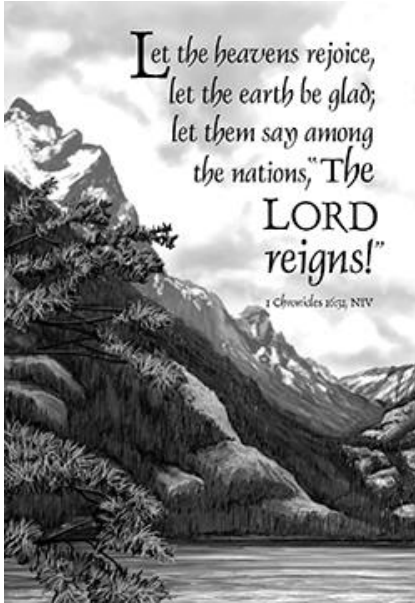


*Welcome To  
First Baptist Church  
Many, Louisiana*



*August 20, 2023*

**First Baptist Church**

**Ministry Leaders**

Rev. Mark Robinson Interim Pastor

Mike Collier Music Leader

**Worship Team**

Glenda Merriman	Pianist	Merrill Cummings	Organist
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# Welcome & Announcements

## Call to Worship

*How Great Is Our God*..... Hymn # 5

*Oh, the Glory of Your Presence* ..... Hymn # 76

*How Great Thou Art*..... Hymn # 6

Invocation.....Deacon of the Week.....Don Burkett

## Giving of Tithes & Offerings

*Higher Ground* ..... Hymn # 532

*Precious Lord, Take My Hand* ..... Hymn # 450

Special Music.....*Wonderful Grace of Jesus*

Message.....Rev. Mark Robinson

Invitation.....*Speak to My Heart*.....Hymn #428

Benediction .....*Joy to the World*.....Hymn # 181

**Birthdays:** Breez Booker (21), Brock Booker, & Phyllis Horton (24).

*Flowers for today's service are given by Charles & Verda Mains in honor of Cecile and Ellen Lites.*

<i>August Offerings: Sabine Disaster Relief</i>	
<i>Our Church Goal:</i>	\$ 500.00
<i>Offerings Received:</i>	\$ 145.00
<i>Goal Remaining</i>	\$ 355.00

**August's Special Offering's**  
*District Eight Disaster Relief Fund and La. Children's Home Fall Food Roundup*  
 Your support is greatly appreciated.

## Ways to Give Your Tithes & Offerings

- Place in offering plate as you enter or exit the Sanctuary.
- Mail to Church (P.O. Box 239, Many, LA 71449) or bring to the church office during the week.
- Log on to [www.fbcmany.org/giving](http://www.fbcmany.org/giving) or text FBCMANY to 73256. (Messages and data rates may apply. Message frequency varies. Text HELP to 73256 for help. Text STOP to 73256 to cancel.)

<b><u>Members in Service :</u></b>		
	<b>Greeters</b>	<b>Deacon of the Week</b>
8/20	Dorothy Alford, Shirley Salley	Don Burkett
8/27	Delores Geoghagen, Shirley Salley, and Rocky Wright	Phillip Roark

## *Activities This Week*

Today	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service & Livestream
	11:00 a.m.	KWLV (107.1 FM) radio
Wednesday	5:45 p.m.	Meal
	6:15 p.m.	Prayer Meeting & Bible Study
Nest Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service & Live Stream
	11:00 a.m.	KWLV (107.1 FM) radio

### **Prayer Concerns:**

Merilyn Booker, Kathy Byles, Linda Cummings, Dub Gentry,  
Becky Horner, Ginger Jordan, Terry Kelly, Sr., Kristi Leach,  
Margaret Leach, Eddie Moore, Jeff Morrow,  
Evelyn Scaife, Valerie Scalisi, Dovie Tarver, O.E. Varnado,  
Claude & Louise Weatherford, Cindy Wright, and Mary Jo Wright

## **Vital Statistics**

Financial August 2023		Attendance		
		Date	Sun. School	Worship
Monthly Budget Needs:	\$25,960.40	8/6	51	63
Gifts Received to date:	15,353.00	8/13	37	
Budget Needs Remaining	\$10,607.40	8/20		
		8/27		

### Wednesday Night Meal Menu for Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup>

Hamburger Steak, Gravy & Mashed Potatoes,  
And Pot Luck      No Charge  
Please bring a side dish or dessert.

