton asked that the window be regarded as a memorial to father and son. This beautiful stained glass rendition of Holman Hunt's "Christ Standing at Heart's Door" is a favorite of many members as Christ holds the lantern signifying the "Light of the World." The door must be opened from the inside (our hearts) as there is no latch or handle on the outside. The quote is completed: "If any man will hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him and he with me."

JOYS & CONCERNS

DISCHARGED: Sylvia Wright, Lela Tucker

SYMPATHY is extended to Betty Dutton, Brad Dutton & Donna Ready & family in the death of her son and their brother, Mark Dutton and to the family & friends of Faye Braswell Miller in her death.

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the glory of God from the Altar Flower Fund.

THE RED ROSE near the altar honors those serving in the armed forces at home and abroad.

MEMORIALS & HONORARIUM

Margaret Rice

from Stella and Joe Rice

Suzanne and Sanders Hearne

Susan and Ronnie Duvall

Claire Gates

Fran and Duncan McRae

Linda Dowling

Randall George

Michelle Williams

Joan and Owen Rigby

Margaret Rice, cont'd.

from Michele and Jon Q-Petersen

Mrs. Tom Stagg

Marilyn and Craig Prothro
and Torie Prothro

~Honorarium~

Ashley Goad and Chris Harbuck

from the Questers Sunday School Class

VITAL SIGNS

Contributions	Week Ending 08.02.20	Month-to-Date	Year-to-Date
Goal	\$63,263	\$63,263	\$2,278,835
Received	\$77,800	\$77,800	\$2,206,255
Over/(Under)	\$14,537	\$14,537	(\$72,580)



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.*

Senior Pastor: Dr. R. Pat Day • Executive Pastor: Rev. Derek Joyce

Associate Pastor: Dr. Ashley Goad • Associate Pastor: Rev. Erik Rasmussen • 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

Bishop-in-Residence: William W. Hutchinson

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICES: 8:30am & 11:00am, **LIVE TELECAST ON KTBS/ABC** at 11:00am

FAITHLINK CONTEMPORARY SERVICE: 11:00am • **SUNDAY SCHOOL:** 9:45am

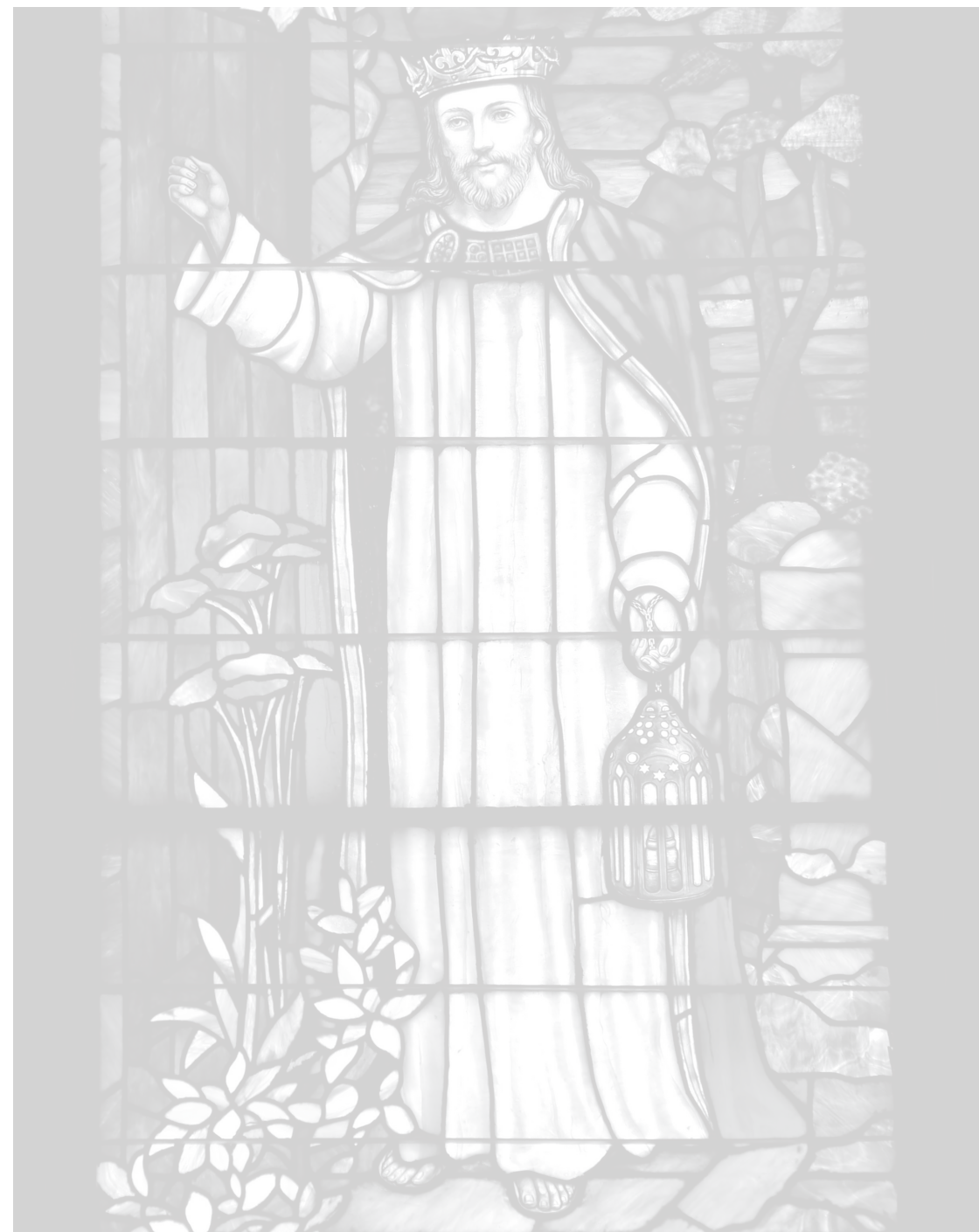
WESLEYAN COMMUNION SERVICE: 9:45 – 10:30am, **FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH IN COUCH CHAPEL**

