

Welcome To First Baptist Church Many, Louisiana



July 6, 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

Vacation Bible School Emphasis

Call to Worship

America, the BeautifulHymn # 641

God Bless America Screen

Presentation of Colors Rocky Wright

Pledge of Allegiance Rocky Wright

Prayer Deacon of the Week Mike Collier

The Star-Spangled BannerHymn # 644

My Country, 'Tis of Thee.....Hymn # 646

Message..... Bro. Mark Robinson

Invitation*Amazing Grace!*Hymn # 104

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

Benediction*God Bless the USA*..... Tiffeni Campbell

Birthdays for this Week: Chloe Leach (6), Mark Jordan (7), Jan Varnado, John D. Scaife (9), Renetta Geoghagan (10), Gary Moore (11), and Sandra Brandon (12).

<i>June Offering:</i>		
<i>Back to School Rally Offering</i>		
<i>Our Church Goal:</i>	\$	500.00
<i>Offerings Received:</i>	\$	575.00
<i>Amount of goal</i>		
<i>Exceeded:</i>	\$	75.00

June Special Offering's
Back to School Rally and School Supplies for Back to School Rally. 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 www.fbcmany.org/giving or Text FBCMANY to 73256.

<i>Activities This Week</i>		
Today	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service & Livestream
	11:00 a.m.	KWLV (107.1 FM) radio
Wednesday	No Meal or Activities	
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
	4:00 p.m.	Church Council
	5:00 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting

Prayer Concerns:

Dorothy Alford, Marilyn Booker, Sandra Brandon,
Merrill Cummings, Lucille DeWitt, Dub & Catherine Gentry,
Becky Horner, Terry Kelly, Sr., Kristi Leach, Margaret Leach,
Eddie Moore, Jeff Morrow, Beth Scaife, Rev. Claude
Weatherford, Pat Wiggins, Suzanne Worsham, Mary Jo Wright
The Ginger Jordan Family

Vital Statistics				
Financial June 2025		Attendance		
		Date	Sun. School	Worship
Monthly Budget Needs:	\$ 27,334.15	6/1	34	45
Gifts Received to date:	\$ 41,929.38	6/8	43	56
Budget Needs Exceeded:	\$ 14,595.23	6/15	36	62
		6/22	38	39
		6/29	44	73

No Wednesday Night Activites this Week

Due to having VBS this week, we will not have our
Wednesday Night meal and activities on July 9th . We
will resume normal Wednesday night meal and
activities next week on July 16th.

<u>Members in Service :</u>		
	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Deacon of the Week</u>
7/6	Cathy Kelly, Nancy Wright	Mike Collier
7/13	Kathy and Danny Warmack	Paul Morris

LORD’S SUPPER TODAY

Today during the AM Worship Service, we will observe the
Lord’s Supper. We hope that you will come to the Lord’s
table, and join in this service of remembrance.



VBS 2025 "Magnified" VBS Week Starts Today @ 5 p.m.

We are so excited to have this opportunity to share God's message with children from our area. 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 Chloe McGilvary, and the GOLO Team from Baptist Collegiate Ministry come and work with us. Pray for everyone involved, that includes workers and children. You can pre-register children by picking up forms on table by the church office and bring it back this evening.

Mid -Year Contribution Statements

Mid-Year contribution statements will be ready in the next couple of weeks. This statement will let you know where you are on your financial gifts to the church so far in 2025. When you receive your statement, please look it over carefully and let us know if you have any questions or if there is an error. We appreciate your financial support of the ministry of Many FBC.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING **SUNDAY, JULY 13TH @ 4 PM**



It is almost time for the quarterly Church Council Meeting. All church committees should meet to plan activities and events for the remainder of 2025 and upcoming 2026. Committees can contact the church office to schedule events to be placed on the church calendar. All church leaders and committee chairpersons are urged to attend.



