



Volume 19

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June 12, 2019

**Sunday Morning**

“Take Notice!”

**Midweek Worship**

“Theology For Life: The Lord’s Supper”

**Memory Verse**

“In all your ways acknowledge Him and He will make straight your paths.  
Proverbs 3:6 ESV

**Church Theme**

“In the Heart of Ruston  
With a Heart for You!”

**Church Purpose Statement**

We exist to LOVE, WIN, and GROW  
Ruston and the world for Christ.

**Deacons of the Week**

Matt Black  
Kenny Martin  
Ben Haley

On Sunday, June 23, Justin Shipley will be coming in view of a call for the Young Adult/Contemporary Worship Leader position. Adult 1 - 3 will meet with Justin during Connection Group in Kids’ Worship. Coffee, Water & Donuts will be served.

Then, on June 26 we will have a special called Business Meeting where the committee will present Justin as our candidate.



**ON WALKING**

Sermon series starting June 23rd

**Ministry Team:**

Dr. Chris Craig	Senior Pastor
Clayton Owen	Ed./Admin./Singles
Frank Nihart	Interim Worship
Josh Moore	Contemporary Worship
Merrick Nunn	College
Josh Sanderson	Youth
Ed Colvin	Children
Pam Flowers	Preschool

Brandon Ramsey	Counselor
Jamie Bolton	Media
Xuan Liu	Chinese Mission
Dr. Andy Johnson	Sr. Adult Emeritus
Jeremy Magee	Missions
Zach Yates	Young Married Associate
Braden Hilton	Middle School Associate
Brenda Martin	Pastoral/Financial Assistant

Brittany Jackson	Publications Assistant
Kitty Carter	Receptionist
JoAnn Barr	Music Secretary
Sylvia Roseberry	Church Hostess
Bernard Gemelli	Building Superintendent
Sue Cruz	Building and Grounds
Jeff Moss	Building and Grounds
Marcus Spencer	Building and Grounds
Nesse Cooper	Building and Grounds

## Church Event Schedule

### Sunday, June 16

8:05 am	Early Bird Class
8:45 am	Traditional Service
8:45 am	Contemporary Service (Depot)
9:50 am	Connection Groups
11:00 am	Contemporary Service

### Monday, June 17

6:00 pm	Financial Peace
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### Tuesday, June 18

9:00 am	Weekday Program
10:00 am	Grief Support Group
12:00 pm	Prayer in the Sanctuary
5:30 pm	Connect Night

### Wednesday, June 19

8:00 am	Prayer in the Sanctuary
9:00 am	Weekday Program
2:00 pm	Library Opens
5:00 pm	First Family Meal
6:15 pm	Midweek Worship
7:00 pm	Business Meeting
7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
7:00 pm	College Service

### Thursday, June 20

9:00 am	Weekday Program
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### Friday, June 21

7:00 pm	Chinese Church
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### Decisions from June 9, 2019

2 people prayed to receive Christ as their Savior  
3 people renewed their commitment to Christ.



Hey church family, I hope you all are doing well. I have a couple of quick things I want to share with you.

First of all, thanks so much to Ed, Pam, Jamie, and the rest of our ministry team for a great job with VBS last week. And thank you to all the volunteers who gave of your time and energy to make it a great week! We could not have done it without you; thank you!

Secondly, the Young Adult/Contemporary Worship Search Team is very excited about having Justin Shipley coming to be with us on Sunday the 23rd. Justin will be leading both of our contemporary worship services, meeting with young adult groups at 10:00 and visiting with everyone throughout the morning. We will then have a special called business meeting on June 26th where the Team will present him as our candidate for this position.

I work hand in hand with our search committees, and we all feel very strongly Justin is our man for this position. Please be in prayer for this Sunday, our church, and for the Shipley's as we approach this very important time for our church body.

I hope the rest of your week is great, and I sure hope to see you at church on this upcoming Father's Day Sunday.

