

— First — BAPTIST CHURCH

MANY, LOUISIANA

Order of Service May 10, 2020

Worship in Song

Alleluia Hymn #276

Welcome and Announcements..... Bro. Jonathan Bost

Worship in Song

God, Give Us Christian Homes Hymn #653

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms Hymn #453

Offering Video Gideons: Dr. Bob Allardyce

Special Music Laurie Gentry and Steve Birdwell

Sermon Bro. Jonathan Bost

Wisdom for Life: The Wisdom of Emptiness

Ecclesiastes 1:12-2:26

(Pew Bible p. 607-608)

Invitation *How Firm a Foundation* Hymn #456

Benediction *Matthew 6:19-21* Bro. Jonathan Bost

Birthdays: Linda Sparks (10), Cindy Funderburk (15), &
Evelyn Dees (16).

May Special Offering:

Gideons

Our Church Goal: \$ 2,000.00

Offerings Received: \$ 10.00

Amount Remaining to goal: \$ 1,990.00

May's Special Offerings

*Gideons and School Supplies
for Back to School Rally*

Your support is greatly appreciated.

Ministry Leaders

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| Jonathan Bost | Pastor | Mark Jordan | Music Director |
| Jeffrey Leach | Youth Director | | Children's Director |

Worship Team

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| Glenda Merriman | Pianist | Merrill Cummings | Organist |
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Activities This Week

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| Today: | 11:00 a.m. | Morning Worship Service via livestream & KWLTV (107.1) radio |
| Wednesday: | 6:30 p.m. | Adult Bible Study via livestream |
| Next Sunday: | 8:00 a.m. | Sunday School via KTEZ (99.9) & KWLTV (107.1) radio |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Morning Worship Service via livestream & KWLTV (107.1) radio |

Prayer Concerns:

Dorothy Alford, Murrel Blake, Marilyn Booker, Cassidy Byles, Carolyn Cook, Dean Corley, Merrill & Linda Cummings, Evelyn Dees, Marsha Gentry, Kristi Leach, Cecile & Ellen Lites, Magda McCormick, Margaret Oosta, Ruth Price, Shirley Salley, Evelyn Scaife, Dovie Tarver, Kathy Warmack, Cindy Wright, Doris Wright, Mary Jo Wright, Skeeter & Jan Varnado

Vital Statistics

| Financial April 2020 | | Attendance | | |
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| | | Date | Sunday School | Worship |
| Monthly Budget Needs: | \$24,818.74 | 5/3 | | |
| Gifts Received to Date: | \$2,489.96 | 5/10 | | |
| Budget Needs Remaining: | \$22,238.78 | 5/17 | | |
| | | 5/24 | | |
| | | 5/31 | | |



Church Office Hours * Monday to Friday 10 AM – 2 PM

While normal gatherings are suspended on our campus, our church staff will continue to work on our campus. If you need, we are a call, text, or an e-mail away. If you need to pick-up something or bring something to us, we will be here. Also, there will be a sanitation station at the door, with hand sanitizer & wipes for you to use upon entry and departure from the building. That table will also have space for you to leave any items you may need to bring, items prepared for you to pick-up, and an offering plate to make any contributions. There is info in the clip art about how to [make your regular gifts on-line](#), via text, or in person. Please note that if you need to contact

any staff during office closure, a list is provided in the monthly newsletter. Cut it out and save it for your convenience.

Ways to view or listen to our Sunday Morning Worship Services and Wednesday Night Bible Study:

- 1) Our Facebook page - [Facebook.com/FirstBaptistMany](https://www.facebook.com/FirstBaptistMany)
- 2) Our YouTube channel - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXZDreBweOc8FsCqIcbXXKog>
- 3) KWLTV (107.1) radio



In light of the unfolding and developing information we have on the corona virus pandemic we are suspending group meetings on our campus until **at least May 15th**. This fulfills our President's recommendation to refrain from gatherings of 10 or more people. Before that date, we will re-evaluate the situation and communicate (via email, Facebook, bulletin, website, etc.) our plan in response to the best available information at that time. We anticipate when restrictions are lifted, we may do "soft-opening" by maybe doing small groups only but those plans will be made sooner. Our goal is to continue to demonstrate our faith and trust in God, as well as our love for Him, as well as our love for our neighbors by taking every reasonable precaution to prevent the spread of the virus to them and their loved ones.

