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.

Stewardship 2027

We invite you to bring your 2027 Stewardship commitment cards to worship with you or scan this QR code, as we pledge to further the Kingdom of God through our tithes and service to this church.

Ministry Moment

First Beginning's Fall Fest was a night when The Church showed up for a community. So many loving families were together in fellowship. Thank you to all who came! You all made the night so special.



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: _____

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

Connect With FMC Shreveport

Visitor Information • Request Prayer • Give Online

Joys & Concerns

Rehab: Cary Chandler, Bill Colbert, Patsy Dayries, Jim Gulett, Patsy Lavery, Cinda McKenzie, Wade Shemwell, Judy Van Hoose

Recovering: Terrell Tisby, Katelyn Rodgers

Flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Morgan Adams, Mr. and Mrs. James Robert Potter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Morgan Adams and Pamela Potter Williams from Mike and Susan Adams.

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.

Charge Conference Nov. 15

The First Methodist Church, Shreveport, Charge Conference is scheduled for Sunday, November 15, at 12:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary. All FMC members are welcome and are encouraged to attend.

All Saints Sunday

Jeannine Elston
Carobeth Richardz
Mike Murphy
Dan Hale
Frances Gilbert
Ruby Stewart
Richard Moore
Bill Foy
Ann Houchin
Alan Smith
Bub Van Hoose, III
Gayle Wren
Nancy Erwin

Sybil Kelly
Curtis Williams
Troy Bain
Bill Fullerton
Glenda Laird
Joe Averett, Jr.
Dickie Erwin
Buddy Flett
Mike Davis
Bettye Rhea
Bill Grammer, Jr.
James Blewett
Jean Palmer
Carolyn McIlwain

Ginger Gulett
Bill Hanson, Jr.
Doug King
Dorothy Moore
Delena Thomas
Jody Webb
Marian Grimes
Bettye Tullis
Richard Faries
Betty Smith
Marvin Brossette
Denise Faries
Rev. Regina Wren

Vital Signs

Contributions	Week Ending 10.25.26	Month-to-Date	Year-to-Date
Goal	$80,592	$322,368	$3,056,529
Received	$69,978	$317,913	$3,065,262
Over/(Under)	($10,614)	($4,455)	$8,733

Attendance: week of October 25, 2026

Traditional worship, 8:30	142
Traditional worship, 11:00	221
Faithlink worship	242
Palabra Viva Combined Services	181
On-line Viewers	91
Total worship attendance:	**877**
Total Sunday School attendance, all ages	319
Weekly Discipleship Activities	1023
TOTAL Discipleship	**1342**

Senior Pastor: Dr. Steven Bell • *Executive Pastor:* Rev. Matthew Hulbert
Associate Pastors: Rev. Kathy Wafer, Rev. Lee DuCote
Minister of Music: Dr. David Hobson • *Associate Director of Music:* Dr. 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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FIRST
METHODIST CHURCH, SHREVEPORT

November 1, 2026 • All Saints Sunday

Worship Passionately.
Love Extravagantly.
Witness Boldly.

Celebration of Worship

All Saints Sunday - November 1, 2026

Traditional Worship Service: 8:30 & 11:00 am, **live telecast on ktbs/abc** at 11:00 am

Welcome & Announcements.....Dr. Alison Beck

Prelude.....*The Saints Hallelujah*.....Brass Quintet
arr. Luther Henderson

Invitation, Confession, and Pardon.....No. 730.....Dr. Will Andress

† Hymn of Praise.....“For all the Saints”.....No. 480
Setting by Paul Halley

† Affirmation of Faith.....No. 691.....Rev. Lee DuCote

† Scripture Reading.....Psalm 84.....Kelsey Thornhill

† Gloria Patri.....No.33

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 Blessing.....Erin Hogg

Morning & Offertory Prayer.....Rev. Kathy Wafer

Prayer Response.....No. 332

Lead me, Lord; lead me in Thy righteousness.
Make Thy way plain before my face.
For it is Thou, Lord, Thou Lord only
That makest me dwell in safety.

Musical Offering.....*Steal Away to Jesus*.....Daniel Scott, clarinet
arr. Howard Helvey — Ted Scott, trumpet
[See No. 631 for text reference] — Alison Beck, piano

† Doxology .....Traditional

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!

Message.....**The Names of God:**.....Dr. Steven Bell
Yahweh Sabaoth (Lord of Hosts)

The Great Thanksgiving.....No. 731.....Dr. Steven Bell

Acts of Remembrance.....Rev. Kathy Wafer and Dr. Will Andress
Rev. Kathy Wafer and Dr. Will Andress will read the names of the First Methodist Family who have died during the past year. Assisting in honoring the saints are Ms. Lucy Burr and Mrs. Debbie Henry (8:30), and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Adams (11:00).

The Lord’s Prayer.....No. 733.....Congregation (speaks in unison)

Musical Offering.....*Shall We Gather at the River*.....Daniel Scott, clarinet
arr. David Lantz III — Ted Scott, trumpet
[See No. 632 for text reference] — Alison Beck, piano

Wesleyan Covenant Prayer.....No. 710.....Dr. David Hobson

† Hymn of Invitation.....“When the Saints Go Marching In”.....See Text Below
arr. John Rutter — *featuring Choir*
Please Sing as Directed — *& Jazz ensemble*

Oh when the Saints, go marching in, Oh when the Saints, go marching in,
Oh Lord I want to be in that number, when the Saints go marching in.

And when the Revelation comes, And when the Revelation comes,
Oh Lord, I want to be in that number, when the Revelation comes.

Oh when the New World is revealed, Oh when the New World is revealed,
Oh Lord, I want to be in that number, when the New World is revealed.

Oh when they gather round the throne, Oh when they gather round the throne,
Oh Lord, I want to be in that number, when they gather round the throne.

[Choir only: Hallelujah brothers…]

And when they crown him King of Kings, And when they crown him King of Kings,
Oh Lord, I want to be in that number, when they crown him King of Kings.

And on that Hallelujah day, And on that Hallelujah day,
Oh Lord, I want to be in that number, on that Hallelujah day.

Oh when the Saints go marching in, Oh when the Saints go marching in,
Oh Lord, I want to be in that number, when the Saints—Go—March—ing— in!

(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.)

Reception of New Members.....Dr. Steven Bell

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.

† Benediction .....Dr. Steven Bell

† Sending Forth.....*I’ll Fly Away*.....Dr. David Hobson
Traditional

Postlude.....*I’ll Fly Away*.....Jazz Ensemble
Alfred Brumley/arr. David Braud

8:30: Acolyte – Liam Gunter

11:00: Banner Carrier – Abram Storer • Crucifer – John-Marshall Rice
Acolyte – Alice Brossette

† *Those who are able may stand.* ‡ *Latecomers may be seated at these times.*
* **If you wish to join** the First Methodist Church family, please come forward at this time.
***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*
- *K5–2nd 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.

Sermon Notes

The Names of God:
Yahweh Sabaoth (Lord of Hosts)
Psalm 84

The Lord of Hosts

The Lord of Hosts Fights for You

The Lord of Hosts Is Sovereign

Scripture Memory Verse

“David replied to the Philistine, ‘You come to me with sword, spear, and javelin, but I come to you in the name of the Lord of Heaven’s Armies – the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied.’”

— 1 Samuel 17:45