Love,  
Chris

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### June Teaching Series:

#### **POWER UP – raise your game**

**Life App:** Life App – What God is doing in you to change the world around you

**Memory Verse:** *The fruit the Holy Spirit produces is love, joy and peace. It is being patient, kind and good. It is being faithful and gentle and having control of oneself.* Galatians 5:22-23a, NIV

### SUNDAY, June 16

**Family Worship Sunday – NO 1<sup>st</sup>Kids Worship**

### WEDNESDAY, June 19

**Bible Story:** Peaceful Easy Feeling (Don't Worry) • *Matthew 6: 25-27*

**Bottom Line:** You can have peace because God is in control.

### SUNDAY, June 23

**Bible Story:** Right Here Waiting (Simeon at the Temple) • *Luke 2:22-35*

**Bottom Line:** When you need to wait, ask God for patience.

## **252 Teams**

Every Wednesday

6:15 pm – 7:00 pm

June 19: W.O.W.

June 26: June Wrap Up & July Launch

## **5 & 6 Grade Summit:**

### **Sign up at First Life**

Great Wolf Lodge

June 24 & 25

Completed Grades 5 & 6

6 boy spots remaining

3 girl spots remaining

waiting list available



### **Camp Harris: Sign up at First Life**

Minden, LA

July 15 – 18

Completed Grade 2

### **CentriKid: Sign up at First Life**

Shocco Springs, AL

July 29 – August 2

Completed Grades 3 – 5

## **that's SO THURSDAY!!**

### **June 20**

Excalibur in Calhoun, LA (1:00 pm – 5:00 pm)

Completed Kindergarten – Grade 5

\$15

### **June 27**

Toy Story 4 at Celebrity Theatre in Ruston, LA

(1:00 pm – 5:00 pm)

Completed Kindergarten – Grade 5

\$10

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We had an EPIC VBS! We averaged 185 kids and hit our high of 192 on Thursday! We collected \$731.53 for Pure Water Pure Love AND we collected 1,082 cans/dry goods for CCA! We hosted approximately 300-325 on Family Night! AND we had 15 indicating decisions in just 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grades on Thursday! There were 3 indicating first time decisions and 5 indicating that they had already given their life to God and are ready to follow in baptism. Another incredible number is 153, that is how many volunteers we averaged! THANK YOU for the prayers, love, support, and goodies!

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Join us on the third Tuesday of each month at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will be connecting with prospects and new members by writing cards, phoning or making visits. We are asking Connection Groups to send one or two couples per month. Our next "Connect Night" will be June 18.



## **Wise Up Sermon Series \$27**

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*Thank  
you*

First Ruston Family,

Thank you for accepting me into your fellowship by my Statement of Faith. Also, thank you for all you have done for me since I have been in Ruston.

Camille Lee

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## **HiSet Graduation**

Saturday, June 15, 2019 at 5:00 pm is the date set for the HiSet Graduation at the Depot. Our church hosts the Rolling Hills Ministries program that helps people to achieve their High School Equivalency Diploma. This year we have 8 graduates, doubling the number from last year. Our own Marcus Spencer will be speaking words of encouragement to our graduates. Thank you to FBC Ruston for helping to make this possible.

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## *Grief Support*

We are beginning a grief support group, lead by Sharon Kilcoyne from the Family Counseling Center. The group will meet on Tuesdays in Room 319, beginning June 11 at 10:00 am. If you are dealing with the loss of a loved one and feel it would be beneficial to talk with others who understand your pain, we would love for you to join us. We will be discussing the stages of grief and also striving to provide support and fellowship.

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## New Members:



Mary Ann & Dane D'Avy  
Members by Transfer of  
Letter

Christi McKinney and  
Hunter Alexander  
Members by Transfer of Letter



Congratulations to Daniel and Kiley Flowers on the birth of their son, Boone Easton Flowers. He is welcomed by big sister Molley Mikel and grandparents, Al and Pam Flowers.



Congratulations to Dannah and Chris Holtzclaw on the birth of their son, Harrison Luke Holtzclaw. He is welcomed by big sisters Virginia and Mary Amelia and great grandmother Maxine Holtzclaw.



### First Adult Lunch (65+) Tuesday, June 18, 2019

We will be traveling to the Warehouse in Monroe for lunch. We will eat at 11:30. Bus will leave the church at 10:55.



We need people to help with our Meal Ministry to new parents at FBC! Please call Pam Flowers if you can help with this very important ministry or you can sign up on First Life.



Christian sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Billie Lampkin on her passing.

### First Family Meal June 19, 2019

#### Regular Meal

Meatloaf  
Mashed Potatoes  
Green Beans  
Soup/Salad  
Rolls

#### Kids' Meal

Chicken Nuggets  
Chips

#### Dessert

Butterfinger  
Cake