

## WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Welcome to Faithlink! This is the Contemporary Worship Service of First Methodist Church, Shreveport. If you're here for the first time, please find one of our pastors, worship team members, greeters, or ushers so we can welcome you and give you a welcome bag.

## CONNECT WITH US!

- Text **VISIT** 318-414-8707 if you're a new member or visitor.
- Text **GIVE** to 318-414-8707 to set up your tithing online.
- Text **PRAYER** to 318-414-8707 to request prayer.

## HOW TO GIVE

We celebrate giving as an act of worship! We invite you to offer your tithes and offerings in one of three ways: our offering boxes located in the back of the Emmett Hook Center, mailing in to our business office (First Methodist Church, 500 Common Street, Shreveport, LA 71101) or through online giving (<https://firstshreveport.com/give>) which can also be accessed by the QR code to the right.



## COMMUNION SERVICES

First Sunday of each month at 11:00am in the Hook Center during services; Each additional Sunday at 9:30am in the Sanctuary & 12:00pm in Couch Chapel.

## OUR PASTORS

- Dr. Steven Bell, Senior Pastor
- Rev. Matthew Hulbert, Pastor of Contemporary Worship
- Rev. Stephanie Kidd, Associate Pastor
- Rev. Kathy Wafer, Associate Pastor
- Rev. Emily Blair, Associate Pastor

## VITAL SIGNS

Contributions	Week Ending 05.24.26	Month-to-Date	Year-to-Date
Goal	\$58,915	\$235,660	\$1,381,808
Received	\$43,080	\$280,045	\$1,476,846
Over/(Under)	<\$15,835>	\$44,385	\$95,038

ATTENDANCE: WEEK OF MAY 24, 2026	
Traditional, FaithLink, Palabra Viva	
Combined Services 11:00am. . . . .	505
On-line Viewers . . . . .	52
Palabra Viva Wednesday & Sun. Evening. . . . .	168
<b>Total worship attendance: . . . . .</b>	<b>725</b>
Total Sunday School attendance, all ages . . . . .	222
Weekly Discipleship Activities . . . . .	601
<b>TOTAL Discipleship. . . . .</b>	<b>823</b>

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# SYMBOLS



# OF THE SPIRIT

**FAITHlink**  
Contemporary  
FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, SHREVEPORT

**DR. STEVEN BELL**  
**SUNDAY 05.31.26**

## SYMBOLS OF THE SPIRIT: THE DOVE

**Matthew 3:16 (NIV)** - As soon as Jesus was baptized, He went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on Him.

### SERMON NOTES:

WHO DO YOU SAY JESUS IS?

ANSWER THE QUESTION

OFFENSE, NOT DEFENSE

STOPS ALONG THE ROMAN ROAD

## WORSHIP SONGS FOR TODAY:

"Yes I Will" by Vertical Worship

"God of Revival" by Bethel Music

"Defender" by Rita Springer

"What A Beautiful Name" by Hillsong Worship

## COMMUNITY PRAYER

**HOSPITAL:** Delena Thomas

**REHAB:** Beverly Thurmon, Joyce Hooper

**RECOVERING:** Joyce Hooper, Casey Hinton

**SYMPATHY** is extended to Bruce Flett in the death of his brother, Deane "Buddy" Flett.

## CHILDCARE:

Childcare for infants through 4 years is available on Sundays from 8:15am-12:15pm in the Children's Ministry Center (CMC). The CMC is down the hall and down the left set of stairs from the Emmett Hook Center. There is a sign that says "Children's Ministry Center" outside of this stairwell. Outdoor access to the Children's Ministry Center is located on the corner of Douglas and Milam Streets.

## 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.

## NEW MEMBERS OF FMC-S

Dr. Paul Jordan and Mrs. Linda Jordan

Laurin Sandlin

Dr. Megan Smalley and Mr. David Smalley

*We welcome you to our wonderful faith family!*

## MINISTRY MOMENT:

Need a smile or hug? Join our volunteers as they make a difference in the GEMs Ministry. Our Special Needs Ministry provides a monthly respite night for parents and caregivers while their child or children enjoy a party atmosphere event including dinner, crafts, games, movie, and a reminder that they are loved and valued. "A disability is merely a different ability."

