

WEEKLY EVENTS

SUNDAYS
9:15am.....Bible Study
10:30amWorship
4:00pm.....SBCC Rehearsal

TUESDAYS
6:00pm..... Area Christian Singles
6:00pm..... Women's Bible Study

WEDNESDAYS
9:00am.....Women's Bible Study
12:30pm..... Handbell Practice
The Gathering
4:00pm.....Youth Center Opens
5:00pm.....Gathering Meal
5:30pm.....WAM
5:50pm.....Prayer Time/Bible Study
6:00pm..... Youth Group
6:40pm..... Sanctuary Choir Practice

THURSDAYS
9:45am.....Sing

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY, MAY 5
Senior Sunday

TUESDAY, MAY 7
8:00am.....May Him

MONDAY, MAY 13
5:30pm.....MOMCo

THURSDAY, MAY 16
7:30am.....Active Adult Day Trip
4:00pm..... Finance Committee

SUNDAY, MAY 19
11:45am.....Church Conference

MONDAY, MAY 27
5:30pm.....MOMCo



JOIN US FOR SUMMER CAMPS!
CAMPS FOR KIDS THROUGH 12TH GRADE | SIGN UP ONLINE

QR Code

kids SUMMER CAMPS

- VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
JUNE 17 - 21, FREE
- AMERICAN GIRL CAMP
JULY 8 - 11, \$50
- CLARA SPRINGS KIDS CAMP
JULY 15 - 18, \$250

ENCOUNTER WEEK
JUNE 3-7
6-12 GRADE
GLEN ROSE, TX

FBCSHV
YOUTH MINISTRY

Dear Church Family,

“Why is he a new person?” Henry is five years old and has just started attending “big church” with his parents. In the service the other day our Chinese pastor, Andy Liu, baptized five people from their congregation. One of them was here visiting her child and grandchildren over the last six months. She flew back to China the day after her baptism! Our Chinese mission is such a special part of our church, reaching this important group. When Andy raised each of these believers from the water, he declared it so simply that it caught Henry’s attention: “A new person!”

Andy said that because of Jesus’ teaching. In the most famous conversation in the Bible, Jesus told Nicodemus, “Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again” (John 3:3). Paul echoed that language when he was talking about the change Jesus makes. “Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come” (2 Corinthians 5:17). Baptists differ from many denominations and groups by practicing “believer’s baptism.” Instead of baptizing infants into the church family, our understanding is that when someone decides to follow Jesus as Lord, that is when they are born again. Baptism is then a symbol of that change and a step of obedience as follow Christ.

I hope that every one of you is already one of Jesus’ “new people.” This is the most important decision we make in life. If you need to take that step or follow the example of Jesus in baptism, please contact us! Our staff loves these conversations. I’m also looking forward to having a conversation with Henry a few years down the road to talk a whole lot more about becoming a new person in Christ!

Blessings,
Jeff

Ways to watch our Sunday service

Our previous weeks worship service is televised each Sunday on KPXJ TV CW21 from 8:00-9:00 am. Weekly services are live-streamed through Facebook, YouTube, or through our website.



There's a common sign throughout the subway system in London: "Mind the Gap." It's alerting travelers to the space between the platform and the train. Right now we have a gap I want to alert all of us to consider. It's the gap between our budget and our giving this year. For several years we have given above our budget, allowing us to maximize our work in ministry. In addition, since the start of last year, we have given \$2.8 million toward our Hunter Hall/Children's area remodel. **However, this year our budget giving is falling significantly behind.** If current giving trends continue we would finish the year more than \$300,000 behind budget. We have until June 30 to make up ground for supporting our ministry efforts, continuing to prioritize missions, retain staff, and meet our facilities expenses. Can you help us reduce the gap?