Remember  
to **RSVP**

Note: If you plan to eat with us, RSVP to the Church Office by Tuesday at noon. Call 256-5655 or email [fbcmany@bellsouth.net](mailto:fbcmany@bellsouth.net)



Altar Flowers

*We have the following dates open for Sanctuary  
Flowers: August 27, September 3, and September  
10. Please call the church office as soon as  
possible so that we can mark your reservation on  
the calendar.*

**Watch our Sunday Morning Worship Services live on our Facebook page. If you cannot join us in person, please use this way to worship with us each week.**

## **First Responders Breakfast**

On Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, our Missions and Evangelism Committee will be coordinating taking donuts, juice, and milk as well as spending some time in prayer with our area First Responders on behalf of Many First Baptist Church. If you would like to help with this endeavor, please contact Mary Gore. This breakfast is taking the place of our annual First Responders Sunday. Please lift up area First Responders in your prayers daily.

### **MID-YEAR CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS 2023**

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE. THEY WILL BE DISTRIBUTED THIS SUNDAY MORNING (SEE PHYLLIS HORTON), OR YOU MAY PICK THEM UP AT THE CHURCH OFFICE. THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE MINISTRY OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF MANY.

### **Fourth Friday Fish Fry at Clara Springs**

Friday, August 25<sup>th</sup> is the next fish fry at Clara Springs Camp. It begins at 5 PM. Adults are \$ 15 per person, kids 10 - 17 yr. old are \$ 10 per person, and kids under 9 & under are free. Contact Clara Springs for more details. Make plans to attend.

### **Fall Food Round Up**



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Round Up

It's time for the annual Children's Home Fall Food Roundup. The list of needed items are placed throughout the church and on page 4 of the church August Newsletter. The home will be here to pick up the food on Monday, September 11<sup>th</sup>. A box is located by the church office and upstairs by the water cooler to put purchased items in. The Children's Home is also accepting monetary donations. You can turn in your donation to the church office but please make checks payable to the La. Children's Home. Please be generous.



**Promotion Sunday** is August 27<sup>th</sup>! All Nursery, Grade School, and Youth who will promote will be moved on the rolls. Any adults who would like to change classes are encouraged to contact Sunday School Director- Charles Mains or the church office so that we can make that change on rolls. The new Church Year begins on September 1<sup>st</sup> so let's start the year off with renewal and outreach as our focus. If you have any questions on these or any Sunday School matters, please contact Charles or the church office.

Our August special offering is focused on Sabine Association Disaster Relief with a goal of \$500. In the Business Meeting this past Wednesday night, it was proposed and approved that for this year to be changed from Sabine Association Disaster Relief to District Eight Disaster Relief Fund. The District Eight Disaster Relief Feeding Unit, Chaplin Unit, as well as the Shower & Laundry Unit have been activated in the Florien area due to the recent fires. This change will allow us to support the efforts that D8 is doing to help our neighbors. Your generosity will make sure these Disaster Relief Units are ready to support and minister to the people in our state, district, and communities.

**Are you signed up on the church's "Realm" program? If not, please call or send an email to the church office so that we can send you an e-vite.**



**Realm is the church's membership program. You can update your contact information, make contributions, see your contribution statement, and much more. This is a great tool and we plan to utilize some new things with Realm very soon. Get signed up today!**

## **Looking Ahead to September Important Dates**

**9/3/2023 – Southern Plainsmen A.M. Worship Service**

**9/4/2023 – Labor Day (Church Office Closed)**

**9/10 - 9/17/23 – Week of Prayer for Georgia Barnette**

**State Missions Offering**

**9/17/2023 – Finance Meeting**

**9/17/2023 – Deacon's Meeting**

**9/20/2023- Business Meeting**

# *Sermon Notes:*

## ***How to Join First Baptist Church of Many:***

*At the close of the service, a hymn of invitation will be sung. During this time, you may go forward and tell the pastor that you desire to unite with this church. You may share that you:*

- ◆ *Want to receive Christ as Lord and Savior and follow Him in baptism.*
- ◆ *Have already trusted Christ as Savior and want to signify that commitment through Believer's baptism by immersion.*
- ◆ *Want to transfer your letter of membership from another Baptist church of like faith and order to this church.*
- ◆ *Want to join the Church by statement of your prior conversion and symbolic baptism by immersion (when no letter is obtainable from a Baptist church of like faith and order).*