Welcome To First Baptist Church Many, Louisiana



May 25, 2025

Our Mission Statement: Our purpose is to be a unified body seeking to reach up to God, out to people, and down within ourselves to expand God's Kingdom for God's glory.

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

<i>Be Strong in the Lord</i>			
Memorial Day and Veteran Recognition			
Presentation of Colors and Pledge of Allegiance			
The Star-Spangled BannerHymn # 644			
God of Our FathersHymn # 642			
Eternal Father, Strong to SaveHymn # 643			
MessageBro. Mark Robinson			
Invitation Lead On, O King Eternal Hymn # 659			
BenedictionLove is the Theme			

<u>**Birthdays for this Week:</u>** Charles Mains (25), Jimmy Bray (28), and Lana Roark Dauterive (29).</u>

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.

May Offering: Gideon's Offering:		
Our Church Goal:	\$2,000.00	
Offerings Received:	\$1,150.00	
Amount of goal Remaining:	\$ 850.00	

May Special Offering's

Gideon Offering & FBC Food Pantry Your support is greatly appreciated.

Ways to Give Your Tithes & Offerings

- Place in offering box as you enter or exit the Sanctuary.
- Mail to Church (P.O. Box 239, Many, LA 71449).
- Come by the church office during office hours.
- Log on to <u>www.fbcmany.org/giving</u> or Text FBCMANY to 73256.

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	
Monday		Church Office Closed	
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Church Meal	
	6:00 p.m.	Prayer Meeting & Bible Study	
Next Sun.	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:

Dorothy Alford, Merilyn Booker, Lucille DeWitt, Dub & Catherine Gentry, Terry Geoghagan, Becky Horner, Ginger Jordan, Terry Kelly, Sr., Kristi Leach, Margaret Leach, Eddie Moore, Jeff Morrow, Rev. Claude Weatherford, Pat Wiggins, Suzanne Worsham, Mary Jo Wright The Barbara Lewing Family

Vital Statistics					
Financial		Attendance			
May 2025		Date	Sun. School	Worship	
Monthly Budget Needs:	\$ 27,334.15	5/4	34	44	
Gifts Received to date:	\$ 22,224.00	5/11	41	46	
Budget Needs	\$ 5,110.15	5/18	39	45	
Remaining:	φ 3,110.15	5/25			



Wednesday Night Meal Menu for May 28th

Pot Luck Please bring a Main Dish, Side, or Dessert. No Charge.

Note: If you plan to eat with us, **RSVP to the Church Office by Tuesday at noon**. Call 256-5655 or email <u>fbcmany@bellsouth.net</u>

	Members in Service :		
Greeters		Deacon of the Week	
5/25	Delores Geoghagan, Shirley Salley, and Rocky Wright	Paul Morris	
6/1	Cathy Kelly, Nancy Wright	Don Burkett	

Church Picnic Today after AM Worship Service Immediately following church service today, we will gather downstairs for our annual church picnic. There will be plenty of food



for everyone. We will have grilled hamburgers, and hotdogs with all the fixings for everyone. The church is planning to have games and activities for everyone. Looks like we have several who want to participate in a corn hole tournament. Come join in this time of great food, fun, and fellowship.

Joint Meeting of the Recreation, Properties and Children's Committees on Wednesday, May 28th There will be a join meeting of the Recreation, Properties, and Children's Committees on Wednesday, May 28th @ 4:30 p.m. It is important that everyone who are on these committees attend.



Grateful Hearts Book Club

Ladies! Looking for a Christian book club? Come join us at Many First Baptist Church. Everyone is welcome. The group meets the first Thursday of each month. The next book we will discuss is "A

Voice in the Wind" by Francine Rivers. Get your book at your favorite bookstore or the library and come ready to discuss it at our meeting on Thursday, June 5th @ 2 PM. Bring a friend. For more information, contact the FBC office at 256-5655.

We have flyers available for VBS that you can take and pass out to family and friends. We want to fill this church with children this year for VBS. We want them to experience the love, and goodness of God and First Baptist Church Many. There are some on the table outside the church office.

Church Office Closed on Monday, May 26th for Memorial Day. Normal office hours will resume Tuesday, May 27th.

VBS 2025 "Magnified"

July 6-9 5 - 8 p.m. Come join us as we discover the Bigness of God in the smallest of things. We are looking for explorers from preschool

through 5th grade. We are excited this year to have the students from Baptist Collegiate Ministry come and work with us. As we prepare for VBS, pray for everyone involved, that includes workers and children. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Debbie Roark. You can pre-register children by calling 318-256-5655 or email the church at <u>fbcmany@bellsouth.net</u> Mark your calendar now and make plans to join us as we Magnify the greatness of God.

Items Needed for VBS

We need your help for VBS! We need half gallon cardboard milk cartons (not plastic). We need about 20 as part of a craft for the kids. Please rinse them out and place them in the Children's Sunday School room. Thanks for your help.

We have some upcoming dates open for Flowers for the Sanctuary. The whole month of June is open. This is a great way to remember your loved ones.

Please contact the church office so we can schedule you for a date. The flowers that are placed in our sanctuary add so much beauty to our worship experience.

June 2025 Schedule

Thursday, 6/5 – Grateful Hearts Book Club @ 2PM Tuesday, 6/9 – Thursday 6/10 Southern Bapt. Conv. Sunday, 6/15 – Father's Day Sunday, 6/22 – Finance Committee Meeting @ 5 PM Tuesday, 6/24 – WMU Meeting @ 9:30 AM Wednesday, 6/25 – Business Meeting @ 6 PM Friday, 6/27 – Clara Springs Fourth Friday Fish Fry

Last Sunday, the Gideons collected \$ 1,000 for their Bible ministry. It's not too late to give. You can give through the church until May 31st. Thank you for your generosity.





Sermon Notes:

Notes from the Pastor Search Committee:

Church Family,

The Church is not a place where PERFECT people gather to say PERFECT things, or have PERFECT thoughts, or have PERFECT feelings. The Church is a place where IMPERFECT people gather to provide Encouragement, Support, and Service to each other.

I read this quote the other day and it made me think Hard about our Church and Church family though we may be small in numbers we are Large at heart, and in times when you least expect it you may say something that offends someone or even cause them to leave and not return. Stop for just a minute and look around see who sits beside you, In front of you or even across the church from you and think have you spoken to them today or when was the last time you called them. If we stepped outside the doors of First Baptist Church and ask others on the street, have you heard about First Baptist Church, what would they tell you. Would it be good or would it be bad?

I know that while I am just one person on the committee, we as group are praying and searching for PERFECT PASTOR to fill the pulpit and while you as a church are praying with us remember that pastor is doing his homework on us. And stop and think this week have I reached out, called, sent a simple card, or even a text to just say we missed you or even a I am sorry to someone you may have hurt. Our church has to get back to the basics before we can grow and blossom to where the LORD wants us to be and it starts with YOU and ME. It's easy to find other things to distract our minds and keep us busy doing other things, I know I am just as guilty but serving on this committee has taught me that loving my church and church family is a priority that I will never again take Lightly.

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. 1Thessalonians 5:16-18