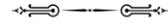


WELCOME

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.

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

Poinsettia MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS

During the Christmas Season, if you would like to have a poinsettia placed at the church in memory or in honor of a loved one or friend, **please complete the form below & return it to Beth LeBlanc in the church office by December 7, 2020.** The cost is \$12 per plant. Checks should be made payable to First United Methodist Church.

(Please Print) From: _____
In memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

Memorials & honorariums will be listed in the worship bulletin on Dec. 20.

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 be with me.”*

JOYS & CONCERNS

HOSPITALIZED: Linda Ferguson

DISCHARGED: Cara Smith

SYMPATHY is extended to Brett Crossno & family in the death of his father, Champ Crossno.

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

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

MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS

Lela Tucker
from Martha Storer
Beth Hayes
Steve and Gai Williams
Marian Head
Carolyn Smith
from Brady and Mary Harris
Max Edwards
from Pat Johnson
Heloise Lewis
from Glenn Hooks

Dooley and Jimmy Weyman
from Carol Weyman
Mary Boggs
from Bruce and Polly Williams
Marian Head
Seekers SS Class
Milly and Richard Sale
James Charles Tarbutton, Jr.
from Kay Goss-Knotts
Barbara Hobbs
Seekers SS Class

VITAL SIGNS

Contributions	Week Ending 11.01.20	Month-to-Date	Year-to-Date
Goal	\$57,868	\$57,868	\$3,224,195
Received	\$85,105	\$85,105	\$3,240,290
Over/(Under)	\$27,237	\$27,237	\$16,095

Year to Date - October 31, 2020 (in thousands)			
	Budget	Actual	Variation
Cash Receipts	\$3,764	\$3,457	(\$307)
Cash Disbursements	\$4,195	\$3,646	\$549
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$431)	(\$189)	\$242

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.*

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

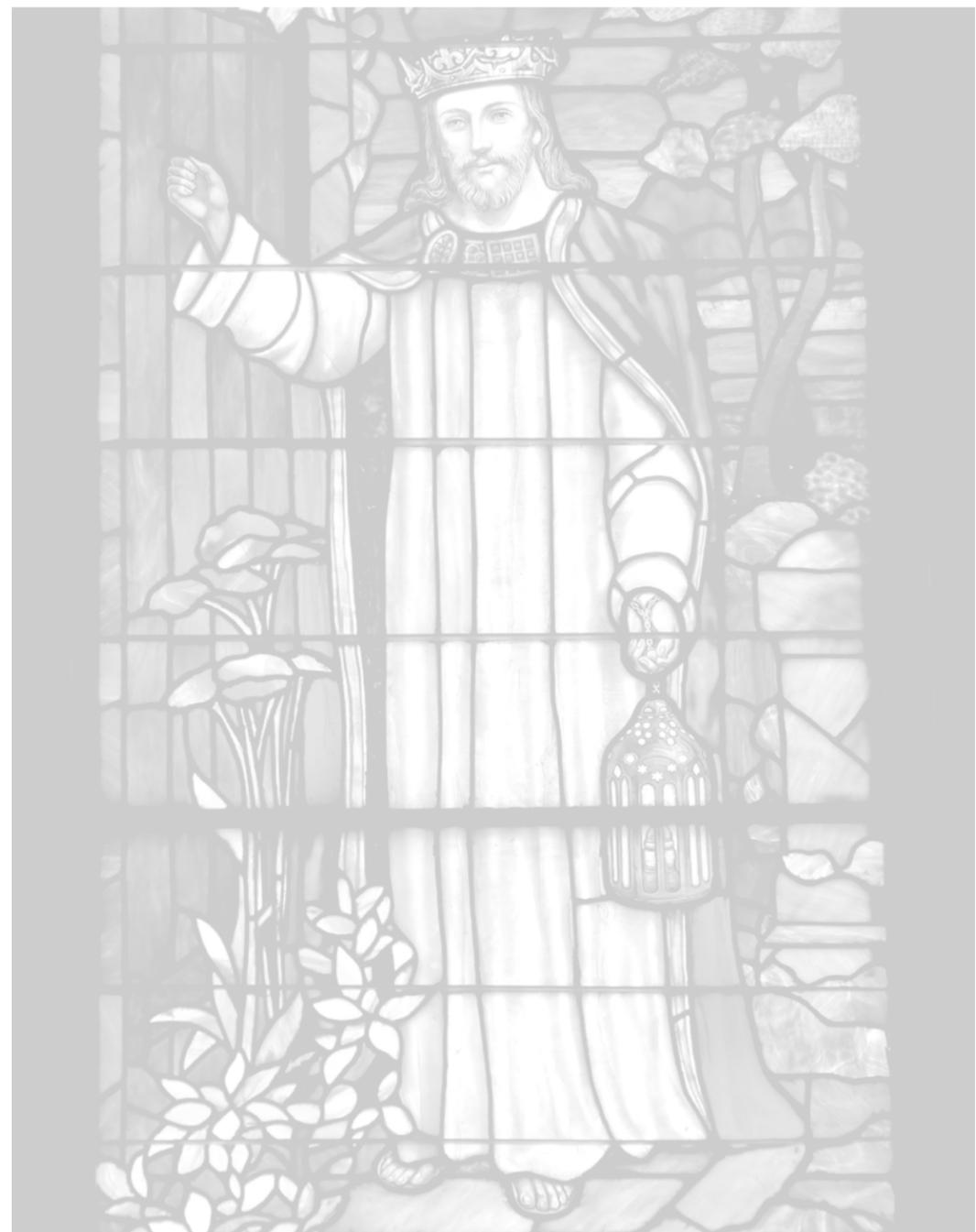
TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICES: 8:30am & 11:00am, **LIVE TELECAST ON KTBS/ABC** at 11:00am
FAITHLINK CONTEMPORARY SERVICE: 11:00am • **SUNDAY SCHOOL:** 9:45am
WESLEYAN COMMUNION SERVICE: 9:45 – 10:30am, **FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH IN COUCH CHAPEL**