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FIRST

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, SHREVEPORT

AUGUST 9, 2020 • TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



CONNECT. GROW. SERVE. LEAD.

Celebration of Worship

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost - August 9, 2020

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE: 11:00 AM, LIVE TELECAST ON KTBS/ABC at 11:00 AM

PRELUDE.....*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*.....Laura Crawford, violin
Duane Funderburk John-Henry Crawford, cello
E. Ray Peebles, organ

WORDS OF WELCOME & GREETING.....Dr. David Hobson

CALL TO WORSHIP & INVOCATION.....Dr. David Hobson

† HYMN OF PRAISE.....“God of Love and God of Power”.....No. 578

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH.....No. 881.....Dr. David Hobson

BAPTISM..... Mae Olympia Johnston.....No. 39, Dr. Pat Day
presented by her parents Mr. & Mrs. Marshall Owen Johnston

Congregational Response: With God’s help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround these persons with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their service to others. We will pray for them that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.

MUSICAL OFFERING.....*Dolce*.....John-Henry Crawford, cello
[A soft meditation] E. Ray Peebles, organ
Jean-Charles Gandrille

† SCRIPTURE READING.....Numbers 27:12-23.....Dr. Ashley Goad
See scripture reading on Text Page

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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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JOYS & CONCERNS.....Dr. Pat Day

MORNING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER.....Dr. Ashley Goad

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.

PRAYER RESPONSE.....*Hear Our Prayer, O Lord*.....Wesleyans
George Whelpton

† OFFERTORY PRAYER.....Dr. Ashley Goad

MUSICAL OFFERING.....*A Gaelic Blessing*.....Wesleyans
John Rutter Laura Crawford, violin
John-Henry Crawford, cello

† 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.....Joshua 1:1-9.....Dr. Pat Day
See scripture reading on Text Page

MESSAGE.....**THE COURAGE TO MOVE FORWARD**.....Dr. Pat Day

† *HYMN OF INVITATION.....“God of Grace and God of Glory”.....No. 577
*(During the singing of this hymn, those who wish to join the First Methodist family
are invited to come to the front of the church for reception and recognition.)*

BENEDICTIONDr. Pat Day

SENDING FORTH.....*Amen*.....Wesleyans
John Rutter Laura Crawford, violin
John-Henry Crawford, cello

POSTLUDE.....“Fugue-Finale” from.....E. Ray Peebles, organ
Partita on Saint Anne
arr. Paul Manz



Crucifer- Rudd Morgan; **Acolytes-** Cooper Morgan, Crawford Chaney

There will be a Called Charge Conference of the Church Council today at 12 noon in the Sanctuary. The purpose of the meeting is to vote on Maddie Russo as she continues toward becoming a certified candidate in the United Methodist Church. She has already met with the Staff-Parish Relations Committee and the Executive Team but there must be a vote by the Church Council.