Senior Sunday
 CELEBRATING OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES
 SUNDAY, MAY 5TH
 Stop by the counter outside the Parlor between now and May 3rd to mark your favorite scripture in the Bibles for our graduates or drop an encouraging note!

kids SUMMER CAMPS
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!
 code for ADULT volunteers only | code for YOUTH volunteers only
 sign up using appropriate QR code

THE MOMCO
 BY MOPS INTERNATIONAL
 Monday | May 13 & 27 | 5:30 pm | Parlor
 questions? meredith@fbcshreveport.org

Active Adult Day Tour
Best of Shreveport: Museums & Ministries
Thursday, May 16
7:30am-5:00pm
 cost is \$45.00 (includes lunch at Ernest & charter bus)
 Call to save your spot

BIBLE READING PLAN
FIRST BAPTIST SHREVEPORT

May - June

- May 5-11 - Ephesians
- May 12-18 - Leviticus 1-9
- May 19-25 - Leviticus 10-18
- May 26-June 1 - Leviticus 19-27
- June 2-8 - Titus, Philemon, James



Operation Christmas Child
VBS Collection

MAY

School Supplies
pens, pencils, markers, spiral notebooks,
folders etc. (nothing liquid)

May Mission Focus

Homeless pack supplies

Homeless Packs
We keep these in buckets around the church for members to pick up and keep in their cars.

Collection Items
Gallon Zip Lock bags, Granola type bars, Peanut Butter Crackers, Water Bottles, Small hygiene items

Ways to Give



ONLINE

- www.fbcshreveport.org click GIVE at top right
- your bank's online bill pay
- stock transfer



IN PERSON

- collection boxes
- during Bible Study
- deposit slot in church office



MAIL

Finance Office
543 Ockley Dr. 71106

Phone Volunteers Needed

Wednesdays
9:00am-1:00pm

Thursdays
9:00am-1:00pm

Substitutes for all shifts

Join us each Wednesday for



5:00 pm - Dinner - Fellowship Hall
5:30 pm - WAM (K-5th) - Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm - Prayer Time / Bible Study - Chapel
6:00 pm - Youth Midweek (Youth Center opens at 4:00)
6:40 pm - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room

Thankful THURSDAY

send your thankful photos or thoughts for FBC's social media posts to

candace@fbcshreveport.org




Wednesday Dinner

ORDER YOUR MEAL ONLINE AT WWW.FBCSHREVEPORT.ORG
OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE

Orders must be placed by 12pm Tuesday

Wednesday Dinner Menu Rotations

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5
Core's Chicken	Taco Bar with Tortillas	Pizza Bar with Pepporoni	Chick-N-A Sandwich	Bar-B-Que
Fries	Chicken	Sausage	Grilled Chicken Sandwich	Pork
Texas Toast	Beef	Cheese	8 Piece Nuggets	Baked Beans
Salad & Dessert	Black Beans	Supreme	Salad, Chips & Dessert	Salad
	Chips, Toppings & Dessert	Salad & Dessert		Chips & Dessert

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CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO:

Melba Oldham and family in the death of her husband, Parnell Oldham, on April 9.

WELCOME NEW MEMBER!



Help us keep our Prayer Sheet current!

Call and give us an update.

865-8414



The First Baptist Church School Board of Trustees is accepting nominations for Board members (*term to begin July 2024*) until Monday, May 6, 2024. Please submit names to nominations@fbcschool.org.

Direct Lines to Staff

Name	Direct Number	Name	Direct Number
Allbritton, Rusty	841-8462	Moore, Mallory	841-8420
Blackwell, Elane	841-8433	Ostendorff, Lauren	841-8423
Grosz, Gay	841-8437	Raines, Jeff	841-8426
Liu, Andy	841-8467	Rowell, Kathie	841-8438
McCoy, Lauren	841-8436	Hanna, Meredith	841-8432
McCoy, Ryan	841-8430	Webb, Ronney Joe	841-8421

**“THE GATHERING”
MEAL MENU**

All ages.....\$7.00
Family max.....\$21.00

First Week:

Cane’s chicken with fries, Texas toast, salad & dessert

Second Week:

Taco Bar

Third Week:

Pizza buffet

Fourth Week:

Choose Chick-fil-A sandwich, grilled chicken sandwich **or** 8 piece nuggets, with salad, chips & dessert

Fifth Week:

BBQ pork, beans, salad, chips & dessert

Order online at www.fbcshreveport.org or by calling the church office at 865-8414.

All orders due by noon each Tuesday.