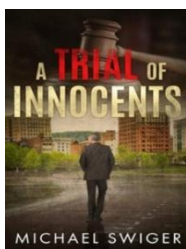
The Back to School Rally is fast approaching. It will be held on Saturday, August 2nd at Many Elementary. This month our focus is on collecting school supplies for Back to School Rally. We have a collection box outside the church office.

Finance Committee Meeting Sunday, July 13th @ 5 p.m.

Members of this committee are urged to attend. There are several important items to discuss. If you cannot attend, contact Paul Morris or the church office.

Business Meeting on Wednesday, July 16th @ 6 PM

Church members need to attend this important Business Meeting on July 16th. Several important items are on the agenda as well as other key business matters. Come be a part of the business matters and decisions of the church.



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. We will not meet in July due to VBS taking place during that time. The next book we will discuss is "A

Trial of Innocents" by Michael Swiger. Get your book at your favorite bookstore or the library and come ready to discuss it at our meeting on Thursday, August 7th @ 2 PM. Bring a friend. For more info, contact the FBC office at 256-5655.

URGENT NEED - Media Committee Looking for Volunteers!

The Media Committee is seeking volunteers to help with the ministry on Sunday mornings. We need people to help run the sound board, run the computer, or help with the Facebook livestream of our services. Sometimes it's just simply push a button or two. We have people who are willing to help train you plus the audio company is planning to come sometime the middle to end of July for a training. If you are interested in serving, contact the church office or Mark Jordan.

*Stay in touch with what is happening
at First Baptist Church. Pick up a
copy of our July Newsletter or go to
our website www.fbcmany.org*

Notes from the Pastor Search Committee:

Church Family,

Grace and peace to all in the name of Jesus our Savior!

So Jacob was left alone, and a Man [came and] wrestled with him until daybreak. When the Man saw that He had not prevailed against Jacob, He touched his hip joint; and Jacob's hip was dislocated as he wrestled with Him. Genesis 32:24-25 (AMP)

Webster's definition of surrender implies a giving up after a struggle to retain or resist. God's word is filled with examples of how living apart from a surrendered relationship with Him is contrary to why He created us. After years of being away Jacob set out to return to his home and hoped to make peace with his brother Esau. One night on the journey, he sent everyone ahead of him while he stayed behind. While alone Jacob wrestles (struggles) with God and himself. Jacob's desire is for a place of blessing, a place of peace, a place where he could go forward surrendered to God's control. To surrender to God's way, path, and plan for his life no matter what lay ahead. The passage here shows that until Jacob had a divine wrestling match, a very personal struggle with God, his faith was not cemented – surrendered, as was the faith of his father Isaac and grandfather Abraham. Before this we read, *Jacob said, "O God of my father Abraham and God of my father Isaac, the LORD, who said to me, 'Return to your country and to your people, and I will make you prosper,' Gen 32:9 (AMP)* Is it significant that Jacob refers to God as "God of Abraham and God of Isaac" and not of himself? Jacob wanted God's blessing but struggled with his choice to fully surrender to Him in faith.

Throughout His word, and more significantly our lives, God will reveal himself in ways that give us a clear vision of who He is and how we fit in His plan. He is a God of transformation, the author of peace and not of confusion. However, we most certainly will all come (alone) to a place of struggle where we wrestle with God for a blessing and overwhelming sense of peace in our current circumstance. A place where our faith is tested and hopefully completely surrendered to Him. A place in our walk that no matter what this life brings us we can say "He is my God and I trust Him completely!" A place where I know He has seen me through before and He will see me through again. I know from that day forward I will not be the same person that I once was. I will find myself in a new season of testing. A place in time where my walk was changed. A new day where I am completely surrendered to the will of my Father. *Now the sun rose on him as he passed Penuel (Peniel), and he was limping because of his hip. Gen 32:31 (AMP)*

Just as God changed Jacob (Israel) both physically and spiritually, and his walk was different.

We sincerely thank you for your prayers of wisdom and discernment in completing our task. May our vision continually be more focused on seeing things from God's perspective and not ours. *I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees you. Job 42:5 (ESV)*