Sermon Notes

THE COURAGE TO MOVE FORWARD

Joshua 1:1-9

I. First, Joshua was a man of uncompromising devotion and obedience to God.

II. Second, Joshua was a man of great courage.

III. Third, Joshua was a man who was decisive.

IV. Fourth, Joshua was a man of dogged determination.

V. Finally, Joshua was a man who lived for the next generation.

Hymn of Praise No. 578
“God of Love and God of Power”

God of love and God of power, grant us in this burning hour

Grace to ask these gifts of thee, daring hearts and spirits free.

God of love and God of power, thou hast called us for this hour.

We are not the first to be banished by our fears from thee;

Give us courage, let us hear heaven’s trumpets ringing clear.

God of love and God of power, thou hast called us for this hour.

All our lives belong to thee, thou our final loyalty;

Slaves are we whene’er we share that devotion anywhere.

God of love and God of power, thou hast called us for this hour.

God of love and God of power, make us worthy of this hour;

Offering lives if it’s thy will, keeping free our spirits still.

God of love and God of power, thou hast called us for this hour.

Hymns

August 9, 2020



Hymn of Invitation No. 577
“God of Grace and God of Glory”

God of grace and God of glory,
On the people pour thy power;
Crown thine ancient church’s story,
Bring her bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
For the facing of this hour,
For the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us
Scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!
Fears and doubts too long have bound us;
Free our hearts to work and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
For the living of these days,
For the living of these days.

Cure thy children's warring madness,
Bend our pride to thy control;
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
Rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
Lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,
Lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation
To the evils we deplore;
Let the search for thy salvation
Be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
Serving thee whom we adore,
Serving thee whom we adore.

Affirmation of Faith

No. 881

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead, and buried;

the third day he rose from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

Scripture and Creeds

August 9, 2020

Numbers 27:12-23

Joshua to Succeed Moses

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Go up this mountain in the Abarim Range and see the land I have given the Israelites. After you have seen it, you too will be gathered to your people, as your brother Aaron was, for when the community rebelled at the waters in the Desert of Zin, both of you disobeyed my command to honor me as holy before their eyes.” (These were the waters of Meribah Kadesh, in the Desert of Zin.)

Moses said to the Lord, “May the Lord, the God who gives breath to all living things, appoint someone over this community to go out and come in before them, one who will lead them out and bring them in, so the Lord’s people will not be like sheep without a shepherd.”

So the Lord said to Moses, “Take Joshua son of Nun, a man in whom is the spirit of leadership,[a] and lay your hand on him. Have him stand before Eleazar the priest and the entire assembly and commission him in their presence. Give him some of your authority so the whole Israelite community will obey him. He is to stand before Eleazar the priest, who will obtain decisions for him by inquiring of the Urim before the Lord. At his command he and the entire community of the Israelites will go out, and at his command they will come in.”

Moses did as the Lord commanded him. He took Joshua and had him stand before Eleazar the priest and the whole assembly. Then he laid his hands on him and commissioned him, as the Lord instructed through Moses.

Joshua 1:1-9

Joshua Installed as Leader

After the death of Moses the servant of the Lord, the Lord said to Joshua son of Nun, Moses’ aide: “Moses my servant is dead. Now then, you and all these people, get ready to cross the Jordan River into the land I am about to give to them—to the Israelites. I will give you every place where you set your foot, as I promised Moses. Your territory will extend from the desert to Lebanon, and from the great river, the Euphrates—all the Hittite country—to the Mediterranean Sea in the west. No one will be able to stand against you all the days of your life. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will never leave you nor forsake you. Be strong and courageous, because you will lead these people to inherit the land I swore to their ancestors to give them.

“Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go. Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.”