

WELCOME

WE'RE SO GLAD YOU ARE JOINING US FOR
WORSHIP TODAY! If you would like more information
about how you can be involved in the life of First Methodist
Church, Shreveport:

- Ask one of our wonderful servants in the Welcome Center,
located on the ground floor of the
Education & Administration (E&A) Building.
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.

MINISTRY MOMENT

Our FMC-S staff was honored to share lunch this week
with our Hope House neighbors! Beautiful weather, great
people, and delicious food are always a winning combo.
Hope House serves our most vulnerable downtown
neighbors, and they always need groups committed
to serving regular meals. Contact Michelle if you are
interested in committing to a regular meal!



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

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JOYS & CONCERNS

HOSPITAL: Pat Covington, Hutton Montgomery, Bob Richardz

SKILLED CARE: Milton Murphy

REHAB: David Lassetter, Medy Preston, Mary Prevost, Ann Shanley

RECOVERING: Martha Johnson, Carobeth Richardz, Norma Sue Taylor

SYMPATHY is extended to Kelly Salter (Tom), Peyton, and Paige in the death of
Kelly's grandmother, *Sylvia Wright*; and to Jesse Shadburn in the death of his brother,
Christopher Shadburn.

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the glory of God in memory of Caroline
and Ed Crawford by Laura and Ed Crawford, Katie and Don Weir and Diane and
John Crawford.

If you would like to give flowers, for use during the worship service, in memory or in
honor of a loved one, please email Katie Weir at kcwerie@gmail.com. After worship
services, flowers from the altar are arranged into small bouquets and delivered to
members who are hospitalized.

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

NEW MEMBERS OF FMC-S: (SEPT-OCT)

Bailey Barnes

Nancy Brooks

Leah Middlebrook

Marie Phillips

Laura Wood

WE WELCOME YOU TO OUR WONDERFUL FAITH FAMILY!

CHURCH CONFERENCE NOV. 9

Sunday, November 9, at 12:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary, First Methodist Church of
Shreveport will hold our annual Church Conference meeting. All FMC members are
welcome and are encouraged to attend. Along with approving our 2026 church budget
and leadership nominations, we will also be voting to potentially approve Lee DuCote as
a Candidate for Ministry in the Global Methodist Church. We hope to see you here!

VITAL SIGNS

Contributions	Week Ending 10.19.25	Month-to-Date	Year-to-Date
Goal	\$80,908	\$242,724	\$2,987,658
Received	\$96,570	\$322,292	\$3,093,115
Over/(Under)	\$15,662	\$79,568	\$105,457

ATTENDANCE: WEEK OF OCTOBER 19, 2025

Traditional worship, 8:30	190
Traditional worship, 11:00	292
Faithlink worship	212
Palabra Viva Combined Services	165
On-line Viewers	36
Total worship attendance:	895
Total Sunday School attendance, all ages	313
Weekly Discipleship Activities	678
TOTAL Discipleship	991



WE ARE A STEPHEN MINISTRIES CARING CONGREGATION. *A Stephen Minister
will be to the left of the altar at the end of each service to listen and pray with you. If
you are in need of a confidential Stephen Minister, call Ann Shocklee at 424-7771.*

Senior Pastor: Dr. Steven Bell • Executive Pastor: Rev. Matthew Hulbert

Associate Pastor: Rev. Kathy Wafer • Associate Pastor: Rev. Stephanie Kidd • Associate Pastor: Rev. Emily Blair

Minister of Music: Dr. David Hobson • Associate Director of Music: Alison Beck • Organist: E. Ray Peebles

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

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

COMMUNION SERVICES: First Sunday of each month at 8:30 & 11:00am in the Sanctuary during services;

Each additional Sunday at 9:30am in the Sanctuary & 12:00pm in Couch Chapel.

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1ST FIRST

METHODIST CHURCH, SHREVEPORT

OCTOBER 26, 2025 • TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



WORSHIP PASSIONATELY.
LOVE EXTRAVAGANTLY.
WITNESS BOLDLY.

Celebration of Worship
Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost - October 26, 2025
TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE: 8:30 & 11:00 AM, LIVE TELECAST ON KTBS/ABC at 11:00 AM

PRELUDE.....*Bist du bei mir*.....Ruth Drummond, cello
[You Are with Me] E. Ray Peebles, organ
Johann Sebastian Bach

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH.....No. 691.....Dr. Will Address

† GLORIA PATRI.....No. 33

CHILDREN'S BLESSING.....Staci Zeagler

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

PRAYER RESPONSE.....No. 341

*Ask, and it shall be given unto you; Seek and ye shall find;
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, Alleluia.*

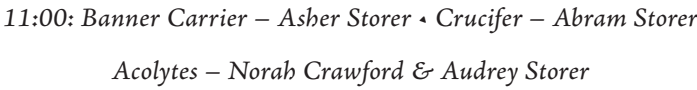
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose
power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

† HYMN OF INVITATION.....“Christ for the World We Sing”.....No. 450
*(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.)*

We rejoice to recognize you as members of Christ's holy church, and bid you welcome to the congregation of First Methodist Church. With you, we renew our vows to uphold it by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness.

† SENDING FORTH.....*On Eagles Wings*.....Ensemble (8:30)
arr. Mark Hayes Chancel Choir (11:00)

POSTLUDE.....*Toccata and Fugue in D Minor*.....E. Ray Peebles, organ
Johann Sebastian Bach



• K5-3RD graders (11:00): Dawson Building, Room 208, behind the Sanctuary

Childcare for infants through 4 years is available from 8:15 to 12:15 in the Children's Ministry Center. From the sanctuary, follow the sign located in the hallway between the sanctuary and the Dawson Building. Outdoor access is located on the corner of Douglas and Milam Street.

Reveal the Unseen

The Ways to Win a Hearing

Convincing Others of the Truth

“... he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit.”
Titus 3:5