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, SHREVEPORT

NOVEMBER 8, 2020 · TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



CONNECT. GROW. SERVE. LEAD.

Celebration of Worship

Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost - November 8, 2020

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

PRELUDE.....*Processional on a Russian Chant*.....Brass Ensemble
Robert W. Parker E. Ray Peebles, organ

[Based on *Hvalite Imia Ghospodne* - Psalm 135:1: "Praise the name of the Lord;
Praise the Lord, O you servants."]

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

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

† HYMN OF PRAISE....."Come, Christians, Join to Sing".....No. 158

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH.....No. 881.....Debby Williams

MUSICAL OFFERING.....*Crucifixus*.....Dr. Jeremy Yang, tenor
Jean-Baptiste Faure

[Come unto Him, all ye who weep; for He too weepeth. Come unto to him, all ye who mourn;
for He can heal. Come unto Him, all ye who fear, Come unto Him, in woe and weal. Come unto Him,
in your last sleep; He never sleepeth.]

† SCRIPTURE READING.....II Timothy 3:10-17.....Debby Williams
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.....*Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word*.....Dr. David Hobson, bass
[Glorious Lord, Thyself Impart!]
LIEBSTER JESU

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

MUSICAL OFFERING.....*Voluntary on Old 100th*.....Brass Ensemble
Henry Purcell

† 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.....Ephesians 2:10.....Dr. Pat Day
See scripture reading on Text Page

MESSAGE.....**DESIGNED FOR A DESTINY**.....Dr. Pat Day

UPDATE FROM SPRC CHAIRMAN.....Robert Bowman

† *HYMN OF INVITATION....."Go, Make of All Disciples".....No. 571
Stanzas 1, 3-4

*(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.....*Irish Blessing*.....Dr. David Hobson, bass
Bob Chilcott

POSTLUDE.....*Pasticcio*.....Brass Ensemble
Jean Langlais/arr. Thomas Hundemer E. Ray Peebles, organ



Crucifer – Andrew Hobson; Acolytes: Maebree Monday, Quinn Mackey

*The next Church Council meeting will be held on Sunday, November 15th at 12 noon in the Sanctuary.
The purpose of the meeting is to approve the budget for 2021.*

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

Sermon Notes

DESIGNED FOR A DESTINY

Ephesians 2:10

I. First, God has a unique plan and calling for your life.

II. Second, God calls you to partner with Him in a mission that is bigger than you are.

III. Third, God calls you to be on mission with Him right where you are - starting now.

IV. Fourth, God guides and provides for your mission through His Word, His Spirit, Wise Counsel, and His Work in circumstances around you.

V. Finally, when you answer God's call, you will experience His peace and pleasure and change your world.

Hymn of Praise No. 158
“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

Come, Christians, join to sing: Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ our King: Alleluia! Amen!

Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;

Praise is his gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high: Alleluia! Amen!

Let praises fill the sky: Alleluia! Amen!

He is our guide and friend; to us he'll condescend;

His love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet the Lord again: Alleluia! Amen!

Life shall not end the strain: Alleluia! Amen!

On heaven's blissful shore his goodness we'll adore,

Singing forevermore: Alleluia! Amen!

Hymns
November 8, 2020

Hymn of Invitation No. 571
“Go, Make of All Disciples”
Stanzas 1, 3-4

“Go make of all disciples.” We hear the call, O Lord,

That comes from thee, our Father, in thy eternal Word.

Inspire our ways of learning through earnest, fervent prayer,

And let our daily living reveal you everywhere.

“Go make of all disciples.” We at thy feet would stay

Until each life's vocation accents thy holy way.

We cultivate the nature God plants in every heart,

Revealing in our witness the master teacher's art.

“Go make of all disciples.” We welcome thy command;

“Lo, I am with you always.” We take your guiding hand.

The task looms large before us, we follow without fear.

In heaven and earth thy power shall bring God's kingdom here.

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

November 8, 2020

Ephesians 2:10

For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good
works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

II Timothy 3:10-17

A Final Charge to Timothy

You, however, know all about my teaching, my way of life,
my purpose, faith, patience, love, endurance, persecutions,
sufferings—what kinds of things happened to me in Antioch,
Iconium and Lystra, the persecutions I endured. Yet the Lord
rescued me from all of them. In fact, everyone who wants to live
a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, while evildoers
and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving and being
deceived. But as for you, continue in what you have learned
and have become convinced of, because you know those from
whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the
Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation
through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is God-breathed
and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in
righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly
equipped for every good work.