While we have suspended meetings, we have not canceled church. We have taken steps to ensure that we can continue to "Connect, Grow, and Serve" together, just not in person. That includes making some of our activities accessible through various media.

We would like to thank everyone who has made contributions to the church, especially during this time. Many have given by mail, made online contributions, or ran their check by the church during office hours. Again, thanks for your faithful giving!



Even though we will not be having our Wednesday Night prayer meeting and Bible Study, we will still publish a weekly prayer list. If you have any prayer requests that you want to add, change or delete, please contact the church office before 1 PM on Wednesdays. Now more than ever, we need to be committed to our daily prayer time. Our weekly prayer list will be available in the following ways:

- 1) Printed prayer lists are available on the table outside of the church office, if you would like to come pick one up.
- 2) We will send the prayer list via email in PDF form to those who would like to receive it in digital form. If you would like to be added to this email, please contact the church office.

Finance Committee Meeting Sunday, May 17th

This committee will meet to discuss the financial matters of the church. If you have any questions on this, please contact Paul Morris or the church office. Please keep our church's finances in your prayers.

Deacons Meeting – Sunday, May 17th

Several items are on the agenda for the meeting. All deacons are encouraged to attend. Everyone is asked to please pray for our Deacons daily

Wisdom for Life: The Wisdom of Emptiness

(Ecclesiastes 1:12-2:26)

I. The Emptiness of W_____ (1:13-18)

Do you know when mountain goats give birth?

Have you watched the deer in labor?

²Can you count the months they are pregnant
so you can know the time they give birth?

Job 39:1-2

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| Walking Point: | Can't K_____ It All! |
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II. The Emptiness of W_____ (2:1-11)

The LORD God planted a garden in Eden...⁹The LORD God caused to grow out of the ground every tree pleasing in appearance and good for food...
Genesis 2:8-9

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| Walking Point: | Can't E_____ It All! |
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III. The Emptiness of W_____ (2:12-17)

The wise store up knowledge,
but the mouth of the fool hastens destruction.

Proverbs 10:14

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| Walking Point: | Can't U_____ It All! |
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IV. The Emptiness of W_____ (2:18-23)

Whatever you do, do it enthusiastically, as something done for the Lord and not for men,
²⁴knowing that you will receive the reward of an inheritance from the Lord. You serve the Lord Christ.
Colossians 3:23-24

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| Walking Point: | Can't H_____ It All! |
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| The Big Idea: | |
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Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

He's my Savior, He's my Savior, He's my Savior, He's my Savior,
He's my Savior, He's my Savior, He's my Savior, He's my Savior!

He is worthy, He is worthy, He is worthy, He is worthy,
He is worthy, He is worthy, He is worthy, He is worthy!

I will praise Him, I will praise Him, I will praise Him, I will praise Him,
I will praise Him, I will praise Him, I will praise Him, I will praise Him!

God, Give Us Christian Homes

God, give us Christian homes!
Homes where the Bible is loved and taught,
Homes where the Master's will is sought,
Homes crowned with beauty your love has wrought;
God, give us Christian homes; God, give us Christian homes!

God, give us Christian homes!
Homes where the father is true and strong,
Homes that are free from the blight of wrong,
Homes that are joyous with love and song;
God, give us Christian homes; God, give us Christian homes!

God, give us Christian homes!
Homes where the mother, in caring quest,
Strives to show others your way is best,
Homes where the Lord is an honored guest;
God, give us Christian homes; God, give us Christian homes!

God, give us Christian homes!
Homes where the children are led to know
Christ in His beauty who loves them so,
Homes where the altar fires burn and glow;
God, give us Christian homes; God, give us Christian homes!

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

(Chorus) – Leaning, leaning, Safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
O how bright the path grows from day to day,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

(Chorus)

What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
Leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

(Chorus)

How Firm a Foundation

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!
What more can he say than to you he has said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed;
For I am your God, and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,
My grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply;
The flame shall not hurt you; I only design
Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

"The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake."